

## CRS Seminar Series

# The Indo-Pacific Region and the Middle East

**Date:** Tuesday, November 27, 2018  
**Time:** 13:00-14:30  
**Venue:** Conference room, Center for Rule-making Strategies  
(5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Shinagawa Intercity Front, 2-14-14 Kōnan, Minato-ku)  
**Language:** English

The Center for Rule-making Strategies (CRS) is delighted to host **Sayed Ghoneim**, Major General (Ret.) of the Egyptian Armed Forces and chairman of the Institute for Global Security & Defense Affairs (IGSDA), a think tank based in the UAE, for a discussion of how Middle Eastern countries view and engage with the Indo-Pacific region.

Please register at the CRS website (<https://crs-japan.org/en/events/indo-pacific-region-and-the-middle-east/>) or email [contact@crs-japan.org](mailto:contact@crs-japan.org) to join the conversation.

## Agenda

**13:00-13:05 Opening Remarks: Brad Glosserman (CRS)**

**13:05-13:40 Speaker: Sayed Ghoneim (IGSDA)**

Major General Ghoneim will address:

- (1) relationships between the Middle East and countries in the Indo-Pacific region;
- (2) the role Middle Eastern countries expect Japan to play; and
- (3) challenges faced by Middle Eastern countries as they engage with the Indo-Pacific region.

**13:40-13:50 Discussion: Amane Kobayashi (IEEJ / CRS)**

Amane Kobayashi, Research Fellow at the Institute of Energy Economics, Japan and Visiting Researcher at CRS, will provide a brief comment on the presentation given by Mr. Ghoneim.

**13:50-14:30 Q&A from the floor**

## Speaker

**Sayed Ghoneim**

**Chairman, Institute for Global Security & Defense Affairs (IGSDA)**



Sayed Ghoneim is Major General (Ret.), Egyptian Armed Forces, and chairman at the Institute for Global Security & Defense Affairs (IGSDA) in UAE. He is also a senior member of the Advisory Board of the “Program of Master of Security Studies and Information Analysis” at American University in The Emirates.

He has joined international security and counterterrorism conferences, roundtables, seminars, workshops and courses in the Middle East, Europe, and Asia. Ghoneim has served as Senior National Representative of Egypt to the United States Central Command, and Military Chief of Staff at the United Nations Mission in Nepal (UNMIN). He participated in other peacekeeping and humanitarian aid missions in Western Sahara and Rwanda, and he has received numerous service medals, including the Long Service Medal awarded by the President of Egypt.

## Organization



**Institute for Global Security & Defense Affairs (IGSDA)** is an online nonprofit thinktank specializing in global, international, regional, national and internal security research. It was founded in June 2016, and produces work on all aspects of security and defense research, studies, analysis, solutions, etc. It is supported by an elite intellectual team with diverse backgrounds related to security and defense in addition to political affairs and academia.

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Once you're there, you will see two tall building in front of you on the right.

The left building (circled below) is the **"Intercity Front"** building.

(The building to the right is the **"Intercity"** and NOT the **"Intercity Front"** building.)

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