

## International Roundtable Conference

# Europe and the Middle East: A new era in institutional management of peace, security, and economic development

Tel Aviv, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

*Location: The Institute for National Security Studies (INSS)  
40 Haim Levanon St., Tel Aviv 6997556 Israel*

08:30-09:00 Gathering and registration

09:00-09:30 Greeting and opening remarks

- **Dr. Ernst Stetter**, Secretary General, FEPS
- **Ambassador Dr. Emanuele Giaufret**, Delegation of the European Union to Israel

Moderator and discussant:

- **Dr. Oded Eran**, Former Ambassador of Israel to the EU and Jordan

**09:30-10:45 First Session: A changing European Union: steering through the new political and economic landscape**

Chair: **Dr. Roby Nathanson**, General Director Macro Center for Political Economics

Keynote speeches

- **Alfred Gusenbauer**, Former Chancellor of Austria

Input by ME discussant:

- **Dr. Tal Sadeh**, Ex-President of the Israeli Association for the Study of European Integration, Senior lecturer at the Department of Political science of Tel Aviv University

Input by EU discussant:

- **André Gerrits**, Professor of International Politics, University of Leiden

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**10:45-11:00 Coffee break**

**11:00-12:15 Second Session**

**A more prosperous Middle East: fostering regional economic collaboration and development**

Chair: **Vassilis Ntousas**, FEPS International Relations Policy Advisor

Keynote speech:

- **Dr. Joseph Dreznin**, Director-General, Israel's Ministry of Regional Cooperation (TBC)
- **Adv. Hiba Hussein**, Managing Partner of Hussein and Hussein Law Firm

Input by EU discussant:

- **Dr. Claire Spencer**, Senior Research Fellow, Chatham House

Input by ME discussant:

- **Dan Catarivas**, Director, Division of Foreign Trade & International Relations, Manufacturers' Association of Israel
- **Dr. Oded Eran**, Former Ambassador of Israel to the EU and Jordan

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### 12:15-13:30 Third Session:

#### A more confident European Union: managing security cooperation in a new geopolitical environment

Chair: **Dr. Ernst Stetter**, Secretary General of FEPS

Keynote speech:

- **Isaac Herzog**, Knesset Opposition Leader

Input by EU discussants:

- **Sven-Eric Söder**, Director General of the Folke Bernadotte Academy
- **Alessandro Minuto-Rizzo**, Former Deputy Secretary General of NATO

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### 13:30-14:30 Light Lunch Buffet

### 14:30-15:45 Fourth Session: A more stable Middle East: forming new regional security arrangements

Moderation and Introductory remarks: **MK Ksenia Svetlova**, Zionist Camp

Keynote speech:

- **Amb. Per Örnéus**, Special Envoy for the Middle East Peace Process, Sweden

Input by EU discussant:

- **Rosemary Hollis**, Professor of International Politics, City University London

Input from ME discussant:

- **Elias Zananiri**, Vice Chairman of the PLO Committee for Interaction with the Israeli Society

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### 15:45-16:15 Concluding Session: Closing Remarks

Chair: **Ricard Torrell**, Former President of European Youth Forum (EYF)

Discussants: **Dr. Ernst Stetter**, **Dr. Oded Eran** and **Dr. Roby Nathanson**