

CROWN CENTER AT 20 THE FUTURE OF THE MIDDLE EAST

APRIL 23-24, 2025 ▪ RAPAPORTE TREASURE HALL & ZOOM

Wednesday, April 23 | Opening Day | 4:00-6:30 PM

- 4 PM** Opening Remarks / Gary Samore
- 4:10 PM** **Keynote Address: The Middle East's Dangerous New Normal**
Suzanne Maloney, VP and Director of Foreign Policy, Brookings Institution
- 5 PM** **Panel: Iran's Regional and Global Challenges**
Moderator: Naghmeh Sohrabi
Panelists: Daniel Amir, Hadi Kahalzadeh, Gary Samore, Sanam Vakil

Thursday, April 24 | Envisioning Regional Futures | 8:30 AM-2:30 PM

- 8:30 AM** Coffee and Continental Breakfast
- 9 AM** Welcome
- 9:15 AM** **Panel: The Future of Egypt and North Africa**
Moderator: Eva Bellin
Panelists: Candace Lukasik, Andrew March, Jeannie Sowers, Ian VanderMeulen
- 10:45 AM** **Panel: The Future of Israel, Syria, and the Levant**
Moderator: Peter Krause
Panelists: Shai Feldman, Daniel Neep, Jillian Schwedler
- 12 PM** Lunch / Middle Eastern Cuisine
- 1 PM** **Panel: The Future of Turkey, Iraq, and the Gulf**
Moderator: Killian Clarke
Panelists: Nader Habibi, Nihal Kayali, Ondrej Beranek, Kerem Uşşaklı
- 2:15 PM** Closing Remarks / Gary Samore



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