Civic Education Conference in Egypt

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Abstract

Within the framework of the German-Egyptian transformation partnership the Goethe-Institut Cairo and the Tahrir Lounge in cooperation with the Hanns Seidel Foundation and the German Federal Agency for Civic Education jointly organized the Civic Education Conference Egypt 2013 (CEC). The conference took place from 8th to 10th December 2013 at the Bibliotheca Alexandrina, hosted by the Center for Democracy and Social Peace Studies (CDSPS).

The current transition period in Egypt offers the opportunity to rethink the role of civic education in a society based on democratic principles. Citizens need to be enabled to understand that through their involvement in political life and the civil society they can actively influence political decision making and protect their individual rights. The civic education landscape of Germany proposes a whole set of useful methods, ranging from civic education in schools and universities, to documentation centers and internet-based parliamentary monitoring organizations.

My presentation was on Mass Civic Education and Rational Neutrality

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