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Introduction

The Syrian Dialogue Center is a Syrian civil institution that aims to revive and empower dialogue around the issues that interest the Syrian people. Its goal is to consolidate and empower relations and cooperation between Syrians. The center began its activity in Rabia Al-Awwal of 1435 AH/2014 AD with its first seminar, which it followed up with three seminars over the years 1435-1436 AH/2014-2015 AD, until the Syrian Dialogue Center's establishment was announced in response to the broad spectrum which had participated in its previous seminar at the end of 2015. The Center includes two programs, which are: the Political Dialogue Program and the Social Dialogue Program.



The Political Dialogue Program

The Political Dialogue Program aims to empower a culture of dialogue and strengthen trust between the different Syrian powers which it hopes will participate in arriving to consensus on strategic political issues. It also tries to get the different Syrian powers and their various perspectives and currents to shared positions towards political developments.

The Political Dialogue Program includes four dialogue and training tracks:

- 1 The “Taayush” Dialogue Track: aims to empower and build the general national dialogue.
- 2 The “Talahum” Dialogue Track: aims to empower dialogue between specific and similar groups and specialities.
- 3 The “Kashaf” Dialogue Track: periodically meets to attempt to discover the hidden aspects of the political arena, then engage in dialogue to emerge with general and shared recommendations to deal with them, as the center works to build a dialogue platform to gather researchers, interested specialists, and actors in the political arena to discuss the political arena’s developments.
- 4 The “Hiwar al-Saa’a” Track: follows the development of events in Syria in light of their rapid changes and the need for quick tools able to discover and analyze events by those close to them. It then discusses these developments with those working with and those close to the political field to emerge with a clearer general vision and conception of political changes and events.
- 5 The Training Track: it consists of two ?: an occupational side interested in skills which support the center’s work as a whole, and a topical side which is interested in the subjects that strengthen the abilities of its work’s political themes.



The Social Dialogue Program

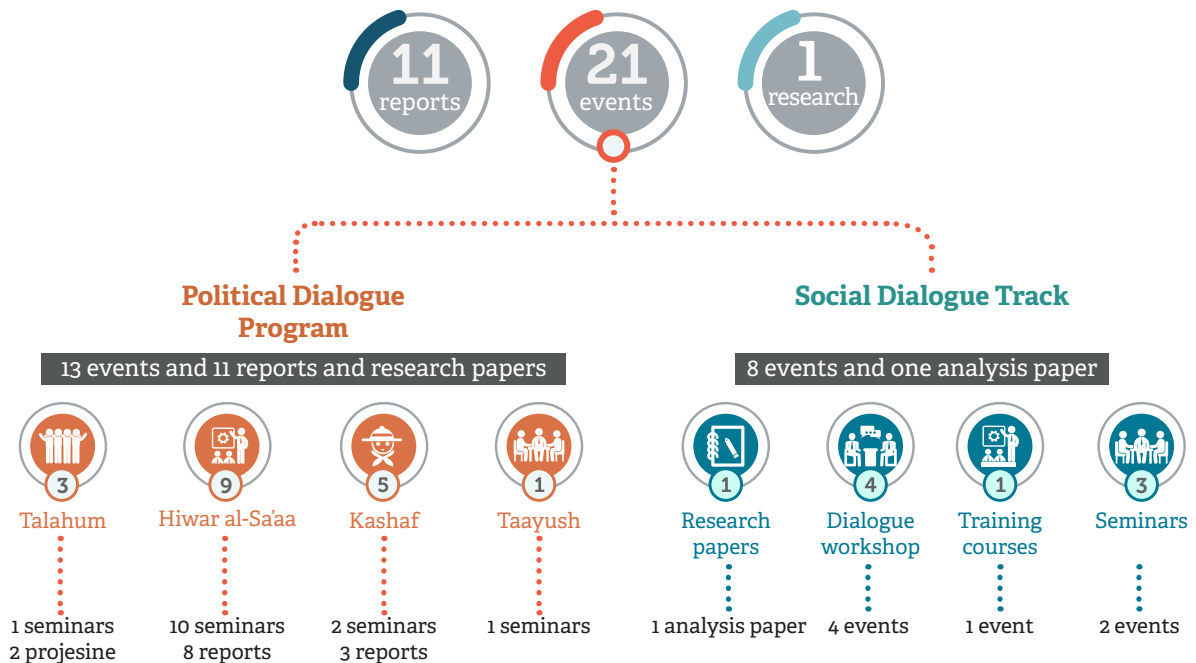
The Social Dialogue Program aims to participate in being a pioneer in reviving the vitality and health of Syrian society after decades of the general enroachment of power and researching the social reverberations specifically to participate in reforming what may be reformed. It aims to empower the culture of social work, strengthen society and open space for it and mobilize its latent potential, and encourage institutions and individuals to make this mission their own self-interest.

