

## OPEN DEBATES # 5

# The Quota System: Limiting or Securing the Representation of Ethnic and/or Religious Minorities in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq

*August 16, 2018*

*Rotana Hotel, Gulan Street, Erbil*

- 09:00 - 09:30      Arrival and registration
- 09:30 - 10:00      **Opening Session:** Welcoming words by the Open Think Tank and the  
Syria/ Iraq Office of the Konrad Adenauer Foundation

### **Panel 1: Perspectives from the Minority Representatives**

**Chair:** **Hozan Nayif**, University of Duhok

**Conclusion:** **Dr. Madhat Sulaiman**, Senior Advisor, Kurdistan Parliament

- 10:00 - 10:15      **Dr. Viyan Dakhil**, Former Member of Iraqi Parliament, Yazidi
- 10:15 - 10:30      **Aydin Ma'ruf**, Member of Kurdistan Parliament, Turkmen Front
- 10:30 - 10:45      **Dr. Srood Matti**, Member of Kurdistan Parliament, Descendants of  
Mesopotamia
- 10:45 - 11:00      **Yerwant Amenian**, Member of Kurdistan Parliament, Armenian
- 11:00 - 11:45      **Discussion and Wrap-Up**
- 11:45 - 12:00      *Coffee Break*

## **Panel 2: Political Parties and the Quota System**

**Chair: Dr. Farsat Sofi**, Member of Kurdistan Parliament

**Conclusion: Dr. Abdulhakim Khosro**, Salahaddin University

- 12:00 - 12:15     **Dr. Ja'far Eminky**, Deputy President of Kurdistan Parliament, KDP  
Politburo Member
- 12:15 - 12:30     **Mr. Adnan Mufti**, Former President of Kurdistan Parliament
- 12:30 - 12:45     **Dr. Sherko Jawdat**, Member of Leadership Islamic Union, MP Kurdistan  
Parliament
- 12:45 - 13:30     **Discussion and Wrap-Up**
- 13:30 – 14:45     *Lunch*

## **Panel 3: Perspectives from the Civil Society**

**Chair: Hoshyar Malo**, KHRW

**Conclusion: Hogr CHato**, PAO

- 14:45 - 15:00     **Nawzad P. Hakim**, General Coordinator/NFK
- 15:00 - 15:15     **Karim Suleiman**, Ezidi Activist
- 15:15 - 15:30     **Rajab Kakeyi**, Kakeyi Activist
- 15:30 - 15:45     **Sarmad Bahaei**, Bahaei Community Official Representative in KRG
- 15:45 - 16:30     **Discussion and Wrap Up**
- 16:30 - 16:45     Coffee Break
- 16:45 – 17:15     **Final Wrap Up: Mohammedali Taha**, OTT and Member of Kurdistan  
Parliament