Climate Change, Water Security, and National Security
For Jordan, Palestine, and Israel

Tuesday, September 24, 2019
7 - 8:30 p.m.
Admission is free but registration is required.
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The Middle East region is considered a climate hotspot due to its natural water scarcity, social tensions and political conflicts. Over the course of the century, Jordan, Palestine, and Israel are projected to experience a temperature rise of up to 4°C in some places; a general decrease in precipitation of 25 percent regionally and up to 40 percent locally; a shift in rain seasons from winter and spring to autumn; a higher frequency and intensity of extreme weather events such as droughts, flash floods, and forest fires; as well as a growing rate of desertification. Though the effects of climate change are already observable in the region, little has been done to develop a regional, integrated roadmap for climate-related national security in the region.

EcoPeace Middle East, a nonprofit organization with offices in Amman, Ramallah and Tel Aviv, has held roundtables in each of the three cities to address these issues, resulting in this report. This forum will discuss the scientific findings and policy recommendations to address this looming ecological crisis and its national security implications.

Speakers
Gidon Bromberg, Israeli Director, EcoPeace Middle East
Nada Majdalani, Palestinian Director, EcoPeace Middle East
Yana Abu Taleb, Jordanian Director, EcoPeace Middle East

Moderator
Michael B. Gerrard, Professor and Director, Sabin Center for Climate Change Law, Columbia Law School

Columbia Law School
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435 West 116th street (at Amsterdam Avenue)
NEAREST SUBWAY: 116th Street stop on #1 line

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