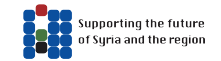


Roadmap for a Safe Environment in Syria: Resetting the Political Process towards a Sustainable Solution of Syrian Crisis



9:30 – 10:00 Registration open

10.00 – 10:15 Welcome and introduction

10.15 – 11:30 Panel 1:
"SACD's Roadmap:
Envisioning a Safe Environment in Syria"

Focusing on the SACD's efforts to define and implement a safe environment, this session will discuss the envisioned roadmap for the establishment of a safe environment in Syria in accordance with the persistent needs and aspirations of a large majority of Syrian, primarily the displaced. It will highlight the urgent need to overcome the corrosive status quo of insecurity and the continued repressions, which is causing ongoing suffering of displaced Syrians in the north of the country, feeding the discontent of Syrians in areas such as Suwieda and Daraa, and preventing any conversation about the return of the displaced. The conversation will center on SACD's Roadmap to a Safe Environment in Syria and its phased approach to return, including pre-return, during return, and post-return phases.

What are the perils of partial approaches to the issue of safe environment?
How does the SACD Roadmap offer the way forward?

Moderator: Refik Hodzic – Senior Advisor, EIP

Dr. Talal Sunbulli – Co-Founder, SACD

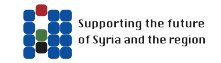
Dr. Hala al Ghawi – Board Member, SACD

Dr. Mazen Kseibi – Board Member, SACD

Dr. Samir Altaqi – General Director, Orient Research Center



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11:45 – 13:00 Panel 2:

"Shaping Policy Priorities:

The Role of the International Actors in Syria's Future"

This panel will explore strategies to influence the political process and key international actors such as Turkey, U.S. and EU and their policies towards Syria. It aims to discuss how international policy can be realigned to prioritize the safe return of Syrians, addressing the challenges of political paralysis. The panel will address the paralysis of the political process, the "step for step" initiative and the failed efforts at normalisation of the Syrian regime, as well as the implications of recent Congressional resolutions on Syria. The panel will also address the possible avenues to reset the political process led by the UN Special Envoy to center the issue of safe environment at its core and ensure the inclusion of displaced Syrians in the process.

Moderator: Refik Hodzic – Senior Advisor, EIP

Ivan Nielsen – Former Danish Special Representative for the Syria Crisis

Mohammed Alaa Ghanem – Policy Chief, Syrian American Council

Ömer Özkizilcik - Non-residential fellow, Atlantic Council

