

[Political Science Conference - Rethinking Regions: Asia, Africa, Middle East & Central Asia](#)

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Political Science Conference - Rethinking Regions: Asia, Africa, Middle East, & Central Asia

The Conference is set to explore the ongoing turbulence and transformation in the regions of Asia, Africa, the Middle East, and Central Asia. The forum will focus on the latest security, political, identity, and developmental challenges and emerging trends in these regions and address their impact of the regional and the international systems. We encourage participants to ask some of the following questions: how is the balance of power changing within regions and among them; how is the issue of security and development addressed; what have been the latest trends in the transformation of the state and its institutions; what regimes types dominate these regions and why; what has been the role of new media, civil society and public activism, and how changing identities are transforming social and political realities and social life.

Organizers

The Third Annual Political Science Conference is organized by the School of Public and International Affairs (SPIA) at Virginia International University (VIU) and the Center for Democracy and International Affairs (CDIA) at VIU. For further information, contact: **Dr. Klara Bilgin at kbilgin@viu.edu, 4401 Village Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030.**

Thematic Areas

- *Power, International Security, & Terrorism*
- *The Rise of China & New Regional Politics*
- *Economic Politics & Development*
- *Issues of Identity: Ethnicity, Gender, & Race*
- *Politics of Religion & Society*
- *State Institutions & Organizations*
- *Authoritarianism, Regime Stability, & Change*
- *Activism & New Media*

- *Immigration & Refugee Flows*

Submissions

Abstracts for papers, poster presentations, and panel sessions for the conference should be submitted by February 15, 2017. Papers and presentations are invited from all areas of international politics, conflict and development, from both academics and practitioners. Proposals for workshops and poster presentations are also welcome.

Abstracts should be no more than 400 words in length excluding references and title and should include a description of the research design and/or the data, key findings, and implications for the theoretical debate or practice of the discipline. In addition to the abstract, applicants are required to submit a short biography (no CVs, please).

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