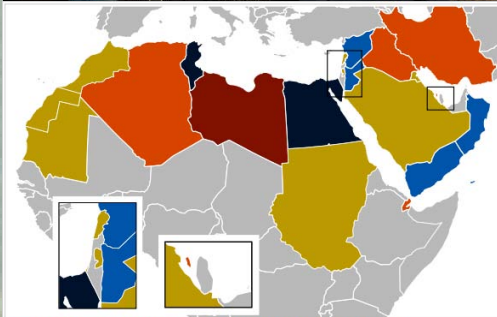


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The Arab Spring

Implications for Canadian International Development Policy

A CASID Development Forum



The series of protests, demonstrations, and revolutions which have been taking place in the Middle East and North Africa since late 2010 have dramatically altered the social and political landscape, toppled governments, and produced yet another Western military intervention in the region. The protests have made extensive use of contemporary social media services, including Facebook, Twitter, and Youtube, which have contributed to the rapid diffusion of dissent and helped raise awareness of the movement worldwide. This raises a number of questions about the implications for Canadian international development policy - for example:

- ★ Who are the new and upcoming political actors? Who is represented in the movements and who is not?
- ★ What is the place of social networking services in facilitating social and political renewal? What can be done to prevent states from limiting their significance?
- ★ What has been, could, or should be the role of religion in these transitions? How should Canada engage with the new regimes?

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