

2007 U.S.-ISLAMIC WORLD FORUM

Program

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Doha, Qatar, February 17–19, 2007

Program Schedule

Friday, February 16, 2007

- 14:00-17:00** **Registration and Task Force Sign Up**
LOCATION: RITZ-CARLTON LOBBY
- 15:00-16:00** **Press Briefing***
Goals of the U.S.-Islamic World Forum
LOCATION: FATEH AL-KHAIR
- SPEAKERS:**
Mohammed Abdullah Mutib Al Rumaihi, *Assistant Foreign Minister for Follow Up Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Qatar*
- Martin Indyk, *Director, Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution, United States*
- Stephen Grand, *Director, Project on U.S. Relations with the Islamic World, Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution, United States*
- Hady Amr, *Fellow and Director of the Brookings Doha Center, a project of the Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution, United States*
- 20:30-22:30** **Arts and Culture Initiative Film Screening* – “Booye kafoor, atre yas” (Smell of Camphor, Fragrance of Jasmine), including discussion with Director Bahman Farmanara**
LOCATION: FATEH AL-KHAIR

Saturday, February 17, 2007

- 9:00-12:30** **Registration and Task Force Sign Up**
LOCATION: AL-WOSAIL FOYER
- 12:30-14:30** **Welcome Luncheon and Roundtable***
U.S. and Islamic World Opinion: How Do We See Each Other? What Are Our Different Narratives?
LOCATION: AL-MUKHTASAR
- CHAIR:**
Shibley Telhami, *Professor, University of Maryland; Nonresident Senior Fellow, Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution, United States*
- OPENING SPEAKERS:**
Steven Kull, *Director, Program on International Policy Attitudes, United States*
- Dalia Mogahed, *Executive Director, Muslim Studies, The Gallup Organization, United States*
- Khalil Shikaki, *Director, Palestinian Center for Policy and Survey Research, Palestine*
- 17:30-18:30** **Welcome Reception***
LOCATION: AL-WOSAIL FOYER
- 18:30-20:00** **Opening Plenary***
LOCATION: AL-WOSAIL
- WELCOMING REMARKS:**
Martin Indyk, *Director, Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution, United States*

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OPENING ADDRESS:

Sheikh Hamad bin Jassim bin Jabr Al Thani, *First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Qatar*

The Conflicts That Divide Us: Can We Find Productive Ways Forward?

SPEAKERS:

Amre Moussa, *Secretary-General of the League of Arab States, Egypt*

Sheikh Yusuf al-Qaradawi, *Qatar*

Syed Hamid Bin Syed Jaafar Albar, *Minister of Foreign Affairs, Malaysia*

Philip Zelikow, *White Burkett Miller Professor of History, University of Virginia; Former Counselor to Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, Department of State, United States*

20:00-21:30

Dinner and Dialogue (For Participants Only)*
The Palestinian-Israeli Conflict as a Microcosm of the Conflicts that Divide Us

LOCATION: AL-MUKHTASAR

MODERATOR:

Shibley Telhami, *Professor, University of Maryland; Nonresident Senior Fellow, Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution, United States*

PANELISTS:

Asad-Abdul Rahman, *Member, Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization, Palestine*

Amre Moussa, *Secretary-General of the League of Arab States, Egypt*

Philip Zelikow, *White Burkett Miller Professor of History, University of Virginia; Former Counselor to Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, Department of State, United States*

Martin Indyk, *Director, Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution, United States*

21:30-23:00

Arts and Culture Initiative Film Screening * – “Shame,” including a discussion with Mukhtar Bibi and Producer Mohammed Ali Naqvi

LOCATION: FATEH AL-KHAIR

Sunday, February 18, 2007

9:00-10:30

Task Forces: Session One

1) Security Task Force - What are the changing security dynamics in the region?

Developed in partnership with the 21st Century Defense Initiative, The Brookings Institution

LOCATION: AL-WOSAIL 1

CONVENER:

Peter W. Singer, *Senior Fellow and Director of the 21st Century Defense Initiative, The Brookings Institution, United States*

• The Name Game: From “Long War” and “Islamofascism” to “Mujahideen” and “Takfiri,” do the descriptions and names we give conflict matter?

