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The Mission of the State of Qatar to the European Union presents its compliments to the Office of H.E. Mr. Miguel Arias Cañete , European Commissioner for Climate action, and has the honor to forward herewith the invitation addressed to H.E Mr. Miguel Arias Cañete, from HE Mr. [REDACTED] Minister's Assistant for Foreign Affairs of the State of Qatar, to participate in the 16th Doha Forum that will be held from 21 -23 May 2016 in Doha.

You will find herewith also the concept paper, the provisional agenda of the forum and the registration form to be sent duly completed before 14th April 2016.

The Mission of the State of Qatar to the European Union avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of Mr. Miguel Arias Cañete the assurance of its highest consideration.



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21-23 May 2016

**H.E. Mr. Miguel Arias Cañete ,
European Commissioner for Climate action
The Kingdom of Belgium
Brussels**

Under the kind auspices of His Highness Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al-Thani, Emir of the State of Qatar, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs will organize the “Doha Forum” in the city of Doha, from 21-23 May, 2016.

The State of Qatar’s Keenness on organizing this forum emanates from Qatar’s interest in the need to promote international peace and stability. The forum will constitute a framework for a free dialogue. It will discuss in its sessions vital issues such as economic, energy, security, defense and civil society matters under the motto “Stability and Prosperity for All”.

A number of heads of states and government will participate in the forum along with a large number of politicians, decision-makers, businessmen, academicians, media-men, parliamentarians, thinkers, representatives of regional and international organizations and representatives of civil society from around the world.

It will be privileged by your participation in this forum and your enriching of its sessions through your vast experiences and expertise. I hope that you would kindly confirm your attendance of the forum. Please fill the attached model form and send it via E-mail ████████@mofa.gov.qa and ████████@mofa.gov.qa.

Please, accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest considerations.

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Minister’s Assistant for Foreign Affairs of the State of Qatar

Assistant Minister For Foreign Affairs



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بروكسل

تحية طيبة وبعد ..

تحت الرعاية الكريمة لأمير دولة قطر حضرة صاحب السمو الشيخ تميم بن حمد آل ثاني، تنظم وزارة الخارجية 'منتدى الدوحة'، في مدينة الدوحة خلال الفترة ٢١-٢٣ مايو ٢٠١٦.

ويأتي حرص دولة قطر على تنظيم هذا المنتدى من منطلق الاهتمام بضرورة تعزيز السلام والاستقرار الدوليين، حيث يشكل إطار لحوار حر، ومناقش المنتدى في جلساته مسائل حيوية مثل قضايا الاقتصاد والطاقة والأمن والدفاع والمجتمع المدني، وذلك تحت شعار 'الاستقرار والازدهار للجميع'.

يشارك في المنتدى عدد من رؤساء الدول والحكومات ومجموعة كبيرة من الشخصيات السياسية وصناع القرار ورجال الأعمال والأكاديميين والإعلاميين وبرلمانيين ومفكرين وممثلي منظمات إقليمية ودولية وممثلي المجتمع المدني من مختلف دول العالم.

وسيكون من دواعي سروري مشاركتكم في المنتدى وإثراء جلساته بخبراتكم وتجربتكم الثرية، مع رجائنا تأكيد حضوركم، والتفضل بتعبئة النموذج المرفق وإرساله على البريد الإلكتروني: @mofa.gov.qa و @mofa.gov.qa

وتفضلوا بقبول فائق الاحترام ...

مرفقات:

- الورقة المفاهيمية للمنتدى.

- برنامج المنتدى.

- استمارة للمشاركة.



Stability and Prosperity for All

Concept Paper

Over the past decade threats and challenges facing human society have increased, creating an urgent need for reckoning the best means to address those issues and deal with them. The world today is busy confronting globalization and cross-border threats. Thus, there is a growing conviction of the importance of establishing a collective or multilateral framework for cooperation. This is needed in order to achieve stability and prosperity and overcome the challenges that can no longer be dealt with using individual methods or policies. Challenges such as climate change, environmental pollution, the spread of terrorism and extremism, issues of nuclear security and weapons of mass destruction, cybercrimes, organized crime, the spread of epidemics and diseases, and the growing number of failed states. The growing conflicts between nations and within societies, the doubled number of refugees, victims of violence and wars, are fueled by a growing sense of limited resources (such as water, food and energy), in addition to the growing population, the predominance of consumer trends and the worsening illegal immigration.

Most of the crises and threats facing the world today are results of poor distribution of wealth or the lack of justice. Some are caused by a sense of marginalization and exclusion subsequent to the absence of recognition within countries and societies, or among them. Others result from an ambitious attempt by some countries to take advantage of changes in the balance of regional and world powers to strengthen their influence and control. There is a pressing need to understand the contexts, conditions and the nature of each crisis in order to develop better strategies to deal with them. It is also important to establish bilateral and collective frameworks of cooperation to maintain international peace and security, especially that countries cannot go it alone due to the limited capacity of each country, no matter how powerful its resources, to deal with those challenges individually (Limits of Power).

As security threats and political crises are exacerbating, the world major economies (especially China), are experiencing a significant slowdown in growth which in turn reflects on the stock and bond markets and lead to volatile exchange rates and minerals prices as well as slowdown in the industrial production. A possible return of the ghost of financial and economic crisis that shook the world in 2008 is still an

actual concern, triggering further worries about the possibility of achieving the international agenda of sustainable development over the next decade.

