



Herat Security Dialogue-VI

13-14 October 2017

Friday October 13/2017

Opening Session

08:30-09:30		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recitation of Holy Koran • National Anthem • Recitation of Hymns of Khaja Abdullah Ansari • Sufi Musical Performance • Welcoming remarks by the Governor of Herat, Mohammed Asif Rahimi • Introductory Remarks by Dr Rangin Dadfar Spanta, Chairman of AISS Advisory Board/Former NSA/FM of I.R. Afghanistan • Ambassador Kai Eidi , Former UN Special Envoy to Afghanistan, Norway
Panel I: Nation-States: Blessing or curse?		
09:30-11:00	Moderator	Dr. Christine Fair Associate Prof. Georgetown University, U.S.A
	Speakers	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr. Anwar ui-Haq Ahady, Scholar, former minister of finance of I.R Afghanistan 2. Prof Paolo Cotta-Ramusino, Secretary General of Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs, Italy/USA 3. Professor Magnus Marsden, Director of Sussex Asia Centre, University of Sussex, UK 4. Professor Abdul Salam Mohammad Nazarov, Tajikistan National University
Discussion		
11:00-11:30	Tea Break	
Panel II: Can Nation-states Survive 21st Century?		
11:30-13:00	Moderator	Dr. Gholam Ali Cheginizag, Professor of Political Science, Allama Tabataba, Tehran, Iran
	Speakers	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr. Nasser Andisha, scholar-diplomat, Deputy Foreign Minister, Afghanistan 2. Major Gen Rajiv Narayanan, distinguished fellow at United Service Institution of India 3. Dr. Zakia Adeli, professor of political science at Kabul University, Afghanistan 4. Dr. Jeffrey A. Stacey, scholar-diplomat, Managing Partner of Geopolicity in the U.S.A.
Discussion		
13:00-14:00	Lunch	
Panel III: The State in Islamic Thought & Practices: Idealism; Realism; Disappointment		
14:00-15:30	Moderator	Mrs. Homaira Saqib, president of Afghan women news agency
	Speakers	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mr. Ali Amery, university lecturer at Ibn-Sina University, Kabul 2. Dr. Sayed Hamza Safavy, university lecturer and director of the Institute for Islamic World Future Studies (IIWFS) in Tehran, Iran 3. Mr. Mohammad Osman, Deputy Editor in Chief of Al-Ahram Newspaper in Egypt. 4. Professor Michal Barry, Professor, Princeton University/ American University of Afghanistan
Discussion		
15:30-16:00	Tea Break	

	Panel IV: The Arduous road of state-building in Afghanistan: Legitimacy; Capacity; Hegemony	
	Moderator	Dr Shakti Sinha, president of Nehru Memorial Museum library, India
16:00-18:00	Speakers	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr. Mujib Rahimi, scholar & Spokesperson to Afghanistan's CEO 2. Dr. Timor Sharan, scholar & Deputy Director of Afghanistan' Independent Directorate of Local Governance (IDLG), 3. Mr Kawun Kakar, Managing Partner of Kakar advocates, Afghanistan 4. Professor Thomas Johnson, Professor, Naval Postgraduate School, USA 5. Mr. James Armstrong, political adviser to NATO Senior Political Representation <p>Discussion</p>
19:00-21:00	Official Reception hosted by Herat's Mayor, Venue (ARG Hotel-by invitation only)	

Saturday October 14/2017 (ARG Hotel)

08:30-09:00	Traditional Sufi Music	
	Panel V: Democratic State; Democratic Society; Future of Democracy	
	Moderator	Ms . Shaharзад Akbar, women rights activist & founding member of Afghanistan 1400
9:00 – 10:30	Speakers	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ms. Naheed Fareed – Member of Parliament, Afghanistan. 2. Mr. Kabir Salei, Scholar, Islamic Studies 3. Mr. Slyamzhar Akhmetzharov - Researcher Kazakhstan Institute for Strategic Studies, Under the President of Kazakhstan 4. Mohammad Naeem Ayoubzada, Head, Transparent Election Foundation of Afghanistan (TEFA) <p>Discussion</p>
10:30-11:00	Tea Break	
	Panel VI: Special Session on US' New Strategy for Afghanistan/Region	
	Moderator	Mr. Mujib Mashal - the New York Times correspondent for Afghanistan
11:00-13:00	Speakers	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mr. Tamim Asey, Deputy Afghan Defense Minister for policy and strategy 2. Ambassador Gautam Mukhopadyaya, former Indian Ambassador to Afghanistan, India 3. Mr. Juma Khan Sufi, Professor, University of Peshawar 4. Ambassador Hossein Malaek, deputy director General of Iran's Center for Strategic Studies, I.R, Iran 5. Ambassador Professor Su Ge, president of China Institute for International Studies under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, China 6. Professor Briann Todd, Professor, National Defense University, USA <p>Discussion</p>
13:00-13:05	Note of Thanks: Director of AISS	
13:05-14:05	Lunch	
16:00	Departure to Kabul	