Energy Security in the Middle East

*Geo-politics, Security Challenges and Sustainable Supplies*

**Amman – Jordan**

**June 12 and 13, 2013**

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**MEETING PROGRAMME**

**Tuesday – June 11, 2013**

**All day**

Arrival of participants

*Please refer to logistics chart for airport pick-up arrangements and details on accommodation, venue, etc.*

**Wednesday – June 12, 2013**

**VENUE:** University of Jordan (Mohamad Ali Budier Auditorium)

09:30 – 10:00  **Conference Registration**

10:00 – 10:30  **Opening Session**

Chair: Arab Institute for Security Studies

Statements by:

- Director – Konrad Adenauer Foundation
- Director – US-Korea Institute
- Director – Omni Advisory Group
- Keynote address

10:30 – 11:00  **Coffee Break**

1100 – 1210  **Panel 1 Nuclear Energy – Towards a Nuclear Security Culture**

Chairperson: Paul Wilke

- **Future of Nuclear Security Governance and the IAEA**
  John Bernhard (Advisor on nuclear security governance)

- **Progress on Nuclear Security through the NSS Process**
  Michelle Cann (Partnership for Global Security)

- **How and why Korea’s Nuclear Security Practices have Changed since the Fukushima Accident**
  Jounghoon Lee (KINAC)

Chairperson: Al Sharif Nasser bin Nasser

*Egyptian Gas Supplies - Impact of Arab Spring*
Mohsen Soliman (National Research Center of Egypt)

*Gas Discoveries in the Eastern Mediterranean: Prospects for Conflict or Regional Co-Operation*
Chris Pelaghias (ERPIC Cyprus)

*Crisis in the Gulf – Impact of Blocking the Hormoz Straits*
Alain Guidetti (Geneva Centre for Security Policy)

1330 – 1400  **Coffee Break**

1400 – 1500  **Panel 3 The Energy Dilemma – Options Available to Jordan (Renewable and Conventional)**

Chairperson: Laila Abu Hassan (Upper House of the Parliament)

*Towards an Effective Mix of Energy Resources in Jordan*
Salah Azzam (Higher Council for Science and Technology)

*Let Jordan Shine – Applicability of Solar Solutions in Jordan*
Issa Batarseh (Princess Sumaya University for Technology)

*Prospects of Utilizing Oil shale*
Bassam Suna’a (Natural Resources Consultancy)

1500 - 1600  **Lunch on campus**

**Thursday – June 13, 2013**

**VENUE: Le Royal Hotel (Ishtar Meeting Rooms on B Level)**

0930 – 1030  **Panel 4 Regional Interconnectivity**

Chairperson: Zeynep Dereli (APCO Worldwide)

*Prospects of a Jordanian-Iraqi Oil Pipe*
Ali Fayyad (Iraq National Assembly)

*Status of the Dead Sea-Red Sea Conveyor*
Nabil Al Zoubi (Ministry of Water)

*MEDSOLAR – Prospects of Regional Cooperation*
Nicola Bugatti (Trama TecnoAmbiental - TTA)

1030 – 1145  **Panel 5 Energy Economy and the Human Dimension**

Chairperson: Rhodri Richards (Omni Advisory Group)

*Moving Beyond Oil and Gas – An Economic Perspective*
Dinos Kerigan-Kyrou (Charmogen, Dubai)

*YUANomics: Offshoring The Chinese Currency Renminbi - Implications for Energy Transactions in the Middle East and Africa*
Kenny Tang (Coventry University London)
The Human Dimensions of Energy Security
Lakshman Guruswamy (University of Colorado)

Social Aspects and Energy Investments in Arab Countries
Mohammed Al Ta'ani (Jordanian Renewable Energy Society)

1145 – 1215  Coffee Break

1215 – 1345  Panel 6 International Models
Chairperson: Otmar Oehring (Konrad Adenauer Stiftung)

Energy Security – A NATO Perspective
Julijus Grubliauskas (NATO)

Energy Security – A Russian perspective
Dmitry Konukhov

Energy Security – An Iranian perspective
Nasser Hadian (Tehran University)

Turkey's role within the regional gas sector
Arda Batu

Desertec: A global Perspective for Energy Security from Deserts
Mohamed El Hamamsy (Desertec)

1345 – 1400  Panel 7 Closing statements by organizers

1415  Lunch

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