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FERNANDES ROOM	OPENING SESSION WELCOMING REMARKS Giampiero MASSOLO , President, Italian Institute for International Political Studies (ISPI), Italy KEYNOTE SPEECH Luigi DI MAIO , Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Italy	09.00
	SESSION FROM COMPETITION TO COLLABORATION IN THE MENA REGION? RECOMPOSING THE GEOPOLITICAL PUZZLE <i>Chair</i> Bethany BELL , BBC Correspondent, UK Ahmed ABOUL GHEIT , Secretary General, Arab League John R. ALLEN , President, the Brookings Institution, USA Gebran BASSIL , Minister of Foreign Affairs and Emigrants, Lebanon Mohcine JAZOULI , Minister Delegate to the Minister of Foreign Affairs, African Cooperation and Moroccan Expatriates	10.00
	DIALOGUE Mevlüt ÇAVUŞOĞLU , Minister of Foreign Affairs, Turkey <i>In dialogue with</i> Ian LESSER , Vice President, The German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF) <i>and</i> Monica MAGGIONI , CEO RAICOM, Italy	11.30
	DIALOGUE Adel bin Ahmed AL-JUBEIR , Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Saudi Arabia <i>In dialogue with</i> Matthew KARNITSCHNIG , Chief Europe Correspondent, Politico <i>and</i> Marc PERELMAN , News Presenter and Interviewer, France24, France	12.00
	DIALOGUE Sameh Hassan SHOUKRY , Minister of Foreign Affairs, Egypt <i>In dialogue with</i> Amy KELLOGG , Senior Foreign Affairs Correspondent for Fox News, USA <i>and</i> Marc PERELMAN , News Presenter and Interviewer, France24, France	12.30
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<p>FERNANDES ROOM</p>	<p>SESSION OUT OF DEPENDENCY? COPING WITH ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION IN RENTIER STATES <i>in cooperation with Chatham House</i> Chair Adel HAMAIZIA, Committee Vice-Chairman, Oxford Gulf and Arabian Peninsula Studies Forum; Associate Fellow, Chatham House, UK Ibrahim S. ALSUWAIL, Deputy Governor of Investor Services, General Investment Authority (SAGIA), Saudi Arabia Alia MOUBAYED, Economist and Founder, Association of Women in Economics Across Middle East & North Africa, Lebanon Robert SPRINGBORG, Professor Emeritus Naval Post Graduate School, USA Karen E. YOUNG, Resident Scholar, American Enterprise Institute (AEI), USA</p>	
<p>SFORZA A ROOM</p>	<p>SESSION SYRIA: FINDING THE WAY OUT <i>Keynote Speech</i> Geir O. PEDERSEN, Special Envoy for Syria, United Nations Chair Paolo MAGRI, Executive Vice President and Director, Italian Institute for International Political Studies (ISPI), Italy Galip DALAY, Mercator Fellow at the German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP) and Oxford University, UK Andrey KORTUNOV, Director General, Russian International Affairs Council (RIAC), Russia Dima MOUSSA, Vice President, Syrian National Coalition, Syria Dorothee SCHMID, Senior Research Fellow, Head of Turkey and Middle East Program, French Institute of International Relations (IFRI), France Randa SLIM, Senior Fellow and Director of Conflict Resolution and Track II Dialogues Program, Middle East Institute (MEI), USA</p>	<p>14.30 – 16.00</p>
<p>SFORZA D ROOM</p>	<p>REPORT PRESENTATION THE RISE AND FUTURE OF MILITIAS IN THE MENA REGION <i>in cooperation with Brookings Doha Center</i> Chair Ranj ALAALDIN, Visiting Fellow, Brookings Doha Center; Director, Proxy Wars Initiative, Qatar Emad BADI, Non-resident Scholar at the Middle East Institute (MEI), Washington Bettina CADENBACH, Assistant Secretary General for Political Affairs and Security Policy, NATO Florence GAUB, Deputy Director, European Union Institute for Security Studies (EUISS) Federica SAINI FASANOTTI, Nonresident Senior Fellow, The Brookings Institution, USA Cynthia SALLOUM, Faculty Advisor and Research, NATO Defence College</p>	

