

# Euro-Mediterranean Security: Moroccan and British Perspectives



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## Euro-Mediterranean Security Conference: Moroccan and British Perspectives

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Dear Speakers and Participants,

It is our pleasure to welcome you to this roundtable conference entitled 'Euro-Mediterranean Security Conference: Moroccan and British Perspectives'.

The Royal United Services Institute, in partnership with the Embassy of the Kingdom of Morocco in London, with the support of the OCP Foundation and under the auspices of the Moroccan Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, brought you together to establish new thinking regarding Euro-Mediterranean security cooperation. Your contribution, as senior officials and subject matter experts from government and academic organisations within Europe and the Maghreb, will enable the exchange of ideas and expertise in order to deepen the level of debate and discussion amongst countries of the Mediterranean.

The key themes to be addressed in this conference revolve around the emerging security environment in the Mediterranean, the future of European engagement with the Maghreb, and the challenges and opportunities facing the energy and natural resource sector across the region. The conference will also analyse an array of strategies and approaches for promoting greater security and stability to the region, whilst exploring the potential for new collaborative mechanisms between nations from both sides of the Mediterranean.

Providing fresh perspectives on emerging security issues, as well as encouraging a comprehensive approach amongst European and Maghreb states, we hope that these discussions will provide a useful forum to examine the progress achieved thus far, and identify future avenues and mechanisms for a strengthened security cooperation in the Mediterranean.

We look forward to exciting debates and discussions over the course of this event.

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H.H. Princess Lalla Jomala Alaoui  
Ambassador  
Embassy of the Kingdom of Morocco in London

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Dr Jonathan Eyal  
Director of International Security Studies  
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0830 - 0900 Registration and Coffee

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0900 - 0930 Keynote presentation by **His Excellency Minister Taïb Fassi Fihri**, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Kingdom of Morocco

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0930 - 1100 **The Evolving Mediterranean Security Environment – Regional and International Concerns**

Chair **Dr Jonathan Eyal** Director of International Security Studies, RUSI

**Major General Jonathan Shaw** Assistant Chief of the Defence Staff – International Security Policy, UK MOD

**Saad Hassar** Secretary of State of the Moroccan Ministry of the Interior  
**John Casson** Deputy Director, Near East and North Africa, Foreign & Commonwealth Office

- What is the current state of transnational terrorism, illegal immigration and international crime across the Mediterranean, and how are these trends impacting the security of the region – both in the immediate and long-term?
  - What new political thinking is there towards addressing some of the region's long-standing conflicts, and what should be the role of international peacekeeping in supporting those efforts?
  - In what ways can Europe and the Maghreb region work together in order to stem the rise of transnational terrorism, illegal immigration and international crime throughout ungoverned spaces within the Sahel strip?
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1100 - 1130 Coffee and Tea Break

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1130 - 1300 **Multilateral Security Arrangements in the Mediterranean – Complimentary or Competition?**

Chair **Professor George Joffé** King's College London and Cambridge University

**Youssef Amrani** Secretary General of the Moroccan Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation  
**Dr Mohammed El-Katiri** Research Fellow – Defence Academy of the United Kingdom  
**Alexandre Zafiriou** Mediterranean/Middle East Task Force, EU Council Secretariat  
**Alexander Knipperts** Director of the Maghreb Project, Friedrich Naumann Stiftung für die Freiheit

- What are the main achievements and contributions of the various co-existing security arrangements in the Mediterranean – specifically – the NATO Mediterranean Dialogue and 5+5 Initiative? Are these complementary or in competition with one another?
- What are the aims and objectives of the Union for the Mediterranean (MU), and what is the potential contribution of such a framework towards security of the Mediterranean?
- What political environment, bringing Europe and the Maghreb closer together, is needed in order to best address the future security challenges of the region?

