

Osloforum09 Agenda

Tuesday June 16

13.00 – 13.30 Welcome and introduction by the co-hosts, Martin Griffiths and Jonas Gahr Støre, followed by an opening statement by Liberian Foreign Minister, Olubanke King Akerele

13.30 – 15.00 Reasserting diplomacy: Opening panel with Jonas Gahr Støre, Olubanke King Akerele, Olusegun Obasanjo, Martin Indyk and Surin Pitsuwan, moderated by Kieran Prendergast

15.30 – 17.30 Two focus discussions for participants to choose from

The tribal areas and the challenges facing Afghanistan and Pakistan		Mediation and state-building in collapsed states: Focus on Somalia
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19.30 Reception and formal opening dinner

Wednesday June 17

9.00 – 10.30 A choice between a focus discussion and a situation report

Coordination and cooperation in mediation		Sri Lanka
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11.00 – 13.00 Two focus discussions for participants to choose from

The utility of force		Preparing conflict parties for negotiations
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13.00 – 15.00 Informal buffet lunch

15.00 – 17.00 Two focus discussions for participants to choose from

Chances of a rapprochement between Iran and the West		Mediation and the military
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18.00 – 19.00 Mediators' Studio: Lyse Doucet interviews top mediators, reflecting on their biggest personal challenges and insights.

19.30 Informal dinner

Thursday June 18

8.00 – 9.00 A choice of situation reports, incl.

Nepal		The Philippines
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9.30 - 11.00 Two focus discussions for participants to choose from

The role and impact of regional mediators		Testing times for global nuclear disarmament: North Korea
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Lessons from (not) dealing with Hamas and Hezbollah		Indicting for peace, negotiating for justice
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13.00 – 15.00 Informal buffet lunch

15.00 – 16.30 Closing plenary on the key challenges and opportunities for mediation expected for 2009/ 2010.

19.00 Boat excursion with dinner