

Carine LAHOUD TATAR, Ph.D.

CURRENT POSITION: ASSISTANT PROFESSOR SINCE 2015

Saint-Joseph University, Institute of Political Science, Beirut (Lebanon)

Taught Courses

- “International Migration” (Undergraduate)
- “International Relations Law” (Undergraduate)
- “Sociology of International Organizations” (Undergraduate)
- “Globalization and World Politics” (Undergraduate)
- “Theories of International Relations” (Postgraduate)
- “Theories of International Relations and Sociology of International Organizations (Postgraduate)

Academic Mobility

- *European Inter-University – Campus/ Ca’ Foscari University (Venice)*
Master in Democratic Governance – Democratic and Human Rights in the MENA
-Course: “Democratization and Liberalization: The Actors and the Dynamics of Change in the Middle East” (English-12 hours)
- *University of Torino – Master in International Studies (MENA Programme)*
-Course: “Islamism and Political Activism in the Gulf Peninsula” (English-8 hours)
- *University of Torino – Summer School-Understanding the Middle East*
-Seminar: “Contesting National Identity Narratives in Kuwait” (English-3 hours)
- *University of Panteion (Greece) – Master in Sociology*
-Seminar: “International Migration Dynamics” (English-3 hours)
- *University of Vienna – Master in Political Science (Area Studies Option)*
Course: Gulf Politics (English-35 hours)

Ongoing Research

- CNRS France, member of a researchers’ network
Topic: *Religious and identity-based reconfigurations in the Mena*
The objective is to think outside the box and bring together researchers who produce original work based on new sources or fieldwork, far from studies dictated by circumstances.
- Research Grant provided by Research Council/USJ
Topic: *A Comparative Study of Alawis in Lebanon, Syria and Turkey: Strategies of Survival of an Esoteric Sect in the Middle East*
This study analyses how territorial states that emerged with the dismembering of the Ottoman Empire have transformed the Alawi community that found itself dispersed between three political entities, Syria, Lebanon and Turkey. This research favours qualitative methods based on an extensive fieldwork, and presents an innovative opportunity to interrogate the way which domestic constraints and opportunities as regional geopolitics influence sectarian

strategies and shape specific pattern of evolution for each group. It further focuses on politics and religion in plural societies and explores how esoteric meanings and understandings of Islam change not only as they adapt to state structures or to the sovereign community; they also change with the rise of new conditions.

- Research Grant provided by Research Council/USJ and CNRS (France) (Quantitative/Qualitative survey), in partnership with University of Lille 2
Topic: *To what extent Social Media has transformed the dynamics of collective action in MENA region?*

This collaborative research brings together Tunisian, French and Lebanese scholars to study how the use of social media in Lebanon, Tunis and Kuwait is influencing today's politics. As the director in charge of the Gulf peninsula sub-region, I am carrying out quantitative and qualitative survey on how Twitter and Facebook have affected the dynamics of political activism in Kuwait. So far, we have completed the first step of data collection based on quantitative research to identify political influencers according to a set of variables.

Student-oriented activities

- Member of Master Defence jury
- MA thesis students' supervisor
- Students' advisor and mentor
- Instructor for Civil Servant entrance examination
- Member of the acceptance examining board to Sciences Po Paris (International Procedure)

EDUCATION

Sciences Po, Paris, France

Ph.D. in Political Science, 2010

Thesis title: "Islamist Social Movements in Kuwait: Study of Political Activism (1952-2006)"

Advisor: Professor Gilles Kepel

Graduated with special recognition by the Examining Board

Sciences Po, Paris, France

DEA in Political Science, 2004

Major: Muslim and Arab World

Master dissertation: "Kuwaiti Muslim Brotherhood: Between Local Integration and International Allegiance"

Advisor: Professor Gilles Kepel

Graduated with special recognition by the Examining Board

University of Valenciennes, Valenciennes, France

DESS in Law, 1997

Major: European and International Business Law

Master dissertation: "Implementation by the European Commission of 85 and 86 articles of EC Treaty"