1300 - 1430 Luncheon hosted by the Moroccan-British Society

1430 - 1600 **Energy and Natural Resource Security – Challenges and Opportunities**

Chair **Mr Mostafa Terrab** Chairman and CEO, OCP Group

**Her Excellency Amina Benkhadra** Minister of Energy, Water and Environment, Morocco  
**Dr Hakim Darbouche** Research Fellow, Oxford Institute for Energy Studies, Oxford University  
**Francis Ghilès** Senior Research Fellow, Barcelona Centre for International Studies (CIDOB)  
**Eneko Landaburu** Ambassador, Head of the Delegation of the European Union in the Kingdom of Morocco

- What are the primary concerns over energy security and supply coming from both sides of the Mediterranean? How could regional Energy economics provide a way forward for political interdependence?
- What is the current state of national investment towards the extraction of natural resources, and to what extent does a secure environment exist towards encouraging international companies to invest / operate within North Africa?
- What are the expected impacts on wider regional security as a result of the further depletion in North African natural resources, particularly water resources, as well as the potential security implications of Climate Change?

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1600 – 1630 Coffee and Tea Break

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1630 – 1800 **Prospects for Strengthened Security Co-operation in the Mediterranean**

Chair **Dr Michael Willis** King Mohammed VI Fellow in Moroccan and Mediterranean Studies, St Antony's College, Oxford University

**Baroness Symons of Vernham Dean** Former Minister of State at the Foreign & Commonwealth Office  
**Dr Pierre Razoux** Senior Research Adviser, Research Division, NATO Defense College  
**Dr Assia Bensalah Alaoui** Moroccan Ambassador at large of His Majesty the King  
**Professor William Zartman** Professor Emeritus, the Conflict Management Program, SAIS Washington DC

- What measures and approaches can be taken at the regional-level to meet the emerging security challenges in the Mediterranean and Sahel region, particularly combating violent extremism, maritime insecurity, counter-proliferation, and tackling transnational crime and illegal immigration?
  - To what extent will the formation of 'AFRICOM' by US military leaders contribute to greater North African–Mediterranean security, and in what form will this contribution likely assume: a unilateral initiative, a joint US-African coalition, or an extension of NATO?
  - What lessons and recommendations can be derived from an assessment of past and current efforts for promoting Mediterranean Security by European and North African states, and on this basis, what collaborative mechanisms should be pursued in order to provide for greater security in the Mediterranean– both immediate policy and long-term strategic thinking?
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1800 Conference Close and Reception at the Moroccan Ministry of Foreign Affairs

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## **About RUSI**

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The European Security Programme is concerned with leading research projects, private discussion meetings and public conferences on all aspects of European Security and Defence. The Programme's main research interests relate to the development of European military capabilities, the EU's European Security and Defence Policy, NATO transformation and NATO-EU relations, as well as international defence partnerships and military operations.

The future development of European security and defence co-operation is a core concern of the Programme, notably the following challenges which it now faces:

- Confronting national choices with the realities Europeans must face up to in the field of European security; identifying answers to the difficult questions which must be asked of Europeans in terms of their defence commitment.
- Making sense of European collective efforts within the various political, security and defence organisations in which Europeans play a part; as well as unpicking institutional developments and military operations undertaken within NATO, the EU, and the OSCE.
- Engagement with the national foreign and security policies of other European countries; their bi-lateral relationships with the United Kingdom; and relations with neighbouring regions such as the CIS states, the Caucasus/Caspian Sea regions and the Mediterranean.

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**Youssef Amrani** was appointed Secretary General of the Moroccan Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation in November 2008. Prior to that Mr Amrani served as Ambassador and Director General of Bilateral Affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He was also Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of His Majesty the King of Morocco to the Republic of Mexico, Republic of Chile and Republic of Colombia, and non resident to Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Costa Rica, Nicaragua and Belize, the Equator and Panama. He also served as Consul General of the Kingdom of Morocco to Barcelona. Mr Amrani obtained a High Degree in Management at the Management Institute of Boston, USA and a Bachelor's degree in Economics at the University of Mohammed V in Rabat. Mr Amrani has received various decorations, among them the *Legion d'Honneur France*, conceded by the President of the Republic of France.

**Abdennour Benantar** is a Research Fellow at the Centre for Research on Applied Economics for Development (CREAD) in Algiers and an Associate Professor at the Department of Political Science, University of Batna, Algeria. He is also a Research Fellow at the NATO Defense College in Rome. His main areas of interest are security studies in International Relations and regional security in the Mediterranean. He has published many books and articles in peer-reviews in French and Arabic and occasionally in English. In addition to his individual work (*The Mediterranean Dimension of Algerian Security: Algeria, Europe and the Atlantic Alliance*), he has edited books at CREAD on the Maghreb and great powers, including titles such as *The US and the Maghreb: a Renewal Interest?*, and *Europe and Maghreb*.