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	DIALOGUE Riyad AL-MALKI , Minister of Foreign Affairs, Palestine <i>In dialogue with</i> Gregg CARLSTROM , Middle East Correspondent, The Economist, UK <i>and</i> Ugo TRAMBALLI , Senior Advisor, ISPI, Italy	15.00 – 15.30
	MIDDLE EAST PEACE PROCESS IN CONVERSATION WITH... Susanna TERSTAL , Special Representative for the Middle East Peace Process, European Union <i>Chaired by</i> Gregg CARLSTROM , Middle East Correspondent, The Economist, UK	15.30 – 16.00
FERNANDES ROOM	DIALOGUE Sergey V. LAVROV , Minister of Foreign Affairs, Russia <i>In dialogue with</i> Riccardo CHARTRoux , Deputy Director, TG3, RAI, Italy <i>and</i> Franco VENTURINI , Columnist, Corriere della Sera, Italy	16.00
FERNANDES ROOM	SESSION A CALL FOR ACTION: DRIVING INVESTMENTS AND INNOVATION IN THE MENA REGION <i>Chair</i> Bronwyn NIELSEN , CEO, Nielsen Media Associates, South Africa Mansoor AL MAHMOUD , CEO, Qatar Investment Authority Pierre HEILBRONN , Vice-President, Policy and Partnerships, EBRD Romano PRODI , Former President, EU Commission; Former UN Special Envoy for Africa Rachid Mohamed RACHID , Chairman, Valentino Ulrik VESTERGAARD KNUDSEN , Deputy Secretary General, OECD	16.45 – 18.30
SFORZA A ROOM	SESSION THE GEOPOLITICAL SIDE OF CLIMATE CHANGE: RESOURCE SCARCITY AND CONFLICTS <i>in cooperation with</i> Policy Center for the New South <i>Chair</i> Andrea CABRINI , Managing Editor, Class CNBC, Italy Carmelo ABELA , Minister of Foreign Affairs, Malta Karim EL AYNAOUI , President, Policy Center for the New South, Morocco Patrizia GRIECO , President, ENEL, Italy Nasser KAMEL , Secretary General, Union for the Mediterranean (UfM) Francesco LA CAMERA , Director-General, International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA)	

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	<p>LEBANON IN CONVERSATION WITH...</p> <p>Jan KUBIS, Special Coordinator for Lebanon, United Nations <i>and</i> Fouad MAKHZOUMI, Senator, Chairman of the National Dialogue Party and Founder, Makhzoumi Foundation, Lebanon</p> <p><i>Chaired by</i> Marc PERELMAN, News Presenter and Interviewer, France24, France</p>	16.45 – 17.30
	<p>SESSION MANAGING MIGRATION</p> <p><i>Chair</i> Ali ASLAN, International TV Presenter and Journalist</p> <p>Kamel AKROUT, Former First National Security Adviser to the President, Tunisia</p> <p>Miro CERAR, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Slovenia</p> <p>Marta FORESTI, Director of the Human Mobility Initiative, ODI, UK</p> <p>Joseph MUSCAT, Prime Minister, Malta</p>	17.30 – 18.30
FARNESE ROOM	<p>TERRORISM AFTER ISIS? AVOIDING THE REVIVAL IN CONVERSATION WITH...</p> <p>Gilles KEPEL, Professor, PSL Paris Science et Lettre, École Normale Supérieure and Università della Svizzera italiana, France</p> <p><i>In dialogue with</i> Marta SERAFINI, Journalist, Corriere della Sera, Italy</p>	18.30 – 19.00

