

Accommodation

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Travel

The official national carrier for the conference is **Ansett Australia**. Please make your booking by telephoning Ansett's National Reservations Number 131300 and quoting masterfile number MC09526. You will receive up to 35% discount on the normal economy airfare when quoting the above number. Higher discounts may be available through Ansett's published fares, however, conditions will apply to those fares. Either the conference or the best fare of the day may be requested when making your reservation.

Speaker Profiles

The Hon. Laurie Brereton MP, Shadow Minister for Foreign Affairs in the Australian Parliament, served from 1993-1996 as Minister for Industrial Relations and Minister for Transport in the previous Labor government.

Professor Gary Sick is Adjunct Professor of International Affairs and Senior Research Fellow, Columbia University, New York. He is Executive Director of the Gulf 2000 Project, an international program on Persian Gulf affairs.

Professor Majid Tehranian is Professor of International Communications at the University of Hawaii, and Director of the Toda Institute for Global Peace and Policy Research.

Professor Abdulkhaleq Abdulla is an Associate Professor of Comparative Politics in the Department of Politics at Emirates University, UAE. His particular research interests include political change in the Gulf and the Arab world, and Gulf security.

Professor Robert Springborg is Professor in the School of Politics, Macquarie University. His research focus has been on politics, democratisation, and economic development in the Middle East.

Associate Professor Ahmad Shboul, AM, from the Department of Semitic Studies, University of Sydney, is a specialist in Arabist studies.

Professor Amin Saikal, Director, Centre for Middle Eastern and Central Asian Studies at the Australian National University, specialises in the politics, international relations, history and political economy of the Middle East and Central Asia.

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Day One Friday 18 September

- 8:30-9.00 **Registration**
- 9.00-9.30 *Opening*
The Hon. Laurie Brereton, MP
Shadow Minister for
Foreign Affairs

Chair: *Professor Robin Stanton,*
Pro Vice-Chancellor, ANU
- 9.30-10.00 Arab/Israeli Conflict:
History & Prospects
*Peace and Security in the
Middle East*
Professor Gary Sick,
Director, Gulf 2000 Project
- 10.00-10.30 *Coffee Break*
- 10.30-11.50 *Discourses of History, Memory
and Ideology in the Palestine-
Israel Conflict*
Professor Ahmad Shboul,
University of Sydney

*Negotiation Styles in the Arab-
Israeli-Palestinian Conflict,
1947-1998*
Dr David Beirman,
University of Technology,
Sydney

*Israelis and Palestinians:
A Conflict Based on Race?*
Dr Christine Asmar,
University of Sydney

Chair: *Professor Amin Saikal,*
ANU
- 11.50-12.00 *Break*
- 12.00-1.00 Women in the Middle East
*Lebanese Women in Politics:
Participation or Tokenism?*
Dr Nijmeh Hajjar,
University of Sydney

Conference Program

- Widows and Orphans of Borj El
Barajneh*
Ms Helen McCue,
University of New South Wales

Chair: *Dr Samina Yasmeen,*
University of Western Australia
- 1.00-2.00 *Lunch*
- 2.00-3.45 Change and Development
in the Middle East
*Change and Development in the
GCC Countries over the last 50
years*
**Professor Abdulkhaleq
Abdulla,**
University of the UAE

*Hariri's Lebanon: Singapore of
the Middle East or Sana'a of the
Levant?*
Professor Robert Springborg,
Macquarie University

*Arab Culture and Democra-
tisation in the Arab World
in the Post-World War II Era*
Dr Ghanim Alnajjar,
University of Kuwait

Chair: *Prof Ahmad Shboul,*
University of Sydney
- 3.45-4.15 *Coffee Break*
- 4.15-5.30 Stability and Security
in the Middle East
Whither Iran?
Professor Majid Tehranian,
University of Hawaii

*Defended or Reconciled Peace in
Israel and Palestine*
Dr Michael Humphrey,
University of New South Wales

US Strategy and Gulf Security
Professor Amin Saikal,
Australian National University

Chair: *Prof Robert Springborg,*
Macquarie University

- 7.30 p.m. Conference Dinner
University House, ANU
Speaker: **Mr Peter Rodgers,**
Former Australian Ambassador
to Israel

Day 2 Saturday 19 September 10.00-12.00 **Workshop sessions**

These sessions will be held in the
Haydon-Allen lecture rooms,
HAG050, HAG051, HAG052,
HAG053.

- Arab/Israeli Conflict: History & Prospects**
Opening: *Mr Bob Bowker*
DFAT / ANU
Presenters: *Dr Ibrahim Aoude*
Dr John Docker
Ms Maria Hill
Mr Graham Hoskin
Ms Jacinta Sanders

- Women in the Middle East**
Opening: *Ms Aileen Keating*
ANU
Presenters: *Ms Christine Mason*
Ms Ameer Zaat

- Change and Development in
the Middle East**
Opening: *Dr Larbi Sadiki*
ANU
Presenters: *Mr Ehsan Azari*
Dr Tony Gorman
Dr Ray Jureidini
Mr Kees van der Spek

- Stability & Security in the Middle East**
Opening: *Mr Steven Barraclough*
ANU
Presenters: *Dr Nooshin Guitoo*
Ms Minerva Nasser-Eddine
Mr Hussein Tahiri

- 12.00-1.30 *Lunch*
1.30-2.45 *Panel Discussion*
2.45-3.00 *Closing Remarks*