At the same time, the price of oil is passing through a state of total collapse as a result of the glut in supply and lower consumption caused by the decline in economic growth rates. Producing countries will thus pay exorbitant prices as a result of decreased revenues of hard currencies. The highly affected among this group will be the top oil-producing countries as oil constitutes the main source of their income, such as the Arab Gulf states, Iraq, Algeria, Iran and Russia. Figures show that the decline of revenues will severely affect the ability of these countries to spend on social service programs such as housing, health, education and electricity. This may lead to a state of popular disgruntle that may reflect in protests and unrest in countries, which do not have large financial reserves to cope with the crisis. Some well-off oil-producing countries may tend to withdraw from their financial reserves to offset the deficit in order to avoid affecting the great social support network which they provide to their citizens.

Underscoring the limited potentials of states and governments in dealing with the broad wave of issues and problems that have been mentioned above, the need is mounting for activating the role of civil and private society institutions and engaging them in shouldering the burdens and responsibilities for addressing these challenges and promoting the process of development and stability. This can be done through the conduction of campaigns that educate people and make them aware of the limited resources whose use needs to be rationalized along with preserving the environment, in order to promote their contribution in the development, society building and securing of the elements of its strength, such as education, health and raising of awareness and lofty humane ideals.

Accordingly, the Doha Forum seeks, at its sixteenth session (2016), to gather the largest number of experts, academics, politicians, decision-makers, specialists, businessmen and activists in civil work and civil society organizations from around the world, in order to discuss the ways of achieving regional and global stability and prosperity, in light of the major challenges facing the world today. The issues, which account for a significant global interest, include, inter alia:

- 1) Security and defense issues;
- 2) Economic issues;
- 3) Energy issues; and
- 4) Civil society issues.



The provisional agenda

Date	Time	Activity
Saturday 21/05/2016	9:00 – 17:00	Greeting the guests and starting the registration process
	19:00 – 21:00	<p>The opening session of the forum</p> <p>Speech of His Highness the Emir of the State of Qatar 'May God protect him'</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Speeches of Their Highnesses and Excellences heads of participating states - Official banquet
Sunday 22/05/2016	9:00 – 11:00	<p>First plenary session : Security</p> <p>Session Theme: International and regional status quo and the means to meet the challenges</p>
	11:30 – 13:30	<p>Second plenary session : Economy</p> <p>Session Theme : Global Economy: Where to?</p>
	13:30 – 15:00	Lunch
	15:15 – 17:30	1) Sub Session : Global Security : the current reality and challenges
		2) Sub Session : Gulf Security: Dialogue instead of conflict
		3) Sub Session : The increasing role of governments in the economy
		4) Sub Session : The achievement of the international agenda for sustainable development in the light of the current situation of the global economy
Sunday 23/05/2016	9:00 – 11:00	<p>Third plenary session : Energy</p> <p>Session Theme : The global status quo : Challenges and Opportunities</p>
	11:30 – 13:30	<p>Fourth plenary session: Civil Society</p> <p>Session Theme : The role of civil society in achieving partnership in development</p>
	13:30 – 15:00	Lunch
	15:15 – 17:30	1) Sub Session: Participatory strategies for a sustainable energy future
		2) Sub Session : The implications of lower oil prices and future forecast
		3) Sub Session : The developmental role of civil society in the developing countries - selected models
		4) Sub Session : The role of civil society in the process of political transition in the Arab Spring countries
	17:30 – 18:00	Closing Session

صورة شخصية

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Stability and Prosperity for All الاستقرار والازدهار للجميع



تأكيد المشاركة \ معلومات التسجيل

Participant confirmation \ Information form

Personal details المعلومات الشخصية

الاسم الكامل (حسب جواز السفر) Full name (as it appears in passport)	
الوظيفة Profession	
مكان العمل Institution	
الجنسية Nationality	
البريد الإلكتروني E-mail	

Participant information تفاصيل المشارك

<input type="checkbox"/> لا ، أعذر عن عدم إمكانية المشاركة No, I will not be able to participate		<input type="checkbox"/> نعم سأتمكن من المشاركة Yes, I will be able to participate	
الجوال Mobile		رقم الفاكس Fax	
الجنس Sex		تاريخ الميلاد Date of Birth	
مكان الإصدار Place of issue		رقم الجواز Passport NO.	
مدينة المغادرة Departure city		تاريخ الانتهاء Expiry date	
		السفارة التي ترغب في إصدار تأشيرة الدخول منها Please send my visa to Qatar Embassy in	

- E-visa will be sent to your E-mail address mentioned above in case there is no Qatar Embassy in your country.
- The organizing committee will be in charge of your accommodation, transportation and meals from 20 to 24 May 2016.
- Business class flight tickets will be booked only for members of parliaments and ministers, and economy class tickets for all other participants.
- Please make sure your passport expiry date is valid 6 months prior to arrival date as per Qatari law.
- Last day to receive the registration form is 11 April 2016.
- Kindly send your registration form, passport and digital photo to the following Email :

- في حال عدم وجود سفارة لدولة قطر في الدولة التي تقيم بها يرجى العلم بأنه سيتم إرسال تأشيرة الدخول على بريدكم الإلكتروني المذكور أعلاه.
- سيتكفل اللجنة المنظمة بالممكن، المواصلات، الوجبات، من ٢٠ مايو وحتى ٢٤ مايو ٢٠١٦.
- سيتم إصدار تذاكر سفر درجة رجال الأعمال للوزراء والبرلمانيين فقط والدرجة السياحية لكافة المشاركين.
- يرجى التأكد من صلاحية جواز السفر على أن يكون ساري المفعول لمدة لا تقل عن ٦ أشهر من تاريخ دخول دولة قطر، وذلك وفقاً للقانون القطري.
- آخر موعد لاستلام استمارات المشاركة هو يوم ١٤ أبريل ٢٠١٦.
- يرجى إرسال النموذج بعد تعبئته مع صورة شخصية ملونه وصورة من جواز السفر على البريد الإلكتروني:

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