Faculty of Law and Economics, Paris, France

B.A. in Law, 1996

Major: French Business Law

Grants

Joint scholarship granted by the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Sciences Po, 2005-2008

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lebanese American University, Beirut, Lebanon

LECTURER, Spring 2015

“Globalization and Political Change” (English-45 hours) Undergraduate course

Holy Spirit University of Kaslik, Kaslik, Lebanon

LECTURER, Spring and Fall 2014 and Spring 2015

“Introduction to Foreign Policy” (French-45 hours) Postgraduate course

“Geopolitics of Lebanon and the Middle East” (Online course-English)

“Human Geography of Lebanon and Arab Countries” (French-45 hours) Undergraduate course

“International Migrations and Identity Issues” (French-45 hours) Postgraduate course

La Sagesse University, Beirut, Lebanon

LECTURER, Fall and Spring 2012-2014 and Spring 2015

“European Union: History, Organization and Political Challenges” (French-33 hours) Undergraduate course

“Comparative Political Regimes” (French-33 hours) Undergraduate course

“History of International Relations (1900-1945)” (French-33 hours) Undergraduate course

“Theories of International Relations” (French-33 hours) Undergraduate course

Antonine University, Baabda, Lebanon

LECTURER, Spring and Fall 2014 and Spring 2015

“Methodology of Research” (French-39 hours) Postgraduate course

“Geopolitics of Sport” (French-20 hours) Postgraduate course

Balamand University, Al-Kura, Lebanon

LECTURER, Fall 2012

“Theories of International Relations” (English-45 hours) Postgraduate course

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Beirut Research and Innovation Centre (BRIC), Beirut, Lebanon

SENIOR RESEARCHER, June 2012-May 2014

Research

- Islamism in Tripoli
- Diversity and Plurality in the Middle East

Organized Conferences

- “Lebanon at the Dawn of the Rentier Era: What are the Challenges of Oil Fields Discoveries?” (In partnership with La Sagesse University, May 2013)
- “What is the Future of Coexistence in the Middle East? Managing Ethno-religious Plurality in the Light of Arab Revolutions” (in collaboration with Saint-Joseph University, November 2013)

Organized Roundtables

- “Sheikh Ahmad Assir, a New Face of Lebanese Radical Salafism?” Romain Caillet (February 2013)
- “Oil: The New Lebanese Misfortune?” Boutros Labaki (May 2013)
- “Where are the Syrian-Lebanese Relationships after Three Years of Civil War?” Samir Franjeh and Gilles Kepel (November 2013)

Centre for International Studies and Research of Sciences Po (CERI), Paris
ASSOCIATE RESEARCHER, 2005-2010

Kuwait University, Shuwaikh, Kuwait

RESEARCH ASSISTANT, February 2005-January 2008

Detachment on behalf of the Institut d’Etudes Politiques and the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs

I was in charge of expanding the “Eurogolfe Network” in Kuwait (network of European and Gulf researchers, academics and experts) by strengthening partnerships between Gulf and European Universities, and helping students and academics from the Gulf to be visiting scholars in European universities in order to study, attend conferences and give presentations.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

L’Orient-Le Jour, daily Lebanese newspaper issued in French, Beirut, Lebanon

JOURNALIST, October 2000-September 2003

Fieldwork and deskwork which consisted of processing international dispatches

Le Commerce du Levant, monthly economic Lebanese magazine issued in French, Beirut, Lebanon

