







NAMEPES Summer School

NORTH AFRICA - MIDDLE EAST POLITICS AND EU SECURITY

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School of International Studies, Via Tommaso Gar 14, 38122 Trento (Italy)

The North Africa Middle East Politics and EU Security – NAMEPES Summer School will provide its participants with a deep understanding of the **relations between the MENA region and the European Union** in different aspects (geopolitics, international relations, economics, law). Most of the Middle Eastern and North African countries (MENA) have spent a period of political instability in the last two decades. The region, most related to Europe for both historical reasons and geographical proximity, is one of the most complex and conflictual regions in the world. Inter-state and civil wars, terrorism, political instability and poverty have had repercussions both within the MENA borders and in the neighboring countries. In addition to hosting important European trade routes, endowment in vast energy resources and the global energy supply security dependence give this region a greater strategic relevance.

The Summer School will also analyze in depth the **domestic and foreign policy of the main regional players in the Middle Eastern politics** by highlighting the role of institutions, civil society and political ideologies, particularly political Islam and nationalism.

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