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## HLS and HKS Joint Panel

### HLS & HKS Joint Session

Friday, November 19, 18:00

Harvard Kennedy School | Malkin Penthouse

### “Global Economy” in the Middle East

This panel will investigate the politics of the “global economy” and its effects on the Middle East. While the phrase “global economy” is supposedly a professional, apolitical term, the actions of international institutions and major actors in the economic arena are often motivated by political considerations. The prevalence of economic discourse in discussions of the region’s future has the potential to obscure such actions and politics. Should discussions of economic development in the region acknowledge the influence of politics on the project of development? The ultimate question the panel seeks to answer is: what are the political arrangements and economic structure required to lead the Middle East into a bright future?

#### Moderator:

[Dr. Dani Rodrick](#), Professor of International Political Economy, Harvard Kennedy School

#### Speakers:

[Dr. Stephen Marglin](#), Walter S. Barker Chair of the Department of Economics, Harvard University

[Dr. Laura Nader](#), Professor of Anthropology, University of California, Berkeley

[Dr. Jonathan Nitzan](#), Professor of Political Economy, York University,

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