

Conference

The Making of (dis)Order: Politics and Economies of Restoration and Resistance in the Middle East and North Africa

25 October 2024 – Scuola Normale Superiore, Altana Hall, Palazzo Strozzi

h. 9.00 – 19.00

Programme

9.00 Greetings and Introductions

Donatella Della Porta, Director of the SNS PhD program Political Science and Sociology
Guglielmo Meardi, Dean of the SNS Department of Political Science and Sociology

9.20 – 9.30 Daniela Musina and Aly EL Raggal, PhD researchers, Introduction to the Conference

PANEL 1 *Formal and informal forms of resistance to authoritarian coercion and restoration*

Moderation: Daniela Musina

9.30—10:00 Atef Said, University of Illinois, *Revolutions and Counter-Revolutions as Intersocietal and Dynamic Historical Phenomena: Notes from the Case of Egypt*

10.00—10.30 Paola Rivetti, Dublin City University, *Centring Iran in understanding g/local resistance and authoritarian restoration*

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee Break

11:00 – 11:30 Benoit Challand, New School for Social Research, *The limits of informal politics and the path-dependent authoritarian push back against popular politics*

11.30 – 12.30 Discussion and Q&A

Discussant: **Donatella Della Porta**, Scuola Normale Superiore

12.30 – 14.00 Lunch break

PANEL 2 *Understanding restorations beyond presentism and exceptionalism. Politics and economies of order, rule and repression*

Moderation: Aly El Raggal

14.00 – 14:30 Hossam El Hamalawy, Independent Scholar and Activist, *Security Sector in the Age of Counterrevolution: The Case of Egypt*

14.30 – 15.00 Guendalina Simoncini, Scuola Normale Superiore, *In the Name of Security: How Counterterrorism Paved the Way for Tunisia's Authoritarian Restoration*

15.00 – 15.30 Yezid Sayigh, Carnegie Middle East Centre, title of intervention TBC

15.30 – 16.30 Discussion and Q&A

Discussant: **Kevin Kohler**, Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies and MENA-PERC Project Coordinator

16.30 – 17.00 Coffee break

17.00 – 19.00 Roundtable Palestine

Policing, transnational solidarities and the circulation of authoritarianisms: learning from the Palestinian case

Moderation: Lorenzo Lodi

Yezid Sayigh, Atef Said, Hadeel Kerkar, Donatella Della Porta, Paola Rivetti, Benoit Challand, Atef Abu Saif and the students and researchers mobilised for Palestine

