

Agenda of  
**The 8th Doha Forum on Democracy, Development, and Free Trade**  
 13th – 15th April, 2008  
 Doha, Qatar  
 Sheraton Hotel

Sunday 13th April , 2008	
Time	Statement
<b>18 : 30</b> <b>Al-Dafna Hall</b>	Opening Ceremony and Dinner
<b>18 : 35 – 18 : 40</b> <b>18 : 40 – 18 : 55</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Welcoming Speech: H.E. Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs.</u></li> <li>• <u>Opening Speech: H.H. The Amir of State of Qatar.</u></li> </ul>
<b>19 : 00 – 19 : 10</b> <b>19 : 10 – 19 : 20</b>	Guests of Honour Statements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>H.E Recep Tayyip Erdogan, Prime Minister, Turkey</b></li> <li>• <b>H.E Hans-Gert Hermann Poettering, President, European Parliament</b></li> </ul>
<b>19 : 20 – 20 : 30</b>	Discussion Session Visions on the Present and the Future  <u>Moderator:</u> Riz Khan , Al Jazeera English, Qatar  <u>Speakers:</u> (7 minutes each) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H.E. Srgjan Kerim, President, UN General Assembly</li> <li>• H.E Segolene Royal, French Socialist Party Presidential Candidate</li> <li>• H.E Igor Ivanov, Former Minister of Foreign Affairs, Russia</li> <li>• H.E Baldwin Spencer, Prime Minister , Antigua and Barbuda</li> <li>• H.E Mohammed Bin Issa - Former Minister of Foreign Affairs - Morocco</li> </ul>
<b>20 : 30 – 21 : 30</b>	Official Dinner
Monday 14th April , 2008	
Time	Statement
<b>09 : 00 – 11 : 00</b> <b>Al-Dafna Hall</b>	<b>POLITICS</b> <b>Global Stability and Security</b> <u>Moderator:</u> Pascal Boniface. IRIS, France.
	<b>Speakers :</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H.E. Dominique De Villepin, Former Prime Minister, France</li> <li>• William Cohen- Former US Defense Secretary</li> <li>• Dr. Hassan Al-Ansari, Director, Gulf Studies Centre, Qatar</li> <li>• <u>Prof. Anouth Ehteshami, International Relations Dept., Durham University, U.K</u></li> <li>• <u>Jose de Venecia- MP, Philippines</u></li> <li>• Dr. Alon Ben-Meir, Senior Fellow, Center for Global Affairs (N Y U)</li> </ul>
	<b>Topics:</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Future of Regional Blocs and their role in maintaining stability</li> <li>• Future of Global Security Challenges and strategies</li> <li>• The Role of the United Nations Organizations in the Enhancement of World Peace and Stability</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Energy exportation and its role in stability</li> <li>• Reformulating-International Cooperation within the emerging New Powers and Stability (India, Japan, Brazil, Germany, South Africa)</li> <li>• International Balance and New World Order and alternatives</li> <li>• Corruption and good Governance: Challenge confronting Arab States</li> </ul>
<b>11 : 00 – 11 : 15</b>	Break
<b>11 : 15 – 13 : 30</b> <b>Al-Dafna Hall</b>	<p><b>DEVELOPMENT</b> <b>Development Projects and New Trends</b> Session Distribution <b>Moderator:</b> John Defferios, CNN</p> <p><b>Speakers :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>H.E. Baldwin Spencer, Prime Minister , Antigua and Barbuda</b></li> <li>• <b>H.E. Hussein A. Bhaila, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs, Sri Lanka</b></li> <li>• Yiping Zhou, Cooperation, UNDP, USA</li> <li>• Dr. Eugene Rogan, Director Middle East Centre, St. Anotny's College. Oxford University</li> <li>• H.E. Ms.Yuriko Koike- Former Defense Minister and Former Minister of the Environment Japan</li> <li>• Prof. Raimo Vayrynen, Director of Finnish Institute of International Affairs (FIIA)</li> <li>• Dame Cheryl Sotheran, New Zealand, Trade and Enterprise</li> <li>• Dr. Paola Subacchi, Head-International Economics Chattam House, U.K</li> <li>• Sheetal Mehta, Innovation Social Solutions, Co-Founder, Shivia Ltd</li> <li>• Kurt Larsen, World Bank</li> <li>• Prof. John Weiss, Development Economics, Bradford University, U.K</li> <li>• <b>Prof. Avv. Claudio Moffa - Africa and Asia History Prof, Teramo University, Italy.</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Topics:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bridging the Gap between the Rich and the Poor</li> <li>• Development between International and Regional Organizations</li> <li>• Financing Development Projects and Challenges</li> <li>• New Trends</li> <li>• Innovation as a Driver for Development</li> <li>• Future of North – South Cooperation</li> <li>• New Challenges in the Cooperation between North &amp; South</li> <li>• Does the concepts of creative society work in a developing country?</li> <li>• Shifting the Balance of Power - form Millennium goals towards Stronger Financial ties between countries and regions</li> <li>• Small Steps-Micro-Credits as an economic driver</li> <li>• From Knowledge Economy towards Creative Society</li> <li>• Will Money Solve Development Problems?</li> <li>• The Creative Economy</li> </ul>
<b>13 : 30 – 16 : 00</b> <b>Salwa Hall</b>	Open Luncheon & Break
<b>16 : 00 – 18 : 00</b> <b>Al-Dafna Hall</b>	<p><b>FREE TRADE</b> <b>Common Markets</b> <b>Moderator:</b> Prof. Peter Malanczuk, Law College, City University, Hong Kong</p> <p><b>Speakers :</b></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H.E. Abdulrahman Bin Hamad Al-Attiya, GCC Secretary General.</li> <li>• H.E. Mrs. Edith Gresson, Former Prime Minister, France</li> <li>• David Smith, Director, Scottish Development International</li> <li>• Abdulhamid Mamdouh, Director, Trade in Services Division, WTO, Switzerland</li> <li>• Partick Low, Director, Economic Research, WTO, Switzerland</li> <li>• Carlos Braga, Senior Advisor, International Trade Development, World Bank, Switzerland</li> <li>• Tan Khee Giap. Head, Central Banking Polices Research Unit, the National University of Singapore</li> </ul>
	<b>Topics:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gulf Common Market</li> <li>• Arab Common Market – (Agreement)</li> <li>• World Free Trade and the Role of the Super Powers</li> <li>• Asian Market: Lessons Learned</li> <li>• European Common Market</li> </ul>
<b>18 : 00 – 18 : 30</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>18 : 30 – 20 : 30</b> <b>Al-Dafna Hall</b>	<b>INTERNATIONAL DIALOGUE</b> <b>Influence on International Peace</b> <b>Moderator:</b> Riz Khan , Al Jazeera English channel, Qatar
	<b>Speakers :</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H.E Tzipi Livni – Vice Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Israel</li> <li>• The Rt. Hon. Baroness Amos, House of Lords, Former Secretary of State for International Development</li> <li>• Congressman William Delahunt, USA</li> <li>• Congressman Joseph Kennedy, USA</li> <li>• H.E. Amb. Kenton Keith, Meridian International Centre, Washington, U.S</li> <li>• Eric Raoul, MP – France</li> </ul>
	<b>Topics:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dialogue among Cultures and Religions</li> <li>• Political Movements and Parties</li> <li>• Political Groups in World Organizations and United Nations Reforms</li> <li>• Research Centers and Think Tanks</li> <li>• International Exchange and Networking in a "Virtual" World</li> </ul>
<b>20 : 30 – 22 : 00</b> <b>Salwa Hall</b>	<b>Open Dinner</b>
<b>Tuesday 15th April , 2008</b>	
<b>09 : 00 – 11 : 00</b> <b>Al-Dafna Hall</b>	<b>DEMOCRACY</b> <b>Future Transformations</b> <b>Moderator:</b> Scott Bates, National Democratic Institute, Washington, U.S
	<b>Speakers :</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H.E. Dr. Viktor Orban, Former Prime Minister, President of the Federation Young Democrats Party - Hungary</li> <li>• Sir Malcom Rifkind, Mp, former Foreign Sec. N.C. UK</li> <li>• Nathan Brown, Carnegie Fund For International Peace, U.S</li> <li>• Lateefa Jababdi, MP Morocco</li> <li>• Al-Tayeb Al-Misbahi- Head, Legal Affairs and Human Rights Committee, Arab</li> </ul>

