

SEMINAR PROGRAMME:

***‘One Year On: Turmoil and Transition –
The Arab Uprisings And The Path Ahead’***

Wednesday 14th March 2012
4.15pm-6.15pm

venue:
Committee Room 2
House of Lords
London SW1A 0PW

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get through security.)*

Chairman
Lord Lothian, Chairman of Global Strategy Forum
Former Shadow Foreign Secretary and Chairman of the Conservative Party

SPEAKERS

Dr Maha Azzam

Associate Fellow, Chatham House

Sir Richard Dalton KCMG

Former UK Ambassador to Iran and to Libya

Rt Hon Alan Duncan MP

Minister of State for International Development, Department for International Development

Lindsey Hilsum

International Editor, Channel 4 News

Dr Eugene Rogan

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4.15pm WELCOMING REMARKS

Lord Lothian
Chairman of Global Strategy Forum

4.20pm OPENING ADDRESS

‘Change and Upheaval In The Middle East And North Africa: Getting Western Policy Right’

Rt Hon Alan Duncan MP
Minister of State for International Development

4.35pm-4.45pm Q&A

FIRST SESSION: PERSPECTIVES ON THE ARAB UPRISINGS

4.45pm-5.30pm (8-10 minutes per panellist)

Dr Eugene Rogan
Fellow, Middle East Centre, St. Antony’s College, Oxford
‘Past Legacies: The Evolution of the Arab Uprisings’

Lindsey Hilsum
International Editor, Channel 4 News
‘A Journalist’s Perspective: Reporting On Libya And Syria In A Time Of Revolution’

Dr Maha Azzam
Associate Fellow, Chatham House
‘Egypt’s Transition To Democracy: A Long Road To Reform?’

5.15pm-5.30pm Q&A and audience remarks

SECOND SESSION: THE WESTERN POLICY RESPONSE

5.30pm-6.15pm (8-10 minutes per panellist)

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UN Under Secretary-General and Special Coordinator for Lebanon (2008–11); UN Special Coordinator for the Middle East (2006–07)
'The UN Dimension: Is The International Community Responding Effectively?'

Sir Richard Dalton KCMG

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'Supporting Democratic Revolution: Intervention And Its Limits'

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'Paradigm Shifts And Inflection Points In The MENA Region: How Can The UK Meet The Challenge?'

6pm-6.15pm **Q&A and audience remarks**

6.15pm **Chairman's concluding remarks and close**
