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THE ARAB-GERMAN BUSINESS FORUM: PROGRAM

Monday, October 26th, 2020

14.00 h - 18.00 h **Registration**
*at The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Potsdamer Platz 3,
10785 Berlin*

Tuesday, October 27th, 2020

08.00 h **Registration**

08.30 h **Official Opening**

Moderation:
Stefanie Suren
Journalist, Deutsche Welle, Germany

Welcoming:
Dr. Peter Ramsauer, MdB
*Federal Minister ret. / President of the Ghorfa
Arab-German Chamber of Commerce and
Industry / Chairman of the Committee on
Economic Cooperation and Development/
Germany*

Keynotes:
H.E. Peter Altmaier
*Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Energy,
Germany*

H.E. Mohammed bin Abdullah Al Jadaan
*Minister of Finance & Acting Minister of
Economy and Planning, Saudi Arabia*

Speakers:
H.E. Dr. Mustapha Adib
*Ambassador of the Republic of Lebanon / Dean of
the Arab Diplomatic Corps, Germany*

09.15 h **Panel 1:**
*Visions and Opportunities in time of Crisis – New Focus for Arab
German Cooperation*

Moderation:
Dieter W. Haller
*Ambassador ret., Member of the Board of Trustees, Dussmann
Group, Germany*

Speakers:
Mark Hauptmann, MdB
Member of the German Parliament, Germany

Dr. Mohammad Halaiqah
Chairman, Jordan Economic and Democratic Forum, Jordan

Hans-Christian Freiherr von Reibnitz
*Chargé d’Affaires, Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany,
Saudi Arabia*

Dr. Holger Bingmann
*Managing Partner, Bingmann Pflüger International GmbH,
Germany*

Dr. Abdulaziz Sager
Founder & Chairman, Gulf Research Center, Saudi Arabia

10.30 h **Networking Break**

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11.00 h **Panel 2:**
Digitalization, Artificial Intelligence and Transformation of Societies

Moderation:
Wolf Schwippert
Lawyer, Schwippert Law Office, Germany

Keynote:
Tom Blades
Chairman of the Executive Board and Labor Director, Bilfinger SE, Germany

Speakers:
Badr Al Olama
Executive Director Aerospace at Mubadala / Head of Organizing Committee at GMIS, UAE

Ali Vezvaei
CEO, ND Group, Germany

Mohammed Alkhotani
Managing Director, SAP KSA, Saudi Arabia

Jon Rokk
President & CEO, Bilfinger Middle East, UAE

Dr. Aljoscha Burchardt
Deputy Site Director, German Research Center for Artificial Intelligence (DFKI), Germany

12.30 h **Networking Lunch**

13.30 h **Panel 3:**
Mobility: Transport and Logistics

Moderation:
Dr. Philipp Stompfe
Senior Associate, Alexander & Partner Rechtsanwälte mbB, Germany

Speakers:
Dr. Mansour Alturki
Deputy Minister for Planning and Information, Saudi Ministry of Transport, Saudi Arabia

Michael Peter
CEO, Siemens Mobility, Germany

Andreas Poetzsch
Managing Director, DFS Aviation Services GmbH & DFS Aviation Services Bahrain Co WLL, Germany

Armin Wagner
Team Leader Sustainable Mobility, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, Germany

Tobias Maier
Chief Financial Officer, DHL Global Forwarding Middle East and Africa / Chief Executive Officer, Saloodo! Middle East & Africa, UAE

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14.30 h

Panel 4:

Next Generation: Urban Infrastructure

Moderation:

Uwe Hoermann

Partner, Roland Berger, Germany

Speakers:

Eng. Husain Alsudairy

*Deputy Minister for Town Planning, Ministry of
Municipal and Rural Affairs, Saudi Arabia*

Dr. Udo Huenger

Vice President Middle East, BASF, UAE

Olaf Hoffmann

*Vice President of the Ghorfa Arab-German
Chamber of Commerce and Industry & Chief
Executive Officer of Dorsch Holding GmbH,
Germany*

Ayman Amin Sejiny

*CEO, Islamic Corporation for the Development of
the Private Sector, Saudi Arabia*

15.30 h

Networking Break

16.00 h

Panel 5:

Finance, Investment and Know-How Transfer

Moderation:

Dr. Florian Amereller

Partner, Amereller Legal Consultants, UAE

Speakers:

Prof. Dr. Khaled Hanafy

*Former Minister of Egypt and Secretary General
of the Union of Arab Chambers, Lebanon*

Wissam H. Fattouh

Secretary General, Union of Arab Banks, Lebanon

Prof. Dr. Christian Aders

*Chairman of the Executive Board, ValueTrust Financial
Advisors SE, Germany*

Friedrich Bieselt

Board Member, Lincoln International, Germany

Rakan I. Algaraawi

*Associate International Office Director-Germany, Ministry
of Investment, Saudi Arabia*

Oliver Oehms

*CEO, German Emirati Joint Council for Industry &
Commerce (AHK), UAE*

Ian Lachmund

*Senior Advisor, Agency for Business & Economic
Development, Germany*

19.30 h

Dinner

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Wednesday, October 28th, 2020

09.00 h Registration

09.30 h **Panel 6:**
Energy, Mining & Petrochemical Industry

Moderation:
Wolf Schwippert
Lawyer, Schwippert Law Office, Germany

Speakers:
Dietmar Siersdorfer
MD Middle East and UAE, Siemens Energy, UAE

Roland Kaepfner
Executive Director, NEOM, Saudi Arabia

Dr. Murad M. Daghles
Partner, White & Case LLP International Law Firm, Germany

Paul van Son
President & CEO, Dii Desert Energy, UAE

Fahad Mohammed Alajlan
Director Hydrocarbon Sustainability Program, Ministry of Energy, Saudi Arabia

Mazin Abdullah Zareef
Director of Energy Sector Local Content Program, Ministry of Energy, Saudi Arabia

10.30 h **Networking Break**

11.00 h **Ambassadors' Podium Discussion:**
Times of Challenges are also Times of Opportunities – Perspectives of Arab-German Business Relations

Moderation:
Dr. Florian Amereller
Partner, Amereller Legal Consultants, UAE

Speakers:
H.E. Abdulla Abdullatif Abdulla
Ambassador, Embassy of the Kingdom of Bahrain, Germany

H.E. Khaled Mohamed Galaleldin Abdelhamid
Ambassador, Embassy of the Arab Republic of Egypt, Germany

H.E. Dr. Cyrill Nunn
Ambassador, Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, Egypt

H.E. Kai Boeckmann
Ambassador, Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, Bahrain

Olaf Hoffmann
Vice President of the Ghorfa Arab-German Chamber of Commerce and Industry & Chief Executive Officer of Dorsch Holding GmbH, Germany

12.30 h **Networking Lunch**

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