Course title: Efficiency problems of	Course code:	Credit value: 5
the Fragile States	KKS7BM16	
Department where the subject's		
tuition is going to take place: ÁNTK		
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Course type: full time course 14 lectures

freely optional on bachelor and master courses, or ERASMUS students

Language of teching the course: English

Classes to be held: every Monday from 6 p.m. to 7.45 p.m.

Requirements of preliminary study: non

The frequency of advertising the course, its semester position in the curriculum: autumn and spring term.

Course description:

The problematics of fragile states, especially its effectiveness in the field of Public Administration in light of recent crisis in Middle east and North Africa became more and more interesting for subject matter experts.

This course refers to the time-based dimension and heterogeneousness of Theory of State Fragility and emphasizes some higher-level scientific problems of the criteria of fragile states.

These lectures demonstrate the primarily the Ancient States in the Middle East and Africa than gives a comparison with the Western states. The course highlights the historical-theoretical perspectives of Islamic States' development.

This course examines the evolution of radical Islam based terrorism and the current crisis in Syria, Iraq and failure of American state building efforts.

Topics of the Course:

- 1. Development of the Ancient States in the Middle-East and Africa to compare with Western states
- 2. State and religion in the three monotheist religions: Judaism, Christianity, Islam
- 3. Role of Reformation in Europa and Islam in the states' modernization processes
- 4. Development of the Islam in the Middle Ages
- 5. The relevance of political Islam in the Islamic World
- 6. Islamic fundamentalism and the radical Islam the Muslim Brotherhood
- 7. Colonialism Modernization problems in the Islamic world
- 8. Roots of radical Islam development of radical Islamist organizations
- 9. The Al-Kaida the heritage of Bin Laden

- 10. Affiliates of Al-Kaida in the Middle East and North Africa Efficiency problems of the region
- 11. Palestine State: Hamas in Gaza and Fatah in West Bank
- 12. Israel as a strange body, in the Islamic World Its conflict with the Arab countries
- 13. The Hezbollah and the Lebanese civil war
- 14. The "Arab Spring" or "Arab Winter" in the Islamic World
- 15. The development of the Islamic State (ISIS) and its affiliates in the Middle East and Africa
- 16. The Taliban: Efficiency problems in Afghanistan FATA: the uncontrolled Pashtu territories
- 17. Boko Haram in Nigeria
- 18. Traditional Islamic States: Gulf monarchies (Saudi Arabia, Oman, United Arab Emirates, Khatar, Bahrein, Kuvait)
- 19. The Iranian Revolution in 1979 state system of the recent Iran: the theocratical state
- 20. American efforts of state-building in Afghanistan and Iraq Reason of the failures
- 21. Reasons of the war in Syria and Iraq

Learning outcomes and course competencies:

The students learn the details with larger scale of the different theories of state efficiency, the new and old problem raisings from luck of state efficiency and criteria of state fragility.

They will be qualified to apply the different viewpoints in all fields of state efficiency, and they will have detailed knowledge on the current issues of state efficiency in the Middle east and North Africa.

Requirements of participation in the classes:

- Presence in the classes maximum 3 absences are allowed it is the condition of signature.
 - Consequences of exceeding maximum numbers of absences:
- If the absence is certified, replacement will be a 10 pages essay to be written by the student based on the topic determined by the students and approved by the teacher
- If the absence is not certified, signature will be denied
- Active participation in the classes: asking questions, answering my questions, comments, ppt. presentation (ppt. presentation can be held either in the class, or after the class based on our agreement)

Tasks during the semester, and check of knowledge: non

Requirements of having signature and credits:

- Participation in the classes: (see above)
- Oral exam: ppt. presentation based on the topic to be determined by the students and approved by the teacher
- Exam: oral exam in the examination sessions

Requirements of the oral exam:

- Knowledge of the lectures
- Knowledge of some literature
- The examinee will present a topic by ppt., and he/she is required to explain it in 15-20 minutes.
- Grades: 1-5

- The topics of ppt. presentations are displayed below.

Conditions of the discounted curriculum:

- Writing a 10 pages essay based on the topic agreed with the teacher in English
- Give an oral exam, in English, the topic of it should be chosen from the list themes of the course program, and 15-20 minutes ppt. presentation.

