



## The Mediterranean Chapter and the Future of Mediterranean Co-operation

Tuesday, 10th November 2015  
Westin Dragonara Resort, St. Julian's, Malta

### 9:30-10:30 Keynote Opening Address

Chair: *Prof. Stephen Calleya, Director, Mediterranean Academy of Diplomatic Studies (MEDAC), University of Malta*

*Dr. Ettore Greco, Director, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome, Italy*

- **The Hon. Dr. George Vella**, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Malta
- **Amb. Lamberto Zannier**, Secretary General of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe, Vienna, Austria

#### Introductory Remarks

- **Amb. Claude Wild**, Permanent Representative, Swiss Delegation to the OSCE, Vienna, Austria
- **Mrs. Tamara Rastovac-Simashvili**, Minister Counselor, Deputy Head of Task Force from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia, Belgrade, Republic of Serbia
- **Amb. Gudrun Maria Sräga**, Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, Malta
- **Amb. Vittorio Rocco di Torrepadula**, Permanent Representative, Italian Delegation to the OSCE, Vienna, Austria

### 10:30-11:00 Conference Photo and Coffee Break

### 11:00-12:00 Panel 1 - The Historical Dimension - The Mediterranean Chapter of the Helsinki Final Act

Chair: *Dr. Monika Wohlfeld, MEDAC*

- *The context of the drafting of the Mediterranean Chapter, including the role of Malta*  
**Prof. Dominic Fenech**, Head of Department, History, University of Malta, Malta
- *The Mediterranean region since 1975*  
**Amb. Assia Bensalah Alaoui**, Ambassador at Large of his Majesty Mohamed VI, King of Morocco, Rabat, Morocco
- *Is the Mediterranean Chapter still relevant?*  
**Dr. Emiliano Alessandri**, Programme Officer, Office of the Secretary General, OSCE, Vienna, Austria

### 12:00-13:15 Panel 2 – The Mediterranean Region in Transition

Chair: *Dr. Omar Grech, MEDAC*

- *The challenge of good governance and the rule of law*  
**Ms. Natasha Shawarib**, Executive Board Member, Sisterhood is Global Institute, Amman, Jordan
- *The challenge of combating terrorism*  
**Dr. Hamid Boukrif**, Ambassador at Large in charge of multilateral issues and policy planning, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Algiers, Algeria
- *The challenge of addressing irregular migration*  
**Prof. Dr. Ahmet İçduygu**, Dean of the College of Social Sciences and Humanities at Koç University and Director of the Migration Research Center at Koç, Istanbul, Turkey
- *The challenge of building politico-military confidence in the Mediterranean region*  
**Amb. Fred Tanner**, Senior Adviser to the Secretary General, OSCE, Vienna, Austria

**13:15-14:30** Lunch

**14:30-15:45** **Panel 3 - The Current State of the OSCE's Mediterranean Dialogue and Prospects for Future Co-operation**

*Chair: Dr. Derek Lutterbeck, MEDAC*

- *Lessons learnt and the future path of co-operation between the OSCE and its Mediterranean Partners*  
**Dr. Loïc Simonet**, Senior External Co-operation Officer, OSCE, Vienna, Austria
- *Security Dialogue in the Middle East: Lessons from Europe*  
**Dr. Anat Kurz**, Director of Research, Institute for National Security Studies, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel
- *Regional co-operation in the Mediterranean: Is it possible?*  
**Dr. Ian. O. Lesser**, Executive Director, Transatlantic Center and Senior Director, Foreign and Security Policy, The German Marshall Fund of the United States, Brussels, Belgium  
**Dr. Noha Bakr**, Professor, Political Science Department, The American University, Cairo, Egypt

**15:45-16:00** Coffee Break

**16:00-17:00** **Panel 4 – Concluding Panel**

*Chair: Amb. Keith Azzopardi, Ambassador of the Republic of Malta to Austria and the Permanent Representative to the OSCE and the UN Agencies in Vienna*

- *The way forward for co-operation with Mediterranean Partners: A view from the South*  
**Amb. Mohamed Lessir**, Chairman of the Tunisian Association “Cercle Diplomatique”, Tunis, Tunisia
- *The way forward for co-operation with Mediterranean Partners: A view from the OSCE*  
**Amb. Christian Strohal**, Permanent Mission of Austria to the OSCE, Vienna, Austria

**17.00** **Concluding Remarks**

*Chair: Prof. Stephen Calleya, MEDAC*

- **Dr. Massimo Carnelos**, Counsellor, Policy Planning Unit and NewMed Network Coordinator, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Rome, Italy
- **Mr. Nicolò Russo-Perez**, Head of International Affairs, Compagnia di San Paolo, Torino, Italy
- **Dr. Joe Borg**, Chairman, Mediterranean Academy of Diplomatic Studies, University of Malta, Malta