

sameMEETING PROGRAMME

WMD and Security Forum WMDFZ in the Middle East – Impact on Global Non-Proliferation Efforts

Amman – Jordan
November 13th to 14th, 2013

A meeting organized and sponsored by
Arab Institute for Security Studies (ACSIS) (www.acsis.org)
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Tuesday - November 12, 2013

All day **Arrival of participants**
Please refer to logistics chart available online for airport pick-up arrangements and details on accommodation, venue, etc.

1800 **Coordination meeting for members of the Arab Forum on Disarmament and Nuclear Non-Proliferation**

Wednesday - November 13, 2013

Track I + Track II
Venue: University of Jordan (Rum Auditorium)

1030 – 1100 **Conference Registration**

1100 – 1145 **Panel 1 Amman Security Colloquium**
Chair and moderator:
Arab Institute for Security Studies

Statements by:

- o **Representative of the Government of the Netherlands**
- o **Representative of the European Union**

Keynote Speeches by:

- o **H.E. Adnen Mansar**
Minister of Presidential Affairs, Official Spokesman of Tunisian Presidency
- o **H.E. Andreas Reinicke**
EU Special Envoy to the Middle East
- o **Grace Asirwatham**
Deputy Director General of OPCW

1215 – 1245 *Coffee break*

1245 – 1345 **Panel 2 The Iran Dilemma – Breaking the Deadlock**

Chair and moderator:

Ali El Saiedi (Egyptian Council for Foreign Affairs)

Speakers

- **Coralie Hindawi** (American University of Beirut, Lebanon)
- **Rania Abdul Wahhab** (Ain Shams University, Egypt)
- **Ali A. Mohammadi** (Global Health and Security, Iran)
- **Discussion**

1350 – 1450 **Panel 3 The Zone – Addressing Other Categories of WMD**

Chair and moderator:

Saja Majali (Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Jordan)

Speakers

- **Christian Weidlich** (HSFK, Germany)
- **John Hart** (SIPRI, Sweden)
- **Mohamad Shaker** (ECFA, Egypt)
- **Discussion**

1500 *Lunch*

1730 **Coordination meeting for the Arab Forum on Security and Nuclear Non-Proliferation**

1900 *Jordanian dinner*

Thursday - November 14, 2013

Track I: Security and WMD Non Proliferation

Venue: Le Royal Hotel (Ishtar Ballroom)

0945 – 1045 **Panel 4 A WMD-Free Zone in the Middle East - Obstacles and Opportunities**

Chair and moderator:

Lars Backström (Deputy Facilitator, Finland)

Speakers

- **Zia Mian** (Princeton University, US)
- **Grace Asirwatham** (DDG - OPCW)
- **Marc Finaud** (GCSP, Switzerland)
- **Discussion**

1050 – 1150 **Panel 5 Prospects of a Regional Nuclear Fuel Cycle in the Middle East**

Chair and moderator:

Ziad Abu Zayyad (Palestine Journal of Politics, Economics and Culture)

Speakers

- **Sameh Aboul Enein** (AUC Professor of Int. Security &-Ambassador for Disarmament, Egypt)
- **Tom Coppen** (Utrecht University, Netherlands)
- **Alberto Mutti** (VERTIC, UK)
- **Discussion**

1150 – 1220 *Coffee Break*

1220 – 1320 **Panel 6 Growing Utilization of Nuclear Energy in the Middle East – Towards a Nuclear Security Culture and Nuclear Transparency**

Chair and moderator:

Al Shareef Nasser bin Nasser (Middle East Scientific Institute for Security, Jordan)

Speakers

- **Mahmoud Nasereddine** (MENA Center, Lebanon)
- **Alja Manna** (Algeria University, Algeria)
- **Benjamin Hautecouverture** (FRS, France)
- **Discussion**

1330 – 1430 **Panel 7 International Security Models and Perspectives (Security, the Zone and other Dimensions)**

Chair and moderator: Erzsébet Rózsa (Hungarian Institute of International Affairs)

Speakers

- **Arda Batu** (ARI Movement, Turkey)
- **Pierre Razoux** (Institute of Strategic/IRSEM, France)
- **Jenny Nielsen** (IISS, UK)
- **Tuomo Melasuo** (TAPRI, Finland)
- **Discussion**

1430 – 1500 *Coffee Break*

1500 – 1600 **Panel 8 WMDFZ in the Middle East - the Role of Media (and closing remarks)**

Speakers

- **Peter Rickwood** (Atomic Reporters, Austria)
- **Tariq Rauf** (Global Nuclear Solutions, Austria)
- **Julian Borger** (The Guardian)
- **Ayman Khalil** (ACISIS, Jordan)

1600 *Lunch*

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Thursday - November 14, 2013

Track II: WMD Workshop for Journalists

Venue: Le Royal Hotel (Azore Hall) 14 November 2013

10.00 – 10.30 **Registration, Welcome and Opening remarks**

- Peter Rickwood (Atomic Reporters)
- Ayman Khalil (Arab Institute for Security Studies)

10.30 – 10.50 **Keynote Address**

- Ambassador Mohamad Shaker

10.50 – 12.00 **Destroying WMD in the Middle East – OPCW and IAEA Activities**

- Grace Asirwatham (DDG-OPCW)
- Tariq Rauf

12.00 – 13.00 **Arms Control Measures Achievements and Challenges**

- Coralie Hindawie
- Mahmoud Karem

13.00 – 13.20 **Break**

13.20 - 14.00 **Strategic Considerations – Offense and Defense**

- Sameh Aboul Enein
- Khaled Abdullah Al Bu Ainnain

14.00 – 15.00 **Reporting the Story – Getting it Published (with simulation)**

- Peter Rickwood
- Julian Berger

15.00 – 16.00 **Plenary Session: News Media's Role – Keeping the Public Informed about WMD in the Middle East**

- All panelists

1600 *Lunch*

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