	<p>Transitional Parliament, A.R.E</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Abdulrahim A. Eslaimi, Mohammed 5th University, Morocco</li> <li>• Ali Harb, Writer, Lebanon</li> </ul> <p><b>Topics:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reform and Democracy Pros and Cons</li> <li>• Future of Arab Political Action</li> <li>• Has Democratic Reform been a step forward or a setback</li> <li>• Reform and Democracy Projects</li> <li>• Islamic and Democratic Movements in the Arab World: Conflict of Attitudes and Fears</li> <li>• Effective Democracy and Constructive Development</li> <li>• The Influence of Society in Election Results</li> <li>• Movement of New and Restored Democracies</li> <li>• Western Stand on Democracy in Developing Countries</li> </ul>
<b>11 : 00 – 11 : 30</b>	Break
<b>11 : 30 – 13 : 30</b> <b>Al-Dafna Hall</b>	<p><b>ECONOMY</b></p> <p><b>Size of Liquidity</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Steven Roach, Morgan Stanly, Hong Kong</p> <p><b>Speakers :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H.E Ruud Lubbers, Former Prime Minister and President of Tilbourg University, Netherlands</li> <li>• Jassim Al-Mannai, Arab Monetary Fund, Abu Dhabi</li> <li>• Maha Alnaim, Global Institute House, Kuwait</li> <li>• Paul Marson, Chief Investment Officer, Stanley, U.K</li> <li>• Sir Gavyn Arthur, former Lord Mayor of the City of London</li> </ul> <p><b>Topics:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prospects of Globalization: What is Happening Today?</li> <li>• Sovereign Funds: Can they be Controlled Internationally?</li> <li>• Impact of High Income of Oil and Gas</li> <li>• Integration of Large, Medium and Small Industries</li> <li>• Economic Future of the Middle East</li> <li>• Global Currencies and Effects of Linkage</li> </ul>
<b>13 : 30 – 16 : 00</b> <b>Salwa Hall</b>	Lunch & Break
<b>16 : 00 – 18 : 00</b> <b>Al-Dafna Hall</b>	<p><b>MEDIA</b></p> <p><b>FUTURE OF THE ROLE OF FREE MEDIA</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> David Foster , Al Jazeera English, Qatar</p> <p><b>Speakers :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wadah Khanfar, Director General of Al Jazeera Network, Qatar</li> <li>• Lord Tim Bell- Chime communications, UK</li> <li>• David Lidington MP, Shadow Minister for Foreign Affairs, House of Commons, U.K</li> <li>• Prof. Ali Shomou, Former Minister for Information and Culture, Sudan</li> <li>• Abdelbari Atwan - Chief Editor, "Alquds Alarabi" Newspaper - London</li> </ul> <p><b>Topics:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Satellite Channels in a World without boudaries</li> <li>• Influence on Public Opinion</li> </ul>

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Arab Media Approach</li><li>• Hindering Laws</li><li>• Research Centres &amp; Think Tanks</li></ul> |
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