

## COOPERATING INSTITUTIONS

### Center for Middle Eastern and North African Politics

The Centre was founded in 1980 as a part of the Otto Suhr Institute of Political Sciences at Freie Universität Berlin. Characterised by a critical, creative and international atmosphere, its research and teaching is particularly focused on the dynamics of bottom-up change within the context of authoritarianism, the impact of socioeconomic grievances, changing gender relations, transformation of state-society relations, intra- and interstate violence and the prospects of regional and international cooperation. The Centre maintains a unique network of leading institutions and individuals for trans-disciplinary cooperation in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA), Europe and Germany. It hosts German and international scholars, postdoctoral researchers, as well as PhD students, many of them from the Arab World.

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### EGE Rabat

The Rabat School of Governance and Economics (EGE-Rabat) is part of the Mohammed VI Polytechnique University and stands for its Faculty of Governance, Economics and Social Sciences. It is a leading institution in the field of Social Sciences in Morocco and aims at becoming a renowned international centre. It offers undergraduate and graduate programs designed to bring cross-over knowledge on societies, economics and on political analysis with a strong focus on Mediterranean region, Africa and encompassing development issues.

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### Cairo University

Faculty of Economics and Political Sciences (FEPS) at Cairo University has become one of the most prestigious academic institution in Egypt. FEPS has three main majors: Economics, Political Science and Statistics as well as two minors: Computational Socio-Sciences and Public Administration. MA, PhD and diplomas are offered in the five specializations in addition of the MA and PhD degree in Euro Mediterranean Studies in English language.



### University of Benghazi

With the involvement of Prof. Dr. Amal Obeidi from the University of Benghazi, Political Science Department at the Faculty of Economics, the project enlarges its multilateral collaborative nature and an enhanced inter-Arab dimension.



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## ABOUT THE PROJECT

Launched in 2016, the multilateral project “Dialogue and Asymmetries: Debating Development, Memory and Migration” builds on longstanding partnerships between Freie Universität Berlin, the École de Gouvernance et d'Économie in Rabat, Cairo University and the University of Benghazi.

The project engages lecturers, students and experts from Morocco, Algeria, Egypt, Libya and Germany in a dialogue on main challenges for political and social sciences on both shores of the Mediterranean. The three subtopics of development cooperation, memory and migration, which link the Northern and Southern shores of the Mediterranean in a complex way will be addressed in teaching events and staff exchanges

Based on critical thinking, reflexive inquiry, and group work across national and institutional cultures, the project emphasizes intercultural learning through exchange and exposure.

### Main Subjects

The project identifies three main subjects that currently trigger intense societal debates that challenge North-South relations:

- ◆ The mechanisms and pitfalls of international cooperation and development, especially the problems and benefits of foreign funding
- ◆ The construction of memories and identities and the question of how to deal with violent pasts
- ◆ The politics of migration and its limits

### Key Activities of the Project

- ◆ Dialogue events including a Moroccan-German exchange seminar (year one), an Algerian-German exchange seminar (year two), and a multilateral summer school (year three)
- ◆ Preparatory workshops
- ◆ Staff exchanges from and to Germany, Morocco, Algeria, and Egypt

## OPERATION ON 3 LEVELS

### Assessing the Present:

#### Debating Cooperation and Development in Morocco

- Moroccan-German Exchange Seminar including lecturers from Algeria, Egypt and Libya
- Staff Exchanges

### Exploring the Past:

#### Memory, Reconciliation and Coping through Dialogue in Algeria and Germany

- Algerian-German Exchange Seminar including lecturers from Morocco, Egypt and Libya
- Staff Exchanges

### Linking Past and Present:

#### Dialogue on Migration Policies in Morocco, Algeria, Egypt, Libya and Germany

- Multilateral Summer School
- Staff Exchanges

## PROJECT PARTNERS

### Partners

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