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	<p>SPEECH BY</p> <p>Idriss DÉBY ITNO, President, Republic of Chad</p> <p><i>Introduced by</i> Karim EL AYNAOUI, President, Policy Center for the New South, Morocco</p>	19.00
SFORZA D ROOM	<p>SESSION</p> <p>NARRATING THE MENA REGION: PEOPLE BEYOND STATES</p> <p><i>Chair</i> Maria CUFFARO, Anchor, TG3, RAI, Italy</p> <p>Nabil AL-SHARIF, Executive Director, Anna Lindh Foundation Mohammed Hasan ALWAN, Author, "A Small Death", Saudi Arabia Ramin BAHRAMI, Pianist, Iran Amara LAKHOUS, Writer, Algeria</p>	19.00 – 20.00

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SFORZA A ROOM	<p>SESSION</p> <p>RESHAPING POLICY: THE US ENGAGEMENT IN THE MENA REGION</p> <p><i>Chair</i> Amy KELLOGG, Senior Foreign Affairs Correspondent for Fox News, USA</p> <p>Peter BERKOWITZ, Director, Policy Planning Staff, US Department of State, USA</p> <p>Thomas HILL, Senior Program Officer North Africa, United States Institute of Peace (USIP), USA</p> <p>Vali R. NASR, Professor, Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS), USA</p> <p>Maha YAHYA, Director, Carnegie Middle East Center, Lebanon</p>	09.00 – 10.30
SFORZA C ROOM	<p>REPORT PRESENTATION</p> <p>EXITING WAR ECONOMIES: ECONOMIC STABILIZATION AND RECONSTRUCTION IN MENA COUNTRIES</p> <p><i>in cooperation with</i> European University Institute (EUI)</p> <p><i>Chair</i> Luigi NARBONE, Director, Middle East Directions Programme, Robert Schuman Centre, European University Institute (EUI), Italy</p> <p>Abla ABDEL-LATIF, Executive Director and Director of Research, Egyptian Center for Economic Studies (ECES), Egypt</p> <p>Tim EATON, Research Fellow, Middle East and North Africa Programme, Chatham House, UK</p> <p>Sarhang HAMASAEED, Director of Middle East Programs, United States Institute of Peace (USIP), USA</p> <p>Steven HEYDEMANN, Professor of Middle East Studies, Janet W. Ketcham 1953, Smith College, USA</p> <p>Kenji WAKAMIYA, State Minister for Foreign Affairs, Japan</p>	

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FERNANDES ROOM	<p>DIALOGUE Subrahmanyam JAISHANKAR, Minister of External Affairs, India <i>In dialogue with</i> Claire CASEY, Economist Intelligence Unit, UK and Ugo TRAMBALLI, Senior Advisor, ISPI, Italy</p>	10.30
SFORZA A ROOM	<p>DIALOGUE Sabri BOUKADOUM, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Algeria <i>In dialogue with</i> Andrea RIZZI, El Pais, Spain and Luca SALERNO, TG2, RAI, Italy</p>	
FERNANDES ROOM	<p>SESSION ENERGY SECURITY IN THE 21ST CENTURY <i>in cooperation with</i> International Energy Forum (IEF) <i>Chair</i> Andrea CABRINI, Managing Editor, Class CNBC, Italy</p> <p>Hossa AL MUTAIRI, Sustainable Energy, Food and Water System Task Force Chair and Research Fellow, KAPSARC, Saudi Arabia Tarek EL MOLLA, Minister of Petroleum and Mineral Resources, Egypt Konstantinos FRAGKOIANNIS, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Greece Toula ONOUFRIOU, President, Cyprus Hydrocarbons Company (CHC), Cyprus SUN Xiansheng, Secretary General, International Energy Forum (IEF)</p>	11.00 – 12.30