The Social Dialogue Program includes three dialogue tracks and one training track:

- 1 The “Banaa” Dialogue Track: the center publishes thought and social culture, and strengthen the centrality of community and standards of vitality and health.
- 2 The “Islah” Dialogue track: the center monitors the pressing social phenomena arising from the ? of the revolution and the heritage of tyranny, which require someone to highlight and move against them, and establish appropriate dialogue activities among those concerned.
- 3 The “al-Hiwar al-Mahalli” track: the center establishes dialogue in cities and different regions, aiming to strengthen dialogue within local structures and events and spreading the culture of dialogue within the different groups of Syrian society.
- 4 The Training track: consists of two sides: an occupational side interested in the skills which support the center’s work as a whole, and a topical side interested in the subjects and abilities related to its work’s social themes.

Achievements of the Year 2018

The Syrian Dialogue Center throughout the year 1439 AH/2018 AD held 21 events in addition to publishing 12 reports and research papers, through its Social Dialogue and Political Dialogue Programs, according to the following:



The National Dialogue Project

The “National Dialogue” project is one of the “Tayyush” track projects in the center’s Political Dialogue Project, and it aims to strengthen and build national dialogue according to systematic and studied steps to study the shared points between the different sides, aiming to develop them, and study the points of difference and the tools to manage them and lead to co-existence.



The Project’s Goal:

The project aims to build objective consensus between the different components of the revolutionary and opposition powers, with the goal of consensus on the foundations of a new social contract between Syrians.

The Executive Parties:

The Syrian Dialogue Center and the Civilians for Justice and Peace



Sponsor

The Consultative Forum

The Completed Stages of the Project:

Extending what the center has accomplished in participation with the executive and sponsoring partners last year, as it accomplished the first two stages of the project: the research stage and the visits stage, and the project has continued by going on to the third stage, building on the outcomes of the second stage, as follows:

- The First Step: Preparing questions specific to the problematic issues and drafting the issues of consensus.
- The Second Step: Sending the questions to the groups targeted by the project, which are about 50 national organizations and individuals.
- The Third Step: Visiting the parties targeted by the project with the goal of obtaining the written answers to the problematic issues, with 37 organizations and individuals visited
- The Fourth Step: Analyzing the written answers sent by the targeted parties to pay attention to ? the roots of the issues of difference ? the targeted organizations with what will lead to breaking down the large concepts, making it easier to deal with them, scrutinize their preconceptions on the issues of difference, through opening new perspectives towards the issue itself, in addition to suggesting possible frameworks for consensus.



مؤشر التوافق الوطني



The National Consensus Index

Throughout the past few years, the Syrian revolutionary and opposition forces suffered from an inability to form unified bodies due to several reasons. This led to a perception of a general divide between these powers and the difficulty of gathering them in one political vision or stance.

The Project's Aim:

To make certain the extent of consensus between the revolutionary and opposition forces. In accordance with its message in "achieving integration and co-existence and guiding the national decision," the center took the initiative to prepare an index to monitor the positions of these powers towards the most prominent current political issues by monitoring and analyzing these positions with the goal of measuring the extent of consensus between them.

The Project's Duration:

Considering the index's importance in the Syrian national context, the center made it one of its foundational projects relying on the feedback from researchers, those interested, and stakeholders from the observed parties, in addition to working on developing it in cooperation with parties interested in guiding the movement of the Syrian nation. Its outputs will then be biannually published and spread to all the national parties and Syrian political actors.

The Center issued its first biannual report for 2018 in the month of Muharrem 1440 AH/October 2018 and the second one on Jumada al-Akhira 1440 AH/ February 2019.

A photograph of a business meeting around a table. Several people in business attire are visible, with their hands and arms resting on the table. The table is covered with documents featuring various charts, including bar graphs and pie charts. A central blue circular graphic with a white border contains the text. The overall scene is brightly lit, suggesting an indoor office environment.

**The papers and
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released in 2018**



Kashaf report

Challenges to Security Reform in Syria

Publication date: 4/15/1439 AH/ 1/3/2018 AD

Considering the strategic importance that Syrian occupies in superpowers policies, and the Syrian issue's threat to regional and international security, the global powers and regional nations tried to contain the Syrian crisis' security impacts upon them, which served as the rationale for direct intervention, especially on the level of security intelligence. This has turned Syria into an arena of conflict between international intelligence agencies. In this context, the Kashaf report researches this subject from its various aspects to build on the research papers presented by the cooperating centers in the track, in addition to the opinions and additions of the tracks' guests with the goal of surveying the challenges of security reform and come to the ideal frameworks and options to deal with them.

