

Julia Bartl and Nora Berneis Visit LERC

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After reading a report published by the Center for Migration and Refugee Studies (CMRS) of the American University of Cairo (AUC) and prepared by Carthage Center for Research and Information (CCRI) of the Lebanese Development Network (LDN) and the Lebanese Emigration Research Center (LERC) on “**Refugees of the Arab Spring**”: **The Syrian Refugees in Lebanon**, by Sam van Vliet and Guita Hourani; Ms. Julia Bartl and Ms. Nora Berneis who are conducting a theoretical and empirical research on the situation of Syrian refugees in Lebanon and their impact on conflicts within Lebanese communities with the German NGO "Forum Civil Peace Service", visited LERC to meet with Director Guita Hourani to gain further information on the topic.



Ms. Julia Bartl and Ms. Nora Berneis

Julia Bartl is an anthropologist from Germany. She holds a BA and MA in Anthropology from the University of Vienna and Stockholm and an additional BA in Oriental Studies. Her main fields of interest are migration, refugees, anti-discrimination, human rights, peace and conflict studies.

Nora Berneis is studying Political Sciences at the University Bremen with a focus on the Middle East and political Islam.

The meeting was very fruitful and the interaction was dynamic where important issues were raised which are very beneficial for the research of Ms. Bartl and Ms. Berneis. Following the meeting the young ladies thanked LERC through a letter saying, “*We would like to express our gratitude to Director Guita Hourani*

and her team for their very warm welcome at the LERC. She gave us a great insight into her previous research and encouraged us in our project."