



Implications of the Nuclear Agreement with Iran

Monday 3 April – Tuesday 4 April 2017

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PROGRAMME

Monday, 3 April

10:30 – 10:45 **Registration and Welcome Coffee**

10:45 – 11:15 **Welcome and Opening Addresses**

- Dean Jacob Graff Nielsen (Univ. of Copenhagen, Law Faculty)
- Dean Ulf Hedetoft (Univ. of Copenhagen, Faculty of Humanities)
- Assoc. Prof. Ebrahim Afsah (Univ. of Copenhagen)

11:15 – 12:00 **Danish-Iranian Relations**

- Ambassador Morteza Moradian (Iranian Embassy in Denmark)
- Ambassador Danny Annan (Royal Danish Embassy in Iran)

12:00 – 13:00 **Lunch Break**

13:00 – 14:00 **The Iran Nuclear Agreement and Beyond**

Chair: Assoc. Prof. Ebrahim Afsah

- Prof. Achilles Skordas (Univ. of Copenhagen), *From Confrontation to Dispute Settlement: The Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action*
- Ambassador Charlotte Slente (Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs), *An Outlook on the Future in the Region*

- 14:00 – 14:15** **Coffee Break**
- 14:15 – 15:30** **Iran Sanctions Regime and Remaining Challenges**
 Chair: Dr. Catalin Gabriel Stanescu (Univ. of Copenhagen)
 - Camilla C. Collet (Gorrissen Federspiel), *The Danish and EU Perspective*
 - Farhad Alavi (Akrivis Law Group, Washington), *The US Perspective*
- 15:30 – 15:45** **Coffee Break**
- 15:45 – 17:15** **Challenges and Opportunities for Western Companies in Iran**
 Chair: Assoc. Prof. Ebrahim Afsah
 - Dr. Christian Ule (Mideast Law, Frankfurt), *Legal and Commercial Challenges for Foreign Companies in Iran – A German Perspective*
 - Jørn Fredsgaard Sørensen (EKF), *Denmark’s Export Credit Agency’s Possibilities of Assisting with Financing Transactions in Iran*
 - Esfandyar Batmanghelidj (Bourse and Bazaar, and Europe-Iran Forum), *The Next Inflection Point: New Drivers in Iran’s Post-Sanctions Growth*
- 17:15 – 18:30** **Reception**
- 18:30 – 20:30** **Conference Dinner for Speakers**

Tuesday, 4 April

- 09:15 – 10:45** **Energy and Business Opportunities**
 Chair: Assoc. Prof. Anita Rønne (Univ. of Copenhagen)
 - Dr. David Ramin Jalilvand (Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Berlin), *A Comeback with Hurdles. Iranian Energy One Year after JCPOA Implementation*
 - Dr. Hamed Kazemzadeh (Univ. of Warsaw), *Iran and Energy Cooperation with the EU in the Caucasus and Caspian Sea: Perspectives for the Post-Sanctions Era*
 - Elizabeth Conway (Brown Univ.), *Unfinished Business: The US Business Lobby, the Dynamics of Bureaucratic Resistance, and a Framework for a Pro-Business Approach to US-Iran Relations*
- 10:45 – 11:00** **Coffee Break**
- 11:00 – 12:30** **EU Policy and Financial Sanctions**
 Chair: Assist. Prof. Beatriz Martinez Romera (Univ. of Copenhagen)
 - Adérito Vicente (EUI, Florence), *The Iran Deal: Explaining the EU Non-Proliferation Policy*
 - Assist. Prof. Iliana Cenevska (Univ. of Skopje), *The EU’s Balancing Act between Imposing Restrictive Measures and Protecting Property Rights*
 - Asbjørn Bang, *Sealing the Nuclear Deal: An Overview of Iran’s Re-emergence on the International Stage*

- 12:30 – 13:30** **Lunch Break**
- 13:30 – 14:45** **Non-Proliferation in a Regional Context**
 Chair: Dr. Gry Thomasen (DIIS)
- Dr. Farhad Rezaei (Center for Iranian Studies, Ankara), *Iran Nuclear Deal and its Implications for Middle-Eastern Proliferation*
 - Selim Sazak (Brown Univ.), *The Failure of the Tripartite Fuel Swap Deal, the Evolving Dynamics of Turkey's Regional Diplomacy, and the Future of the Iran Nuclear Deal*
- 14:45 – 15:00** **Coffee Break**
- 15:00 – 16:15** **Security Considerations in the Middle East**
 Chair: Dr. Janne Bjerre Christensen
- Assoc. Prof. Jubin Goodarzi (Webster Univ., Geneva), *Iran's Security Challenges in the Levant*
 - Dr. Clément Therme (IISS, Bahrain), *Iran after the Nuclear Deal: Implications for the Persian Gulf Arab Countries*
- 16:15 – 16:30** **Coffee Break**
- 16:30 – 17:45** **Domestic Politics and Dynamics in Iran**
 Chair: Assist. Prof. Rouzbeh Parsi (Lund University)
- Dr. Ali Fathollah-Nejad (GCFR and Harvard Kennedy School), *The Iran Nuclear Deal and the Rohani Administration: Expectations versus Realities*
 - Dr. Mazyar Ghiabi (Oxford Univ.), *The Expediency Council: The Management of Crisis after the Nuclear Deal*
- 17:45 – 18:00** **Wrap-Up and Closing**
- Assoc. Prof. Rasmus Christian Elling (Univ. of Copenhagen)
 - Assoc. Prof. Ebrahim Afsah (Univ. of Copenhagen)

Organising Committee

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