



IBBC Autumn Conference 2024, Friday 13th December 2024
Growing Opportunities – at the Taj Hotel, Downtown Dubai

Business Day Agenda

Thursday 12th December Pre-Conference Evening Reception, 19:00-21:00
Treehouse. Taj Hotel, Downtown Dubai

Chairman of the day: Mr Vikas Handa, GCC Representative, IBBC

- 08:30** Registration & Coffee
- 10:00** Welcome Addresses
Baroness Nicholson of Winterbourne, President of IBBC
H.E. Dr Thani Bin Ahmed Al Zeyoudi, Minister of State for Foreign Trade, UAE tbc
Ambassador Stephen Charles Hitchen, His Majesty's Ambassador to Iraq
Mr Sardar Al Bebany, CEO & Chairman, Sardar Group & President Toyota Iraq
Ms Azheen Falah Mustafa, SABIS Schools Iraq Region Alumni
- 10:40** **Session 1: Iraq and the Region**
Chairman: Mr Jon Wilks CMG, IBBC
Panellists: Ms Mina Al Oreibi, The National, Dr Norman Ricklefs, Namea Group;
Ambassador Stephen Charles Hitchen, His Majesty's Ambassador to Iraq;
- 11:20** Tea & Coffee/ Networking
- 12:00** **Allegro Room: KRG Roundtable Discussion chaired by Jon Wilks**
- 12:00** **Crescendo Room: Women's Group with SABIS Graduate Female High Achievers**
- 12:00** **Session 2: Infrastructure & Maritime**
Chairman: Mr Colin Findlay, IBBC
Panellist: Mr Tugrul Titanoglu, CJ-ICM; Mr Ahmed Shaban, Al Zaman Group;
Dr Abduladheem Kareem Khalil, Iraq Supreme Maritime Authority; Management
Partners (Tbc)
- 12.40** **Keynote by Professor Frank Gunter on Ease of Doing Business in Iraq**
- 12.50** **Session 3: Finance**
Chairman: Mr Raed Hanna, Mutual Finance Ltd
Panellist:, Mr Mohammed Al-Delaimy, IBBC Advisory Council Mr Bilal Al-
Sugheyer, IFC, Mr Jamil Choucair, Standard Chartered Bank, Professor Frank
Gunter, Lehigh University; Mr Ahmed Al-Haidary, Management Partners
- 13:35** Lunch
- 14:50** **Crescendo Room: Ease of doing Business in Iraq Roundtable Discussion with**



Professor Frank Gunter, *Senior Economist, Lehigh University*
Panellist: Mr Steve Alexander, *Sardar Trading Agencies*, **Dr William Page**,
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14:50

Session 4: Energy

Chairman: Mr Vikas Handa, *GCC Representative, IBBC*

Panellists: Mr Marfa Al-Asady, *Basrah Gas Company*; **Mr Ellis Renforth**, *Wood Plc*;
Mr Fakher Bader *Shell*; **Mr Zaid Elyaseri**, *BP Tbc*; **Ms Sara Akbar**, *OilServ*; **Mr Rasheed Al Janabi** *GE Tbc*; *SAP*;

16.05

Closing Remarks, **Mr Christophe Michels**, *IBBC*

End of Conference

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