



SEMINAR PROGRAMME:

***‘Iran, Saudi Arabia, Power Shifts And Sectarian Divides:
The Challenging Geopolitics Of The Middle East’***

Wednesday 24th February 2016

4.30pm-6.30pm

(Tea, coffee and refreshments from 4pm-4.30pm in the Bishops’ Robing Room)

venue:

**Convocation Hall
Church House Conference Centre
Dean’s Yard, London SW1P 3NZ**

CHAIR:

Lord Lothian, Chairman of Global Strategy Forum

SPEAKERS

Professor Michael Burleigh

Journalist, Author and Historian; Research Professor, University of Buckingham

Lieutenant General Sir Graeme Lamb KBE CMG DSO

Former Director of UK Special Forces and Commander of the British Field Army

Sir Derek Plumbly KCMG

Visiting Professor of Middle Eastern Studies, IMES; British Ambassador to Egypt (2003-2007) and Saudi Arabia (2000-2003)

Jonathan Rugman

Foreign Affairs Correspondent, Channel 4 News

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4.30pm WELCOMING REMARKS

Lord Lothian
Chairman of Global Strategy Forum

FIRST SESSION: POLITICAL, DIPLOMATIC AND MILITARY PERSPECTIVES

4.35pm-5.05pm *(10 minutes per panellist)*

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5.05pm-5.30pm Q&A and audience remarks

SECOND SESSION: REPORTING THE REGION – BROADER PERSPECTIVES

5.30pm-6pm *(10 minutes per panellist)*

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6pm-6.25pm Q&A and audience remarks

6.25pm Chairman's concluding remarks

6.30pm Close of seminar
