## Analysis of Geopolitical Factors Influencing Shi'a convergence in Southwest Asia

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There Shia majority in Iran, Iraq, Bahrain and Azerbaijan and minority influence in Afghanistan, Pakistan and Lebanon and the difference between Shia in some other countries such as Yemen, Syria, Turkey, the Balkans and North Africa has led influential factors Shia religion is considered as the most important factors in the development and geopolitical developments in Southwest Asia. Therefore, the question is: which geopolitical factors influence the convergence of Shiites in Southwest Asia? For this question, two hypotheses are presented below: Distribution of population is effective on the convergence of Shiites in Southwest Asia The creation of Western-style Shiite thinking is effective on the convergence of Shiites in Southwest Asia Therefore, the objectives for the present thesis are as follows: Geopolitical analysis of the position of the Shiites in Southwest Asia Explaining the Geopolitical Concept of Shiism Investigating the Distribution of Shiites in Southwest Asia.

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