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AUB to hold talk on Arab uprisings by Professor Fawaz Traboulsi

Beirut, Lebanon- 17/02/2012 - The American University of Beirut's Issam Fares Institute for Public Policy and International Affairs is organizing a talk by historian Fawaz Traboulsi, as part of Arab Uprisings Lecture Series.

Entitled "Revolutions also Topple Ideas: How the Uprisings Shattered the Prevailing Political Constructs of the Arab world," the lecture will be held on Monday February 20, 2012 from 4 pm to 6 pm in Van Dyck Amphitheater, AUB.

Professor Traboulsi, a writer, historian, and journalist, will critically review how the revolutions have put into question the main concepts that have dominated intellectual production and public practices in the Arab world over the past quarter of a century, such as: state/civil society; governance; corruption; human rights; and neo liberalism. Traboulsi has a regular column in Lebanon's As-Safir newspaper on the Arab Uprisings, and will be teaching a course at AUB titled, "Arab Revolutions." He is the author of numerous works, including, *A History of Modern Lebanon* (Pluto Press, 2007) and most recently, *Democracy is Revolution* (2012, راد سير لا, 2012).

The Arab Uprisings Lecture Series at the American University of Beirut (AUB) is an ongoing multi-disciplinary lecture series given by experts in their field on the nature of the Arab revolutions from an indigenous perspective.

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