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PROGRAMME

in association with the **MALTESE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS** and the
MEDITERRANEAN ACADEMY OF DIPLOMATIC STUDIES (MEDAC)
at the Westin Dragonara Resort Hotel, St Julians, Malta

878th WILTON PARK CONFERENCE

Monday 12 – Thursday 15 NOVEMBER 2007

CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR STRONGER CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE EU AND SOUTHERN NEIGHBOURS

MONDAY 12 NOVEMBER

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| 1500-1700 | Registration and collection of conference folders from conference suite |
| 1845 | Bus leaves Westin Dragonara Resort Hotel main entrance (20 minute trip) for Reception hosted by High Commissioner Nick Archer at his residence (Villa de Giorgio, San Pawl tal-Targa) |
| 1900 | Reception at the Residence of the British High Commissioner at Villa de Giorgio, San Pawl tat-Targa |
| 2100 | Bus leaves the High Commissioner's residence for the Westin Dragonara Resort Hotel |

TUESDAY 13 NOVEMBER

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| From 0730 | Breakfast in the Terrace Restaurant |
| 0900-0915 | Introduction to the Conference
Nick HOPKINSON
Director, Wilton Park
Professor Stephen CALLEYA
Director, Mediterranean Academy of Diplomatic Studies, Msida |
| 0915-1030 | 1 HOW TO BEST PROMOTE POLITICAL REFORM IN THE MAHGREB?
Professor Bechir CHOUROU
Director, Free University of Tunis-Carthage, Tunis |
| 1030 | Coffee/tea in the foyer outside the conference room |
| 1100-1215 | 2 HOW IS THE FIVE-YEAR WORK PROGRAMME BEING IMPLEMENTED?
Kamal EL MAHDAOUI
Deputy Head of Mission, Permanent Mission of Morocco to the European Union, Brussels
Andres BASSOLS
Deputy Head, EuroMed and Regional Issues, Economic and Financial Aspects of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership, External Relations Directorate General (RELEX), European Commission, Brussels |
| 1230 | Lunch in the Terrace Restaurant |

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TUESDAY 13 NOVEMBER (continued)

- 1400-1430 **3 PRESENTATION OF SESSION 6 KEY THEMES TO PLENARY**
- a How Can the Media Contribute to Improved Euro-Med Relations?**
 Oliver MONEY-KYRLE
 Director, IFJ Programmes, International Federation of Journalists, Brussels
- b The Work Programme of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean Secretariat**
 Dr Sergio PIAZZI
 Secretary General, Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean (PAM), Sliema
- c Prospects for a Euro-Med Free Trade Area by 2010**
 Dr Michael GASIOREK
 Director, Centre for the Analysis of Regional Integration (CARIS), University of Sussex, Falmer
- 1430-1600 **4 HOW CAN MIGRATION FLOWS BE MOST EFFECTIVELY MANAGED?**
 The Hon Dr Tonio BORG
 Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Justice and Home Affairs, Valletta
- Dr Ali ERRISHI**
 Secretary for Expatriate, Migration and Refugee Affairs, People's General Committee for Foreign Liaison and International Co-operation, Tripoli
- Ambassador Dr Guido LENZI**
 Diplomatic Adviser to the Minister, Ministry of the Interior, Rome
- 1615-1715 **5 HOW CAN CO-OPERATION IN THE EUROMED REGION BE STRENGTHENED?**
 The Hon Dr Michael FRENDO
 Foreign Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Valletta
- 1715 Conference photograph followed by coffee/tea in the foyer outside the conference room
- 1745-1900 **6 BREAK OUT GROUPS CHAIRED BY THE SPEAKERS**
- 1900 Bar Open
- 1930 Dinner in the Quadro Restaurant
- 2100-2400 Hotel Bar Open
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WEDNESDAY 14 NOVEMBER

- From 0730 Breakfast in the Terrace Restaurant
- 0900-0915 **7 BRIEF THREE MINUTE REPORTS FROM THE TUESDAY BREAK OUT GROUPS**
- 0915-1030 **8 PROSPECTS FOR A COUNCIL OF THE MEDITERRANEAN**
 Professor Dr Guido DE MARCO
 President Emeritus of Malta; Chairman, Mediterranean Academy of Diplomatic Studies
- 1030 Coffee/tea in the foyer outside the conference room
- 1100-1230 **9 HOW MAY ENERGY SECURITY AND CO-OPERATION BE BEST ENSURED?**
 Trevor WITTON
 Regional Adviser, Middle East and North Africa, BP, Sunbury-on-Thames
- 1230 Lunch in the Terrace Restaurant
- 1400-1430 **10 PRESENTATION OF KEY THEMES TO PLENARY FOLLOWED BY BREAKOUT GROUPS WITH THE SPEAKERS**
- 1430-1545 **a Sustainable Development: Can a Balance Between Economic, Environmental and Social Goals and Constraints Be Achieved?**
 Clive GEORGE
 Honorary Senior Research Fellow, Institute for Development Policy and Management, School of Environment and Development, University of Manchester, Manchester
- b How Can the Private Sector and Other Actors Contribute to Political Reform and Respect for the Rule of Law?**
 Charles KOVACS
 Chairman, Hid Radio Zrt, Budapest
- c The Role of Women and Socio-Cultural Dialogue**
 Dr Janet MIFSUD
 University of Malta
- 1600 Coffee/tea in the foyer outside the conference room

WEDNESDAY 14 NOVEMBER (continued)

1700	Bus leaves the Westin Dragonara Resort Hotel main entrance for brief tour and dinner
1900-2000	Reception hosted by Dr Edward FENECH-ADAMI , President of Malta at his Palace in Valletta
2000	Bus leaves the President's Palace for the Westin Dragonara Resort Hotel
2030-2400	Hotel Bar Open

THURSDAY 15 NOVEMBER

From 0730	Breakfast in the Terrace Restaurant
0900-1000	10 THE ROLE OF THE PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY OF THE MEDITERRANEAN IN THE REGION Rudy SALLES, MNA Vice-President, National Assembly, Paris; President, French Delegation to the PAM
1000-1100	11 WHAT IMPACT DOES THE EUROPEAN NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICY HAVE ON THE BARCELONA PROCESS? Ambassador Mohamed Fathy EL-SHAZLY National Project Director, UN Mine Action Project in Egypt; Previously Deputy Chairman, Co-ordination Secretariat for the Implementation of the Euro-Egyptian Partnership Agreement, Ministry of International Co-operation, Cairo
1100	Coffee/tea in the foyer outside the conference room
1130	Last Checkout time from rooms
1140-1150	12 BRIEF THREE MINUTE REPORTS FROM WEDNESDAY BREAK OUT GROUPS
1150-1310	13 PROSPECTS FOR STRENGTHENING THE EUROMED PROCESS Ambassador Mohamed Osama ELMAGDOUB Deputy Assistant Minister for Regional Economic Relations, Cairo Dr George VELLA, MP Shadow External Relations Spokesman, House of Representatives, Valletta Hesham YOUSSEF Chef de Cabinet of the Secretary General, League of Arab States, Cairo
1310-1315	14 CONCLUDING REMARKS
1315	Lunch followed by departure of participants at 1415
