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On Tuesday **March 11, 2025** at **11am** at CEDEJ, **Nayera Abdelrahman Soliman** will be presenting her research **Ghosts of the 1967 forced displacement in Suez**.

In the aftermath of the 1967 June War between Egypt and Israel, approximately one million people had to leave their homes in the Suez Canal cities. They relocated to other parts of Egypt for at least seven years, until their return after the October 1973 War. In this presentation, Nayera explores the effects of this internal forced displacement on the everyday lives and politics of those who were displaced by writing a history from their homes and based on their memories. Those who witnessed the war and lost their homes endured an accumulation of losses that were human, material, and emotional. These losses are not simply the subject of past events. Based on the emerging literature on haunting and ghosts in sociology, anthropology, and political sciences, she follows the traces of these losses as ghosts. Identifying the ghosts of the 1967 forced displacement in the memories of the displaced, and following them to analyze absence and loss, offers an alternative reading of state politics. This uncovers layers within the post-1967 Egyptian political regime amid its defeat and management of the forced displacement, as well as the strategies Suez is utilized during the seven years of displacement. This research is about reading the state and its politics from homes.

Nayera Abdelrahman Soliman is currently a research associate at Centre Marc loch, Berlin. She got her PhD in political science from Freie Universität Berlin in 2024. Her dissertation is about the haunting effects of the war-induced forced displacement in 1967 from the city of Suez, adopting a feminist oral history methodology and a history from home approach.