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Analysis Paper

Changes on the Ground and their Political Effect on the Negotiations Process

Publication Date: 5/10/1439 AH/ 1/27/2018

The paper studies the latest changes on the ground in North Syria, beginning with the regime's campaign at the beginning of 2018 on the two governorates of Idlib and Hama, to its recapture of the Abu ad-Duhour airport and the emergence of Daesh there? (I'm missing something here, but it requires some background knowledge I don't have), and the mysterious attack on the Russian airport Hmeymim. The paper then moves in its second part to studying the effects of the changes on the previous de-escalation agreements and the upcoming Sochi summit, in addition to a quick discussion of Afrin's political situation in international agreements and how it can benefit the Syrian opposition, before concluding the paper with a number of recommendations to deal with the political and on the ground changes.

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Kashaf report

Russian Policy After Sochi and Mechanisms of Dealing with it

Publication Date: 6/17/1439 AH/ 3/5/2018

With the outbreak of the Syrian revolution, Russia decided the essential determinants of its policy towards the Syrian issue, which in its whole formed an unconditional support for the Syrian regime at different political and military levels, and despite the revolutionary and opposition forces' various attempts to get closer to Russia, however there is a consensus that all of the means that they resorted to have not benefited in light of Moscow's insistence on a stable position not budging from Bashar al-Assad's survival in power and working on the political process towards that. In this context, the Kashaf report researches the subject in its various aspects building on the research papers presented by the the participating centers in the track, in addition to the opinions and additions of the track's guests with the goal of evaluating Russian policy on Syria and determining its strong and weak points to arrive to important conclusions on how to manage the coming stage.

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Analysis Paper

The Scenarios for North Syria in light of the Latest Development: Developments- Implications and Potential Mechanisms

Publication Date: 5/7/1439 AH/ 3/22/2018 AD

The paper aims to read the latest developments after the outbreak of conflict between Hayet Tahrir al-Sham on one side and the Syrian Liberation Front on the other, at the same time that Ghouta of Eastern Damascus is seeing a barbaric and violent campaign from the regime forces and their allies. In addition, the Turkish military forces continue their operation against the Kurdish forces and forces from the Free Syrian Army in Afrin. In its first part, the paper discusses the developments on the ground, and their direct and indirect reasons, with a reading of the stances of the two most prominent actors. As for the second part, it discusses the potential implications of the ongoing events on the region's future and mechanisms to deal with them. It then concludes with some recommendations.

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Kashaf report

The Intense International Conflict in Syria and the Challenges of Reconstruction

Publication Date: 8/19/1439 AH/ 5/5/2018 AD

With the Syrian conflict's transformation from proxy wars to authentic wars, the chances increase for it to transform into direct confrontations between the active regional and international powers. With the beginning of "victory" for the regime and its Russian allies after the military victory over Eastern Ghouta and the Eastern Qalmoun region, the general situation seems to be escalating more with the great changes in the American administration and the United States and Russia's attempt to insert the latest strategic weapons in Syria. In this context, the Kashaf report researches this subject from various viewpoints building on the research papers presented by the centers in the track, in addition to the opinions and additions of the track's guests with the aim of determining the international conflict's most prominent features in light of the current realities and developments, and suggesting the necessary mechanisms to deal with the this stage's challenges on the national level.

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A row of Turkish flags is shown on the left side of the page. On the right side, there is a portrait of Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, the Prime Minister of Turkey, wearing a dark suit and a red tie.

Analysis Paper

The Effect of the Early Turkish Elections on the Syrian Issue

Publication Date: 9/4/1439 AH/ 5/19/2018 AD

At a time when Turkish engagement in the Syrian issue has increased, the situation of Syria and its development have also become one of the most important factors in the Turkish domestic scene, especially with the presence of the largest Syrian refugee population in Turkey. Therefore, the announcing of early Turkish elections in 2018 was a prominent event which would have important humanitarian, military and political, and even service, reverberations on the Syrian issue. From here, the paper researches three main axes: the first being a description of the Turkish domestic scene, the second discussing the Turkish treatment of the Syrian issue, and the third focusing on the expected effect of the elections and Turkey's political future in Syria.

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Analysis Paper

The Social Role of Syrian Women in Turkey

Publication Date: 9/12/1439 AH/ 5/27/2018 AD

With the general interest in empowering the role of women, and the increase of Syrian organizations working in this regard, with most focusing on the political or economic empowerment, the center found it necessary to direct attention to the importance of social empowerment, which can help to push and motivate women to take their social role. This analysis paper is divided into four parts, with the first part reviewing the concept of social role and its qualities and the civil society organizations' responsibility in that regard. The second part explained the results of field research related to monitoring the reality of women's social effectiveness and the factors affecting it, with the third explaining the obstacles that could challenge Syrian women's social vitality. The fourth part draws a general picture of the role needed of Syrian towards its host Turkish society and the Syrian society in Turkey. In addition it presents a number of solutions and recommendations which can motivate women to better distribute their social role.

