

# The Saban Forum 2011

## Strategic Challenges in a New Middle East



Washington, D.C., December 2-4, 2011

### Program Schedule

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#### Friday, December 2, 2011

Willard Intercontinental Hotel  
1401 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

BALLROOM

**5:00 PM Reception**

**6:00 PM WELCOMING REMARKS:** Haim Saban,  
*Chairman, The Saban Forum*

**Keynote Address: Secretary of Defense  
Leon Panetta**

MODERATED BY: Kenneth M. Pollack, *Director  
of the Saban Center for Middle East Policy at  
Brookings*

**7:00 PM Dinner**

**8:00 PM A Conversation with President  
William J. Clinton**

MODERATOR: Charlie Rose, *Editor and Anchor,  
Charlie Rose*

**10:15 AM Dialogue Session 1: He Loves Me, He Loves  
Me Not, the Future of U.S.-Israel Relations**

BALLROOM

MODERATOR: Howard Berman, *United States  
Representative (D-CA); Ranking Member,  
Committee on Foreign Affairs*

Elliott Abrams, *Senior Fellow for Middle Eastern  
Studies, Council on Foreign Relations; former  
Deputy National Security Advisor*

Dan Gillerman, *President of Gillerman Global  
and Chairman of Markstone Capital Group;  
former Ambassador to the UN*

Martin Indyk, *Convener of the Saban Forum;  
Vice President and Director of Foreign Policy, The  
Brookings Institution*

Haim Ramon, *former Member of the Knesset  
(Kadima); former Vice Prime Minister; former  
Minister of Justice*

**12:00 PM A Conversation with Secretary of State  
Hillary Rodham Clinton**

BALLROOM

MODERATOR: Martin Indyk, *Convener of the  
Saban Forum; Vice President and Director of  
Foreign Policy, The Brookings Institution*

**1:00 PM Luncheon Session: To Bomb or to Live with  
the Bomb: Israel's Security Dilemma**

WILLARD ROOM

MODERATOR: George Tenet, *Managing Director,  
Allen & Company; former Director of Central  
Intelligence*

Lt. Gen. Gabi Ashkenazi, *former IDF Chief of  
Staff*

Maj Gen. Meir Dagan, *former Director of the  
Mossad*

#### Saturday, December 3, 2011

Willard Intercontinental Hotel  
1401 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

**8:00 AM Registration**

BALLROOM FOYER

**9:00 AM A Conversation with Leader of the  
Opposition Tzipi Livni & Democratic Leader  
Nancy Pelosi: The U.S.-Israel Relationship in  
a World in Turmoil**

BALLROOM

MODERATOR: Andrea Mitchell, *NBC Chief  
Foreign Affairs Correspondent*

**10:00 AM Coffee Break**

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- 2:30 PM Break** Foreign Minister Nasser Judeh, *Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan*
- 4:30 PM Buses Depart the Willard for the Folger Shakespeare Library**
- The Folger Shakespeare Library  
201 East Capitol Street, SE
- 5:30 PM WELCOMING REMARKS:** Strobe Talbott, *President of the Brookings Institution*
- A Conversation with David Grossman, Author of *To the End of the Land***
- WITH: Leon Wieseltier, *Literary Editor of The New Republic*
- 6:30 PM Intermission**
- 7:15 PM *Occupy Wall Street! Occupy Rothschild Boulevard! The Social Justice Agenda in the United States and Israel***
- MODERATOR: Ari Shavit, *Senior Correspondent, Ha'aretz*
- Rahm Emanuel, *Mayor of Chicago*
- Moshe Halbertal, *Gruss Professor, New York University School of Law; Professor of Jewish Thought and Philosophy, Hebrew University*
- 8:15 PM Dinner is Served in the Old Reading Room**
- Sunday, December 4, 2011**
- Willard Intercontinental Hotel  
1401 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
- 8:30 AM Registration**
- BALLROOM FOYER
- 9:00 AM Dialogue Session 2: *The Arab Awakenings: A Regional Perspective***
- BALLROOM
- MODERATOR: Thomas L. Friedman, *Foreign Affairs Columnist, The New York Times*
- Prime Minister Salam Fayyad, *Palestinian National Authority*
- 10:00 AM A Conversation with National Security Advisor Thomas Donilon**
- BALLROOM
- MODERATOR: Martin Indyk, *Convener of the Saban Forum; Vice President and Director of Foreign Policy, The Brookings Institution*
- 10:45 AM Coffee Break**
- 11:00 AM Dialogue Session 3: *The Arab Awakenings: U.S. and Israeli Perspectives***
- BALLROOM
- MODERATOR: Itamar Rabinovich, *Charles Bronfman Distinguished Nonresident Senior Fellow, Saban Center for Middle East Policy at Brookings*
- Senator Joseph Lieberman, *I-Connecticut*
- Natan Sharansky, *Chairman, Jewish Agency for Israel; former Deputy Prime Minister*
- James Steinberg, *Dean of the Maxwell School, Syracuse University; former Deputy Secretary of State.*
- Maj. Gen. Amos Yadlin, *former IDF Director of Military Intelligence*
- 1:00 PM Concluding Luncheon Session**
- A Conversation with Deputy Prime Minister Dan Meridor & Dennis Ross, former Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director, National Security Council**
- WILLARD ROOM
- MODERATOR: Jane Harman, *Director, President, and CEO, The Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars*
- CONCLUDING REMARKS: Haim Saban, *Chairman, The Saban Forum*
- 2:30 PM Saban Forum 2011 formally ends**