

RECONFIGURING THE ARAB REGION AND ITS GLOBAL SPACE

BEYOND POLITICAL ECONOMY AND SECURITY THREATS

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SATURDAY, 10 OCTOBER

08:00 – 08:30 **REGISTRATION AND NETWORKING RECEPTION**

08:30 – 09:00 WELCOME REMARKS TO POLICY CIRCLE DELEGATES

09:00 – 13:30 **EXCLUSIVE POLICY CIRCLES**

Delegates: Ministers, Business and Civil Society Leaders

This session is off-the-record and by invitation only

Master of Ceremony: Robert Nakhl, MTV News

15:00 – 15:40 OPENING OF BEIRUT INSTITUTE SUMMIT

Welcome Address and Opening Remarks

- Welcome Note by His Royal Highness Prince Turki Al Faisal, Member of the Board of Beirut Institute and Co-Chair of Beirut Institute Summit
- Opening Remarks by Raghida Dergham, Founder and Executive Chairman of Beirut Institute
- His Excellency Sultan bin Saeed Al Mansoori, Minister of Economy of the United Arab Emirates



15:40 – 15:55 **PLENARY**

What Does it Take? A Woman's Take

Women leaders from the Arab region and beyond offer their perspective with their one-minute message on Reconfiguring the Arab Region and its Global Space beyond Political Economy and Security Threats.

Voices:

International

- Baroness Valerie Amos, Director of SOAS, University of London
- Her Excellency Fatou Bensouda, Chief Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court
- **Sigrid Kaag**, United Nations Special Coordinator for Lebanon
- Margery Kraus, Founder and Executive Chairman of APCO Worldwide
- Nigar Göksel, International Crisis Group Senior Analyst for Turkey and South Caucusus

Regional

- Her Excellency Suhair Al-Ali, Former Senator and Former Minister of Planning in Jordan
- Her Excellency Dr. Hayat Sindi, Member of the Shura Council, CEO and Founder of i2institute
- Shk. Nadia K. Aldoseri, CEO and Partner at Al-Sale Eastern Co. Ltd in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
- Dr. Ebtisam Al Ketbi, Chairwoman of Emirates Policy Centre



15:55 – 16:30 **DISCUSSION**

What Does it Take? Two Perspectives

A conversation between the Secretary-General of the Gulf Cooperation Council and the Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations on what does it take from their perspectives to reconfigure the Arab region and its global space.

Speakers:

- His Excellency Dr. Abdul Latif bin Rashid Al-Zayani, Secretary-General of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf
- His Excellency Jan Eliasson, Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations

Moderator:Raghida Dergham, Founder and Executive Chairman of Beirut InstituteThis session is on-the-record and webcast live

16:30 – 16:50 **NETWORKING BREAK**

Networking Break



17:00 – 17:15 **ADDRESS**

The Role of Youth, Education and Development in Reconfiguring the Arab Region

Speaker:

 His Excellency Sheikh Nahayan Mabarak Al-Nahayan, Minister of Culture, Youth and Community Development in the United Arab Emirates

17:15 – 17:35 **PRESENTATION**

Creative Destruction on Steroids: How Technology is Changing the World

As cutting-edge technologies such as robotics, artificial intelligence, 3D and 4D printing move from the lab and into society, can technology replace human intelligence?

Topics include:

- Is the human brain dumbing down as the thinking machine gets smarter?
- Does creative destruction simply mean jobs elimination for human beings?
- What are the investment implications of these new technologies? How to invest?

Speaker: Ken Lee, Managing Director & Head of Asia, 13D Research, Hong Kong



17:35 – 18:35 **CONVERSATION**

A Strategic Roadmap to Re-defining the Arab Region's Global Positioning

In light of the re-alignment of global powers with regional powers due to the 5+1 Iran deal, do Arab countries figure in this new landscape and how can they reserve their space in the emerging global positioning and in the re-configuration of the regional balance of powers.