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Analysis Paper

The American Withdrawal from the Iranian Nuclear Agreement and its Reverberations on the Syrian Issue

Publication Date: 9/13/1439 AH/ 5/28/2018 AD

The recent unilateral American withdrawal from the international (P5+1) nuclear agreement with Iran has raised many questions around the coming steps that the American administration plans to take. It taking place amidst the Israeli escalation against Iranian interests in Syria makes it have a direct influence on the Syrian situation with regards to Iran's regional influence. From here, this analysis paper researches this important event and its effects on Syria. It first axis discusses the American motives behind its decision to withdraw and read the different situations and their implication on Iran itself. The second axis discusses its expected effects on the Syrian issue and the future of Iranian influence in Syria amidst the intervention of the two other actors of Russia and Turkey. The paper concludes with a number of recommendations for the Syrian revolutionary and opposition forces to deal with this stage.

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Situation Assessment Paper

The Idlib Governorate's Destiny and Probable Scenarios

Publication Date: 1/6/1440 AH/ 9/17/2018

The Tehran summit with the presence of the tripartite guarantors of the Astana Talks (Turkey-Russia-Iran) discussed the situation in Idlib and did not emerge with anything new, as the Turkish president Recep Tayyip Erdogan refused any military operation, considering it to lead to a humanitarian disaster, whereas the Russian president Vladimir Putin saw no other option than “the laying down of arms and surrender of armed forces.” The region then saw a Russian military escalation, as the Russian military craft and the Syrian regime’s helicopters bombed a vast area of the Hama countryside and Idlib’s countryside to the south and south-east. This paper researches the campaign from the perspective of the humanitarian situation and the situation on-the-ground in Idlib, and the international complexities and competing interests, in addition to discussing Hayet Tahrir al-Sham’s condition in the governante and the possible scenarios in the near future, and the most preferable of them.

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Situation Assessment Paper

The Future of the Sochi Agreement on Idlib and Possible Scenarios

Publication Date: 1/22/1440 AH/ 3/10/2018

The Sochi agreement concluded between Turkish president Recep Tayyip Erdogan and his Russian counterpart Vladimir Putin on September 16, sealed some calm for the Idlib Governante and its surrounding regions, after several months of escalation in rhetoric and media from Russia and the Syrian regime and the regime's militias and revolutionary military faction's respective military recruitment. This paper researches the dynamics of the conflict that paved the way for the agreement. It also presents the agreement's articles and analyze their details to arrive to three possible scenarios of the agreement's execution. The paper concludes with a number of points that will determine the nature of the agreement's future in light of the conflict's complexity.

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Analysis Paper

The Legal and Political Implications of Recording the Regime's Forced Disappearances as Deaths and Mechanisms to Deal with it

Publication Date: 2/4/1440 AH/ 10/15/2018 AD

Trusted sources have leaked that the Syrian regime has sent people with names of forced disappearances to population directorates to confirm their deaths during imprisonment. Some rights organizations have interpreted this as a proactive step by the regime and its allies to rid themselves of the legal and political implications of these deaths. Given the connection of this to the destiny of thousands of innocents and their families, the issue of the imprisoned and forced disappearances are one of the most important rights issues concerning the suffering Syrian people. In order to shed light on this issue, this report is divided into three parts. The first part researches some of the necessary preliminaries to the issue of forced disappearances and how the regime deals with them. The second part then studies the regime's goals from this step, with the third researching the options of dealing with this policy of the regime in declaring the deaths of forced disappearances.

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Situation Assessment Paper

Future of the Syrian Refugee Issue: Between Guaranteeing their Human and Legal Rights and Using the Issue in the Market of International Interests

Publication Date: 2/18/1440 AH/ 10/29/2018 AD

After the return of the regime and its allies' control over the regions of Deraa and Quneitra, the Russian started speaking of ending the "Syrian crisis" and return of security and stability for a proper environment for the return of refugees, taking advantage of the need of their hosting countries to be rid of their "burden." From here, the first part of the paper researches Russia's motivations in taking interest in the issue. In its second part, it discusses the stances of the states interested in the issue of refugees. It then moves to research the conditions of Syrian refugees' return between the rock of migration and the hard place of the regime's deception. It concludes by presenting the role of the revolutionary and opposition forces towards the issue of refugees.

