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Employment (selected):

(Self-employed) Consultant and writer, Middle East, 2009-present

Visiting Lecturer, Department of Education, University of Middlesex, UK, Oct 2012-July 2013

Visiting Lecturer, Department of Politics & International Relations, University of Westminster, London, January 2010-July 2011

Assistant Professor, Department of International Studies, American University of Sharjah, UAE, August 2008-June 2009; Adjunct Professor, American University of Sharjah, January-May 2008

Senior Analyst (Gulf Arab states), International Crisis Group, Dubai, Mar 2007-Mar 2008

Senior editor/economist, The Economist Group (EIU; Middle East & North Africa), London, 2002-07 (freelance contributor to online content, 2008-2020)

Head, Middle East & North Africa Programme, Royal United Services Institute (RUSI), Whitehall, London. 1998-2002

Researcher, Labour Middle East Council (Ernie Ross MP & Roger Stott MP); Research Assistant to John Gunnell MP, Houses of Parliament, London. 1995-1997

Researcher, Jordan Information Bureau (Jordanian Embassy), London. 1995-6

Editor/ Researcher, Panorama (Palestinian research centre). 1993-95

Education

Ph.D. International Relations (Thesis: *Kuwaiti Foreign Policy 1961-77*), London School of Economics & Political Science (LSE), University of London, 2006

M.A. Area Studies (Near & Middle East), School of Oriental & African Studies, 1991-2

BA (Hons) Government & Politics, London Metropolitan University (née City of London Polytechnic), 1987-90

Publications (selected):

[‘Houthi Rivals in Yemen Want to Exploit Red Sea Rift’](#) *Responsible Statecraft*, Quincy Institute, Washington DC, December 23 2023

[‘New government or not the Iraqi state is still struggling to function’](#), November 4 2022, AGSIW (Arabian Gulf States Institute in Washington)

'The Regionalisation and Internationalisation of Conflict' (with Robert Mason; Yemen and Syria components by Neil Partrick), *New Perspectives on Middle East Politics (Economy, Society and International Relations)*, edited by Robert Mason, May 2021, AUC Press

Morocco (History, Economy), Tunisia (History, Economy), Saudi Arabia (Economy) essays, *The Middle East and North Africa Yearbook*, Routledge/Taylor & Francis, London (2012-24)

['The UAE's Normalisation with Israeli Sovereignty over Jerusalem'](#), www.neilpartrick.com
November 21 2020

['Saudi Arabia's elusive defense reform'](#), *Sada*, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington DC, November 2019

['Saudi Arabia does not know what it wants'](#), *Sada*, April 2019

['East of Suez: Theresa May reopens Harold Wilson's imperial closure'](#), University of Kingston History Department blog, March 2019

"Saudi Arabian Foreign Policy: Conflict and Cooperation", IB Tauris, London (Editor and lead contributor). Second edition April 2018; first edition 2016

["Saudi Defense and Security Reform"](#), *Sada*, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington DC, May 2018

["The Saudi & Emirati Conundrum after Saleh"](#), *Sada*, Carnegie Endowment, December 2017

["The UAE's War Aims in Yemen"](#), *Sada*, Carnegie Endowment, October 2017

["Lebanon in the eye of the regional storm"](#), *Open Democracy*, June 2017

["Qatar's Foreign Policy Leverage"](#), part of a *Sada*, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, presentation of four analysts' opinions, June 2017

["Saudi Arabia and the Trump Administration: A Marriage of Mutual Needs"](#), March 2017, IB Tauris blog

["Why the US-Saudi defence and security relationship will remain firm"](#), *The National Interest*, October 2016

"Saudi Arabia's problematic allies in Yemen", *Sada*, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, February 2016

"Saudi Arabia's Yemen Gambit", *Sada*, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Oct 2015

"Saudi Arabia: A War on All Fronts?", Arabian Gulf States Institute in Washington (AGSIW), September 2015

["Bahrain Redux"](#), LSE Middle East Centre blog, January 2015

"Analysis: Saudi Arabia faces complex regional challenges", *BBC News* website, October 2014

“Saudi Arabia and Jordan: Friends in Adversity”, Kuwait Programme on Globalisation, Governance and Development in the Gulf, LSE, July 2013

“The GCC: Gulf State Integration or Leadership Cooperation”, Kuwait Gulf Programme, LSE, November 2011

“Limits of Being Helpful”, *The World Today*, Royal Institute of International Affairs, Dec 2010

Contributor, *Middle East International*, London, 2010, 1995-96

“Regional Investment in Human Resources in the Gulf”, in “Human Resources & Development in the Arabian Gulf”, Emirates Centre for Strategic Studies & Research (ECSSR), July 2010

[“Nationalism in the Gulf States”](#), Kuwait Gulf Programme, LSE, October 2009

Papers and/or presentations (selected):

“[Syria: Failed State or Reborn Regional Player](#)”, [Middle East Studies Centre](#), (MESC), University of Hull, Nov 15, 2023

“[The Future of State Functionality in the Middle East](#)”, [Middle East Dialogue 2022](#) (conference), Policy Studies Organization (DC, USA), in partnership with the APU and the AMU, March 2022.

“What the Palestinians Need from the Middle East Peace Process”, ‘Healing the Nations’ conference, The Next Century Foundation, July 10-18th, 2021

“Saudi-European Relations in Light of Brexit”, Institute of Diplomatic Studies, Saudi Foreign Ministry, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, September 2019

“Saudi Foreign Policy in MENA” (‘Les Pays Du Golfe et le Monde Arab’), IRSEM, Ecole Militaire, Ministry of Defence, Paris, France, June 25 2019

“Saudi Foreign Policy: Everything Changes, Everything Stays the Same” (‘[The International System with Trump: To Where?](#)’ conference), Bir Zeit University, The Occupied Palestinian Territories, April 16-17 2019

“[Nationhood & Citizenship in the UAE, Gulf and Internationally](#)”, National Defence College, Abu Dhabi, UAE, September 2018 and September 2017

Languages: English (native), Arabic (conversation and basic literacy)

Voluntary work: Carer relief, Association of Carers (2018-present), East Sussex, UK; housing advice & personal support, Xtrax Young People’s Centre, Hastings, UK (2016-17)