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# Minority Rights and Multiculturalism in the Arab World

Conference

25 – 26 March 2011

Centro Congressi "Gli Archi"  
Largo S. Lucia Filippini 20, Roma

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# Conference Program

Friday 25 March

Saturday 26 March

9.00 Morning session

Introduction: Will Kymlicka

Panel 1: Overview State-Minority Relations  
in the Arab World

Chair: Will Kymlicka

Joshua Castellino, *The Role of Law in the Minority Rights  
Discourse in the Middle East*

Janet Klein, *Minorities and Multiculturalism in the Arab  
World: A View from History and the Periphery*

Commentator: Fahima Charafeddine

Discussion

11.00 **Coffee break**

Panel 2: State-Minority Relations in North Africa

Jacob Mundy, *Representing Sabrawis: the contested  
meanings of a post-colonial identity*

Eva Pfösl, *The Role of the Amazigh Movement in the  
Processes of Political Reform in Postcolonial  
Algerian Society*

Commentator: Paola Pizzo

Discussion

14.00 **Lunch**

15.00 Afternoon session

Panel 3: Ethnicity and Religion

Chair: Eva Pfösl

Francesca Corrao, *Minorities rights at stake: is it a religious  
or a political crisis?*

Joseph Yacoub, *How the Arab World deal with Minorities  
and Multiculturalism? Case-study: The Assyro-  
Chaldeans in Iraq*

Commentator: Giuseppe Scattolin

Discussion

**Coffee break**

9.00 Morning session

Chair: Sebastiano Maffettone

Panel 4: Models of multiculturalism in the Arab World

Zaid Eyadat, *Minorities in the Arab world: Beyond Dhimi  
Model*

Hassan Jabareen, *The Concept of 'We the People' under  
Israeli Constitutionalism*".

Commentator: Will Kymlicka

Discussion

11.00 **Coffee break**

Panel 5: Concluding Roundtable with Shoba Das, Hassan  
Hanafi, Sebastiano Maffettone, Will Kymlicka