

Emirates Policy Center  
Third Abu Dhabi Strategic Debate  
November 13-14, 2016  
Emirates Palace - Abu Dhabi  
*Draft Agenda*

**Saturday, 12 November**

12:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Registration (For Pre-Registered Guests Only)
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM	Reception
8:30 PM – 11:00 PM	Welcome Dinner

**Day 1: Sunday, 13 November**

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	Registration
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Opening Speeches

**Panel I**

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	<p><i>The Gulf in a Changing Global and Regional Order</i></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sheikh Dr. Mohammed Al Sabah, former Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Kuwait.</li><li>• Dr. Ebtesam Al Ketbi, President of the Emirates Policy Center.</li></ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Turki Al Dakhil, General Manager of Al Arabiya News Channel</li></ul>
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Coffee Break



## Panel II

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	<p><i><b>Traditional, Rising, and Declining Powers in a Shifting World Order</b></i></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr. Mark Abdollahian</b>, CEO of ACERTAS, and Professor in the School of Social Science, Policy at Claremont Graduate University.</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Zaid Eyadat</b>, Prof. of Political Science at UCONN, Georgetown and EPC adviser.</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Roy Kamphausen</b>, Senior Vice President for Research and Director, Washington, DC Office, the National Bureau of Asian Research.</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr. Daniel Weiner</b>, Vice President for Global Affairs at the University of Connecticut.</li> </ul>
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Lunch Break

## Panel III

2:00 PM – 3:30 PM	<p><i><b>Regional Security Cooperation in the Gulf: Helsinki as a Model</b></i></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Abdulrahman Al Rashed</b>, MBC Board Member, Writer for Asharq- Al-Awsat.</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Seyed Hossein Mousavian</b>, Middle East Security and Nuclear Policy Specialist at Princeton University, and former Diplomat.</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Michael Singh</b>, Managing Director and Senior Fellow at The Washington Institute.</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Sultan Al Nuaimi</b>, Expert on Iranian Affairs and faculty member of the University of Abu Dhabi.</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr. Mahmoud Mohamedou</b>, Deputy Director and Academic Dean at the Geneva Centre for Security Policy.</li> </ul>
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## Panel IV

3:30 PM – 5:00 PM	<p><i>Strategic Uncertainty in the Arab World: Shifts and Scenarios</i></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Amre Moussa</b>, Egyptian politician and diplomat, former Secretary-General of the Arab League.</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Nassif Hitti</b>, Professor of International Relations at USEK Lebanon and former ambassador of the Arab League.</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Mahmoud Gebril</b>, President of the National Forces Alliance and former Prime Minister of Libya.</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Khalid Al Dakhil</b>, Professor of Political Sociology at King Saud University and Columnist at Al Hayat.</li> <li>• <b>Mushreq Abbas</b>, Columnist and director of Al-Hayat newspaper's Iraq office.</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yusuf Serif</b>, Presenter / Producer at Sky News Arabia</li> </ul>
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## Day 2: Monday, 14 November

### Panel V

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM	<p><i>American Foreign Policy under a New Administration</i></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>James L. Jones</b>, Chairman at the Atlantic Council's Brent Scowcroft Center on International Security and former United States National Security Advisor.</li> <li>• <b>Jon Huntsman</b>, Chairman at the Atlantic Council and former Governor of Utah.</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Andrew Parasiliti</b>, Director, Center for Global Risk &amp; Security, RAND Corporation.</li> </ul> <p><b>Moderator:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Steve Clemons</b>, Washington editor-at-large of The Atlantic.</li> </ul>
10:30 AM – 10:45 AM	<b>Coffee Break</b>



## Panel VI

10:45 AM – 12:30 PM	<p><i><b>Cyberspace Security: Power Building and Geopolitical Impact</b></i></p> <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Barry Pavel</b>, Vice President, Arnold Kanter Chair, and Director, Brent Scowcroft Center on International Security at the Atlantic Council.</li> <li>• <b>Josh Corman</b>, Director of the Cyber Statecraft Initiative at the Atlantic Council.</li> </ul> <p><u>Moderator:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr. Zaid Eyadat</b>, Prof. of Political Science at UCONN, Georgetown and EPC adviser.</li> </ul>
12:30 PM – 1:30 PM	Lunch Break

## Panel VII

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM	<p><i><b>Counterterrorism: Assessing Policies and Exploring Scenarios</b></i></p> <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Michael Chertoff</b>, Former United States Secretary of Homeland Security, Executive Chairman and Co-Founder of The Chertoff Group.</li> <li>• <b>Koenraad Dassen</b>, Minister Counsellor - European Union Delegation to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.</li> <li>• <b>Dr. Mustafa Al Ani</b>, Director of the Department of Security and Defence Studies at Gulf Research Center.</li> </ul> <p><u>Moderator:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mohamed Al Hammadi</b>, Editor-in-Chief of Al Ittihad Newspaper.</li> </ul>
3:00 PM-3:30 PM	<i><b>Conclusion</b></i>
8:30 PM-11:00 PM	Farewell Dinner