**Her Excellency Amina Benkhadra** was appointed Moroccan Minister of Energy, Mines, Water and Environment in October 2008 to develop a national energy strategy focused on the supply security, regional integration and sustainable development. Mrs Benkhadra is also Managing Director of the Office National des Hydrocarbures et des Mines (ONHYM) and Member of the National Council for Foreign Trade. She served as Secretary of State in charge of the Mining Sector Development, appointed by late King His Majesty Hassan II. Mrs Benkhadra graduated from the École Nationale Supérieure des Mines in Paris as Doctor Engineer in mineral sciences and techniques. Mrs Benkhadra has participated in various international events and conferences such as oil and gas summits, Euro-Mediterranean energy forums and Africa Symposiums organised by MIGA (World Bank Group) and other.

**Alastair Cameron** is Head of the European Security Programme at the Royal United Services Institute. Prior to joining RUSI, Alastair worked as a Defence Consultant within Frost & Sullivan's Aerospace and Defence Practice. Between 2004 and 2006, he spent two years working as Armed Forces Editor for Jane's, where he was responsible for the editorial overview of all Jane's country-based military assessments. Whilst living in France, he worked as a Project Leader within the EU/NATO office of 'Directorate for Strategic Affairs' of the French Ministry of Defence coordinating European and NATO military exercises. In 2001, he also gained work experience as a Research Assistant at the Assembly of the Western European Union in Paris. Alastair has a Masters in International Relations, Conflict & Security from the Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris - Sciences Po, as well as a BA in European Studies from the University of London. He has dual French and British nationality.

**Hakim Darbouche** is a Research Fellow at the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies (OIES). His research interests revolve around North African/Algerian gas issues, Euro-Mediterranean relations, and the political economy of the Maghreb. Prior to joining the OIES, Dr Darbouche served as an advisor to a NATO agency in Brussels, dealing with parliamentary diplomacy activities in Mediterranean and Middle East partner countries. He was notably in charge of the conception of high-profile visits and seminars, in addition to drafting specialised reports and speeches. Hakim Darbouche read International Relations at the universities of Liverpool and Sussex, and received diplomatic training at the Diplomatic Academies of London and Moscow. He has authored a number of book chapters and articles which have appeared in reputable peer-reviewed journals. He is an associate of the Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS) in Brussels and Deputy Editor of the journal *Mediterranean Politics*.

**Jonathan Eyal** is the Director of International Security Studies at RUSI and Editor of the RUSI Newsbrief. Educated at Oxford and London Universities, his initial training was in international law and relations. Having completed his Doctorate at Oxford in 1987, he taught at Oxford for three years before being appointed a researcher at the Royal United Services Institute for Defence Studies in London. Since 1990, Dr Eyal has been Director of Studies at the Institute. Dr Eyal has completed books on military expenditure in the former Warsaw Pact and published a study on military relations in the Balkans during the time of Communism. He is a regular commentator on East European affairs for the media and has also given evidence to the House of Commons Foreign Affairs Committee on the conduct of British foreign policy in Eastern Europe, and the teams of experts which contributed to the peace plans for the former Yugoslavia. He has acted as an adviser to the European Union's studies on the process of dividing the assets of the former Yugoslav state, and has published two studies on the errors committed by the West in handling the Balkan conflict since 1991.

**His Excellency Taïb Fassi Fihri** is the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Kingdom of Morocco. He graduated from the University Panthéon-Sorbonne of Paris with a Master's degree in Public Economics and Planning and holds a PhD in Analysis and Political Economy from the Institut d'Études Politiques, Paris. He worked as a professor in Microeconomics at the University of Paris VII and a research fellow at the Institut Français des Relations Internationales (IFRI). He was appointed Head of Division in charge of relations with the EEC within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation in 1986 and was actively involved in negotiations between Morocco and the EEC. After serving for some years as, subsequently, the Chief of Staff of the Minister of State in charge of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, Secretary of State of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, Advisor at the Royal Cabinet of His Majesty the late King Hassan II and Secretary of State of Foreign Affairs, Mr Fassi Fihri was appointed by His Majesty the King Mohammed VI, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2007.

