**Opportunities for Strengthening Resilience and Advancing Early Recovery in Syria**

Online Side-Event at the Brussels VI Conference

Thursday 5 May 2022, 9:30 – 11:30 hrs (CET)

LSE IDEAS and the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) are pleased to invite you to the Brussels VI Conference side event *Opportunities for Strengthening Resilience and Advancing Early Recovery in Syria*.

Against the background of continuously increasing humanitarian needs and an ongoing violent conflict, international actors propose a stronger focus on resilience and early recovery in Syria.The panel discussion will highlight potential and limitations of early recovery and resilience approaches in Syria. It will focus on perceptions and capacities of local populations and structures to increase the impact of early recovery measures. The discussion will be enriched by findings of an ongoing resilience analysis conducted by LSE IDEAS.

**Speakers will include:**

* **Rim Turkmani**, Senior Research Fellow and Research Director of the Syria Conflict Research Programme at LSE IDEAS.
* **Zaki Mehchy**, Research Fellow and Economist at the Syria Conflict Research Programme at LSE IDEAS.
* **Christine Toetzke**, Director General Asia, Southeast and Eastern Europe, Middle East, Latin America, BMZ.
* **Ramla Khalidi**, UNDP Resident Representative Syria.
* **Huda Serjawi**, Lawyer and Women Rights Defender.
* **Hossam Alali Aljasham**, Founder of Seeds of Peace civil society network in Northeast Syria.
* **Mohamad Shabarek**, Senior Development Expert specialised in SMEs and civil society development.

The discussion will be moderated by Mazen Gharibah (Researcher at LSE).

The Side-Event will be fully virtual and take place on Zoom. Language: English with Arabic interpretation.

We are looking forward to your attendance and kindly ask you to register ([here](https://lse.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_v_h5V90SSDOINXNoE_BBGg))

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