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PRESENTERS:

M. J. Akbar, *Editor-in-Chief, The Asian Age, India*

David Belt, *Assistant Professor, National Defense University, United States*

Marc Lynch, *Associate Professor, Williams College, United States*

2) Governance, Religion and Politics Task Force - Building effective states; fitting in faith

LOCATION: AL-WOSAIL 2

CONVENER:

Shibley Telhami, *Professor, University of Maryland; Nonresident Senior Fellow, Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution, United States*

- In an age of globalization, why are so many states having difficulty meeting the basic needs of their citizens? How do we make government work better for its citizens?

PRESENTERS:

John DeGioia, *President, Georgetown University, United States*

Charles Henderson, *Executive Director, Association for Religion and Intellectual Life, United States*

Hadi Semati, *Professor, Faculty of Law and Political Science, University of Tehran, Iran*

COMMENTATOR:

Khalil Shikaki, *Director, Palestinian Center for Policy and Survey Research, Palestine*

3) The Next Generation Task Force: New Media, the Economy and Social Change

Developed in partnership with the Wolfensohn Center, The Brookings Institution

LOCATION: AL-WOSAIL 3

CONVENER:

Hady Amr, *Fellow and Director of the Brookings Doha Center, a project of the Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution, United States*

- What are the hopes and frustrations of the next generation? What is the role of the New Media in social change?

PRESENTERS:

Fowziyah Abdullah Abu-Khalid, *King Saud University, Department of Sociology, Saudi Arabia*

Ahmad Humeid, *Founder, www.itoot.net and www.ikbis.com, Jordan*

Nisreen Shocair, *President, Virgin Megastores Middle East, Jordan*

10:30-11:00

Coffee Break

LOCATION: AL-WOSAIL FOYER

11:30-12:30

Task Forces: Session Two

LOCATION: AL-WOSAIL 1, 2, 3

Security Task Force

- Should the United States withdraw from Iraq? If so, what would happen next? Is civil war inevitable?

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PRESENTERS:

Kenneth M. Pollack, *Senior Fellow and Director of Research, Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution, United States*

Jalal al-Din al-Sagheer, *Member of Parliament, Iraq*

Governance, Religion and Politics Task Force

- **What is the place of religion in the public square?**

PRESENTERS:

Abdullah An-Naim, *Charles Howard Candler Professor of Law, Emory University, United States*

James Donahue, *President, The Graduate Theological Union, United States*

COMMENTATOR:

Katharine Henderson, *Executive Vice President, Auburn Theological Seminary, United States*

Next Generation Task Force

- **What are the socio-economic, political and civic challenges facing the next generation?**

PRESENTERS:

Abdelouahab Rezig, *Director of United National Economic Commission for Africa, Sub-Regional Office for North Africa, Algeria*

Mark Ward, *Senior Deputy Assistant Administrator for the Bureau for Asia and Near East, United States Agency for International Development, United States*

Tarik Yousef, *Nonresident Senior Fellow, Wolfensohn Center for Development, Global Economy and Development, The Brookings Institution; Dean, Dubai School of Government, United Arab Emirates*

13:00-15:00

Luncheon and Plenary Session Three *

Perspectives from Asia

Developed in partnership with the Institute of Strategic and International Studies (ISIS) Malaysia

LOCATION: AL-MUKHTASAR

MODERATOR:

Mohammed Jawhar Hassan, *Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, ISIS, Malaysia*

SPEAKERS:

Komaruddin Hidayat, *President, Syarif Hidayatullah State Islamic University, Indonesia*

Habib Rehman, *Executive Director, ITC Ltd., India*

Bruce Riedel, *Senior Fellow, Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution, United States*

15:15-16:45

Leaders Seminars

A) Muslim Minority Leaders

Seminar: Bridging the Divide

Developed in partnership with the American Muslim Group on Policy Planning and the Arab Western Summit of Skills

LOCATION: AL-WOSAIL 1

Program Schedule CONTINUED

How can American and European Muslim leaders work together to help bridge the divide within their own societies and with the Islamic world?

