



EuroMeSCo Annual Conference 2013

A TRANSFORMING ARAB WORLD: BETWEEN CONTINUITY AND CHANGE

3rd – 4th October 2013

Crowne Plaza Hotel République, Paris

PROGRAMME

Thursday 3rd October

17.00 – 19.00 Opening session

Opening remarks by **Senén Florensa** and **Antonio Missiroli**

Followed by the interventions of:

Hughes Mingarelli, Jean Pierre Filiu, Bichara Khader

And a debate with participants

20.00 Dinner

Friday 4th October

09.00 – 11.00 Plenary Session: What has changed and what remained unchanged in the region since 2011? A perspective from the Arab side

Lahcen Achy, Hanaa Ebeid, Shadi Hamid, Bassma Kodmani

Moderated by **Claire Spencer**

Debate with participants

11.00-11.30 Coffee Break

11.30-13.30 **Parallel Working Sessions**

Working Session 1: The State: Absorbing the shocks of change	Working Session 2: The Region: More fragmentation or more cohesion?	Working Session 3: The Society: Between new actors and old demands
<p>Beyond elections: deep democracy and state reforms in transition countries. The cases of Egypt and Tunisia.</p> <p>Paper Presenters: Ibrahim El Houdaiby, Tarek Kahlaoui, Larbi Sadiki</p> <p>Discussants: Haizam Amirah-Fernández, Susi Dennison</p> <p>Chair/Rapporteur: Pol Morillas</p> <p>Debate with participants</p>	<p>Regional implications of national transitions and conflicts. The cases of Syria and Libya.</p> <p>Paper Presenters: Anas El Gomati, Eduard Soler</p> <p>Discussant: Helle Malmvig</p> <p>Chair/Rapporteur: Erzsébet Rózsa</p> <p>Debate with participants</p>	<p>Civil society and emerging social actors in political transitions. Parties, think tanks & NGOs.</p> <p>Paper Presenters: Mohammed Elagati, Mohammed El Hachemi</p> <p>Discussants: Mona al-Koueidi, Lilia Weslaty</p> <p>Chair/Rapporteur: Florence Gaub</p> <p>Debate with participants</p>

13.30-14.30 Lunch

14.30 – 16.15 **Plenary Session: What implications for Euro-Mediterranean relations?**

Developing the potential of the EU Neighbourhood Policy and the Union for the Mediterranean in the new regional environment

Chair: Andreu Bassols

Speakers: Claudio Cortese, Michael Koehler, Marc Otte, Rosa Balfour

Debate with participants

16.15 – 16.30 **Closing remarks**

Senén Florensa, Antonio Missiroli

Note: The working languages of the conference and working sessions will be English and French, without translation