

## **Final Activity Report 2006**

# **The Impact of US aid Policy on Democracy and Political Reform in the Arab World**

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The work on the project continued during the second part of the fellowship year and had several aspects:

First: Research advocacy related activities:

1. Finishing a draft of my policy paper and upload it on my web page and sending it to Supervisor for approval
2. Amending the policy paper on the light of supervisor notes and sending it to him for final approval and upload it to my web page
3. Finishing the research paper and send it to supervisor and uploaded on my web page
4. Finishing a publication agreement with a publisher to publish both papers on Arabic and English as chapters in a book
5. Submitted the policy and research papers to two international conferences: Policy paper for the fourth international conferences on new directions in humanities to be held in Tunis next July and the research paper for the International conference organized by the Interfaith Institute in Amman June 2006. Both papers were accepted for presentation at both conferences
6. Translating the policy paper into Arabic and I am looking for a suitable Arabic journal to publish it.
7. Conducting interviews with some political parties' leaders, parliamentarians, women organizations about the size and impact of US aid on democracy and political reform in Jordan.
8. Planning to hold a seminar or workshop to include some Arab and American academics, policy makers and parliamentarians to discuss this issue during summer 2006, in Amman or Washington- depending on funding.

9. Participated in the Advocacy training workshop in Budapest  
April 2006

**Second: Publication plans:**

There are four different types of publication format that may serve as a vehicle for disseminating ideas and policy recommendations advanced in this fellowship project.

1. The Policy and research papers will be published in monograph or a small book in both Arabic and English. A final agreement to publish both papers within the next six months and publishing agreement was signed between me and a publishing center to publish both papers. The agreement included translation, editing and printing.
2. The Research paper was accepted for publication as an article in the International journal of humanities a refereed Journal published in Australia.
3. These papers will be put as required course material for political sociology and will be put as part of a joint electronic course with Some American universities.