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THURSDAY, 19 NOVEMBER

09:00- **Opening address:**
10:00

JAMES STEINBERG, Deputy Secretary of State, Washington, DC
GÖRAN LENNMARKER, Chair of the Swedish Committee on Foreign Affairs, Stockholm

10:00- *Coffee break*
10:30

10:30- **SESSION 1:**
12:00 **Global governance in a period of economic crisis**

Moderator:

DANIEL HAMILTON, Center for Transatlantic Relations, Washington, DC

Speakers:

CUI LIRU, China Institutes of Contemporary International Relations, Beijing
ANNE-MARIE SLAUGHTER, US Department of State, Washington, DC
AMAR BHATTACHARYA, G24, Washington, DC
EVELINE HERFKENS, UN Millenium Campaign, New York

12:00- *Working lunch: Disarmament*

13:30 (Chatham House Rule — by invitation only)

Addresses by:

JON WOLFSTHAL, The White House, Washington, DC

JOSEPH CIRINCIONE, Ploughshares, Washington, DC

Chair:

DANIEL KEOHANE, EU Institute for Security Studies, Paris

13.30- **SESSION 2:**

15.00 **Development: beyond the Washington Consensus**

Moderator:

CINNAMON DORNIFE, Johns Hopkins SAIS, Washington, DC

Speakers:

JAN KNUTSSON, Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Stockholm

STEFANO MANSERVISI, European Commission, Brussels

GAYLE SMITH, National Security Council, Washington, DC

KEVIN CASAS-ZAMORA, Brookings Institution, Washington, DC

15:00- *Coffee break*

15:30

15:30- **SESSION 3:**

17:00 **The Afghanistan agenda — regional responses**

Moderator:

QUENTIN PEEL, Financial Times, London

Speakers:

KURT VOLKER, Center for Transatlantic Relations, Washington, DC

FRANCESCO VENDRELL, former EU Special Representative to Afghanistan, New York

RADHA KUMAR, Delhi Policy Group, New Delhi

PAUL JONES, US Department of State, Washington, DC

SHUJA NAWAZ, Atlantic Council, Washington, DC

18:30 *Dinner: Organising a strategic EU-US partnership*

Address by:

DANIEL HAMILTON, Center for Transatlantic Relations, Washington, DC

Introduction by:

MARCIN ZABOROWSKI, EU Institute for Security Studies, Paris

FRIDAY, 20 NOVEMBER

09:00- **SESSION 4:**

10:30 **Human rights and democracy — the role of external actors**

Moderator:

SARAH E. MENDELSON, Center for Strategic and International Studies, Washington, DC

Speakers:

BASSMA KODMANI, Arab Reform Initiative, Paris

SALOMÉ ZOURABICHVILI, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Georgia, Tbilisi

WILLIAM TAFT IV, Freedom House, New York

GARTH LE PERE, Institute for Global Dialogue, Johannesburg

10:30- *Coffee break*

11:00

11:00- **SESSION 5:**

12:30 **The return of diplomacy — the Middle East Peace Process and Iran**

Moderator:

ÁLVARO DE VASCONCELOS, EU Institute for Security Studies, Paris

Speakers:

AARON DAVID MILLER, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, DC

MURIEL ASSEBURG, German Institute for International and Security Affairs, Berlin

PHILIP ROBINS, Oxford University, Oxford

12:30- **Concluding remarks**

12:45

OLOF SKOOG, Political and Security Committee of the EU, Brussels

ÁLVARO DE VASCONCELOS, EU Institute for Security Studies, Paris

13:00- *Working lunch: Book Launch*

14:30 ***The Obama moment: European and American perspectives***

Speakers:

RAFAL TRZASKOWSKI, Member of the European Parliament, Brussels

JULIANNE SMITH, US Department of Defense, Washington, DC

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