



MEM Summer Summit Forum 2022

Saturday 27 August, 09.00

Aula Magna, West Campus, Università della Svizzera italiana, Lugano, Switzerland

09.00	Welcome and opening address Lorenzo Cantoni, Deputy Rector, Università della Svizzera italiana, Switzerland
09.15	Keynote speeches HE Ignazio Cassis, President of the Swiss Confederation, Switzerland, (video message) HRH Princess Rym Ali, President, Anna Lindh Foundation, Jordan (online)
09.30	Keynote speech HE Shamma Bint Suhail Faris Al Mazrui, Minister of State for Youth Affairs, United Arab Emirates
09.45	Panel 1 – Geopolitical impacts of the Russian-Ukrainian war on the MEM region Cinzia Bianco, Research Fellow on the Arabian Peninsula and the Gulf, European Council on Foreign Relations, Italy (online) Jalel Harchaoui, Associate Fellow, The Royal United Services Institute for Defence and Security Studies, Libya and France Emiliano Bos, Journalist, RSI Radiotelevisione svizzera, Switzerland Younes Zangiabaldi, Young change-maker Chairman: Matteo Legrenzi, Professor, Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Italy
10.45	Coffee break
11.00	Panel 2 – Energetic transition and sustainable development in the MEM region HE Leila Benali, Minister of Energy Transition and Sustainable Development, Morocco (online) HE Natasa Piliades, Minister of Energy, Commerce and Industry, Cyprus (online) Laurent Vivier, Senior Vice President Middle East and North Africa, Exploration and Production, Total Energies, France (online) Andreas Tornaritis, Young change-maker Omaima Doukkane, Young change-maker Moderator: Emiliano Bos, Journalist, RSI Radiotelevisione svizzera, Switzerland
12.30	Lunch break
14.00	Panel 3 – Food insecurity and climate change in the MEM region Eugenio Dacrema, Early Warning Economic Risk Analyst, World Food Programme, Italy Haneen Sayed, Lead Specialist, Human Development and Social Protection, World Bank MENA, Lebanon (online) Sebahat Derin Atiskan, Young change-maker Alaa Alzaghoul, Young change-maker Chairman: HE Pio Wennubst, Ambassador, Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the UN in Rome, Switzerland
15.00	Coffee break
15.15	Freedom and tolerance in Islam Martino Diez, Associate Professor, OASIS International Foundation, Catholic University of Sacro Cuore, Italy In conversation with Mustafa Akyol, Journalist and author, Turkey (online)
15.45	Prognosis: Saudi Arabia – An artist's perspective Ahmed Mater, Contemporary artist, Saudi Arabia (online) In conversation with Stephen Stapleton, Artist, Social Entrepreneur and Founding Director, Edge of Arabia, United Kingdom
16.15	Closing remarks