CONVENERS:

Akram Baker, *Co-President, Arab Western Summit of Skills, Palestine*

Rokhsana Fiaz, *Founding Director, The Change Institute, United Kingdom*

Muqtedar Khan, *Professor, University of Delaware; Nonresident Senior Fellow, The Brookings Institution, United States*

PRESENTERS:

Reza Aslan, *Author, No God But God, United States*

Hisham Hellyer, *Research Fellow, Centre for Research in Ethnic Relations, University of Warwick, United Kingdom*

Shahid Malik, *Member of Parliament and Parliamentary Private Secretary to Minister of State, Department of Education and Skills, United Kingdom*

Maggie Mitchell Salem, *Regional Director, Middle East and North Africa, IFES, United States*

Ahmed Younis, *Independent Consultant, United States*

B) Science and Technology Leaders Seminar: Technology Partnerships

Developed in partnership with Lawrence Livermore National Labs

LOCATION: AL-WOSAIL 2

How do we create international frameworks for spurring more robust science and technology partnerships between the United States and the Islamic world?

CO-CHAIRS:

Abdalla Alnajjar, *Executive Director, Arab Science and Technology Foundation, United Arab Emirates*

Reno Harnish, *Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, United States*

CONVENERS:

Michael d'Arcy, *Researcher in Science and Security, King's College, London, United Kingdom*

Kristin Lord, *Associate Dean, Elliott School of International Affairs, The George Washington University, United States*

PRESENTERS:

Kamel Ayadi, *President, World Federation of Engineering Organizations, Tunisia*

John Boright, *Executive Director, International Affairs, United States National Academy of Sciences, United States*

Cathleen Campbell, *President and Chief Executive Officer, United States Civilian Research and Development Foundation, United States*

Ali Mufuruki, *Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Infotech Investment Group, Tanzania*

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C) Arts and Culture Leaders Seminar: Arts and the Public Sphere

LOCATION: AL-WOSAIL 3

How can artistic and cultural communities contribute to improving understanding and relations between the United States and the Islamic world?

CHAIRS:

Salman Ahmed, *Musician, Junoon, Pakistan*

Benjamin Chavis, *President and Chief Executive Officer, Hip Hop Summit Action Network, United States*

CONVENERS:

Shamil Idriss, *Acting Director, Alliance of Civilizations, United Nations*

Cynthia Schneider, *Distinguished Professor in the Practice of Diplomacy, Georgetown University, United States*

PRESENTERS:

Hany Abu Assad, *Film Director, Paradise Now, Palestine*

Robert Pinsky, *former Poet Laureate, United States*

D) Media Leaders Seminar

Developed in partnership with the Joan Shorenstein Center on the Press, Politics and Public Policy at Harvard University

LOCATION: AL-WOSAIL 4

Can the media be “fair and balanced” in reporting on Mideast conflicts?

CONVENER:

Marvin Kalb, *Senior Fellow, Shorenstein Center for the Press, Politics and Public Policy, United States*

PRESENTERS:

Mohamed Elmenhawy, *Editor-in-Chief, Taqrir Washington, Egypt*

Martin Fletcher, *Tel Aviv Bureau Chief and Correspondent, NBC News, United Kingdom*

David Ignatius, *Associate Editor and Columnist, The Washington Post, United States*

Carol Saivetz, *Research Associate, Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies, Harvard University, United States*

Zafar Siddiqui, *Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, CNBC Arabiya, United Arab Emirates*

15:45-17:00

Coffee and Pastries Break

LOCATION: AL-WOSAIL FOYER

17:00-18:30

Leaders Seminars continued

LOCATION: AL-WOSAIL 1, 2, 3, 4

18:30-20:30

Plenary Session Four*

How Do We Make Iraq Work?

