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Egyptian presidential candidate as well as ministers to participate in discussions on reform, democracy, and religion

Beirut, Lebanon- 13/01/2012 - The American University of Beirut's Office of the Provost and the Issam Fares Institute for Public Policy and International Affairs in collaboration with ESCWA are organizing a lecture in Arabic on "Religion and the State: Equality and Citizenship Rights" by Abdel Monem Abou Fattouh, Egyptian presidential candidate.

The lecture will be held at 4 p.m. on Jan. 16, 2012 in Van Dyck Amphitheater.

The lecture is followed by a panel discussion on "Reform and Transitions to Democracy: Global Legacies" which is also being organized by ESCWA, the Provost's Office and IFI later that day at 6 p.m.

The panel will be held in West Hall's Bathish Auditorium and will include the participation of Bulgaria's Foreign Minister Nikolay Mladenov, Chile's former president and current executive director of UN Women Michele Bachelet, and Asma Jehangir, the former chairman of the Human Rights Commission and current President of the Supreme Court Bar Association of Pakistan.

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