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Sasakawa Peace Foundation (SPF)

- Lectures by Iranian Experts -

The Political Situation within and outside Iran after the Arab Spring

The Sasakawa Middle East Islam Fund invites Iranian experts engaged in the fields of energy security and Middle East politics from the Institute for Political and International Studies (IPIS) – a think-tank affiliated with the Iranian Ministry of Foreign Affairs– and the Institute for Middle East Strategic Studies (IMESS). On this occasion, we will host lectures on the theme, “the Political Situation within and outside Iran after the Arab Spring” on October 23, 2012.

The first speaker, Dr. Kayhan Barzegar, is a president of IMESS, and a chair of the department of Politics and International Relations at the Islamic Azad University and Senior Research Fellow at the Center for Strategic Research (CSR). He will speak about “Arab Revolutions and Geopolitical Changes in the Middle East.”

After teaching as a faculty member at the Economics Department of the Islam Research Unit of Imam Siddique University, the second speaker Dr. Ali Biniiaz served as a diplomat in London as well as in Kuala Lumpur. He is currently the Director of the Energy Research Group at IPIS. He will discuss trends in energy and international relations in his lecture entitled “Crossroad Rule in Energy Sphere”.

We are confident this upcoming event will provide you with a unique opportunity to obtain information about Iran directly from respected Iranian experts in the field.

Date: October 23, 2012 (Tuesday) 16:00-18:00

Venue: Conference Room, 2nd floor, The Nippon Foundation Building
1-2-2, Akasaka, Minato-ku, Tokyo 107-8523 Map: <http://www.spf.org/e/profile/access.html>

Speakers:

Dr. Kayhan BARZEGAR (President of Institute for Middle East Strategic Studies)

Dr. Ali BINIAZ (Director of Energy Research Group, Institute for Political and International Studies)

Moderator:

Mr. Koichiro TANAKA, (Managing Director, Director of JIME Center, Institute of Energy Economics Japan (IEEJ))

Commentator:

Dr. Hisae NAKANISHI (Professor, Doshisha University)

Mr. Osamu MIYATA (Associate Professor, University of Shizuoka)

Language: English/Japanese, with simultaneous interpretation

Admission and registration:

Admission is free. Registration is required. Please register by online (<http://www.spf.org/e/event/>), e-mail

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