Panelists:

- His Royal Highness Prince Turki Al Faisal, Member of the Board of Beirut Institute and Co-Chair of Beirut Institute Summit
- His Excellency Nohad El Machnouk, Minister of Interior and Municipalities in Lebanon
- GEN (Ret.) David H. Petraeus, Member and Chairman of the KKR Global Institute
- Baroness Valerie Amos, Director of SOAS, University of London
- Khalid Abdulla Janahi, Chairman of Naseej Co. & Solidarity Group Holding (Co-Chair of Beirut Institute Summit)

Moderator: Raghida Dergham, Founder and Executive Chairman of Beirut Institute



20:30 – 23:30 **GALA DINNER**

Beirut Institute Summit Annual Gala Dinner, Honoring Exceptional Excellence

His Royal Highness Prince Saud Al Faisal, though sadly posthumously, for his lifelong contribution to Arab Diplomacy. The late Saudi Foreign Minister for 40 years HRH Prince Saud Al Faisal had bestowed on Beirut Institute Summit the distinct privilege of accepting that we honor him at the Gala Dinner and we plan to do so with an international tribute

Presented by:	His Highness Sheikh Mohammad Sabah Al-Salem Al-Sabah, Former
	Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Kuwait
Received by:	His Royal Highness Prince Turki Al Faisal, Member of the Board of Beirut
	Institute and Co-Chair of Beirut Institute Summit

Her Highness Sheikha Jawaher Bint Mohammed Al Qasimi for her relentless humanitarian efforts. HH is patron and president of a wide range of social and humanitarian organizations in Sharjah with focus on children in the UAE and on refugees through the Arab region

Presented by: Zeina Yazigi, SkyNews Arabia

Received by: Her Excellency Noura Ahmed Al Noman, Chairperson of the Executive Office of Her Highness Sheikha Jawaher Bint Mohammed Al Qasimi



SUNDAY, 11 OCTOBER

08:00 – 09:00 SUMMIT REGISTRATION

Reconfiguring the Arab Region and its Global Space Beyond Political Economy and Security Threats

09:00 - 10:00 **CONVERSATION**

Can World and Regional Powers Contribute to a Positive Reconfiguration?

What Policies Should World Powers and Regional Powers Adopt to Contribute to a Positive Reconfiguration of the Arab Region and its Global Space?

Strategic Media Partner - Al Arabiya

Panelists:

- His Excellency Nohad El Machnouk, Minister of Interior and Municipalities in Lebanon
- The Honorable Kevin Rudd, Former Prime Minister of Australia and President of the Asia Society Policy Institute in the United States of America
- His Excellency Nabil Fahmy, Former Foreign Minister of Egypt and current Founding Dean of the School of Global Affairs and Public Policy
- Her Excellency Fatou Bensouda, Chief Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court*
- Dr. Vitaly Naumkin, President of the Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences
- Dr. Elliott Abrams, Senior Fellow for Middle Eastern Studies at the Council on Foreign Relations and former US Deputy National Security Advisor

Moderator: Najwa Kassem, Senior Anchor at AlHadath News Channel (a sister channel of Al Arabiya)



10:00 – 10:20 **INTERVIEW**

Smart Cities in the Arab Region – Are They Exclusive or Inclusive?

Hosted by du

Strategic Media Partner - SkyNews Arabia

Many global cities are running large innovation initiatives to transform themselves into Smart urban environments. Are Arab cities part of this global trend?

Topics include:

- What is a unique framework for a Smart City
- How to deliver Happy Citizen Experiences through an integrated Smart City blueprint
- How to wisely define the Smart Cities of tomorrow
- Will Arab Smart Cities be more inclusive or exclusive

Speaker:

• Osman Sultan, CEO of Emirates Integrated Telecommunications Company "du"

Interviewed by: Maya Raydan, SkyNews Arabia



10:30 – 11:30 **CONVERSATION**

Where Do We Go From Here? The Future for a Roiling Region

The crises in Syria and Iraq show no signs of ending, while ongoing instability in Libya threatens to add further fuel to fire. Tourism is suffering in Egypt and Tunisia, and the worst refugee crisis in modern history threatens to overwhelm Lebanon, Jordan, and further afield. Meanwhile, oil prices are at historic lows as Iran prepares to re-emerge onto the world stage, and the old superpowers of Russia and the United States squabble over regional policy. Just what is next for the roiling region of the Middle East?

