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## Libya since 2011: The contours of a new order

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Over ten years from the overthrow of the Gaddafi regime, the institutions of the Libyan state remain chronically divided and undermined by systemic corruption. Libya's bloated security sector comprises diverse networks of armed factions that control territory and operate only nominally under the state's formal authority. Within this context, the contours of Libya's post-2011 society are emerging.

This half day event brings together leading scholars and analysts of Libya to analyse the foundations of Libya's post-revolutionary order, examining how violence has remade the country and how new groups, networks and identities have formed through conflict. It will draw upon the findings from the presenters' contributions to a newly released edited volume, [Violence and Social Transformation in Libya](#).

### Agenda

**09.30 – 11.00** Session 1: The development of elite networks and the political economy of state institutions

How have power structures and patronage networks evolved since 2011? What are the key elements of continuity and change? This session will zoom in on the role of the former regime's elites; the struggle over the state's financial and economic institutions; as well as the evolution of the country's vast public sector.

#### Speakers

Virginie Collombier, Professor of Practice, School of Government, Luiss Guido Carli University  
Tim Eaton, Senior Research Fellow, Middle East and North Africa Programme, Chatham House  
Wolfram Lacher, Senior Associate, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP)

**Moderator:** Alia Brahim, Non-resident Senior Fellow, Atlantic Council

**11.00 – 11.30** Refreshments

**11.30 – 13.00** Session 2: Social change in post-2011 Libya

How have conflict and violence changed Libyan society since 2011? This session will focus on three distinct aspects of social change: the socialisation of a whole generation by conflict; the vast but contradictory consequences of revolution and insecurity for gender relations; and the fundamental transformation of Benghazi's social fabric through war.

#### Speakers

Emadeddin Badi, Non-resident Senior Fellow, Atlantic Council  
Mary Fitzgerald, Non-resident Scholar, Middle East Institute  
Rima Ibrahim, Associate Junior Researcher, Mediterranean Platform, School of Government, Luiss Guido Carli University

**Moderator:** Faisal al-Yafai, International Editor, New Lines Magazine

The event will be held **on the record**.