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Italy: Saudi newspaper editor to mull free speech at Rome meet



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Rome, 21 March (AK) - Saudi newspaper editor Khalid Hamad Al-Malik was on Thursday due to give a talk in Italy on media freedom in the Middle East since the 'Arab Spring' revolts that have jolted the region over the past two years.

Al-Malik's talk "The Media and the Freedom of Expression in the Arab World after the 2011 Revolutions" was taking place at Rome's Tor Vergata University.

Sergio Cherubini, director of Tor Vergata's Masters in Economics, Communication and Media Management programme and Luigi Paganetto, president of the Tor Vergata Economics Foundation, were among introductory speakers.

Al-Malik is director of Al Jazeera Newspaper, which has a daily circulation of over 160,000 copies. He is also deputy director of Saudi Arabia's press association.

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