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An Assessment of Arab Regional Possibilities and the Future of U.S. Cooperation

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Day One
Opening Remarks & Context Provider
Dr. John Duke Anthony

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Future of U.S. Defense and Strategic Cooperation

Featured Specialists:

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Moderator & Discussant:

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Remarks from the Middle East Institute:

Dr. Paul Salem
President and Chief Executive Officer, Middle East Institute, Washington D.C.
Economic Impact and Energy Transition in the MENA Region

Featured Specialists:

Ms. Nariman Othman Deik
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Adjunct Assistant Professor,
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Remarks from Anera & Day 1 Closing

Mr. Sean Carroll
President and Chief Executive Officer,
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