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**Institute of Diplomacy and Global Affairs,
Athens, 17b Ipitou Str.**

Programme

Friday, 26 September 2014

14:00 – 14:30 *Registration*

14:30 – 15:00 *Welcoming Remarks*

15:00 – 16:15 **Panel I: Whither the EU-Africa Relationship?**

Chair: Athanassios Katsis, University of the Peloponnese

Ian Taylor, University of St. Andrews

“Bait and Switch: The European Union’s Incoherency Towards Africa”

Walter Kennes, European Commission

“The EU’s support to regional integration among developing countries: comparing experience in Africa and Asia”

Asteris Huliaras, University of the Peloponnese **& Konstantinos**

Magliveras, University of the Aegean

“Reflections from the EU-Africa 2014 Summit: Moving the Relationship Any Closer?”

16:15 – 16:45 *Coffee Break*

16:45 – 18:00 **Panel II: Making sense of security and governance: EU and other international organizations in Africa**

Chair: Ian Taylor, University of St Andrews

David Styan, University of London

“All at Sea? Maritime dimensions of Europe’s relations with Africa: patrolling borders & pursuing pirates?”

Emmanouil Assimakopoulos & Ioannis Galariotis, Athens
University of Economics and Business
“Strengthening or weakening the relations between the European Union and the African Union in the system of the United Nations? The Case of the UNGA Resolution 65/276”

Vivi Kefala, University of the Aegean
“The European Union and Islamic Terrorism in Sub-Saharan Africa”

18:00 – 19:15 **Panel III: Rethinking the trade relationship: Opportunities and Constraints**
Chair: Costas M. Constantinou, University of Cyprus

Alice N. Sindzingre, National Centre for Scientific Research (France) and University of London
“From an eroding model to questioned trade relationships: the European Union and Sub-Saharan Africa”

Renu Modi, University of Mumbai
“Rethinking Development in the Global South: EU-Africa Economic Partnership Agreements (EPAs) and Food Security”

Sotiris Petropoulos, University of the Peloponnese
“The BRICs-Africa trade relations: An overestimated challenge for its relationship with the EU”

19:15 – 20:00 **Keynote Speech, Daniel Bach**, Sciences Po Bordeaux
“Emerging Africa vs declining Europe? Changing frontiers, shifting goal posts”

20:00 Reception

Saturday, 27 September 2014

10:00 – 11:15 **Panel IV: The Emerging Security Regime in Africa: The EU as a Regional Peacekeeper ?**
Chair: Dimitris Bourantonis, Athens University of Economics & Business

Gorm Rye Olsen, Roskilde University
“Provision of security in Africa: The only tool left for the European Union in the scramble for the ‘new’ Africa?”

Willy Kokolo, College of Europe
“The African Peace and Security Architecture (ASPA) and the role of the EU”

11:15 – 12:30 **Panel V: Inconvenient realities, promising opportunities: African migration to Europe**
Chair: Daniel Bach, Sciences Po Bordeaux

Nicolas A. Metaxides, Hellenic African Studies Network
“U.E. – Afrique: migrations et développement. Politiques pour la gestion d’une diaspora africaine”



Mariangela Veikou, University of the Peloponnese
“Asylum Seeking from Africa in an EU member state: Asylum Policy and Refugee Status Determination in Greece”

Vassiliki Lalagianni, University of the Peloponnese
“Afrique sur Seine: Cultures ethniques et identités déterritorialisées chez les écrivaines de la migration africaine en France”

12:30 – 13:45 *Light Lunch*

13:45 – 15:00 **Panel VI: Framing Security and Development in EU’s Africa Policy**

Chair: Asteris Huliaras, University of the Peloponnese

Costas M. Constantinou & Sam Okoth Opondo, University of Cyprus
“Engaging the ‘Ungoverned’: The Merging of Diplomacy, Defence and Development?”

Maria Papaioannou, Appeals Committee, Asylum Service, Greece
“EU – Africa partnership in the fight against illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing”

15:00 – 15:30 *Coffee Break*

15:30 – 16:45 **Panel VII: Rhetoric and Reality: The EU and African nations**
Chair: Lila Leontidou, Hellenic Open University

Christos Kourtelis, King's College London
“The ENP in North Africa: Assessing the impact of agricultural and industrial reforms in Egypt and Tunisia”

Donald P. Chimankire, University of Zimbabwe
“EU-Africa Relationship Revisited: Implications for Zimbabwe”

Honita Cowaloosur, University of St Andrews
“End of preferential treatment with the EU: Mauritian Sugar goes the Dodo way”

Charalambos Tsardanidis, Institute of International Economic Relations, Greece
“Assymetrical superficial interregionalism: The European Neighbouring Policy (ENP) as an external factor of europeanisation and democratisation. The case of Morocco”

16:45 – 18:15 **Roundtable “The Future of EU-Africa Relations”**

Ambassador Mette Knudsen, Danish Foreign Ministry

Ambassador Ayodeji Lawrence Ayodele, Nigerian Foreign Ministry

Professor Daniel Bach, University of Bordeaux

Professor Gorm Rye Olsen, Roskilde University

Professor Ian Taylor, University of St. Andrews

Dr Sotiris Mousouris, President, Hellenic-African Chamber of Commerce & Development, former Assistant Secretary-General of the UN.

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