



## ***OxGAPS Gulf Affairs Issue Launch***



### **Panel Discussion on: “Foreign Policy Trends in the GCC States”**

**Moderator:** Adel Hamaizia, OxGAPS Forum

#### **Panellists:**

Sir. John Jenkins, Executive Director, International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS) - Middle East

Dr. Hisham Hellyer, Senior Non-Resident Fellow, The Atlantic Council

Dr. Neil Quilliam, Senior Research Fellow, MENA Programme, Chatham House

Dr. Andreas Krieg, Assistant Professor, Defence Studies Department, King's College



Foreign Policies of the GCC states have changed dramatically since the Arab Uprisings of 2011. Earlier consensus and caution has given way to more assertive foreign policies in response to regional turmoil and ever-increasing security threats. In their diverging responses to the Arab Spring, Gulf States have shown both a desire and a capacity to “go it alone” and act unilaterally or, at best, as a loose regional bloc to secure their interests across a changing Middle East. The panel discussion will address some of the recent Foreign Policy Trends and developments of and relating to the GCC states.

**Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> of November @ 5:30 pm**

**Please arrive @ 5:15 pm**

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