

Invitation for Students and Young Professionals

**Towards Next Generation Leaders on Security,
Disarmament and Non Proliferation of CBRNs**

The Arab Institute for Security Studies and its partners are pleased to announce the launch of the second cycle of its Next Generation Competition..

The competition aims to facilitate the engagement and contribution of youth, (with a focus on female young professionals) in the fields of **security, arms control and strategic issues**. The competition intends to empower a next generation of leaders capable of positively contributing to the security and non proliferation debate.

The Amman competition welcomes written contributions on **one** (or a **combination**) of the following tracks (roughly 2000 to 2500 words):

- Non-Proliferation of WMDs and Non-Conventional capabilities
- Achieving gender parity in arms control and disarmament efforts
- Preventing Non-State Actors from accessing, possessing and utilizing CBRN
- Prospects of establishing a WMD Free Zone in the Middle East
- Effective methods to link the Women, Peace and Security Agenda (WPS) with Arms Control Agenda.
- Comprehensive integration of gender perspectives in the implementation of UNSCR 1540
- Advancing nuclear security, biosecurity, chemical security and cyber security in fragile environments
- The Deterrence Debate; Has Non-Conventional Deterrence achieved its objectives?
- Supporting legislative norms: NPT, CWC, BTWC and CTBT and other structures
- Delivery vehicles and missile capabilities; Impact on the Middle East
- Written contributions in issues of relevance are welcomed.

The competition especially encourage female applicants, the challenge is open to postgraduate students, military personnel, young professionals, researchers and diplomats (maximum age permitted 38 years old). The Challenge accepts written contributions in **Arabic** (or) **English** languages.

Selected candidates will be offered the chance to joining a specialized international conference on WMDs taking place in Jordan during June 2021. Candidates will orally present their written contributions in front of a live audience (depending on the pandemic situation). The organizers will cover registration fees for participants at the event. Moreover, local logistics, accommodation and meals will be provided for participants during their stay in Amman.

Deadline for submitting written contributions preferably **on May 01, 2021**.

Questions or Comments: We encourage you to submit a short abstract before officially submitting your paper. For further details please send your query to the following address:

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