



MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS



## **Agenda**

### **13<sup>th</sup> Doha Interfaith Conference 2018**

#### **Religions and Human Rights**

**20-21 February 2018**

**Sheraton Hotel  
Doha**

**State of Qatar**

<b>First Day</b> <b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2018</b>	
Timings	Details
<b>09:00 - 10:30</b>  <b>Al Dafna Hall</b>  <b>No. (1)</b>	<b>INAUGURATION SESSION</b> <b>Recitation of the Holy Quran</b>
	<p><b>Speech by the Patron of the Event: H.E Mr Soltan Bin Saad Al-Muraikhi – State Minister for Foreign Affairs – State of Qatar</b></p> <p><b>Chairperson: Dr. Aisha Al Mannai, Director of Muhammad bin Hamad Al Thani Center for Islamic Contributions to Civilization (CMCC), Faculty of Islamic Studies, Hamad bin Khalifa University</b></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>HE Mr. Abdel Fattah Mourou, First Deputy President of the Tunisian Parliament</b></li> <li>- <b>HE Professor Malkhaz Songulashvili, Metropolitan Bishop of Tbilisi and Professor in Comparative Theology at Ilia State University in Georgia</b></li> <li>- <b>HE Rabbi Dr. Reuven Firestone – Professor in Hebrew Union College</b></li> <li>- <b>HE Prof. Ibrahim Saleh Al-Naimi - Chairman of DICID</b></li> </ul>
<b>10:30 - 11:00</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>11:00 - 12:30</b>  <b>Al Dafna Hall</b>  <b>No. (1)</b>	<b>PLENARY SESSION I</b>  <b>Theme 1: Human Rights in Religions (Vision and Concept)</b>
	<p><b>Chairperson: Dr. Hassan Abdul Rahim Al-Sayed (Qatar)</b></p> <p><b>Rapporteur: Dr. Senad Mrahorovic (Bosna)</b></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Prof. dr. Ivo Josipović (Croatia)</b></li> <li><b>Dr. Ali Al-Qura’adaghi (Qatar)</b></li> <li><b>Dr. Mariam Ait Ahmed (Morocco)</b></li> <li><b>Rabbi Robert Kaplan (USA)</b></li> <li><b>Ambassador Sri Razali Ismail (Malaysia)</b></li> <li><b>Dr. Jamal Badawi (Canada)</b></li> </ul>
<b>12:30 - 13:00</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>13:00 - 14:30</b>  <b>Group 1</b> <b>Salwa Hall 1</b>	<b>Three simultaneous sessions on three different sub- topics</b>  <b>Theme 1: Human Rights in Religions (Vision and Concept)</b> <b>1-1 Freedom of belief and religious practice</b>
	<p><b>Chairperson: Dr. Mohamed Hassan Saadi (Morocco)</b></p> <p><b>Rapporteur: Mr. Vahid Suljic (Bosnia)</b></p>

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	<p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <p><b>Sheikh Mohamed Ahmed Hussain</b> (Palestine)  <b>Prof. Jaime Rossell Granados</b> (Spain)  <b>Mr. Berik Arin</b> (Kazakhstan)  <b>Dr. Raquel M. Ukeles</b> (US)  <b>Prof. Pietro Vereni</b> (Italy)  <b>Dr. Badran Masoud bin Lahcen</b> (Algeria)  <b>Prof. Alessandro Ferrari</b> (Italy)</p>
<p>Group 2 Salwa Hall 2</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Theme 1: Human Rights in Religions (Vision and Concept)</b>  <b>1-2 Individual rights and public interest</b></p> <p><b>Chairperson: Canon Dr William Schwartz</b> (US)  <b>Rapporteur: Ms. Rukia Ahjo</b> (Morocco)</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <p><b>Mrs. Vesna Skare Ozbolt</b> (Croatia)  <b>Dr. Edward Kessler</b> (UK)  <b>Dr. Khudair Abbas Al-Nadawi</b> (Iraq)  <b>Dr. Jafar Morvarid</b> (Iran)  <b>Mr. Adeel Khan</b> (Pakistan)  <b>Mr. Joachim Bergström</b> (Sweden)</p>
<p>Group 3 Salwa Hall 3</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Theme 1: Human Rights in Religions (Vision and Concept)</b>  <b>1-3 Human political, economic, and social rights</b></p> <p><b>Chairperson: Mr. Habib Afram</b> (Lebanon)  <b>Rapporteur: Dr. Jamila Talout</b> (Morocco)</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <p><b>Dr. Abdalhadi Alijla</b> (Sweden)  <b>Imam Dr. Zijad Delic</b> (Canada)  <b>Ms. Jill Drzewiecki</b> (US)  <b>Dr. Masudur Rahman Masud</b> (Bangladesh)  <b>Dr. Al-Salem Al-Mukhtar Al-Haj</b> (Mauritaniya)  <b>Dr. Xhabir Hamiti</b> (Kosovo)</p>
<p>14:30 - 16:00</p>	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>