REPORTER, October 2000-September 2003

24 Heures, Regional newspaper, Lausanne, Switzerland

INTERNATIONAL CORRESPONDENT, March 2001-September 2003

L’Expansion, French Monthly Business magazine, Paris, France

INTERNATIONAL CORRESPONDENT, March 2001-September 2003

Valeurs Actuelles, French weekly political and financial magazine, Paris, France

INTERNATIONAL CORRESPONDENT, March 2001-September 2003

La Financière du Galion, Paris, France

LEGAL PRACTITIONER in French Firm Law, February-June 2000

Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Paris, Paris, France

LEGAL PRACTITIONER in Tax Law, January-June 1999

Robert Collin & Associés, Paris, France

TRAINEE, European Business Law, April-June 1997

Clifford Chance, Paris, France

TRAINEE, Six Research Internships in Private Law (3 months each), 1994-1997

PUBLICATIONS

- “Syrian Refugees in Lebanon: Challenges, Politics and Return”, *Herodote* (forthcoming). (French)
- “Political Succession and Ruling family rivalries in Kuwait”, *Maghreb/Machrek* (forthcoming). (French)
- *Challenges of Political Succession in Kuwait*, Paper, IReMMO, September 2018, 10 p. (French).
<https://www.frstrategie.org/programmes/observatoire-du-monde-arabo-musulman-et-du-sahel/l-emirat-du-koweit-au-defi-de-la-succession-249>
- “Youth Engagement in Kuwait Politics: Old and New Dynamics of Activism”, in Marc Jones, Ross Porter and Marc Valery (ed.), *Hegemonic Boundaries and Asymmetric Power in the Gulf*, Exeter Critical Gulf Studies, Berlin, London, Gerlach Press (forthcoming). (English)
- “Alawite Sect in Lebanon: Between National Integration and Syrian Regime’s Allegiance”, *Confluences Méditerranée*, n°105, Summer 2018, pp. 79-96. (French)
- *The Muslim Brotherhood in the Gulf: Between Political Inclusion and Repression*, Report, IReMMO, November 2017, 59 p. (French)
<https://www.frstrategie.org/programmes/observatoire-du-monde-arabo-musulman-et-du-sahel/les-freres-musulmans-dans-les-monarchies-du-golfe-entre-integration-politique-et-repression-16>
- “Kuwaiti Regime Resilience after the 2011 Popular Unrest”, *Ena Hors les Murs*, 2017, pp. 37-38. (French)
- *Islam and Politics in Kuwait*, Beirut, Centre for Arab Unity Studies, 2017, 272 p. (Arabic)
- “Muslim Inheritance Law in Lebanon: Multiple Regulatory System for a Plural Society” in Siham Benchekroun (ed.), *Inequality in Inheritance*, Rabat University, 2017, pp. 247-250. (English, French and Arabic)
- “Selected Developments in Human Rights and Democratization during 2015: Middle East, *GC EJournal*, 2016. (English)
- With Carole Alsharabati, “Education of Syrian Refugees in Lebanon: Between Political Imperatives and Humanitarian Response”, *Le Levant* (Magazine), August 2016. (French)
- With Carole Alsharabati, *Analysis of Child Education Survey*, Institute of Political Sciences, USJ, April 2016, 48 p. (English)
<http://www.sciences-po.usj.edu.lb/pdf/Refugees%20Report%20USJ%20-Avril%202016.pdf>
- *Islam and Politics in Kuwait*, Paris: Puf, Middle East collection, 2011, 265 p. (French)
- “Kuwait: Salafis and The Issue of Authority” in Bernard Rougier (ed.), *What is Salafism?*, Paris, Puf, Middle East collection, 2008, p. 123-136. (French)
- *The Jews Minority in Lebanon*, United Nations High Commission for Refugees, Report, May 2003. (French)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- **University of Panteion** (Greece), May 2019
The European Union and the Middle East: What Strategies for what Challenges? (English)
- **University of Lille 2** (France), January 2018
Politics in Kuwait: Youth Engagement and Social Media (French)

