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Abstract of paper to be presented at the conference.
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Speakers: Professor Sadik Hassan al Soudani, Baghdad University
Assist. Professor Mahmoud A.Mahmoud, Baghdad University
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Panel title: Iraqi Society and the Revolution of July 1958 according to Iraqi Documents and Sources

Abstract:

Although there are many writings, articles ,researches and theses in many languages , we think that this important event in the Iraqi ,Arab and Middle Eastern history still needs more focusing and studies. This revolution led to move Iraq from the royal era to the republic one and was a new and different period in the Iraqi history ,and the dominating of military elite and the middle class on the Iraqi political arena for more than six decade ,ending with the American occupation in April , 2003. How did the Iraqi society view the revolution and how the revolution dealt with the Iraqi Society? Who were the leaders of the revolution? Do there differences among the Iraqis to deal with the officers of July during the early years of the republic Iraq? How do the Iraqi documents and sources present the revolution of July in the last sixth decades of the contemporary history of Iraq.

The content of this research attempt to answer these questions and other issues related to this great event in the contemporary history of Iraq. The fifth Iraqi academic historians who are hoping to present their presentations to this third conference of IACIS , to participate in the special session, the third panel on the impact of 1958 on the Iraqi society .The researchers worked as a one group and divided the topics among them, the topics are on the July revolution and the Iraqi tribes ,the liberals, the communists and the Islamists. Prof. Sadik Hassan al Soudani who graduated from Exeter will write on the (the eyewitness impressions on the early days of revolution),and the other four researchers will write as follow:

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| 1- Dr. Mahmoud A. Mahmoud | The liberals and the revolution |
| 2- Dr.Jamel al Najjar | The Islamists and the revolution |
| 3- Dr.Waleed A. Muhammed | The Comunists and the revolution |
| 4- Dr.Natheer J.Hussein | The Tribes and the revolution |