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16:00 -17:30  Al Dafna Hall  No. (1)	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PLENARY SESSION II</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Theme II: The Position of Religions on Human Rights Violations</b></p> <p><b>Chairperson: Mr. Mubarak Al Muttawa (Kuwait)</b> <b>Rapporteur: Dr. Amara Al-Nasser (Alegría)</b></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <p><b>Dr. Mahmoud El-Habash (Palestine)</b> <b>Dr . Bobby Gene Roberts (US)</b> <b>Dr. Aisha Yousuf Al Mannai (Qatar)</b> <b>Rabbi Reuven Firestone (US)</b> <b>Mr. Burhan Koroglu (Turkey)</b> <b>Dr. Elizabeta Kitanovic (Belgium)</b></p>
19:00 - 21:00	<b>Visit and official dinner at the Pearl</b>

**Second Day**  
**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2018**

<b>Three simultaneous sessions on three different sub-topics</b>	
<p>9:00 - 10:30</p> <p>Group 1 Salwa Hall 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Theme II: The Position of Religions on Human Rights Violations</b> <b>2-1 Religious views on extremism and terrorism</b></p> <p><b>Chairperson: Engineer/ Marwan Al-Faouri (Jordan)</b> <b>Rapporteur: Dr. Saadia Ben Donia (Alegria)</b></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <p><b>Sheikh Mohammed Al Ma'amari (Sultanate of Oman)</b> <b>Mr. Claudio Epelman (Argentine)</b> <b>Dr. Mohammed Abdul Rahman Anwari (Bangladesh)</b> <b>Dr. Wong Kim Kong (Malaysia)</b> <b>Dr. Khalid Al-Jaber (Qatar)</b> <b>Dr. Agil Shirinov (Azerbaijan)</b> <b>Mr. Bilal Ahmad Malik (India)</b></p>
<p>Group 2 Salwa Hall 2</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Theme II: The Position of Religions on Human Rights Violations</b> <b>2-2 Religious tolerance and the rejection of religious intolerance</b></p> <p><b>Chairperson: Dr. Clifton Clarke (UK)</b> <b>Rapporteur: Mr. Mohamed Ghulam Rahman (Bangladesh)</b></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <p><b>Rabbi Marc Schneier (US)</b> <b>Imam Muhammad Shamsi Ali (US)</b> <b>Ms. Neven Malek (Egypt)</b> <b>Prof. Ahmad Bello Dogarawa (Nigeria)</b> <b>Dr. Grace Ji-Sun Kim (US)</b> <b>Dr. Yahya Hendi (US)</b> <b>Prof. Anne Wigneter (Italy)</b></p>
<p>Group 3 Salwa Hall 3</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Theme II: The Position of Religions on Human Rights Violations</b> <b>2-3 Violation of individual and group freedoms</b></p> <p><b>Chairperson: Dr. Susana Mangana Porteiro (Spain)</b> <b>Rapporteur: Dr. Shaher Amer Salama (Palestine)</b></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <p><b>Ms. Claudia Elizabeth Bernagozzi (Argentine)</b> <b>Dr. Arheem Sulaiman Al-Kubaisi (Iraq)</b> <b>Prof. Marcos David Peckel (Colombia)</b> <b>Mrs. Maryam Al-Malki (Qatar)</b> <b>Dr. Triona Croke (Ireland)</b> <b>Dr. Lilia Chentouh (Algeria)</b> <b>Dr. Selma Muhic Dizdarevic (Czech)</b></p>

