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120 leaders gather in Abu Dhabi for closed-door think tank talks

Beirut Institute Summit hosts international and Arab region experts

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ABU DHABI One hundred and twenty international and regional figures will engage in closed-door talks focusing on the reconfiguration of the Arab region and its global space beyond political economy and security threats at the Beirut Institute Summit in Abu Dhabi this week.

Following the Chatham House Rule, four Policy Circles will see international and regional legacy leaders and thinkers share opinions and ideas on the state of the

region from a global perspective.

The powerful line-up includes sitting and former presidents, prime ministers and ministers and tier-one global officials, dignitaries and senior public policy experts from the region, USA, Europe, Russia, China, South America and Africa.

"The Arab region currently stands at a crossroad that offers routes to crisis and instability on the one hand and opportunity and progress on the other. Beirut Institute's much-anticipated Summit in Abu Dhabi offers a

space for open dialogue, discussion and debate to truly seed the reconfiguration of the region, and its global space," said Raghida Dergham, founder and executive chairman of Beirut Institute.

The summit will be held on October 10 and 11 at The St. Regis Hotel - Corniche and will explore the Arab region's challenges and potential through integrated inter-disciplinary perspectives that move beyond a traditional understanding of the concepts of "political economy" and "security threats".