LOCATION: AL-MUKHTASAR

MODERATOR:

Michael O'Hanlon, *Senior Fellow, The Brookings Institution, United States*

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PRESENTERS:

Barham Saleh, *Deputy Prime Minister, Iraq*

David Satterfield, *Senior Advisor to the Secretary and Coordinator for Iraq, Office of the Secretary of State, United States*

RESPONDENTS:

Rajiv Chandrasekaran, *Assistant Managing Editor, The Washington Post, United States*

Mark Kimmit, *Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, Department of Defense, United States*

Chris Kojm, *Senior Advisor, Iraq Study Group, United States*

Ashraf Jehangir Qazi, *United Nations Special Representative for Iraq, Pakistan*

20:30-22:30 **Social Dinner and Arts and Culture Initiative Performance***
LOCATION: AL-WOSAIL FOYER

Monday, February 19, 2007

9:00-10:30 **Plenary Session Five***
Injustice Within: Holding Up a Mirror to Our Own Societies
LOCATION: AL-MUKHTASAR

MODERATOR:

Jihad Khazen, *Director, Al-Hayat Newspaper Ltd., United Kingdom*

SPEAKERS:

Ismael Ahmed, *Executive Director, Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services, Detroit, United States*

Riad Al Assaad, *Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, South for Construction, Lebanon*

Mukhtar Bibi, *Community Activist, Pakistan*

Rola Dashti, *Chairwoman, Kuwait Economic Society, Kuwait*

10:30-11:00

Coffee and Pastries Break
LOCATION: AL-WOSAIL FOYER

11:00-12:30

Task Forces: Session Three
LOCATION: AL-WOSAIL 1, 2, 3

Security Task Force

- **The Aftermath of the Lebanon War: What are the lessons to be learned? Has Hezbollah become a new model in the Middle East? What happens next?**

PRESENTERS:

Rami Khouri, *Editor-at-Large, The Daily Star; Director, Issam Fares Institute, American University in Beirut, Lebanon*

Philip Gordon, *Senior Fellow for U.S. Foreign Policy, The Brookings Institution, United States*

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Governance, Religion and Politics Task Force

- Where should the lines be drawn? What rights and responsibilities should be accorded to religious minorities? What happens when religious mores and public decision making collide on social issues? Is there room for compulsion in religion?

PRESENTERS:

Al Sadig Rahman al-Mahdi, *Former Prime Minister, Sudan*

Bob Roberts, *Founder and Senior Pastor, NorthWood Church, United States*

COMMENTATOR:

Jillian Schwedler, *Assistant Professor, Government and Politics, University of Maryland, United States*

Next Generation Task Force

- What conceptual framework should local and international actors embrace to effect positive change for the next generation? What are the key factors for success?

PRESENTERS:

J. Scott Carpenter, *Assistant Secretary for Near Eastern Affairs, United States Department of State, United States*

Stephen Heintz, *President, Rockefeller Brothers Fund, United States*

Randa Jamal, *Regional Bureau of Arab States, United Nations Development Programme, United States*

12:30-14:00

Concluding Luncheon and Plenary Session Six *

Where Do We Go from Here?

LOCATION: AL-MUKHTASAR

MODERATOR:

Carlos Pascual, *Vice President and Director of Foreign Policy Studies, The Brookings Institution, United States*

SPEAKERS:

Abdullah Abdullah, *Former Minister of Foreign Affairs, Afghanistan*

David Ignatius, *Columnist, The Washington Post, United States*

Rami Khouri, *Editor-at-Large, The Daily Star; Director, Issam Fares Institute, American University in Beirut, Lebanon*

Al Sadig Rahman al-Mahdi, *Former Prime Minister, Sudan*

CONCLUDING STATEMENT:

Stephen Grand, *Director, Project on U.S. Relations with the Islamic World, Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution, United States*

16:30-18:00

Outreach to Youth

Youth and the Future of U.S.-Islamic World Relations

LOCATION: FATEH AL-KHAIR

Video Conference with Students at Yale University, American University, University of Jordan, and University of Qatar

MODERATOR:

Aaron Lobel, *Chairman and President, American Abroad Media, United States*

SPEAKERS:

Reza Aslan, *Author, No God But God, United States*

Bahman Farmanara, *Film Director, Iran*