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10:30 – 11:00	Break
11:00 – 12:30	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PLENARY SESSION III</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Theme III: Human Rights Issues between Heavenly Laws and International Covenants</b></p> <p><b>Chairperson: Mr. Alonso Emilio Illueca (Panama)</b>  <b>Rapporteur: Dr. Hayette Selmani (Algeria)</b></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <p><b>H.E. Mr. Mustafa Al-Rameed (Morocco)</b>  <b>Mrs. Vesna Skare Ozbolt (Croatia)</b>  <b>Dr. Mohamed Rizwan Ansari (Nepal)</b>  <b>Mr. Claudio Damián Presman (Argentine)</b>  <b>Prof. Jorge Bacelar Gouveia (Portugal)</b>  <b>Dr. Sotirios Roussos (Greece)</b></p>
12:30 -13:00	Break
13:00 – 14:30	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Three simultaneous sessions on three different sub-topics</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Theme III: Human Rights Issues between Heavenly Laws and International Covenants</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>3-1 Religious teachings and the promotion of international Human rights laws</b></p> <p><b>Chairperson: Ms. Susan Pausky (USA)</b>  <b>Rapporteur: Ms. Khedidja Djouada (Algeria)</b></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <p><b>Dr. Ibrahim Ahmed Al-Karouri (Sudan)</b>  <b>Dr. George Narimanishvili (Georgia)</b>  <b>Dr. Maher Khudair (Palestine)</b>  <b>Rabbi Isak Asiel (Serbia)</b>  <b>Prof. Abdin Chande (Canada)</b>  <b>Dr. Chae Young Kim (Korea)</b>  <b>Dr. Ali Adam (South Africa)</b></p>
13:00- 14:30	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Theme III: Human Rights Issues between Heavenly Laws and International Covenants</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>3-2 Successful experiments to integrate religious values in human rights laws</b></p> <p><b>Chairperson: Dr. Mounir Ben Jammour (Tunisia)</b>  <b>Rapporteur: Dr. Georgiana Gheorghe (Romania)</b></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <p><b>Dr. Mehdi ZakerianAmiri (Iran)</b>  <b>Mrs. Besa Ismail (Kosovo)</b></p>

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<p>Group 2 Salwa Hall2</p>	<p><b>Mr Eric Scharf</b> (Costa Rica) <b>Mr. Jathnan Al-Hajri</b> (Qatar) <b>Mr. Zaza Vashakmadze</b> (Georgia)</p>
<p><b>Group3</b> Salwa Hall 3</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Theme III: Human Rights Issues between Heavenly Laws and International Covenants</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>3-3 Responsibility of international law in the protection of vulnerable religious groups</b></p> <p><b>Chairperson: Mr. Yousuf AlAfifi</b> (Sultanate of Oman) <b>Rapporteur: Dr. Sándor Szatmári</b> (Hungary)</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <p><b>Mr. Jean-Christophe Peaucelle</b> (France) <b>Dr. Nawzad Al-Hiti</b> (Iraq) <b>Ms. Shannon Maree Torrens</b> (Australia) <b>Dr. Meriem El Haitami</b> (Morocco) <b>Dr. Sabrina Lei</b> (Italy) <b>Dr. Ivan Zvonimir Čičak</b> (Croatia)</p>
<p>14:30 - 16:00</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Lunch</b></p>
<p>16:00 – 17:30 Al Dafna Hall</p> <p><b>No. (1)</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PANEL DISCUSSION SESSION</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Activating religious values to support international human rights laws</b></p> <p><b>Chairperson: Dr. Mostafa Lahkim</b> (Morocco) <b>Rapporteur: Dr. Nedjwa Ghalem</b> (Algeria)</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <p><b>Mr. Nasser Abdulaziz Al-Nasr</b> (Qatar) <b>Mr. George Abualzulof</b> (United Nations) <b>Dr. Andriy Yurash</b> (Ukraine) <b>Dr. Michael Andrews</b> (USA)</p>
<p>17:30- 17:45 Al Dafna Hall <b>No. (1)</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CLOSING SESSION</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FINAL DECLARATION</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Dr. Ibrahim Saleh Al Naimi</b> <b>Chairman of DICID</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Departure</b></p>	