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**Arabs and the Horn of Africa:
The Dialectic of Regional Proximity and Affiliation**

Conference Agenda

November 27- 29, 2011

Al Rayyan Meeting Room, Doha Sheraton Hotel

Doha, Qatar

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Sunday, November 27, 2011

08:30 Registration

09:00-09:30 Opening Session

Dr. Azmi Bishara

Chair: Dr. Abdul Wahab Al-Qassab

09:30-11:00

First Theme: The Historical Dimension

Chair: Dr. Sayyar Al-Jamil

Speakers:

➤ Dr. Yusuf Fadl

The Historic Origins of Arab Relations with the Horn of Africa

➤ Dr. Abdullahi Ibrahim

Zanzibar 1964: 'Targeting the Arabs'

➤ Dr. El-Nour Hamad

*From Subordination to Partnership: Critique of the Khedive
Perspective Towards the Southern Neighbors of Egypt*

11:00-11:30

Coffee Break

11:30-13:00

Second Theme: The Political and Economic Dimensions

Chair: Mr. Jamal Barout

Speakers

➤ Dr. Peter Woodward

International Competition on the Horn of Africa

➤ Dr. Eglal Raafat

*The Interests of the Arab States on the Red Sea and the Horn of
Africa States*

➤ Dr. Irma Taddia

*The Emergence of the New State in the Horn of Africa –
The Effect on Eritrea*

13:00-15:00

Lunch

15:00-16:30

Second Theme: The Political and Economic Dimensions (cont.)

Chair: Dr. Hichem Karoui

Speakers:

- Dr. Mahmoud Muhareb
Israel and the Horn of Africa: Relations and Interferences
- Dr. Amani EL Taweel
Israeli Strategic Goals in the Horn of Africa
- Dr. Azhar Al Gharbaoui
Israeli Interference in the Horn of Africa: Kenya as an Example

18:00

General Lecture by Dr. Peter Woodward

Monday, November 28, 2011

09:00-10:30

Second Theme: The Political and Economic Dimensions (cont.)

Chair: Dr. Muhammad Al-Musfir

Speakers:

- Dr. Altayib Zain Alabdin
The Impact of Salafism and Extremist Movements on Stability and Development in the Horn of Africa
- Dr. Mohamed Sheikh
The Ongoing Somali Situation: The Dimension of History and Conflict
- Dr. Abdalla Hamdok
Arab Investment in the Horn of Africa: Challenges, Opportunities and Prospects

10:30-11:00

Coffee Break

11:00-13:00

Third Theme: The Security and Strategy Dimensions

Chair: Dr. Abdulwahab Al-Qassab

Speakers:

- Dr. Kidane Mengisteab
Conflicts and the Challenge of State Building in the Horn of Africa
- Dr. Adlan Al-Hardallu
The Impact of the Emergence of the State of South Sudan on the Strategic Balance in the Horn of Africa
- Dr. Mehari Maru
Ethiopia and Its Neighbors: Hindrances to Stability in the Region
- Dr. Mudawi El-Turabi
AFRICOM, the Horn of Africa and Arab National Security

13:00-14:30

Lunch

14:30-16:00

Fourth Theme: The Intellectual, Cultural and Social Dimensions

Chair: Dr. Al-Nour Hamad

Speakers:

- Dr. Albaqir Alafif
Identity and Conflict in the Horn of Africa: Sudan as an Example
- Dr. Steve Howard
The Arab World and the Peoples of the Horn in Each Other's Gaze
- Dr. Abdullah Al-Bashir
The Depiction of the People of the Horn of Africa in the Chronicles of Arab Geographers and their Historical Effect

16:00-16:30

Coffee Break

16:30-18:00

Fourth Theme: The Intellectual, Cultural and Social Dimensions

Chair: Dr. Al-Sadeq Al-Faqih

Speakers:

- Dr. Abdulsalam Baghdadi
The Problems of Ethnic and Linguistic Pluralism: Impact on the Stability of the States of the Horn of Africa
- Dr. Abd Elwahab Bashir
Issues of Religion and Neighborliness: A Study in the Dialectic of the Islamo-Christian Competition and Coexistence in the Horn of Africa
- Dr. Tekeste Negash
The Use of English as a Medium of Instruction and the Crisis of Education in the Horn of Africa: The Case of Ethiopia

Tuesday, November 29, 2011

09:00-11:00

Fifth Theme: Arab Media and the Horn of Africa

Chair: Mr. Abdel Aziz Al Mahmoud

Speakers:

- Dr. Tareq al-Sheikh
- Mr. Faisal Salih
- Ms. Afrah Thabit
- Mr. Mohammed Taha Tawakal

11:00-11:30

Coffee Break

11:30-13:30

Roundtable Discussion: Arab Relations with the Horn of Africa and the Challenges of Neighborliness and Identity

Chair: Dr. Azmi Bishara