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Emne: DIIS seminar 30 October "Power and Politics in the Emerging Middle East"

The Danish Institute for International Studies (DIIS) has the pleasure of inviting you to a seminar on:

Power and Politics in the Emerging Middle East  
Tuesday, 30 October 2012, 15.00-16.30  
Danish Institute for International Studies  
Main Auditorium  
Strandgade 71, ground floor, 1401 Copenhagen K

#### Background

The initial euphoria of the 'Tahrir Square' has now been replaced by difficult domestic struggles between the military, Islamist parties, and liberal forces in many Arab states. These struggles are driven by deep-seated conflicts revolving around questions of identity, citizenship and religion, coming to the fore in the continuing battle over the making of the constitution, the role of religion in politics, and questions of fundamental human rights.

The regional level is also marked by new struggles, identities and alliances. A new type of Arab identity and "Arabism" may be in making, just as old Arab institutions such as the Arab League has been given a new role. Power is also shifting hands. Iran and Hizbullah, which for nearly a decade have rallied popular Arab support, are now losing ground and popularity, whereas Egypt and Turkey are playing leading roles.

#### Speakers

[Ellen Lust](#), Associate Professor, Yale University  
[Helle Malmvig](#), Senior Researcher, DIIS  
[Jakob Mathias Wichmann](#), Partner, JMW Consulting  
Flemming Rose, Journalist and Foreign Editor, Jyllands-Posten

#### Programme

More details about the speakers and the seminar are available on our [website](#).

#### Practical Information

The seminar will be held in English.

Please note that the doors will be closed at 15.00 after which entry will not be possible.

Participation is free of charge, but registration is required. Please use our [online registration form](#) no later than Monday, 29 October 2012 at 12.00 noon.

Please await confirmation by e-mail from DIIS for participation.

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