

## PERSONAL DATA

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## EDUCATION

**PhD**, International Studies, University of South Australia, Australia, Dissertation Title: The Question of National Identity and the Construction of Iraqi State, GPA: N/A

**Masters Degree**, International Studies, University of South Australia, Australia, GPA: High Distinction

**BSc**, Adelaide University, Adelaide, Australia

## CAREER DETAILS

**Assistant Professor**, Department of International Relations, College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Sharjah, United Arab Emirates (Aug 2018 – present)

**Senior Lecturer**, School of International Studies, College of Law, Government and International Studies, University Utara Malaysia, Malaysia (May 2013 – Dec 2017)

**Research Fellow** (concurrent), Institute of Excellence for Jerusalem Studies, UUM

**Post-doc Researcher**, School of Communication, International Studies and Languages, University of South Australia, Australia (Feb 2012 – Feb 2013)

**Lecturer** (concurrent), College of Law and Politics, University of Salahaddin, Erbil, Iraq (Dec 2010 – Feb 2012)

**Tutor**, School of Communication, International Studies and Languages, University of South Australia, Australia (Aug 2007 – Dec 2010)

## PUBLICATIONS

### (a) Books

Kirmanj, S (2017) *Iraqi Identity: Ethnic and Sectarian Conflicts*, Sulaimaniya, Iraq: Sardam House for Publishing (612 pages, in Kurdish).

Kirmanj, S (2015) *Al-Hawiya wa al-Umma fi al-Iraq (Identity and Nation in Iraq)*, Beirut and Erbil: Dar al-Saqi and Dar Aras (414 pages, in Arabic), ISBN 9786144257906.

Kirmanj, S (2013) *Identity and Nation in Iraq*, Boulder, USA: Lynne Rienner (316 pages, in English) ISBN-10: 1588268853.

Kirmanj, S (2005, second edition is forthcoming 2019) *Politicisation of Islam; the Phenomenon of Islamism*, Sulaimaniya, Iraq: Sardam House for Publishing (256 pages, in Kurdish) ISBN: 0-646-44654-1.

#### **(b) International Refereed Journals**

Kirmanj, S & Yaseen Salih (forthcoming 2018) "Perspectives of Iraqis on Federalism and Partition: Developing a Governing Model for Ethnic and Sectarian Conflict in Iraq," *Regional and Federal Studies*.

Kirmanj, S & Abdulla K. Sadq (2018) "Iran's Foreign Policy towards Iraq and Syria: Strategic Significance and Regional Power Balance," *Journal of Social, Political and Economic Studies*, 43 (1-2): 152–172.

Kirmanj, S & Yoosef Abbas Zadeh (2017) "The Para-Diplomacy of the Kurdistan Region in Iraq and the Kurdish Statehood Enterprise," *Middle East Journal*, 71 (4): 587-606.

Kirmanj, S & SC Igwe, MAIL Abdullah, KS Fage, I Bello (2017) "An Assessment of the Motivations for the 2011 Nato Intervention in Libya and Its Implications for Africa," *Canadian Social Science*, 13 (4): 1-12.

Kirmanj, S & Bashawir Abdul Ghani, Talibu Oladimeji (2016) "The New Great Trek: The Root Causes of the Influx of Refugees from Syria and Iraq to Europe," *ABC Journal of Advanced Research*. 5 (2): 91-100.

Kirmanj, S & Shamsul Khan (2015) "Engineering Confederalism for Iraq," *National Identities*, 17 (3): 371-385.

Kirmanj, S & Oladimeji, Talibu (2015) "Nigeria's Multilateral Policy and Regional Order of West Africa in the Post-Cold War International System," *International Journal of Physical and Social Sciences*, 5 (7): 682-698.

Kirmanj, S (2014) "Kurdish History Textbooks: Building a Nation-state within a Nation-state," *Middle East Journal*, 68 (3): 367-384.

Kirmanj, S (2014) "The Syrian Conflict: Regional Dimensions and Implications," *Journal of International Studies*, 10 (1): 57-75.

Kirmanj, S (2013) "Kurdistan Region: A Country Profile," *Journal of International Studies*, 9 (1): 145-157.

Kirmanj, S (2008) "Islam, Politics and Government," *Totalitarian Movements and Political Religions*, 9 ( 1): 43-59.

Kirmanj, S (2008) "The Relationship between Traditional and Contemporary Islamist Political Thought," *Middle East Review of International Affairs*, 12 (1): 69-82.

#### **(c) Book Chapters**

Kirmanj, S (forthcoming 2018) "Ambedkar's Vision of Secular World: Lessons from Iraq's national disintegration to India," in *The Emerging Knowledge Society in 21st Century*, ed., Prof. Ripu Sudan Singh, New Delhi: Primus Books.

- Kirmanj, S & Aziz, Sardar (2018) "Iran's Regional Hegemony and Kurdish Independence," in *Federalism, Secession and the International Regime of Recognition: Iraqi Kurdistan at a Crossroads*. London: Routledge.
- Kirmanj, S (2017) "National Identity, Self-images and Picturing the Other in History School Textbooks of the Kurdistan Regional Government," in *Multiple Alterities: Views of Others in Textbooks of the Middle East*, eds. Podeh, Elie & Samira Alayan, New York: Palgrave Macmillan.
- Kirmanj, S (2014) "Kurdish Integration in Iraq: The Paradoxes of Nation Formation and Nation Building," in *Kurdish Awakening: Nation Building in a Fragmented Homeland*, ed. Ofra Bengio, Houston: University of Texas Press.
- Kirmanj, S (2010) "The Clash of Identities in Iraq," in *Iraq between Occupations: Perspectives from 1920 to the Present*, eds. A. Baram, New York: Palgrave Macmillan.
- Kirmanj, S (2009) "Challenging the Islamist Politicisation of Islam: The Non-Islamic Origins of Muslim Political Concepts," in *Political Islam*, ed. Joseph Morrison Skelly, Westport, USA: Praeger Security International.

## **BOARD MEMBERSHIP**

Editorial Board of the journal of *National Identities*

Founding editor of *Hewar* a quarterly Kurdish magazine published in Adelaide, Australia (Jul 1997 – Oct 2001).

## **TEACHING**

Introduction to International Relations, Introduction to Political Science, International Political Economy, Arab World in International Relations, Political Theories, Comparative Political Systems, Global Society, Islam and World Politics, Islamic Political System, Seminar on Diplomacy & International Relations Issues.

## **POSTGRAGUATE SUPERVISION**

I have supervised PhD and Master Degree students at the University Utara Malaysia, and participated in thesis and oral examination Committees as internal and external examiner.

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Politics and international relations of Middle East  
Iraq's modern politics and Kurdish question  
Islam, Islamism and Islamic political thought  
National identity, nationalism, nation-formation and nation-building  
Ethnic and sectarian conflict in Middle East  
School textbook studies

## SPOKEN LANGUAGES

English:	Full Professional Proficiency
Arabic:	Full Professional Proficiency
Kurdish:	Full Professional Proficiency
Persian:	Limited Working Proficiency