Panelists:

- His Excellency Mohamed Dayri, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Libya
- GEN (Ret.) David H. Petraeus, Member & Chairman of the KKR Global Institute
- Dr. Philip Gordon, Senior Fellow at the Council on Foreign Affairs, Former White House Coordinator for the Middle East
- **Sigrid Kaag**, United Nations Special Coordinator for Lebanon
- Khalid Abdulla Janahi, Chairman of Naseej Co. & Solidarity Group Holding (Co-Chair of Beirut Institute Summit)
- Karim Sadjadpour, Senior Associate, Middle East Program at Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

Moderator: Becky Anderson, Host of CNN International's Connect the World



11:30 – 11:45 **NETWORKING BREAK**

Networking Break

11:45 – 12:45 **CONVERSATION**

Lessons Learnt: Moving Forward

This decade continues to witness fundamental changes in many parts of the Arab region. Can we move forward in light of what we have learned? Or are we incapable of moving forward in the midst of this current challenging transition?

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Panelists:

- His Excellency Amre Moussa, Former Secretary-General of the League of Arab States
- His Excellency Dr. Danilo Türk, Former President of the Republic of Slovenia
- The Honorable Kevin Rudd, Former Prime Minister of Australia and President of the Asia Society Policy Institute in the United States of America
- His Excellency Dr. Barham Salih, Former Prime Minister of Iraqi Kurdistan and Former
 Deputy Prime Minister of Iraq
- His Excellency Ambassador Robert D. Blackwill, Senior Fellow at the Council of Foreign Relations
- His Excellency Misbah Ahdab, Member of the Lebanese Parliament and President of Civil Moderation Gathering

Moderator: Zeina Yazigi, SkyNews Arabia *This session is on the record and webcast live.*



12:45 – 14:00 **LUNCH**

Lunch Break

14:00 – 14:40 **DISCUSSION**

Nadine Labaki and Jehane Noujaim: Their Global Impact and Their Fans at Home, Literally

A conversation with two married couples Nadine Labaki & Khaled Mouzanar and Jehane Noujaim & Karim Amer about their films and international collaborations profoundly reflecting on social and political issues that need to be critically discussed.

Nadine Labaki & Khaled Mouzanar's work depicts the social, religious, sectarian and sexist issues in the Arab region through the films Caramel and Where Do We Go Now? Their collaboration also reflects on how Arab societies are dealing with the problem of abandoned children and juvenile delinquency through recently directed films Rio I Love You and The Seventh Day and future projects.

Jehane Noujaim & Karim Amer's first collaboration was in the Oscar-nominated documentary The Square. Their work now includes an upcoming two-part series on mothers of foreign fighters with ISIS and a collaboration with Angelina Jolie Pitt on BREADWINNER - a tale similar to Mulan, but set in Afghanistan under the Taliban regime.

Speakers:

- Nadine Labaki, Lebanese Film Director and Actor
- Khaled Mouzanar, Lebanese Music Composer, Songwriter and Producer
- Jehane Noujaim, Egyptian Film Director
- Karim Amer, Egyptian Film Producer

Moderator: Prof. Tom Fletcher CMG, Former UK Ambassador to Lebanon



14:45 – 15:30 **CONVERSATION**

The Economics of Re-Positioning

Strategic Media Partner - Al Arabiya

This conversation aims at understanding the economics of geopolitics as perceived by local, regional and global powers. What are the new dynamics of oil politics and security requirements? Where does the priority of education, development and employment fit?

Panelists:

- His Excellency Dr. M. Nedal Alchaar, Former Minister of Economy and Trade in Syria
- Dr. Fawaz Al-Alamy, Chairman and CEO of Consulting House for Global Trade in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
- Dr. Saleh S. Jallad, Financial Consultant at Consolidated Contractors Company
- Dr. Matthew Spence, Former Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for the Middle East and current Senior Fellow, Yale University and Managing Director, Guggenheim Partners
- Salman Shaikh, Founder and CEO of The Shaikh Group
- Sir John Holmes, Director, Ditchley Foundation, UK*

Moderator: Nadine Hani, Al Arabiya



15:30 – 15:40 **PRESENTATION**

Preventing a Lost Generation of Arab Youth

Speaker:

• Alex Just, Director of Programme Development at iPlatform

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15:40 – 15:50 **PRESENTATION**

Social Innovation

How can we achieve positive social and environmental change across the Arab region by adopting practical, sustainable and science-based solutions that address the most urgent needs within our society? It's time to think out of the box to address problems with water, energy, health and the environment – and respond with innovative ideas that are accessible and affordable to everyone, especially the needy.