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Video Interviews

A Series of Discussion on the Syrian Homeland

“A Series of Discussions” conducts discussions with individuals from diverse political and intellectual backgrounds, through which they present their vision and views for Syria’s future, with the aim of defining the components of the Syrian people and diverting attention to depth of the different groups and sects of Syria’s shared interests and needs.

The preparing and recording of the series took place during 2018 and was broadcasted during the month of Jumada al-Akhira 1440/February 2019.

A modern conference room with a large, dark wood conference table surrounded by beige chairs. The room features large windows on the right side, one of which displays the word 'SIMON'. A blue circular graphic is overlaid on the center of the image, containing the word 'Events' in white text. The room is well-lit with recessed ceiling lights.

Events



Seminar

The Changes on the Ground and their Political Effect on the Negotiations Process

Date	Location	Program	Track
Rabia al-Akhira 28, 1439/ 1/15/2019	Virtual Meeting	Political	Hiwar al-Sa'a

Event's Aim:

To shed light on the latest changes on the ground and their effect on political escalation and foresee their political and on the ground outcomes.

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- The changes on the ground and their effect on the factions' future
- The effect of the on the ground developments on the Astana process
- The political effects of the developments on the ground on the Geneva process and Sochi Summit



Kashaf Seminar

Russian Policy after the Sochi Summit and How to Deal with it

Date	Location	Program	Track
Jumada al-Awwal 26, 1439/ 2/12/2018	Istanbul	Political	Kashaf

Event's Aim:

To discuss reevaluating Russian policy towards Syria and determine its strong and weak points, and, as such, arrive to important conclusions with regards to managing the upcoming stage.

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- Presenting a Situation Assessment Paper titled “Russian Policy after the Sochi Summit and How to Deal with it”
- Evaluating the mechanisms of the revolutionary and opposition forces to negotiate with Russia
- Researching practical tools to achieve the participants’ recommendations and suggestions



Seminar

Scenarios for North Syria in Light of the Latest Developments: Political Effects and Mechanisms of Dealing

Date	Location	Program	Track
Jumada al-Akhira 19, 1439/ 3/8/2018	Virtual Meeting	Political	Hiwar al-Sa'a

Event's Aim:

To shed light on North Syria's scenarios in light of the most recent developments, and research their political effects and mechanisms to deal with them.

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- The on the ground developments in Idlib, all that is related to them, and the possible scenarios and mechanisms to deal with them
- 2- The political implications of these recent developments



Discussion Workshop

The Social Role of Syrian Women

Date	Location	Program	Track
Rajab 14, 1439/ 3/31/2018	Istanbul	Social	Bana'a

Event's Aim:

To research the role desired from Syrian women and the size of the great and urgent changes in their role in Syrian society.

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- Researching the concept of the social role of the Syrian women, and how the shape of social and civil institutions and their roles changed before and after the revolution
- Presenting the characteristics of the current social reality of Syrian women, using the results of field surveries
- Researching the social role of women required of women at the level of the host Turkish society and their Syrian society and determining who is concerned with empowering this role



Discussion Workshop

Post-Ghouta Scenarios in Light of the Latest Developments

Date	Location	Program	Track
Rajab 15, 1439/ 4/1/2018	Virtual Meeting	Political	Hiwar al-Sa'a

Event's Aim:

To shed light on the expected repercussions on the Syrian issue from the regime's control on the majority of Eastern Ghouta and the migration of a large portion of its residents to North Syria in light of the following events.

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- Researching the reasons that led to the fall of large portions of Eastern Ghouta, with a focus on the factions' security failure.
- Foreseeing the nature of the coming stage
- The desired steps from the national and revolutionary forces to revive what remains of Syrian national will



Discussion Seminar

The Social Role of Syrian Women

Date	Location	Program	Track
Rajab 21, 1439/4/7/2018	Gaziantep	Social	Bana'a

Event's Aim:

To strengthen the role of Syrian women in building society with the great changes that have occurred in Syrian society and specifically in the role of women.

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- Researching the concept of the social role of Syrian women and how the role of social and civil institutions have changed before and after the revolution
- Focusing on a number of motivators which can push the individual to practice their social role with greater and deeper effect
- Researching the characteristics of the current social reality of Syrian women
- Studying the social role needed from women on the level of both the host Turkish society and their Syrian society and determining who is concerned with empowering this role



Discussion Workshop

Syrian Youth Issues-Priorities and Media Treatment- Youth Workshop

Date	Location	Program	Track
Rajab 21, 1439/4/7/2018	Istanbul	Social	Islah

Event's Aim:

To shed light on the issues and concerns of Syrian youth in light of the Syrian revolution and the current reality, and to research a mechanism to treat the Syrian media on these issues, and benefit from youth experiences in this subject

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- research the issues and concerns of Syrian youth
- To research a mechanism to guide Syrian media institutions' coverage with regards to these issues
- To discuss the surveys directed to the concerned institutions towards strengthening their interaction with treating these youth issues



Kashaf Seminar

The Intense International Conflict in Syria and Challenges of Reconstruction

Date	Location	Program	Track
Rajab 27, 1439/ 4/14/2018	Istanbul	Political	Kashaf

Event's Aim:

To determine the most prominent characteristics of the international conflict in light of current realities and developments and then suggest the necessary mechanism to deal with these challenges on the national level.

