

A Bridge Under Troubled Water?

Offshore Energy Discoveries and the Geopolitics of the Eastern Mediterranean

November 27-28, 2013

Abba Eban Hall, Truman Institute

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16:30 Reception

17:00 Greetings:

Prof. Menahem Blondheim, Director, Truman Institute

State Sec. (ret.) Michael Mertes, Director,
The Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, Israel

Opening Session: New Energy Sources: An Abyss or a Bridge?

Chair: **Mr. Oren Nahari**, Israel Broadcast Authority

Prof. Kivanç Ulusoy, Conference Organizing Committee:
Opening remarks

Mr. Michael Lotem, Special Envoy for Energy Issues,
Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Ambassador Dimitris Hatziargyrou, Ambassador of Cyprus

Ambassador Spiros Lampridis, Ambassador of Greece

Dr. Aykan Erdemir, Member of the Turkish Parliament

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9:00 – 9:30 Gathering

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Session II: The Economics and Law of Eastern Mediterranean Energy

Chair: **Dr. Andreas Stergiou**, Conference Organizing Committee

Dr. Nimrod Novik, Senior Business Executive, former Policy Adviser
to Israel's PM: "Business and Politics: Lessons from EMG (the
Egypt-Israel Natural Gas Project)"

Prof. Rauf Versan, Istanbul University: "Legal Aspects of the
Security Issues in the Eastern Mediterranean"

Prof. Alfred Tovias, Hebrew University of Jerusalem: "The
European Take on the Eastern Mediterranean: Permanent
Features and Recent Shifts"

Dr. Itay Fishhendler, Truman Institute: "In the Name of Energy
Security: the Struggle over the Exportation of Israel's Natural Gas"

11:15 – 12:45:

Session III: The Geopolitical Implications of Offshore Energy

Chair: **Prof. Moshe Maoz**, Conference Organizing Committee

Mr. Dan Meridor, former Deputy Prime Minister of Israel: "Israel in
the Changing Middle East"

Prof. Michael Emerson, Center for European Policy Studies,
Brussels: "Fishing for Gas and More in Cypriot Waters"

Dr. Andreas Stergiou, University of Crete: "The Emerging
Greek-Cypriot-Israeli Alliance"

14:00 – 15:30:

Session IV: Arab Spring or Fall? Democracy and Political Stability In the Middle East

Chair: **Prof. Kivanç Ulusoy**, Istanbul University

Prof. Moshe Maoz, Truman Institute and University of
Michigan: "The Arab Spring, the Upheavals in Syria and the
Geopolitics of the Middle East"

Prof. Elie Podeh, Truman Institute: "In the Wake of Two
Revolutions: Whither Egypt?"

Prof. Raphael Israeli, Truman Institute: "From Arab Spring to
Islamic Winter"

Prof. Avraham Sela, Truman Institute: "The Arab Revolts, Three
Years Later: A Regional Perspective"

15:45 – 17:30:

Session V: Distant Mirrors: Energy, Conflict and Cooperation: The Persian Gulf and the South China Sea

Chair: **Prof. Menahem Blondheim**, Truman Institute

Dr. Ran Shauli, Truman Institute: "Southeast Asia and the
Regional Quest for Energy Resources"

Dr. Micha'el Tanchum, Truman Institute: "From Strategic
Autonomy to Strategic Alliance in the South China Sea: India's
New Naval Partnership with Japan"

Mr. Yoel Guzansky, Institute for National Security Studies:
"Arab Gulf States: Oil Discoveries, Border Disputes and Alliance
Politics"

Dr. Christopher Pokarier, Truman Institute and Waseda
University, Japan: "Fifty Years of Lessons: Australia's
Management of International and Domestic Resource Politics"

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