Opciónál topics to the ppt. presentation of the students:

- 1. Main reason of the terrorism in Mali
- 2. How does the Islamic State (ISIS) operate?
- 3. Sunni versus shía Islam in the Middle East
- 4. Main problems of the state-building in Iraq
- 5. The failure of the state in Somalia
- 6. The impact of the colonization on the public administration in the Middle East and Africa
- 7. States nations
- 8. The effect of the radical Islam: emergence of the Islamic State (ISIS)
- 9. Public Administration and state efficiency in the Islamic States
- 10. The influence of the Arab Spring: North Africa (Morocco, Tunisia, Algeria, Egypt, Libya) Middle East (Syria, Yemen)
- 11. Libya, Somalia, Yemen, Syria as failed states
- 12. State system and the radical Islam in Sudan (North- South, civil war, refugees, genocide)
- 13. Yemen: a new failed state shía-sunni conflicts, terrorism, civil war, intervention of Saud-Arabia and Iran
- 14. Relationship with the radical Islam and the state inefficiency
- 15. Interweaving of the state and religious system in Iran
- 16. Challenges of state-building in Iraq and Afghanistan The Iraqi war
- 17. Specialities of the terrorism in North Africa African terrorist organizations
- 18. Reform attemption in Saudi Arabia and in the other Gulf Monarchies

Most important regired and optional literatures:

Required literatures

Joel S. Migdal: Strong Societies and Weak States: State-Society Relations and State Capabilities in the Third World

Brennan Kraxberger: Failed States: Realities, Risks, and Responses

Jasmin Lorch: Analysing Civil Society in Weak States

Patrick W. Quirk: Great Powers, Weak States, and Insurgency

Mehran Kamrava: Fragile Politics: Weak States in the Greater Middle East

Optional literatures

J.J. Messner, Nate Haken, et al.: Fragile States Index 2016

Biersteker, Thomas J, 2002 "State, Sovereignty and Territory" in Carlsnaes, Walter et. al. (ed.)
Handbook of International relations London: SAGE Publications

Buzan, Barry, 1991. People, States & Fear. London: Harvester Wheatshea Failed States, Collapsed States, Weak States: Causes and Indicators ROBERT I. ROTBERG

Juhi Tyagi: Weak States, Published Online: 29 FEB 2012

Michael Nicholson: Globalization, Weak States and Failed States

ROBERT I. ROTBERG: Failed States, Collapsed States, Weak States: Causes and Indicators United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime: United Nations Global Counter Strategy (United Nations Press Office, New York, 08 September 2006);

Council of European Union: The European Union Counter-Terrorism Strategy (European Union Press Office, Brussels, 30 November 2005);

Leighton, Paul: The Challenge of Terrorism to Free Societies in the Global Village, (Eastern Michigan University, 2004)

Dr. Cetron, Marvin J. and Davies, Owen: 55 trends now shaping the Future of Terrorism (The Proteus Press, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, 2 February 2008)

Colonel Thomas X Hammes: Four Generations of Warfare' in The Sling and the Stone, On War in the 21st Century, (St. Paul, MN, 2006),

Lind, William S. "Understanding Fourth Generation Warfare." (Center for Cultural Conservatism at the Free Congress Foundation, Washington, DC. 2004.)

Reeve, Simon. The New Jackals: Ramzi Yousef, Osama bin Laden and the Future of Terrorism. (Boston: Northeastern University Press. 7 October, 1999)

Harold A. Gould, and Franklin C. Spinney, Fourth Generation Warfare Is Here! (University of Virginia, Center for South Asian Students, Fall 2001)

Allen Hammond: Which World? Scenarios for the 21st Century, Island Press, Washington, 1998.

National Intelligence Council: Global Trends 2025: A Transformed World, (US Government Printing Office, Washington, DC. 2008)

NATO Military Committee (NATO) MC 472 NATO Military Concept for Defence Against Terrorism, (NATO HQ, Brussels, 2003)

Dr Maria Bordas PhD – Dr Janos Tomolya: "Legal Aspects of Combating against the		
Terrorism with respect to Efficiency Requirements" Defence Against Terrorism Review		
2012/2. NATO COE-DAT, Turkey.		