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Registration

We kindly ask to register until
December 10, 2010. You will
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Venue

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Göppingen) (Stuttgart-
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Civil Society CSCME Process

First Preparatory Symposium
for the Project "Conference for
Security and Cooperation in the
Middle East"

January, 13 - 17, 2011
Protestant Academy Bad Boll



In cooperation with:
IPPNW, German Section
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CSCME Working Group



Civil Society CSCME Process

The basic principle that civil society can and must make an important contribution to conflict solving, as long as the states do not see their way clear to do so, is as relevant in the region of the Middle East as elsewhere.

The planned civil society Conference for Security and Cooperation in the Middle East is thought of as an on-going civil society body, consisting of experts and of NGOs from the region. They will form transnational networks according to the areas of work (for example for education, energy supply, transport network, common security) and develop autonomous regional cooperation from the bottom up. The conference is supposed to stimulate a later conference between the states.

Initially the participants of the civil society conference shall be representatives of civil society groups from the core states of the region: Egypt, Israel, the future Palestinian state, Lebanon, Jordan, Syria, Turkey, Iran, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, and Kuwait. In the further process further states might be included.

Conference moderators will be:

Clemens Ronnefeldt, Freising
Andreas Zumach, Geneva

The conference language is English.

We cordially invite you to Bad Boll.

Dr. Manfred Budzinski Christoph Kraemer
Prof. Dr. Mohssen Massarrat

Thursday, January 13, 2011

- 18:30 Dinner**
- 20:00 Welcome and introduction of the participants from the region and from Europe**
Manfred Budzinski, Bad Boll
Christoph Kraemer, IPPNW e.V., Berlin
Mohssen Massarrat, Osnabrück
- 21:00 Reasons for the initiative/project**
Mohssen Massarrat
Christoph Kraemer
opportunity for questions
- 22:30 informal get-together at Café Heuss**

Friday, January 14, 2011

- 08:20 Breakfast**
- 09:00 CSCE: Basic historical conditions and European experience**
Dr. Wilhelm Höynck, former Secretary General of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), Wachtberg
Dr. Arne Seifert, former ambassador of the GDR to Kuwait, later member of the OSCE mission to Tajikistan, Hamburg.
time for questions and discussion
- 10:30 coffee and tea break**
- 11:00 Common Security: A sensible approach not only for Europe** – similarities and differences between CSCE and CSCME (input by the Preparatory Group)
- 11:30 Response and assessment by the participants from the region** – followed by common discussion
- 12:30 lunch**
- 14:30 Civil society involvement in the CSCE process** – the experience of the Helsinki Citizens' Assembly
Ingrid Lottenburger, Chair of the German Section, Berlin
- 15:00 If the states don't start it, the civil society can kick-off a Conference for Security and Cooperation process** (input by the Preparatory Group)
- 15:30 Response to both inputs and assessment by the participants from the region**
- 16:00 coffee, tea and cake**
- 16:30 Continuation: response and assessment by the participants from the region** – followed by common discussion
- 18:30 dinner**
- 20:00 Examples of cross-border civil society projects in the Middle East:**
Connecting the students of the Middle East (Nuri Yesilyurt, politologist, Ankara University)
Networking with the help of the internet (Amir Hadji Anzehaee, Tehran)
- 21:00 informal talks and get-together at Café Heuss**

Saturday, January 15, 2011

- 08:20 Breakfast**
- 09:00 Input from the region: Concrete proposals and initiatives of cross-border civil society projects**

How can regional cooperation in Middle East be started and facilitated? (1-2 contributions from each country)

- 10:30 Coffee and Tea Break**
- 11:00 Continuation: Input from the region**
followed by discussion
- 12:30 Lunch**
- 14:30 Summary of the morning and division into small transnational project groups** – according to the proposed areas of work (basket 1) and the cooperation principles to be defined (basket 2)
- 16:30 Coffee, Tea and Cake**
- 17:00 Presentation of the results of the project groups**
then common discussion and summary of the day
- 18:30 dinner**
- 20:00 informal talks and get-together at Café Heuss**

Sunday, January 16, 2011

- 08:30 Breakfast**
- 09:00 Aim of a permanent conference of civil society**
Discussion of the tasks for the period prior to the start of the permanent Civil Society CSCME:
Where is the opening conference supposed to take place?
Broadening of the Preparatory Group, the funding issue, definition and organization of the next steps (2nd preparatory symposium, ?regional meetings?, working groups etc.) – starting from the presented proposals from the region
- 10:30 coffee and tea break**
- 11:00 Continuation of discussion**
- 13:00 lunch**
- 14:30 Continuation with the issues of the morning**
- 16:00 coffee, tea and cake**
- 16:30 Discussion and endorsement of decisions**
- 19:00 dinner and farewells**
Official end of the symposium

Monday, January 17, 2011

Departure after breakfast