

2015 Summer Intern MAL Agenda

PLEASE NOTE: Questions about the Agenda may be directed to josh@ncusar.org. The countries to be represented in each Council is noted below – more information can be found on the SIMAL online registration form.

Council on Energy Affairs

****Council consists of 19 Arab League states and 5 observer states****

1. Considering the role of regional developments in nuclear energy with special attention given to its role in energy security and defense
2. Coordinating the regional energy market to promote efficiency, maximize trade benefits, and boost Arab cooperation
3. Exploring new energy technologies such as biotechnology in order to strengthen the energy market for both Arab suppliers and consumers

Council on Displaced People

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1. Supporting the accessibility of humanitarian goods and education for refugees and internally displaced people in the region
2. Discussing the political, military, and logistical implications of creating humanitarian safe zones in Syria
3. Establishing a basic common code of the ethics and legal rights with regards to the treatment of migrant and expatriate workers in Arab League states

Council on Combating Militant Non-State Actors

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1. Developing strategies to support Arab nations under threat by militant groups through the development of multilateral military assistance mechanisms
2. Addressing the issue of private funding and material support for hostile militant groups that operate in the region
3. Discussing the ideological systems employed by extremist groups in propaganda and recruitment and radicalization of susceptible demographics

Joint Cabinet Crisis: Lebanese Political Alliances

****Cabinets consist of 8 high-ranking government officials each****

March 14 Alliance: Anti-Syrian regime alliance led by Saad Hariri, and includes the Future Movement (Sunni Muslim), the Lebanese Forces (Maronite Christian), the Kataeb Party (Maronite Christian, aka Phalangists), and a number of other smaller political parties spanning the ideological and religious spectrum

Cabinet Position	Affiliated Party	Name
Leader of the Future Movement	Future Movement	Saad Hariri
Minister of Justice	Future Movement	Ashraf Rifi
Minister of the Interior and Municipalities	Future Movement	Nouhad Machnouk
Minister of State for Administrative Development	Future Movement	Nabil de Freige
Supreme Leader of the Kataeb Party	Kataeb Party	Sami Gemayel
Minister of Labour	Kataeb Party	Sejaan Azzi
Minister of Economy and Trade	Kataeb Party	Alain Hakim
President of Lebanese Forces	Lebanese Forces	Samir Geagea

March 8 Alliance: Pro-Syrian regime alliance which includes the Free Patriotic Movement (Maronite Christian), the Amal Party (Shia' Muslim), Hezbollah (Shia' Muslim), and a number of other smaller political parties spanning the ideological and religious spectrum

Cabinet Position	Affiliated Party	Name
Leader of the Free Patriotic Movement	Free Patriotic Movement	Michel Aoun
Minister of Foreign Affairs and Emigrants	Free Patriotic Movement	Gebran Bassil
Leader of the Amal Movement	Amal Movement	Nabih Berri
Minister of Finance	Amal Movement	Ali Hassan Khalil
Leader of the Loyalty to the Resistance Bloc	Hezbollah	Mohammad Raad
Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs	Hezbollah	Mohammed Fneish
Secretary-General of Hezbollah	Hezbollah	Hassan Nasrallah
President of the Marada Movement	Marada Movement	Suleiman Frangieh Jr.

