

# Europe and the Arab Spring: A Mediterranean Dialogue

The University of Pittsburgh  
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## **Location: Pittsburgh Athletic Association**

9:00 – 9:45: Breakfast

9:45 – 10:00: Opening remarks and welcome

10:00 – 11:45: Session 1

Chair/Moderator: Prof. Michael Goodhart, Department of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh

- “Global and Historical Dimensions of the Arab Spring”  
**Jackie Smith**, Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Pittsburgh
- “Do Revolutions Need Passports? The Transnational Dimensions of the Arab Spring”  
**Nico Slate**, Assistant Professor, Department of History, Carnegie Mellon University
- “On the Question of Metropolitan Solidarity”  
**Sadia Abbas**, Assistant Professor, Department of English & Program in Women's and Gender Studies, Rutgers University

11:45 – 1:30 Lunch

1:30 – 3:15: Session 2

Chair/Moderator: Prof. Mohammed Bamyeh, Department of Sociology, University of Pittsburgh

- “European perspectives on Democracy Promotion and the Arab Spring”  
**Mark L. Haas**, Associate Professor, Political Science Department, Duquesne University
- “The Arab-Muslim World between Liberation and Democracy: The case of Tunisia.”  
 (“Le monde arabo-musulman contemporain entre libération et démocratie: le cas de la Tunisie”)  
**Ahmed Jdey**, Professor, University of Manouba, Tunisia.
- “Tunisia's Revolution wasn't a Riot: The Difference Between *Périodes intervallaires* and Breaking Away”  
**Ronald A. Judy**, Professor, Department of English, University of Pittsburgh

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