**Francis Ghilès** is a political scientist who through eighteen years with *The Financial Times* reporting on international capital markets and North Africa has built up extensive experience and high level contacts throughout the Western Mediterranean, the UK, the US and Japan. He is currently a Senior Researcher at the Centre for International Relations and Development Studies in Barcelona where he analyses emerging security, political, economic and energy trends in the region and connects them to European, US and North African policy priorities. Mr Ghilès earned advanced degrees from St Antony's College in Oxford and the University of Keele. He graduated from SciencePo Grenoble with distinction. He worked as a Senior Fellow at the Institut Europeu de la Mediterrània (IEMed) in Barcelona and as a Senior Researcher at the Barcelona Centre for International Studies (CIDOB). Mr Ghilès has written for many international newspapers and magazines and has appeared in other media including the BBC and the RFI. He has given lectures at many international institutes.

**Carmen González** is a Senior Analyst on International Migrations at the Real Instituto Elcano, Madrid, and Professor of Political Science at Spain's Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia. She is presently conducting a research project on circular migration between Morocco and Spain, as part of a broader European project – METOIKOS. She has previously carried out research on irregular migration, on the making of migration policies in Southern Europe and on the positions of political parties, trade unions and public opinion on immigration. Her publications in the field of immigration include: "Irregularity as a Rule", in the book *Irregular Migration in Europe*; "Immigration in Spain", in the book *European Immigration: A Sourcebook*; "Comparing the Hosts of Southern Europe" in the *European Journal of Migration and Law*; and "Ceuta and Melilla. Clouds over the African Spanish Towns. Muslim Minorities, Spaniards' Fears and Morocco-Spain Mutual Dependence" in the *Journal of North African Studies*.

**George Joffé** is a Research Fellow and lecturer at the Centre of International Studies at Cambridge University. He also holds visiting professorships at the London School of Economics and King's College London, where he teaches the geopolitics of the Middle East and North Africa. Until September 2009 he was a Professorial Fellow at the Global Policy Institute at the London Metropolitan University and held a visiting fellowship at the Centre of Islamic Studies at Oxford University. Previously, he was the deputy-director of the Royal Institute of International Affairs in London. Professor Joffé's primary interests are in North African affairs and he is the co-founder and co-editor of the *Journal of North African Studies*. Professor Joffé also lectures and provides consultancy on the Middle East and North Africa to, amongst others, the Royal College of Defence Studies in London, the NATO Defense College in Rome and the Centre for Security Policy in Geneva. He is a Senior Research Associate at the Institute of Security Studies of the European Union in Paris, as well as being a Research Fellow at the Royal United Services Institute for Defence and Security Studies in London and at the Instituto de Estudos Estratégicos e Internacionais in Lisbon.

**Mohammed El-Katiri** is a Research Fellow at the UK Defence Academy's Research and Assessment Branch. His main academic focus is on the economic development strategies of the Arab Gulf region and North Africa. His further interests include energy security, food security and Sovereign Wealth Funds in the GCC. Dr El-Katiri has worked extensively on Euro-Mediterranean relations, with a particular focus on Morocco-European Union relations. Aside from his PhD (University of Exeter - International Trade) he also holds an MPhil in International Law from the University of Seville, and has several years of experience working as a legal consultant.

**Pierre Razoux** is a French Senior Civil Servant and a Doctor of Military History currently working in the Research Division of the NATO Defense College in Rome. He previously served in the Delegation for Strategic Affairs of the French Ministry of Defence and he was appointed for three years as an exchange officer in the Policy Division of the British Ministry of Defence. A specialist on the Middle East, he is a well-known lecturer and researcher, who published many books and academic articles including *History of Georgia – The Key of the Caucasus* and *Tsahal – New History of the Israeli Armed Forces*. He has practical experience in the field of international affairs and defence, particularly on Middle Eastern, Caucasian, NATO and European matters. He lectures regularly in the field of international affairs, contemporary defence and conflict issues, particularly regarding the Middle East. He gives regular interviews in the media.

