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Monday, November 27, 2023

08:30-09:00 | Participants Registration

Opening Session

09:00-09:30

- Recitation of Khwaja Abdullah Ansari's poems by **Ms. Bahara**, Persian Poetry
- The performance of the songs "Da Zemong Ziba Watan" and "Watan Eshqe To Iftikharam" by **Ms. Fereshta Sama**
- Welcoming Remark by **Professor Qasim Shah Eskandar**, President of the Centre for Afghanistan and Regional Studies of Tajikistan.
- Remark by **Mr. Sharaf Rahimi**, Head of the Department of Strategic Research of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Tajikistan.
- Remarks by **Dr. Rangin Dadfar Spanta**, Former Foreign Minister of Afghanistan and Chairman of the AISS Board of Advisors.

Panel I: Security Black Hole: A Collection of Tragedies & Threats

09:30-11:00

Moderator

Ms. Jyoti Malhotra, Founder-Editor, Awaaz South Asia, India.

Speakers

- **Mr. Mohsin Dawar**, Member of Parliament, Pakistan.
 - **Mr. Rahmatullah Nabil**, Former Head of National Directorate of Security, Afghanistan.
 - **Dr. Esther Zubiri**, UN Security Council Expert, ISIL/Al-Qaeda/Taliban Analytical Support and Sanctions Monitoring Team, Spain.
 - **Mr. David Sedney**, Senior Associate, Center for Strategic Studies and International Studies, US.
 - **Mr. Mohammad Hossain Jafaryan**, Author & Senior Expert on Afghansitan, Iran.
- Open Discussion**

11:00-11:30	Tea Break
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Panel II: Gender Apartheid: Rhetorical Solidarity; Effective Mechanism

11:30-13:00	Moderator	Ms. Nazila Jamshidi , Advisor for Endocrine Society, US.
	Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Dr. Bushra Gohar, Women’s Rights Activist, Pakistan. ➤ Ms. Alyssa T. Yamamoto, Senior Legal & Policy Advisor, Atlantic Council, US. ➤ Amb. Shukria Barakzai, Former Ambassador to Norway, Afghanistan. ➤ Mr. Parwiz Kawa, Executive Director, 8Am Media, Afghanistan. <p>Open Discussion</p>

13:00-14:00	Lunch
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Panel III: Donor Industrial Complex: Humanitarianism, Accountability, Effectiveness

14:30-16:00	Moderator	Ms. Habiba Ashna , Researcher, Activist & Founder of the Liberty Coalition, Afghanistan.
	Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Michael Semple, Former Deputy EU Envoy for Afghanistan. ➤ Ms. Zahra Joya, Founder of Rukhshana Media, Afghanistan. ➤ Dr. Sarajuddin Isar, Researcher, Radboud University, Netherlands. ➤ Dr. Fardin Hashemi, Director of the Afghanistan Development Studies Center. <p>Open Discussion</p>

15:30-16:00	Tea Break
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Panel IV: Instead Islamic Renaissance: Post-Islamism Towards Civilisationnel Islam

16:00-17:30	Moderator	Ms. Susanne Koelbl , Author & Journalist, Der Spiegel, Germany.
	Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Amb. Mohammad Moheq, Islamic Studies Scholar, Afghanistan ➤ Dr. Michael Rubin, Senior Fellow at the American Enterprise Institute, US. ➤ Mr. Mustafa Akyol, Writer & Journalist, Cato Institute, Turkey/US. (Recorded Video) ➤ Mr. Kadyr Malikov, Advisor to Director of State Commission for Religious Affairs, Kyrgyzstan. ➤ Dr. Hassan Aboutaleb, Scholar, Al-Ahram Centre for Political and Strategic Studies, Egypt. ➤ Ms. Nasrine Gross, Author & Women’s Rights Activist, Afghanistan <p>Open Discussion</p>

19:00-21:00	The first cultural night: the screening of the movie "Hava, Maryam, Ayesha" Directed by Dr. Sahraa Karimi + musical performance by Ms. Fereshte Sama - Hyatt Regency Hotel Ball Room / By Invitation Only.
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Tuesday, November 28, 2023

08:30-09:00	Traditional Music Performance
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Panel V: Nowrozistan: Persianate World; Inclusive Neighborhood

9:00 – 10:30	Moderator	Ms. Manizha Bahrah , Scholar at Ankara University, Turkey.
	Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Dr. Javeed Ahwar, Postdoctoral Scholar, Nazarbayev University, Kazakhstan. ➤ Dr. Abdullah Rahnoma, Senior Researcher, Center for Strategic Studies, Tajikistan. ➤ Dr. Habib Ollah Fazeli, Lecturer, University of Tehran, Iran. ➤ Senator Afrasiab Khattak, Former Senator, Pakistan.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Professor Mohammad Nazif Shahrani, Professor of Anthropology, Indiana University, US. <p>Open Discussion</p>
10:30-11:00	Tea Break	
Panel VI: Regional Consensus; Global Support		
	Moderator	Ms. Lynne O'Donnell , Author & Independent Journalist, UK.
11:00-12:30	Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Amb. Said Tayeb Jawad, Former Ambassador to Russia, Afghanistan. ➤ Ms. Ashita Mittal, Regional Representative for Central Asia, UNODC, Uzbekistan. ➤ Dr. Vladimir Evseev, Head of CIS Institute, Department of Eurasian Integration & SCO Development, Russia. ➤ General Asad Durrani, Former Director General of ISI, Pakistan. ➤ Sir Nick Kay, Former Ambassador to Afghanistan, UK. ➤ Ms. Karina Timsina, Regional Programme Coordinator for Central Asia, United Nations Office of Counter Terrorism, US. <p>Open Discussion</p>
Panel VII: National Dialogue: Towards a Democratic Afghanistan		
	Moderator	Dr. Sahraa Karimi , Filmmaker & Lecturer, Bennington college, US.
12:30-14:00	Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Mr. Aref Dostyar, Senior Advisor, Kroc Institute, University of Notre Dame, US. ➤ Dr. Zaker Hussain Ershad, President of Afghanistan Citizens' Party ➤ Dr. Atefa Tayeb, Former Parliamentary Deputy Minister, Afghanistan. ➤ Mr. Shah Mahmood Miakhel, Head of Republicans' Movement of Afghanistan. ➤ Mr. Ali Maisam Nazary, Head of Foreign Relations for the National Resistance Front of Afghanistan. ➤ Mr. Bashir Ahmad Tahyanj, Former Minister of Labor & Social Affairs, Afghanistan. <p>Open Discussion</p>
14:00-14:30	Special Panel: Conversation with Mr. Amir Mohammad Ismail Khan , From Anti Soviet Resistance Commander to Governor of Herat and Minister of Energy and Water, Afghanistan.	
Moderator	Ahmad Wahid Payman , Writer & journalist	
14:30-14:40	Note of Thanks: Director of AISS	
14:40-15:40	Lunch	
18:00-20:00	Cultural Program (Special Concert by Zohra/Youth National Orchestra) – Lohuti Theatre Dushanbe, Rudaki Avenue 86, Dushanbe / By Invitation Only.	

For All Information about the Conference, including participants list, speakers/moderators' biography please scan this QR code:

