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# 100 Years Since the Balfour Declaration

February 28, 2017 - Waldorf Astoria Hotel, Jerusalem

8:30-9:00

*Registration*

9:00-9:30

**Opening Remarks**

Amb. Dore Gold - President, Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs

Dr. Michael Borchard - Director, Israel Office of the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung

9:30-10:45

**First Session: The Balfour Declaration: Past, Present and Future**

**The Historical Paths to the Balfour Declaration**

Prof. Andrew Roberts - Department of War Studies, King's College, London; and Founding Member, Friends of Israel Initiative

**Israel as a Strategic Asset to Britain**

Col. Richard Kemp - Former Commander of British Forces in Afghanistan

**100 Years Later, What Will the Future Hold?**

Prof. Julius H. Schoeps - Director of the Moses Mendelsohn Centre of European Jewish Studies at Potsdam University

10:45-11:00

*Coffee Break*

11:00-12:15

**Second Session: Legal Issues**

**Was the Declaration a Legally Binding Document?**

Prof. Ruth Lapidoth - Hebrew University, Israel Prize recipient

**The Continued Relevance of the Balfour Declaration**

Prof. Nicholas Rostow - Colgate University

**From the 1917 Balfour Declaration to the Rebirth of Israel in 1948 – Connecting the Dots from the Perspective of International Law**

Dr. Jacques Gauthier - International lawyer and scholar, served as legal counsel to the governments of France, Spain, Mexico and Canada

12:15-13:00

*Break*

13:00-14:00

**Third Session: Diplomatic and Political Aspects**

**Israel and the International Community 100 Years After the Balfour Declaration**

Amb. Clemens von Goetze - German Ambassador to Israel

**Lessons for Diplomats from the Balfour Declaration**

Amb. Daniel Taub - Director of Strategy and Planning at the Yad Hanadiv (Rothschild) Foundation in Jerusalem

**How the Palestinians View the Balfour Declaration Today**

Brig. Gen. (res.) Yossi Kuperwasser - Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs

**From the Balfour Declaration to a Palestinian State?**

Moshe Arens - Former Israeli Minister of Defense and Foreign Affairs