Speaker:

Her Excellency Dr. Hayat Sindi, Member of the Shura Council, CEO and Founder of i2institute



15:50 – 16:30 **CONVERSATION**

Celebrating Our Innovators – Listening Carefully to Their Dreams

Our innovators' skills include: Connecting civilizations through knowledge, a portal for virtual skills marketplace to decrease unemployment, currency of the future, and conversing with friends through pictures. Have their dreams only just begun?

Topics include:

- What contributions can young achievers make in re-configuring the Arab region and its global space
- What shape must a re-configured Arab region take in order to meet the dreams of innovators

Panelists:

- Ala' Al Sallal, Founder of Jamalon
- Loulou Khazen Baz, Founder of Nabbesh.com
- Murshed Mohamed Ahmed Mohamed, CEO and Co-Founder of Yebab
- **Ola Doudin**, Cofounder at BitOasis

Moderator: Mouna Saliba, MTV Lebanon



16:30 – 16:40 **PLENARY**

What Does It Take? A Youth's Take

Young entrepreneurs and business leaders speak for the next generation with their one-minute messages on 'Reconfiguring the Arab Region and its Global Space Beyond Political Economy and Security Threats'.

Voices:

- Jehane Noujaim, Egyptian Film Director
- Mireille Korab Abi Nasr, Head of Business Development at FFA Real Estate in Lebanon
- Andira Raslan, Senior PR Consultant at Impact Porter Novelli and Political Reforms Advocate
- Karim Amer, Egyptian Film Producer
- Ediola Pashollari, Secretary General of the World Assembly of Youth
- Jack Seikaly, Student at Concordia University in Canada

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16:40 – 17:00 **NETWORKING BREAK**

Networking Break



17:00 – 18:45 **PLENARY**

A Town-Hall Conversation | Facilitated by: Raghida Dergham, Founder and Executive Chairman of Beirut Institute

This interactive conversation with Beirut Institute Board Members, Co-Chairs, and special guests of the summit will probe ideas for enhanced decisions on how to reconfigure the Arab region and its global space. The Town-Hall will launch a smart discussion on critical matters of transformation in the region. This intergenerational platform hopes to produce thoughtful collaboration and inspire leaders with constructive future policies that impact the Arab region. The Town-Hall will conclude with the Beirut Institute Declaration from Abu Dhabi and announcing Beirut Institute agenda for 2016.

- His Royal Highness Prince Turki Al Faisal, Member of the Board of Beirut Institute and Co-Chair of Beirut Institute Summit
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- His Excellency Dr. Barham Salih, Former Prime Minister of Iraqi Kurdistan and Former Deputy Prime Minister of Iraq
- His Excellency Mohamed Dayri, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Libya
- His Excellency Vuk Jeremić, 67th President of the UN General Assembly and Former Foreign Minister of Serbia
- Dr. Robert Danin, Senior Fellow for Middle East, Council on Foreign Relations
- Dr. Vitaly Naumkin, President of the Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences
- Michael Singh, Managing Director & Lane-Swig Senior Fellow at The Washington Institute



- Osman Sultan, CEO of Emirates Integrated Telecommunications Company "du"
- Prof. Dr. Jur Malik R. Dahlan, Principal of Institution Quraysh and President of iPlatform
- Badih Moukarzel, Managing Partner at Huqooq Legal Practice
- Mireille Korab Abi Nasr, Head of Business Development at FFA Real Estate in Lebanon
- Dr. Abdulkhaleq Abdulla, Professor of Political Science at the United Arab Emirates University
- Dr. Ebtisam Al Ketbi, Chairwoman of Emirates Policy Centre

Policy Circle Facilitators

- Dr. Abdulaziz Sager, Chairman of Gulf Research Center
- Karim Sadjadpour, Senior Associate, Middle East Program at Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
- Salman Shaikh, Founder and CEO of The Shaikh Group

Closing Remarks