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- Presenting the developments of this stage and the new data that predicts the beginning of a new stage of the conflict.
- Discussing the mechanisms of the revolutionary powers in light of these changes and points which must be followed on



Date	Location	Program	Track
Rajab 27, 1439/ 4/14/2018	Istanbul	Social	Islah

Event's Aim:

To discuss the first workshop's results with a number of academic and media experts with the goal of ending with a general vision of the quality of issues affecting youth and which media institutions should treat with specialized programs.

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- To present the results of the previous youth workshop and discuss its results with participants
- To determine and discuss the most important issues and determine their treatment, reasons and effects
- To discuss the media discourse towards the youth and research the means of building a refined media discourse to address the issues affecting them and interact with them in a constructive manner

Discussion Workshop

The Effect of Early the Turkish Elections on the Syrian Issue

Date	Location	Program	Track
Shabaan 9, 1439/ 4/25/2018	Istanbul	Political	Hiwar al-Sa'aa

Event's Aim:

To shed light on the reverberations and probable scenarios for the early Turkish elections on the Syrian issue in its different aspects

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- The Turkish ? towards the Syrian issue
- The expected effects and scenarios of the early Turkish elections upon the Syrian issue in terms of politics and the refugee issue
- The probable effects and scenarios of the early Turkish elections upon the Syrian issue in terms of military and service changes on the ground



Discussion Workshop

The American Withdrawal from the Iranian Nuclear Agreement and its Reverberations on the Syrian Issue

Date	Location	Program	Track
Shaaban 29, 1439/5/15/2018	Virtual Meeting	Political	Hiwar al-Sa'a

Event's Aim:

To shed light upon this decision and its reverberations upon the regional and international level and the extent of the Syrian issue's negative and positive influence upon it

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- The international reality towards this decision and the Trump administration's aim from this decision, the Iranian response towards it and the decision's relationship to containing Iranian influence in the region
- A review of the prominent reverberations of these developments on the Syrian issue and the Russian interaction with this decision in gaining spoils in Syria and the regional Israeli interaction with these developments
- The nature of American-Iranian relations and the depth of conflict between them



Discussion Group

The Legal and Political Implications of Recording the Regime's Forced Disappearances as Deaths and Mechanisms to Deal with it

Date	Location	Program	Track
Dhul-Qadah 14, 1439/ 7/27/2018	Istanbul	Political	Hiwar al-Sa'aa

Event's Aim:

To shed light upon the issue of prisoners and the political and legal implications of registering them as dead and the proper mechanisms to deal with on the different media, legal and political levels.

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- To discuss the regime's aims from recording forced disappearances as being dead, and the political and legal implications of that for the imprisoned
- To research the probable scenarios for the regime's behavior in this regard in the coming stage and its general treatment of the issue of prisoners
- To study the legal, political and media mechanisms for the opposition and the media and legal fields to deal with this



Discussion Group

The Future of the Syrian Refugee Issue in light of the Latest Developments

Date	Location	Program	Track
Dhul-Qadah 25, 1439/ 7/8/2018	Virtual Meeting	Political	Hiwar al-Sa'a

Event's Aim:

To discuss the tools available for the opposition and revolutionary forced to deal with the refugee issue on the media, humanitarian, legal and political fields.

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- To research Russia's aims from holding onto the issue of refugees and their opportunities to achieve that
- To predict the expected scenarios for the refugee issue especially in the bordering countries (Lebanon, Jordan and Turkey)
- To discuss the refugee issue's current place in the Syrian issue, and its effect on the future of a political solution
- To discuss the role hoped for from the social and civil institutions towards this important issue



Discussion Circle

The Reality of Revolutionary Youth and Frameworks to Build and Empower them

Date	Location	Program	Track
Dhul-Qadah 26, 1439/8/8/2018	Istanbul	Political	Hiwar al-Sa'aa

Event's Aim:

To understand the revolutionary youth's reality today and their roles in the Syrian revolution, in addition to placing frameworks and determinants to build this group to regain their leadership and role in the nation.

