

# Oslo forum 2009 Agenda

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## 16

**Tuesday**  
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**13.00–13.30**

**Welcome and introduction**

Co-hosts, Martin Griffiths and Jonas Gahr Støre, followed by an opening statement by Liberian Foreign Minister, Olubanke King Akerele

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**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

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**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 a collapsed state: Focus on Somalia

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**19.30**

**Reception and formal opening dinner**

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**9.00–10.30**

A choice between a focus discussion and a situation report

Coordination and cooperation in mediation processes

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**

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**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.

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**19.30**

**Informal dinner**

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**8.00–9.00**

A choice of situation reports

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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**11.30 – 13.00**

Two focus discussions for participants to choose from

Lessons from (not) dealing with Hamas and Hezbollah

Indicting for peace, negotiating for justice

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**13.30–15.00**

**Informal buffet lunch**

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**15.00 – 16.30**

**Closing plenary**

Challenges and opportunities for mediation

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**19.00**

**Boat excursion with dinner**

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