

EUROPEAN-ISRAELI  
DIALOGUE



**European-Israeli Dialogue 2007**  
**Berlin, 10/11 March 2007**  
(Provisional Programme as of 1 March 07)

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**SATURDAY, 10 MARCH**

**4.30 pm** Registration and reception

**5.00 pm** **Opening Session**

**Hosts' Welcome**

**'AS SEEN FROM EUROPE ...'**

Chairman: Mathias Döpfner

Keynote: Chancellor Angela Merkel

**6.00pm** **Session I: Europe and Israel - A Common Destiny?**

- Can EU policy towards Israel go beyond technical and economic cooperation towards a strategic partnership?
- Israel: Scapegoat or Europe's frontline in the Middle East?
- Can Israel withstand the attack on its moral legitimacy?

Chairman: Mathias Döpfner

Keynotes: Commissioner Benita Ferrero-Waldner, Itamar Rabinovich

Discussants: Sir Nigel Sheinwald, Ana Palacio, Eckart von Klaeden

**8.30pm** **DINNER**

Chairman: Lord Weidenfeld

Keynotes: Social Welfare Minister Isaac Herzog

Foreign Minister Prinz Karl von Schwarzenberg

## **SUNDAY, 11 MARCH**

### **9.30am      Session II: Regional Threats - Part One** **The Palestinian-Israeli Conflict in a wider perspective**

- The economics of conflict and peace: how can economic drivers support the peace process?
- Is Israel/Palestine the core of the conflict?
- What hope for the Road map? What alternative?

Chairman: Sir Ronald Cohen

Keynotes: Gen Moshe Ya'alon, Marc Otte

Discussants: Pierre Levy, Martin Indyk, Kurt Lauk, Maciej Koslowsky

**10.30am:      Coffee**

### **11.00am:      Session III: Regional Threats - Part Two** **Common threats, common solutions?**

- Iran: Can Israel and Europe avert the nuclear threat? Can the West halt regional nuclear proliferation?
- Lebanon, Syria, Iraq and the Sunni-Shia conflict: Are Israel and European interests converging or diverging?
- NATO: An instrument for European Israeli intervention and regional stabilisation?

Chairman: Lord Weidenfeld

Keynotes: Francois Heisbourg, Uzi Arad

Discussants: Amir Taheri, Sir Lawrence Freedman, Hassan Mneimneh  
Karl-Theodor Guttenberg

**12.30pm:      Concluding Remarks**

Chairman: Mathias Döpfner

Foreign Minister Frank-Walter Steinmeier (to be confirmed)

**1.00pm:      LUNCH**

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