



Round Table 6

“Looking ahead: Addressing systemic issues: enhancing the coherence and consistency of the International monetary, financial and trading systems in support of development”

(10 a.m. - 1 p.m., 2 December 2008, Al Majlis Auditorium)

Provisional Programme

10:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Panel Discussion

Co-Chairs:

- **H.E. Mr. Joon Oh**, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs, Republic of Korea
- **H.E. Mr. Jorge Valero**, Vice-Minister for North America and Multilateral Affairs, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

Moderator: **Mr. Sha Zukang**, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, United Nations

Panelists:

- **Mr. Hany Dimian**, Deputy Chairman, International Monetary and Financial Committee and Deputy Minister of Finance, Egypt
 - **Mr. John Eatwell**, Professor, University of Cambridge
 - **Mr. Adib Mayaleh**, Chair of G-24 and Governor, Central Bank of Syria
 - **Mr. Louis Michel**, European Commissioner for Development and Humanitarian Aid
 - **Mr. Joakim Stymne**, State Secretary, International Development Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sweden
 - **Ms. Heidemarie Wieczorek-Zeul**, Federal Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development, Germany and Special Envoy of the UN Secretary-General for the Doha Review Conference on Financing for Development
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Biographical notes

Mr. Hany Dimian has been Deputy Minister of Finance of Egypt since in March 21, 2007. Mr. Dimian has been working closely with the economic decision making circles in the government of Egypt since the early 1990's. He joined the Ministry of Finance in July 2004 as a Senior Advisor and Director of the Macro Fiscal Unit, in the Minister's office. Mr. Dimian represents the Ministry of Finance on different boards, steering committees, and various key work groups, including the Egyptian Competitions Authority, Egypt-EU Neighborhood Policy negotiating team, Joint Arab/OECD/UNDP Governance for Development Initiative (GFD), Treasury Single Account Steering Committee and others. He also leads the Ministry's team in negotiations with the IMF. He was recently nominated by the Minister of Finance to represent the ministry in the anticipated National Center for Crisis Management.

Mr. John Eatwell is Director of the Cambridge Endowment for Research in Finance, and Professor of Financial Policy in the Judge Business School, University of Cambridge. He became President of Queens' College, Cambridge in 1997 and was previously a Professor in the Graduate Faculty of the New School for Social Research, New York. He has been a Visiting Professor at Columbia University, the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, and the University of Amsterdam. From 1985 to 1992, Professor Eatwell served as economic adviser to Neil Kinnock, the then leader of the Labour Party. In 1992, he entered the House of Lords, and from 1993 to 1997 was Principal Opposition Spokesman on Treasury and Economic Affairs. In 1997 he joined the Board of the Securities and Futures Authority (SFA), Britain's securities markets regulator (up to the end of 2001), serving on the Enforcement Committee and the Capital Committee.

Mr. Adib Mayaleh has served as Governor of the Central Bank of Syria since 2005. He is also Chairman of the Board of Directors, Chairman of the Money and Credit Council and President of the Anti-Money Laundering and Combating Terrorism Financing Committee. He is presently Chairman of the Intergovernmental Group of Twenty-Four on International Monetary Affairs and Development (G-24). Mr. Mayaleh has held the positions of Dean of the National Institute of Public Administration and Professor of Economics at Damascus University.

Mr. Louis Michel is European Commissioner for Development and Humanitarian Aid. He has also held the position of European Commissioner for Research. From 1999 to 2004, he served in various positions in the Government of Belgium at the ministerial level, including Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister for Institutional Reform. Previously he was also a member of the Upper House and the Lower House of Parliament. He has been Guest Professor at the University of Liège and Lecturer in Dutch, English and German Literature.

Mr. Joakim Stymne has held the position of State Secretary of International Development in the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Sweden since 2006. He also served as Adviser to the Prime Minister in 1992-1994. He has worked as Chief Economist and Head of Strategy and Economics at Kaupthing Bank Sweden and the Alfred Berg Fondkommission in Stockholm. In addition, he was Adviser on economic reform with the Jeffrey Sachs and Associates in Poland.

Ms. Heidemarie Wieczorek-Zeul is Federal Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development of Germany. Since the beginning of her tenure in 1998, she has campaigned in particular for debt relief for the poorest heavily indebted countries, an equitable world trade order and an increase in development spending. She was instrumental in the European Union Member States' decision to increase their official development aid to 0.7% by 2015. Since 1998, two major debt relief initiatives for the developing countries, amounting to in excess of 100 billion US dollars, have been launched at international level with German support. Minister Wieczorek-Zeul has made the fight against HIV/AIDS a priority area of German development policy. Together with the members of the Utstein Group, she has supported the initiatives launched by the then World Bank president, James Wolfensohn, to reform the World Bank.