

# The Annual Arab Banking Conference 2011 Future of the Arab World in Light of Recent Transitions - Conferences - Agenda

**November 24, 2011**

08:00:AM - Registration – Final Program pick up / Morning Coffee

09:30:AM - Official Opening Ceremony and Welcoming Speeches:  
- National Anthem

- Mr. Adnan Yousif, Chairman Union of Arab Banks

- Dr. Joseph Torbey, Chairman World Union of Arab Bankers,  
President Association of Banks in Lebanon

H.E. Mr. Adnan Kassar, Chairman of General Union, Chambers of Commerce Industry & Agriculture for Arab Countries, Lebanon

- H.E. Mr. Riad salameh, Governor Banque du Liban

10:15:AM - Keynote Speeches:

- H.E. Dr. Nabil Al Arabi, Secretary General, League of Arab States

- H.E. Sheik Hamad Bin Jassim Al Thani, Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Qatar

- H.E. Mr. Najib Mikati, President of the Council of Ministers in Lebanon

10:45:AM - Honoring ceremony:

“ Visionary Leadership Award” dedicated to:

H.E. Sheik Hamad Bin Jassim Al Thani, Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Qatar

11:00:AM - Coffee Break

11:30:AM - Keynote Address:

H.E. Mr. Mehmet Simsek, Minister of Finance, Turkey

-H.E. Mrs. Stefania Craxi, The Undersecretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Italy

-H.E. Dr. Rima Khalaf, Under Secretary General and Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

12:15:AM - Coffee Break

12:30:PM - Session 1: ‘The Changing Landscape of the Arab World’  
(Post Crisis Experiences)

- Egyptian Paper: H.E. Dr. Farouk El Okda, Governor, Central Bank of Egypt
- Libyan Paper: H.E. Mr. AlSeddig Al Kebir, Governor, Central Bank of Libya
- Tunisian Paper: H.E. Mr. Moustapha Kamel Nabli, Governor, Central Bank of Tunisia

Panel of Discussion:

- Mr. Abdullah Al Saudi, CEO, ASA Consultants, Bahrain
- Mr. Mohammed Mohammed Rabih, Secretary General, Council of Arab Economic Unity, Egypt
- H.E. Dr. Ahmed Jehani, Minister of Reconstruction, National Transitional Council of Libya
- Mr. Abdelrahim Hasan Al Naki, Secretary General, Federation of GCC Chambers, KSA
- Mr. Tarek Amer, Chairman Federation of Egyptian Banks, Chairman National Bank of Egypt, Egypt
- Dr. Ezzedine Khoja, Secretary General, General Council for Islamic Banks and Financial Institutions, Bahrain

02:30:PM - Lunch sponsored by BLOM Bank

## **November 25, 2011**

08:00:AM - Registration Continues – Morning Coffee

09:00:AM - Opening Addresses:

-H.E. Mr. Mohammad Al Safadi, Minister of Finance, Lebanon

09:15:AM - Keynote Speeches:

H.E. Mr. Ali Babacan, Deputy Prime Minister of Turkey

H.E. Dr. Ommaya Toukan, Minister of Finance, Jordan

09:35:AM - Session 1: 'The Role of Banks in Accommodating the Change'

Moderator: Mr. Adnan Yousif, Chairman Union of Arab Banks

Keynote Speech: 'The Arab Banking Sector – Facts and Challenges'

Dr. Roberto Rocha, Senior Advisor, World bank, USA

"The Financial Regulatory Landscape: Lessons Learned and Way Forward"

Mr. Sarkis Yoghourtdjian, Assistant Director, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, USA

Speakers:

Mr. Saad Al Azhari, Chairman & General Manager, BLOM Bank, Lebanon

- Mr. Mohammad bin Youssef, General Manager, Libyan Arab Foreign Bank,

- Dr. Ekrem Keskin, Secretary General, Association of Banks in Turkey

- Mr. Marcello Sala, Senior Deputy Chairman, Intesa Sanpaolo, Italy

11:00:AM - Coffee Break

11:15:AM - Session 2: 'Sovereign Debts Crises'

- The Implications of the global debt on Arab economies
- Crisis in the Euro Zone & its Impact on the Global Economy
- Impacts of Credit Rating Agencies on the Arab Financial and Banking Sectors
- Risks of non payment and debt guarantees

Keynote Speech: H.E. Dr. Ali Khashan, Minister of Justice, Palestine

Moderator: Mr. Salah Salem Al Halyan, Secretary General, Union of Arab Securities Authorities, UAE

Speakers:

- H.E. Dr. Abdullah Al Dardari, Director of Economic development & Globalization, UN ESCWA
- Dr. Thamer Al Ani, Director Studies & Economic relations Strategy Dept., League of Arab States, Egypt
- Dr. Saad Al Andari, Vice Governor, Banque Du Liban
- Dr. M. Ibrahim Turhan, Vice Governor, Central Bank of Turkey
- Ms. Celeste Cecillia Lo Torco, Sovereign Wealth Funds Analyst, Italy
- Dr. Adli Kandah, General Manager, Association of Banks in Jordan

12:45:AM - Coffee Break

01:00:PM - Session 3: 'Mechanisms and Opportunities for the Return of Arab and Foreign Investments to the Region'

- Providing the proper Arab investment environments in light of the current crises
- The importance of inter Arab banking cooperation for a socioeconomic sustainable development
- Arab and International experineces

Keynote Speech: Mrs. Alissa Koldertsova, Manager, Middle East and North

Africa Corporate Affairs Division, Organization for Economic Co operation and Development, France

Speakers:

- Dr. Mahmoud Badi, Official Responsible for Finance and Oil Affairs, Director of General Administration for Libya's Foreign Assets, the National Transitional Council, Libya
- Mr. Badr ElDine Abass, Deputy Governor, Central Bank of Sudan, Sudan
- Dr. Imad Shehab, Secretary General, General Union of Arab Chambers of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture, Lebanon
- Mr. Jihad Al Khazen, Writer/Columnist and Political Analust, Al Hayat Newspaper , KSA

02:15:PM - Conference Declaration

02:30:PM - Lunch sponsored by The National Bank of Egypt Egypt

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