



Book Discussion

National State: Imagining a World Without Narrow Nation States

Speaker:

H.E. Dr. Ali Rashid Al Nuaimi

Chair & Discussant:

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Details

Time: Monday 20th March 5:00-6:00pm

Location: Room 1.15 Lecture Theatre, Centre for
Arab and Islamic Studies, 127 Ellery Crescent, ANU

Registration required: [Eventbrite](#)

H.E. Dr Ali Rashid Al Nuaimi draws on his recently published book *National State: Imagining a World Without Narrow Nation States* in which he argues that our societies need to institutionalize and instil the concept of the “National State” in a nuanced and unprecedented meaning, and move beyond the conventional idea of the nation-state as manifested in the West. It is the State that believes that pluralism is a source of strength and that coexistence is a source of inspiration to all who live on its soil. It is a State of neither a particular race, sect, cult nor an ethnic group. It is not a State of a given superior human race over others. As the State of Citizenship and rule of law, it is not at all the State of nationalistic and/ or racist people.

Bio

H.E. Dr. Ali Rashid Al Nuaimi is a Member of the UAE Federal National Council for the Emirate of Abu Dhabi and Chairman of the Defense Affairs, Interior & Foreign Affairs Committee at the Council. H.E. Dr. Ali Rashid Al Nuaimi is a leading international expert on Extremism and Education. He has more than thirty years of outstanding academic and professional achievements in Government, Non-Government, and Private sectors within the United Arab Emirates and abroad. As a pioneer of educational reform and policy in the UAE, H.E. Dr. Ali Rashid Al Nuaimi served as the Chancellor of the United Arab Emirates University [UAEU] and the Chairman of the Abu Dhabi Department of Education and Knowledge [ADEK] in his capacity as a Member of the Executive Council of the Government of Abu Dhabi.

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