**Major General Jonathan Shaw** joined the Parachute Regiment in 1981, and was a platoon commander in 3 PARA through the Falklands War. Serving as adjutant and company commander in 3 then 2 PARA, he saw service in Cyprus and Northern Ireland. From 2002, he commanded 12 Mechanized Brigade, including six months as Commander Multi-National Brigade in Pristina, Kosovo. On promotion to Major General he commanded Multi-National Division in Iraq in 2007, for which he was awarded the US Legion of Merit (Degree of Officer). Major General Shaw was a member of the Royal College of Defence Studies (2006). His staff appointments have been mainly in the Ministry of Defence, focusing on policy and operations on Military Assistance to Civil Authorities, including disaster relief, Northern Ireland and global counter terrorism. He was Chief of Staff, Land Forces from September 2007 until March 2009. General Shaw assumed the appointment of ACDS (International Security Policy) in the Ministry of Defence on 16 March 2009.

**Baroness Symons of Vernham Dean** is a senior Labour member of the House of Lords. Formerly Deputy Leader of the House of Lords, she was a Minister in the UK Government from 1997 until stepping down in 2005. Among her government posts she was Minister for the Middle East, Minister for International Trade, Minister for Defence Procurement, and the Prime Minister's envoy to the Gulf. Baroness Symons is involved with a number of commercial organisations, including roles as a non-executive director of both British Airways and Caparo, and as an adviser to DLA Piper, The CCC Group and Rio Tinto. She has a wide range of experience, in the Middle East in particular, and currently chairs the UK side of the Saudi-British Joint Business Council, the all party group on Qatar and the British Egyptian Society. She is also Vice-president of the Middle East Association and is a board member of British Expertise, The Arab British Chambers of Commerce and the Egyptian British Business Council.

**Michael J. Willis** is a King Mohammed VI Fellow in Moroccan and Mediterranean Studies at the Middle East Centre at St Antony's College, Oxford University. He holds degrees from the University of Reading, the London School of Economics and the University of Durham, where he obtained his PhD in 1996. From 1997 until 2004 he was an Assistant Professor at Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane, Morocco, where he taught courses on Moroccan Foreign Policy and Diplomacy and North African Government and Politics. He has written widely on the politics, modern history and international relations of the Maghreb and his publications include *The Islamist Challenge in Algeria: A Political History*, 'Analyzing Moroccan Foreign Policy and Relations with Europe', 'Containing Radicalism Through the Political Process in North Africa' and 'Algerian Terrorism: Domestic Origins and International Links'. He is currently writing a book on the comparative politics of Morocco, Algeria, and Tunisia.

**Alexandre Zafiriou** holds a Political Science Degree from the Institut d'Etudes Politiques in Aix-en-Provence and a Masters degree in International Relations from the Graduate Institute of International Studies in Geneva. Following an initial period at the General Secretariat of the European Parliament, he joined the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union, where he dealt successively with the Common Agricultural Policy and the External Common Fisheries Policy. Following an academic fellowship at the George Mason University (Virginia, Mass, USA), dedicated to EU decision making, he has been handling, since 2000, as a Principal Administrator, the relations of the European Union with Mediterranean countries in the framework of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership (Barcelona Process), the European Neighbourhood Policy and since 2008, the Union of the Mediterranean.

**William Zartman** is a Jacob Blaustein Distinguished Professor Emeritus at the Nitze School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) of The Johns Hopkins University in Washington, and member of the Steering Committee of the Processes of International Negotiation (PIN) Program. He has been a Distinguished Fellow of the United States Institute of Peace, Olin Professor at the U.S. Naval Academy, Elie Halévy Professor at SciencesPo in Paris, and holder of the Bernheim Chair at the Free University of Bruxelles, and received a lifetime achievement award from the International Association for Conflict Management. He is author of a number of books, including *Negotiation and Conflict Management; Ripe for Resolution* and *Morocco: Problems of New Power*. He is also president of the Tangier American Legation Institute for Moroccan Studies (TALIM), and was founding president of the American Institute for Maghreb Studies and President of the Middle East Studies Association.

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