



Programme draft

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Energy Supply Security

The political and economic importance of a partnership with the Arab world

Conference at the Federal Academy for Security Policy in Berlin on 4 March 2015

10:30 hrs **Sign-in**

11:15 hrs **Welcome**

Ambassador Hans Dieter Heumann, President of the Federal Academy for Security Policy

Minister of State (ret.) Otto Wiesheu, President of the German-Arab Friendship Association

H.E. Professor Dr med Ossama Bin Abdul Majed Shobokshi, Ambassador of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and Doyen of the Council of Arab Ambassadors in Germany

11:30 hrs **The Globalised Energy Market of the 21st Century – Policies, Infrastructure and Innovation**

Opening addresses followed by Q & A

H.E. Ali Al-Naimi, Minister of Petroleum and Mineral Resources, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia:
"The Role of Saudi Arabia as Energy Exporter in the 21st Century"

Sigmar Gabriel, Member of the German Bundestag, Vice-Chancellor,
Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Energy:
"The Future Role of Germany in a Globalised Energy Market"

Chair: Carsten Rolle, Secretary General of the World Energy Council Germany

Languages: German, English, possibly Arabic (simultaneous interpretation)

12:15-13:45 hrs **Lunch break**

13:45 hrs Panel: Political Stability in Supply and Transit Regions as the Basis for Future Energy Supply

Chaired by Professor Volker Perthes, Director of the German Institute for International and Security Affairs

Dieter Haller, Director-General for Economic Affairs and Sustainable Development,
Federal Foreign Office

Ahmed Abdul Rahman Al Banna, Director of the Department of Economic Affairs and
International Cooperation at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, United Arab Emirates

Michael Hennrich, Member of the German Bundestag, Chairman of the Parliamentary Group
for Arabic-speaking countries of the Middle East

Ibrahim Sharqieh, Foreign Policy Fellow and Deputy Director,
Brookings Doha Center/Adjunct Professor, Georgetown University, Qatar

Captain Axel Deertz, Federal Ministry of Defence, Directorate-General for Political Affairs,
International Security Policy and Bilateral Relations

Languages: German, English (simultaneous interpretation)

15:45 hrs Coffee break

Afterwards parallel sessions on the following topics:

16:15 hrs Session 1: How Important are Oil and Natural Gas from the Arab World for future Energy Supply?

*Chaired by Shaima Salem Alhabsi, Energy and Climate Attaché,
Embassy of the United Arab Emirates*

Professor Marc Bettzüge, Institute of Energy Economics at the University of Cologne

Professor Friedbert Pflüger, Director of the European Centre for Energy and Resource
Security (EUCERS), King's College London

Michael Kraack, Managing Director, Marine Service GmbH

Heiko Meyer, Head of Strategic Planning, Wintershall AG

Fahad M. Al-Abdulkareem, Managing Director, Aramco Overseas Company **(tbc)**

Representatives of Arab suppliers of oil and natural gas from Qatar and Algeria **(tbc)**

Language: English

16:15 hrs Session 2: The Arab Interest in Renewable Energies and Increased Energy Efficiency – Regulatory Concepts and Technologies from Germany

Chaired by Carsten Rolle, Secretary General of the World Energy Council Germany

Diana Cordes, Head of the Secretariat of the Renewable Energies Export Initiative

Paul van Son, Country Chair MENA, RWE AG

Adnan Z. Amin, Director-General, IRENA – International Renewable Energy Agency **(tbc)**

MASDAR (United Arab Emirates); **(tbc)**

King Abdullah City for Atomic and Renewable Energy (Saudi Arabia) **(tbc)**

Representative of the Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology **(tbc)**

Language: English

17:45 hrs Summary of the individual sessions in a plenary session

18:15 hrs Farewells

Ambassador Dr Hans Dieter Heumann, President of the Federal Academy for Security Policy

Minister of State (ret.) Otto Wiesheu, President of the German-Arab Friendship Association

18.30 hrs Shuttle service to the evening reception

**19:00 hrs Evening reception at the Embassy of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
(Tiergartenstraße 33-34, 10785 Berlin)**

Invitation by H.E. Professor Dr med Ossama bin Abdul Majed Shobokshi,
Ambassador of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia