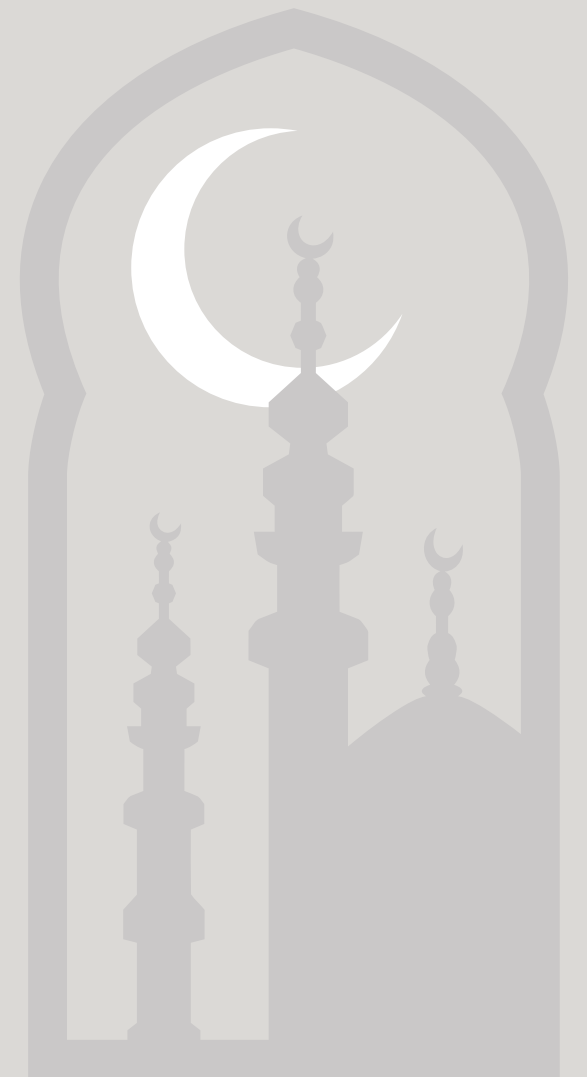


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The Overeducation Crisis in The Middle East: Why are so many university graduates unemployed?



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The Middle Eastern countries have experienced a sharp increase in university enrollment since 2000 and the share of young adults who enter the job market with a university degree has increased accordingly. Unfortunately, the labor market demand for university skills has not kept pace with this sharp increase in supply. We also observe an increase in underemployment among university educated workers (accepting part-time work or jobs that do not utilize the university skills of an employee). In this presentation I will report the findings of my empirical research on this issue in Egypt, Iran and Turkey. In addition to presenting a statistical overview of the overeducation crisis in each country I look at the political and institutional factors that have led to the rapid quantitative growth of higher education in these countries.

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