



# Libya-U.S. Relations 2017

## *New Vision, Hope, and Opportunities*

Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>

8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Rayburn House Office Building  
United States House of Representatives  
Rooms 2043-2044  
Washington, D.C.

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## CONFERENCE PROGRAM

8:00 – 9:00A.M. – CHECK-IN/REGISTRATION

9:00 – 9:15A.M. – WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

**Dr. Hani Shennib** – *Founding Chairman and CEO, National Council on U.S.-Libya Relations, Internationally Recognized Cardiovascular Surgeon and Opinion Leader in International Health Care Policies and Relations.*

**Dr. John Duke Anthony** – *Founding President and CEO, National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations, and member of the United States Department of State Advisory Committee on International Economic Policy*



**9:15 – 11:15 A.M. – THE LIBYAN PRIMACY 2011-2017: LESSONS LEARNED  
AND HOW TO MOVE FORWARD**

**PANEL: How a hopeful transition was derailed, the fate of the U.S. sponsored  
agreement on Libya, and how to realign it?**

**H.E. Ali F. Ibrahim Khaled Al-Qatrani** – *Deputy Chair, Presidential Council*

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**Hon. Omar Aswad** – *Minister, Presidential Council, Libya*

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**H.E. Dr. Mahmoud Gebril** – *Former Prime Minister of Libya*

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**H.E. Ali Zeidan** – *Former Prime Minister of Libya*

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**H. E. Mossa El-Kony** – *Former Vice President, Presidential Council; Former Deputy Prime Minister,  
Government of National Accord*

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**Dr. Ethan Chorin** – *CEO, Perim Associates*

**11:15 – 11:45A.M. Break to Pick-Up Lunch**

**11:45 – 2:00P.M. – SPECIAL LUNCH SESSION: “SECURITY AND  
STABILITY IN LIBYA & THE REGION”**

“Mapping ISIS and its Allies Across Libya and into Europe: How to Secure Libya & the Region”

**Col. Wolfgang Puztai** – *Chairman, Advisory Board, National Council on U.S. Libya Relations, and  
Former Defense Attaché, Austrian Ministry of Defense*

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“The Burden of Religious Extremism on Libyan Nation Building; Creating Bottom-Up  
Solutions”

**Zahra’ Langhi** – *Author, Libya’s Religious Sector and Peacebuilding Efforts; Chairperson, Libya  
Women Platform for Peace*



**11:45 – 2:00P.M. – SPECIAL LUNCH SESSION: “SECURITY AND STABILITY IN LIBYA & THE REGION” (CONT’D)**

“Influence of Egypt & Arabian Gulf States on the Libyan Conflict; Abrogating the Negatives and Advocating a Positive Role”

**H. E. Abdubasit Albadri**, Libyan Ambassador to Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

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“The Humanitarian and Health Crisis in Libya: Magnitude and Needed Measures”

**Dr. Jaffar Hussain Syed** - *Head of Mission, World Health Organization for Libya, U.N. Resident & Humanitarian Coordinator in Libya* & **Reida ElOakley** *Minister of Health, Temporary Government of Libya*

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“Algeria and Libya: A History of Disputes on Oil, Boarder, Policies & Security; Can it Play a Credible Stabilizing Role Today?”

**Dr. William Lawrence** - *Professor of Political Science and International Affairs, Elliott School of International Affairs, The George Washington University*

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“Russia’s Geopolitical Interests in Libya & the Region; Is it Sustainable and How Will it be Played?”

**Dr. Theodore Karasik** - *Senior Advisor, Gulf State Analytics; Adjunct Senior Fellow, Lexington Institute*

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“UK & European Relations with Libya 2006-2017; The Good , The Bad & the Ugly and Where to?”

**Tim Eaton** - *Research Fellow, Middle East & North Africa, Chatham House, London, UK*

“Libya’s Chaos: Impact on U.S. National Security and How Will the New Administration Shape its Policy on Libya?”

**Dr. Walid Phares** - *Foreign Policy Advisor to the Donald J. Trump Presidential Campaign 2016; author, consultant, and commentator on Middle Eastern affairs and global terrorism*

**2:00 – 2:30P.M. Coffee and Networking Break**



## 2:30 – 3:45 P.M. – REBUILDING THE LIBYAN ECONOMY & INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES

“Libya’s Energy Industries and Opportunities for Future Libyan Development”

**Dr. Paul Sullivan** – *Professor of Economics, National Defense University, and Senior International Affairs Fellow, National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations*

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“Mapping Investments in Libya: Opportunities and Challenges”

**Dr. Mohsen Derregia** – *Former Chairman & CEO of Libyan Investment Authority; Professor of Finance*

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“Private- Public Joint Enterprises and Investment in Libya”

**Usama Siala** – *Deputy Chairman, Libya Africa Investment Portfolio (LAIP)*

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“Status and Management of Old Public Sector Development Contracts & Attracting New Investments”

**Nate Mason** – *Former Commercial Attaché, U.S. Embassy in Libya*

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“Navigating Libyan Investment Laws & What Every Investor Should Know”

**Dr. Mohamed Karbal** – *Attorney, Karbal & Co*

## 3:45 – 4:00 P.M. – DISCUSSION & CLOSING REMARKS

## 7:00 – 9:30 P.M. – CONFERENCE DINNER (*By Invitation Only*)

**City Tavern Club (Georgetown)**

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Washington, DC 20007