Non-violent protests and the future for Moderate Islamic Reformers post-Arab Spring

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The Arab Spring Nonviolent Protests and the Future for Islamist Reformers in South Asia

9:00 Registration

9:30 Opening Remarks

Niccolo Rinaldi MEP
Vice-Chair, Group of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats in Europe

Metin Kazak MEP
Vice-Chair, Subcommittee on Human Rights

Marino Busdachin
President, Mahatma Gandhi International

Niccolo' Figa-Talamanca
General Secretary, No Peace Without Justice

10:30 Panel I The Nonviolent Mass Movements in the Arab World
Moderator: Niccolo' Figa-Talamanca (No Peace Without Justice)

- Looking from Bahrain to Malaysia: Transnational Models for Constitutional Reform
  Khalil Almarzooq
  First Deputy Speaker (Resigned), Council of Representative of Bahrain

- What a Billion Muslims Think in the Wake of the Arab Spring
  Robert Manchin
  GALLUP Europe

- Nonviolent interventions: Lessons after the Arab Spring
  Diego Checa Hidalgo
  Marie Curie Research Fellow, Centre for Study of Peace & Reconciliation Studies

- Applying the South East Asian Experience to the Evolving Situation in the Arab World
  David Fouquet
  European Institute for Asian Studies

Inter-panel discussion

Q & A
14:30 Panel II Democracy and Reformist Islamist Politics in South Asia
Moderator: Marino Busdachin (Mahatma Gandhi International)

- Iraq’s Transition and The New Challenges
  Bakhtiar Amin
  Former Minister of Human Rights (Iraq)

- The Interplay of Culture, Identity and Political Structures in Shaping the
  Indonesian Democratization Process
  Dr Carool Kersten
  Senior Lecturer in the Study of Islam & the Muslim World

- Between Tradition & Modernity: Islamist Reformers of Contemporary South Asia
  Dr Tazeen Mahnaz Murshid
  Development Research and Cooperation

- Participation in Contemporary Islamic Political Discourse
  Ebtisam Hussein
  Berlin Graduate School Muslim Cultures and Societies

Inter-panel discussion

Q & A

---- Coffee Break ----

16:45 Panel III Politics and Islam: State-building, Good Governance and Civil Society
Moderator: Andrew Swan (UNPO)

- L’Impact du printemps arabe au Cambodge et en Asie du Sud-Est
  Ong Thong Hoeung
  Cambodian writer, former prisoner of the Khmer Rouge
- Building International Dialogues With and Between Reformist Islamist Movements
  Anas Altikriti
  The Cordoba Foundation

- Developing Common Actions to Promote Intercultural Dialogue from the National to the Grassroots Level
  Gianluca Solera
  Anna Lindh Foundation

Inter-panel discussion

Q & A

Closing Remarks

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