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- To build a clear conception of revolutionary youth and their needs and roles
- To research the relationship of revolutionary organizations with the youth and how to strengthen this relationship
- To discuss the most prominent subjects and the challenges that this group faces



Training Course

Social Effectiveness of Syrian Youth

Date	Location	Program	Track
Dhul-Hijja 2, 1439/ 8/13/2018	Istanbul	Social	Training

Event's Aim:

To attempt to socially empower Syrian youth to make them able to use modern tools to solve social problems, through focusing on strengthening the concepts of social participation, organization and responsibility in addition to training them with special skills and the skills of social dialogue.

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- Social participation
- Social organization
- Concepts related to social responsibility
- Strengthening the skills of social dialogue



Dialogue Seminar

The Regime and its Allies' Effort at Demographic Change in Syrian Society and Means of Confronting it

Date	Location	Program	Track
Dhul-Qadah 5, 1439/8/16/2018	Istanbul	Social	Islah

Event's Aim:

To shed light on the regime cultural and intellectual effort to effect demographic change in Syrian society, and to attempt to foresee the consequences of this effort and the opportunity of its failure or success, and to determine the media, legal and political means and steps to confront this crime

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- The reality of demographic change in Syrian society on the cultural, social and political levels
- The consequences of the regime and its allies' efforts at demographic change in Syrian society
- To discuss the means of confronting demographic change in Syrian society on the media, legal and political levels



Discussion Circle

The Destiny of the Idlib Governante and Probable Scenarios

Date	Location	Program	Track
24 Dhul-Hijjah 1439/ 4/9/2018	Istanbul	Political	Hiwar al-Sa'a

Event's Aim:

To research the destiny of the Idlib Governorate in an attempt to arrive to beneficial recommendations to avoid a new humanitarian crisis for the Syrian people in the governante.

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- The possibilities of an attack upon Idlib and its surrounding areas and the regions expected to be hit
- The different scenarios for the destiny of the governorate
- To research the ability of humanitarian organizations to respond to the different scenarios
- To research the effect of the attack on the political process in Syria



Discussion Seminar

Discussions on the National Consensus Index

Date	Location	Program	Track
Safar 1, 1440/ 10/10/2018	Virtual Meeting	Political	Tayyush

Event's Aim:

To discuss the fundamental idea of the index “achieving consensus” and the extent of its possible empowerment in the current context of Syrian politics, in addition to evaluating the index and discussing its outputs and results with the aim of developing future publications from it

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- To explain the index's idea and methodology and its most prominent characteristics and results
- To discuss mechanisms to develop the index for future issues
- To discuss the index's results in previous issues



Event

The Turkish-Syrian Dialogue Forum- First Session

Date	Location	Program	Track
Safar 11, 1440, 10/20/2018	Istanbul	Social	Banaa

Event's Aim:

To deepen mutual understanding and correct the misconceptions from both sides and build direct channels of communications between the respective issues and concerns, and foresee the horizons of shared action

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- The issues of building mutual understanding towards many subjects, including those which are the cause of a lack of correct understanding and lead to divisions between the two sister societies
- Placing the base for Syrian-Turkish projects and initiatives that will be beneficial for both sides and deepen cooperation and brotherhood between the two



Discussion Seminar

An Honest Dialogue between Social and Humanitarian Organizations- Ariha

Date	Location	Program	Track
Rabia al-Akhira 18, 1440/ 12/25/2018	Ariha-Idlib	Social	Local Dialogue

Event's Aim:

To conduct a transparent and honest dialogue between the most important humanitarian organizations working in the field and social organizations, which may help an environment of transparency to later strengthen trust between all sides.

Most Important Topics Discussed:

- To present the reality of humanitarian organizations in the field and the horizons of developing them in the future in addition to the challenges and obstacles they face
- To discuss the opinions and questions of social organizations in the field and the prominent problems they face in the city in terms of standards of living and service.



Discussion Seminar

Towards a Methodological Approach to Confronting Extremist Discourse in the Syrian Context through Learned Lessons and Experiences

Date	Location	Program	Track
Rabia al-Akhira 22, 1440/12/29/2018	Istanbul	Political	Talahum

Event's Aim:

To draw the characteristics of a methodological intellectual-practical approach to deal with extremist thought

En önemli noktaları:

- The role of Sharia authorities and the effect of forming a unified Sharia authority to prevent the spread of extremism
- A mechanism to place clear standards to distinguish extremist groups so that decision-makers can use it to distinguish between the moderate and extremist groups
- A reading of some of the different experiences of oppositions groups in dealing with extremism and its organizations and discourse in the Syrian context with the goal of extracting lessons and the best practices

