



Syrian electoral system receives a 0% grade as part of a global study

The Syrian federal electoral system received an overall score of 0 per cent for electoral fairness in a global study being conducted by the [Foundation for Democratic Advancement \(FDA\)](#), a non-partisan organization that advances fair and transparent democratic processes. Areas of analysis in the study includes fairness in electoral spending, equality of voter say, equality of candidate and party influence and equality of media coverage. A group of diverse and non-partisan FDA electoral auditors rated each section out of 10 points in terms of fairness.

Key points gleaned from the [study](#):

- The Syrian overall electoral fairness score of 0 per cent means that there is complete electoral unfairness in Syria, and any elements of electoral fairness are trumped by overall electoral unfairness
- The overall 0 per cent score for Syria is the same as the total score for Egypt (under former Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak)
- Syria's electoral and constitutional laws and regulations which are the foundation for Syrian democracy are completely undemocratic

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