



AGENDA OF LONDON MEETING

ISRAELI-EUROPEAN POLICY NETWORK (IEPN)

Assessing the Impact of the Arab Peace Initiative on the Middle East and the Role of the EU:

European, Arab and Israeli Perspectives

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PROGRAMME

Monday, 26 April 2010

Before 18.00 Arrival of delegates

19.00 Dinner
Location: Just St. James, 12, St. James's Street, London, SW1A 1ER

Tuesday, 27 April 2010

09.30 Registration and coffee, Chatham House, The Royal Institute of International Affairs, Chatham House, 10 St James's Square, London SW1Y 4LE (tube Piccadilly Circus)

10.00 **Welcome Address** by
DR. CLAIRE SPENCER
(Chatham House, Head Middle East and North Africa Programme)
DR. RALF HEXEL
(Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Director Israel Office),

Political Opening Remarks

DR. NABIL SHAATH (Member of Fatah Central Committee,
Commissioner General of Foreign Relations of Fatah and Former
Foreign Minister)

MR. MEIR SHEETRIT (Former Israeli Minister of Interior, Member
of Knesset)

Chair:

MR. CHRISTOPH MOOSBAUER

(Member of Board Consilius AG, IEPN coordinator)

10.45

Session 1: Arab Perspectives

Presentation of Working Paper on Arab Perspectives on the Arab
Peace Initiative and the Role of the EU

DR. AMR HAMZAWY

(Research Director, Carnegie Middle East Center, Beirut)

Discussants

DR. YAIR HIRSCHFELD

(Economic Cooperation Foundation, participant in Oslo-process)

DR. ROBERTO ALIBONI

(Vice-President Italian Institute of International Affairs)

Chair:

DR. CLAIRE SPENCER

(Chatham House, Head Middle East and North Africa Programme)

12.15

Lunch break

13.45

Session 2: Israeli Perspectives

Presentation of Working Paper on Israeli Perspectives on the Arab
Peace Initiative and the Role of the EU

DR. MATTI STEINBERG

(Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

Discussants

DR. GHASSAN AL-KHATIB

(Head of the Govt. Media Center at the Prime Ministry, Ramallah)

MR. ROBERT RYDBERG

(Dept. Director General, Head of Dept. for Middle East and North
Africa, Ministry for Foreign Affairs Sweden)

Chair:
PROF. DR. STEPHAN STETTER
(Universität der Bundeswehr München - IEPN coordinator)

15.15 Coffee and Tea break

15.45 **Session 3: European Perspectives**

Presentation of Working Paper on European Perspectives on the Arab Peace Initiative and the Role of the EU

DR. EDUARD SOLER Í LECHA
(CIDOB Barcelona, Spanish Foreign Ministry)

Discussants

DR. ODED ERAN

(Institute for National Security Studies Tel Aviv, former
Ambassador to Jordan and EU)

DR. GAMAD ABDEL AL GAWAD SOLTAN

(Director of the Al-Ahram Center for Political and Strategic Studies,
Cairo)

Chair

DR. ROBY NATHANSON

(Director Macro Center for Political Economics, Tel Aviv – IEPN
coordinator)

17.15 **Summary discussion and future perspectives**

Roundtable with

MR. ABDEL-ILAH AL-KHATIB (Former Jordanian Foreign Minister)

Mr. JESPER HÖSTRUP (European Commission, Middle East Desk)

DIETMAR NIETAN (MP, Member of the German Bundestag,
member of EU Affairs Committee in the Bundestag)

DR. NABIL SHAATH (Member of Fatah Central Committee,
Commissioner General of Foreign Relations of Fatah and Former
Foreign Minister)

MR. MEIR SHEETRIT (Former Israeli Minister of Interior, Member
of Knesset)

Chair: MR. ACHIM VOGT (Director FES Jordan)

18.15 End of meeting and departure of delegates