

IBBC Autumn Conference 2023 *Iraq – Building a Sustainable Future*

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Agenda

Chairmen of the day: Prof. Mohammed Al Uzri, Health and Education Advisor, IBBC & Dr Amir Saadati, GEMS Consult

- 08.30** Registration & Coffee
- 09.00** Welcome Address:
Lord Boateng, Chancellor of Greenwich University; **Ambassador Stephen Charles Hitchen**, His Majesty's Ambassador to Iraq; **Minister Tbc**, MOHESR; **Professor Mary Stiasny**, Pro Vice Chancellor, University of London
- 09.40** **Session 1: Vocational Training, IRCS Centre for Vocational Training**
Dr Yaseen Ahmed Abbas, IRCS centre for vocational training; **Dr Tony Degazon**, City and Guilds; **H.E Dr Naji Al Mahdi**, Chief Qualification and Awards KHDA, Dubai; **Dr Ahmed Kanan Al-Jaafari**, Supervision and Scientific Research Apparatus.
- 10.40** Tea & Coffee/ Networking
- 11.10** **Session 2: Academic & Business Collaboration**
Dr Hazim Al-Zubaidi, Director of Governmental Programme, MOHESR, Iraq; **Peter O'Hara**, University of London; **Dr Kenan Barut**, Cambridge University Press & Assessment
- 12.10** Tea & Coffee/ Networking
- 12.30** **Session 3: Iraq Scholarship Programme**
Professor Hamid Ahmed, PM Advisor & Executive Director at the Higher Committee for Education Development in Iraq, PM Office; **Dr Stephen Land PhD FRSB FTSP**, University of Dundee
- 13.30** **Closing remarks: Mr Wayne David MP**, Shadow Minister for Middle East
- 14.00** **Lunch**
- 14:30** **Tech Forum Online: How can Tech help us mitigate and adapt to climate change?**
Speakers: Batoul Hussein, SAP MENA; **Ahmed Gailani**, Climate researcher and member of Leeds University and UK GOV CCC committee; **Owais Afridi**, Head of EY sustainability practice in MENA; **Prof. Dr Sabih G. Khisaf**, ICF; **Mr Hussan Chakouf**, NEOM

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