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SFORZA C ROOM	<p>SESSION</p> <p>A NEW ARAB AWAKENING? PATTERNS OF MOBILIZATION IN THE MENA REGION</p> <p><i>in cooperation with</i> Elcano Royal Institute</p> <p>Chair Haizam AMIRAH-FERNÁNDEZ, Senior Analyst, Elcano Royal Institute, Spain</p> <p>Emmanuel DUPUY, President, Institut Prospective et Sécurité en Europe (IPSE), France Zaid EYADAT, Director, Center for Strategic Studies (CSS), Jordan Dalia GHANEM, Resident Scholar, Carnegie Middle East Center, Lebanon Kristina KAUSCH, Senior Resident Fellow, The German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF), USA</p>	11.00 – 12.30
SFORZA D ROOM	<p>SESSION</p> <p>SAVING THE PEACE: STATE AND NATION BUILDING IN IRAQ</p> <p><i>in cooperation with</i> Middle East Research Institute (MERI)</p> <p>Chair Dlawa ALA'ALDEEN, President, Middle East Research Institute (MERI), Iraq</p> <p>Farhad ALAALDIN, Head of the Iraqi Advisory Council and Former Advisor to the Iraqi President Maria FANTAPPIE, Senior Adviser, International Crisis Group (ICG), Belgium Michael A. KÖHLER, Deputy Director-General, Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operation (DG ECHO), European Commission Andrey KORTUNOV, Director General, Russian International Affairs Council (RIAC), Russia</p>	

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GIARDINO D'INVERNO – COLONNA ROOMS	BUFFET LUNCH	13.30 – 14.30
FARNESE ROOM	<p>LUNCH TALK BY INVITATION ONLY</p> <p>THE LIBYAN CRISIS: WHAT LIES AHEAD?</p> <p><i>Chair</i> Giampiero MASSOLO, President, Italian Institute for International Political Studies (ISPI), Italy</p> <p><i>Keynote speech</i> Ghassan SALAMÉ, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the Support Mission in Libya, United Nations</p> <p><i>Kick-off speeches</i> Claudia GAZZINI, Consulting Analyst, Libya, International Crisis Group (ICG) Wolfram LACHER, Senior Associate, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP), Germany Arturo VARVELLI, Co-Head, Middle East and North Africa Centre, Italian Institute for International Political Studies (ISPI), Italy Henry WOOSTER, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for the Maghreb and Egypt, US Department of State, USA</p>	13.30 – 15.00
SFORZA A ROOM	<p>SESSION</p> <p>RAISING THE GAME: IRAN AND REGIONAL SECURITY</p> <p><i>in cooperation with</i> European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR)</p> <p><i>Chair</i> Ellie GERANMAYEH, Deputy Director, MENA Programme, European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR)</p> <p>Aniseh BASSIRI TABRIZI, Research Fellow, RUSI, UK Vali R. NASR, Professor, Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS), USA Seyed Mohammed Kazem SAJJADPOUR, President, Institute for Political and International Studies (IPIS), Iran Ali VAEZ, Director, Iran Project, International Crisis Group (ICG), USA Sanam VAKIL, Deputy Head and Senior Research Fellow, MENA Programme, Chatham House, UK</p>	14.30 – 16.00

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	DIALOGUE Claudio DESCALZI , CEO, ENI Spa, Italy <i>In dialogue with</i> Ali ASLAN , International TV Presenter and Journalist	15.15
	DIALOGUE Paolo GENTILONI , Commissioner for Economy, European Commission <i>In dialogue with</i> Matthew KARNITSCHNIG , Chief Europe Correspondent, Politico	15.45
	CLOSING DIALOGUE Tawakkol KARMAN , Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, Yemen <i>In dialogue with</i> Ali ASLAN , International TV Presenter and Journalist <i>and</i> Bethany BELL , BBC Correspondent, UK	16.15
	CLOSING REMARKS Claudio DESCALZI , CEO, ENI Spa, Italy Giampiero MASSOLO , President, Italian Institute for International Political Studies (ISPI), Italy CLOSING KEYNOTE SPEECHES Luigi DI MAIO , Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Italy Giuseppe CONTE , President of the Council of Ministers, Italy	17.00

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