

# Gulf Conferences at Exeter

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- 1979 **Inaugural Conference on Social and Economic Development in the Arab Gulf (July)**, convened by [Tim Niblock](#). Resulting publication: *Social and Economic Development in the Arab Gulf* (Croom Helm, 1980) edited by Tim Niblock.
- 1980 **State, Power and Economy in Saudi Arabia (July)**, convened by [Tim Niblock](#). Resulting publication: *State, Society and Economy in Saudi Arabia* (Croom Helm, 1982) edited by Tim Niblock.
- 1981 **Iraq, the Contemporary State (July)**, convened by [Tim Niblock](#). Resulting publication: *Iraq: The Contemporary State* (Croom Helm, 1982) edited by Tim Niblock.
- 1982 **The Shatt al-Arab Dispute (July)**, convened by M.S. El Azhary. Resulting publication: *The Iran-Iraq War: An Historical, Economic and Political Analysis* (Croom Helm, 1984) edited by M.S. El Azhary.
- Oil Revenues and their Impact on Development in the Gulf States (October)**, convened by M.S. El Azhary. Resulting publication: *The Impact of Oil Revenues on Arab Gulf Development* (Croom Helm, 1984) edited by M.S. El Azhary.
- 1983 **Contemporary Yemen (July)**, convened by Brian Pridham. Resulting publications: *Contemporary Yemen: Politics and Historical Background* (Croom Helm, 1984), and *Economy, Society and Culture in Contemporary Yemen* (Croom Helm, 1985), both edited by Brian Pridham.
- 1984 **The Arab Gulf States and the West (July)**, convened by Brian Pridham. Resulting publication: *The Arab Gulf and the West* (Croom Helm, 1985) edited by Brian Pridham.
- 1985 **Aspects of Oman (July)**, convened by Brian Pridham. Resulting publication: *Oman: Economic, Social and Strategic Developments* (Croom Helm, 1987) edited by Brian Pridham.
- 1986 **The Gulf and the Arab World (July)**, convened by Brian Pridham. Resulting publication: *The Arab Gulf and the Arab World* (Croom Helm, 1988) edited by Brian Pridham.

- 1989 **The Post War Arab Gulf (July)**, convened by Brian Pridham. Resulting publication: *After the War: Iraq, Iran and the Arab Gulf* (Carden, 1990), edited by Charles E. Davies.
- 1990 **External Interests in the Arab Gulf (July)**, convened by Brian Pridham. Resulting publication: *Global Interests in the Gulf* (University of Exeter Press, 1992) edited by Charles E. Davies.
- 1993 **The Gulf and the Central Asian Republics (July)**, convened by [Anoush Ehteshami](#). Resulting publication: *From the Gulf to Central Asia: Players in the New Great Game* (University of Exeter Press, 1994) edited by Anoush Ehteshami.
- 1995 **Higher Education in the Gulf: Problems and Prospects (July)**, convened by Ken Shaw. Resulting publication: [Higher Education in the Gulf](#) (University of Exeter Press, 1997) edited by Ken Shaw.
- 1996 **Water and Arab Gulf Development** (September), convened by [Kamil Mahdi](#). Resulting publication: *Water in the Arabian Peninsula: Problems and Policies* (Ithaca Press, 2001) edited by Kamil Mahdi.
- 1997 **Frustrated Development: the Iraqi Economy in Peace and War (July)**, convened by [Kamil Mahdi](#). Resulting publication: *Iraq's Economic Predicament* (Ithaca Press, 2002) edited by Kamil Mahdi.
- 1998 **Yemen: Challenge of Economic, Social and Democratic Development (April)**, convened by [Kamil Mahdi](#). Resulting publication: *Yemen into the Twenty First Century: Continuity and Change* (Ithaca Press, 2006) edited by Kamil Mahdi, with Anna Würth and Helen Lackner.
- Human Development in the Arab Gulf (July)**, convened by [Kamil Mahdi](#) in cooperation with [UNESCWA](#).

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## Held by the Gulf Studies Programme, Institute of Arab & Islamic Studies

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- 1999 **Workshop on Gulf Studies (July)**, convened by [Kamil Mahdi](#).
- 2001 **Globalisation and the Gulf (July)**, convened by [Kamil Mahdi](#).
- 2002 **The Gulf and the World Trade Organisation (July)**, convened by [Kamil Mahdi](#).
- 2006 **The Global Gulf (July)**, convened by [James Onley](#).
- 2007 **The 2007 Gulf Conference (July)**, convened by [James Onley](#).
- 2008 **The 2008 Gulf Studies Conference (July)**, commemorating 30 years of Gulf Studies at Exeter, convened by [James Onley](#).