

# RE MENA

## Research Ethics in the Middle East and North Africa

**A Special Commission on Social Science  
Research in the Middle East and North Africa:**  
Developing guidelines for the conduct of responsible,  
ethical and constructive social inquiry

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**THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY IN CAIRO**

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# Program

**Thursday, March 2**

**6:00 - 8:00 PM**

WELCOME RECEPTION @ MARRIOTT HOTEL

**Friday, March 3**

**10:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

SESSION ONE: "Overview of the REMENA Project—  
Where We Are, What We Are Trying  
to Accomplish, What Is Ahead"  
Lisa Anderson

**12:00 - 1:00 PM**

LUNCH BREAK

**1:00 - 3:00 PM**

SESSION TWO: "The Landscape of Research Funding"  
Ellen Lust, Dima Toukan, Nehal Amer

**3:00 - 3:30 PM**

COFFEE BREAK

**3:30 - 5:00 PM**

SESSION THREE: "Deciding Who and What  
to Support Research"  
Noha El Mikawy, Pascal Menoret, Rim Mugahed,  
Dima Toukan

**5:30 - 8:30 PM**

DINNER @ ZEEYARA RESTAURANT

# Saturday, March 4

## 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

SESSION FOUR: "The Questions We Ask and Who Is the Research For"

Lila Abu Lughod, Rabab El Mahdi, Sara Ababneh, Zakia Salime, Ali Ahmida

## 12:00 - 1:30 PM

LUNCH BREAK

## 1:30 - 3:30 PM

SESSION FIVE: "Navigating Research in Egypt and the Region"

Heba Khalil, Yasmine Farouk, Noura Wahby, Ahmed El Sayed

## 3:30 - 4:00 PM

COFFEE BREAK

## 4:00 - 6:00 PM

SESSION SIX: "Wrap-up Session: Findings, Recommendations, Next Steps"

Lisa Anderson

## 7:00 - 9:00 PM

NILE CRUISE AND DINNER

@ THE NILE ANCHOR – LIBERTY YACHT

# Participants

**SARA ABABNEH** (University of Sheffield)

**LILA ABU-LUGHOD** (Columbia University)

**AHMED EL SAYED** (J-PAL MENA, AUC)

**ALI AHMIDA** (University of New England in Maine)

**MUSTAPHA KAMEL AL-SAYYID** (AUC)

**NERMIN ALLAM** (Rutgers University)

**NEHAL AMER** (Carnegie Corporation of New York)

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**LINDSAY BENSTEAD** (Portland State University)

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**GAMZE ÇAVDAR** (Colorado State University)

**JANINE CLARK** (University of Toronto)

**RABAB EL-MAHDI** (AUC)

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**ELLEN LUST** (University of Gothenburg)

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