Summarized Chart of the Center's Events

No	Event Title	Program	Hijri Calendar	Gregorian Calendar
1	The Changes on the Ground and their Political Effect on the Negotiations Process	Political	Rabia al-Akhira 28,1439	2018-01-15
2	Russian Policy after the Sochi Summit and how to Deal with it	Political	Jumada al-Awwal 26,1439	2018-02-12
3	The Scenarios for North Syria in Light of the Latest Developments: Political Implications and Mechanisms	Political	Jumada al-Akhira 19, 1439	2018-03-07
4	The Social Role of Syrian Women- Istanbul	Social	Rajab 14, 1439	2018-03-31
5	Post-Ghouta Scenarios in Light of the Latest Developments	Political	Rajab 15, 1439	2018-04-01
6	The Social Role of Syrian Women- Gaziantep	Social	Rajab 21, 1439	2018-04-07
7	Syrian Youth Issues: Priorities and Media Treatment- Youth Workshop	Social	Rajab 27, 1439	2018-04-07
8	The Intensity of International Conflict in Syria and Challenges of Reconstruction	Political	Rajab 27, 1439	2018-04-14
9	Syrian Youth Issues: Priorities and Media Treatment- Experts Workshop	Social	Rajab 27, 1439	2018-04-14
10	The Early Turkish Elections' Effect on the Syrian Issue	Political	Shabaan 9, 1439	2018-04-25
11	The Effect of the American Withdrawal from the Iranian Nuclear Agreement on the Syrian Issue	Political	Shabaan 29, 1439	2018-05-16
12	The Regime's Recording of Forced Disappearances as Deaths: Political and Legal Consequences and Mechanisms to Deal with it	Political	Dhul-Qadah 14, 1439	2018-07-27
13	The Future of the Syrian Refugee Issue in Light of the Latest Developments	Political	Dhul-Qadah 25, 1439	2018-08-07
14	The Reality of Revolutionary Youth and Frameworks to Build and Empower them	Political	Dhul-Qadah 26, 1439	2018-08-08
15	Social Effectiveness of Syrian Youth	Social	Dhul-Hijjah 2, 1439	2018-08-11
16	The Regime and its Allies' Efforts at Demographic Change in Syria and Means of Confrontation	Social	Dhul-Hijjah 5, 1439	2018-08-16
17	The Destiny of the Idlib Governorate and the Probable Scenarios	Political	Dhul-Hijjah 29, 1439	2018-09-04
18	Discussions around the National Consensus Index	Political	Safar 1, 1440	2018-10-11
19	The Turkish-Syrian Dialogue Forum	Social	Safar 14, 1440	2018-10-20
20	An Honest Dialogue between Social and Humanitarian Organizations- Ariha	Social	Rabia al-Akhira 18, 1440	2018-12-25
21	Towards a Methodological Approach to Confront Extremist Dialogue in the Syrian Context and the Lessons and Experiences Learned	Political	Rabia al-Akhira 22, 1440	2018-12-29

Summarized Chart of the Published Issues and Papers

No	Publication Title	Publication Type	Hijri Calendar	Gregorian Calendar
1	The Challenges of Security Reform in Syria	Kashaf Report	Rabia al-Thani 15, 1439	03/01/2018
2	Changes on the Ground and their Political Effect on the Negotiations Process	Analysis Paper	Jumada al-Awwal 10, 1439	27/01/2018
3	Russian Policy after the Sochi Summit and Means of Dealing with it	Kashaf Report	Jumada al-Akhira 17, 1439	05/03/2018
4	North Syria in light of the Latest Developments: Political Effects and Expected Implications	Analysis Paper	Rajab 5, 1439	22/03/2018
5	The Intensity of International Conflict in Syria and Challenges of Reconstruction	Kashaf Report	Shaaban 19, 1439	05/05/2018
6	The Early Turkish Elections' Effect on the Syrian Issue	Analysis Paper	Ramadan 4, 1439	19/05/2018
7	The Social Role of Syrian Women in Turkey	Analysis Paper	Ramadan 12, 1439	27/05/2018
8	The American Withdrawal from the Iranian Nuclear Agreement and its Reverberations on the Syrian Issue	Analysis Paper	Ramadan 13, 1439	28/05/2018
9	The Destiny of the Idlib Governorate and Probable Scenarios	Situation Assessment Paper	Muharrem 6, 1440	17/09/2018
10	The Future of the Sochi Agreement on Idlib and Probable Scenarios	Situation Assessment Paper	Muharrem 22, 1440	03/10/2018
11	The Regime's Recording of Forced Disappearances as Deaths: Political and Legal Consequences and Mechanisms of Dealing	Analysis Paper	Safar 4, 1440	15/10/2018
12	The Future of the Syrian Refugee Issue: Between Guaranteeing their Legal and Human Rights and Using the Issue in the Market of International Interests	Situation Assessment Paper	Safar 18, 1440	29/10/2018
13	Series of Discussions on the Syrian Homeland	Video Interviews	Prepared and Recorded throughout 2018	



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