- **Institute for Research and Studies on Mediterranean and Middle East (IReMMO)**, Paris, January 2018
Islamism in Kuwait: How the Arab Spring has affected the Dynamics of Mobilization? (French)
- **Ecole Normale Supérieure (ENS)**, Paris, January 2018
Alawi's Strategies of Survival in a Troubled Era (French)
- **Gulf FRS Annual Conference** (Paris), October 2017
Around the Gulf Crisis, Saudi Arabia, Qatar and the Muslim Brotherhood (English)
- **American Political Science Association**, MENA Political Science Research and Publication conference (Tunis), July 2017
Syrian Conflict Impact on Alawi sect in Lebanon and Turkey (English)
- **Exeter Gulf Conference**, Exeter University, July 2017
Kuwaiti Youth Engagement in Politics (English)
- **Institute of Political Sciences**, Saint Joseph University, Beirut (Lebanon), April 2016
Political Contention in Kuwait and Bahrain since the "Arab Spring" (French)
- **Buenos Aires University**, Global Campus (Argentina), April 2016
Democratization and Arab Upheaval in the Mena region (English)
- **French Cultural Institute**, Beirut, December 2015
How Al-Tahrir Square Revolution was perceived by Rural Egyptian population? (French)
- **Institute of Political Sciences**, Saint Joseph University, Beirut (Lebanon), November 2015
Moderator of a meeting with Aurelie Daher on Hezbollah as a political actor
- **Carnegie-Middle East Centre**, Beirut (Lebanon), April 2015
Can Political Salafism in Kuwait be a pattern of Islamist activism in the era of changes in the Arab World? (English)
- **Lebanese American University**, Beirut (Lebanon), March 2015
Salafism in the era of Globalization (English)
- **Université Libre de Bruxelles**, 2014 Bernheim Summer School on Contemporary Issues on Security, Peace and Conflicts: Building Peace after the Arab Springs, Brussel (Belgium), July 2014
Instructor: *Radicalization Process* (English)
- **Stanford University and Koç University**, Istanbul (Turkey), March 2014
The Kuwaiti Exception? How the Regime deals with its Opposition Claims for Democratization? (English)
- **French Book Fair**, Beirut (Lebanon), November 2013
Moderator of a meeting with Professor Gilles Kepel, author of « Passion Arabe » (French)
- **Beirut Research and Innovation Centre & Saint-Joseph University**, Beirut (Lebanon), November 2013
The Alawi in Lebanon after the Arab Uprising: What is the Future of this Community? (French)
- **MADA & Centre for Humanitarian Dialogue**, Cairo (Egypt), February 2012
Salafis and Participatory Politics: Lessons learned from Kuwait and Lebanon (English and Arabic)
- **Gulf Research Meeting**, Cambridge University, July 2010
Who are the Kuwaiti Salafis? (English)
- **Centre for Economic Studies and Documentation, Legal and Social Sciences**, Cairo (Egypt), May 2010
Salafis and the Muslim Brotherhood in Kuwait (Arabic)
- **British Foreign and Commonwealth Office**, London, January 2010
Politics in Kuwait (English)
- **Eurogolfe Forum**, Venice (Italy), October 2008 – Participant
- **Eurogolfe Forum-Chair of the Middle East and Mediterranean** (Sciences Po Paris), Menton (France), June 2005
The New Problems Facing Researchers (English)
- **The French Institute of the Near East**, Amman (Jordan), December 2004

Speaker: *Muslim Brotherhood in Kuwait* (Arabic)

- **Eurogolfe Forum**, Abu Dhabi, May 2004 – Participant

SKILLS

- Computer Literate: Microsoft Office on PC and Mac, Blackboard, Moodle
- Languages:
 - French: Native
 - English: Fluent
 - Arabic: Intermediate
- Attendance to the 8th High Commissioner's Dialogue on Protection Challenges (December 2015, Palais des Nations, Geneva)
- International Institute of Humanitarian Law: Refugee Law Course (November 2015, San Remo)
- Intervene on regular basis in the Media
- Volunteer member in Amnesty International (Lebanon) – Press and public relations committee (2001-2003)