

CLIMATE CHANGE & SECURITY CONFERENCE IRAQ

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#ClimateChange_Adapt_to_Thrive_IRAQ

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Iraq – Baghdad, Iraqi Parliament Main Building

Legislative, executives, Diplomatic Missions, INGOs and NGOs.

May 21st 2023 (Attending in-person, and Limited to Invitation only).

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OVERVIEW

After Berlin climate change and security conference on Oct. 11-12, 2022 in Germany. The Iraqi Parliament in cooperation with Sanad Organization for economic development will organize Climate change and security conference. The conference will connect the important stakeholders working to address the impacts of climate change on Iraq and the region. The sole source of national revenue that relies on Oil production worsens the environmental scene and generates more greenhouse gas emissions. Besides the rapid population growth, the climate change impact, and water scarcity, the water shortage is expected to increase dramatically. As a result, the agriculture sector will dwindle, where food insecurity, socio-economic, and national security challenges will soon emerge. Collectively, Iraq at the state level is required to respond to the following trade-off: how to mitigate the ripple effect of collateral environmental dwindling, at the same time sustain the socio-economic system.

OBJECTIVES

- Addressing the ripple effect of climate change on resources, economy, & stability.
- Decision makers should prioritize climate change mitigation / adaptation plans.
- Bridge thegaps of climate change initiatives- local and international contexts.
- Connecting the stakeholders to consolidate the vision & mission in the local context.
- Launching 5Climate Change initiatives in different levels: legislation, execution, civic society, responsible media, and joint research. And follow up with the concerns partners during 2023 to achieve a draft strategy to confront the climate change impact.

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IRAQI PARLIAMENT

The Iraqi Parliament in the Federal Iraq is the highest legislative and oversight authority that is freely and directly elected by the voters every four years. The Iraqi Parliament, in its fth electoral cycle, consists of 329 deputies distributed among 25 permanent committees and other temporary committees. The candidate works to meet the interests of citizens by communicating with their constituents directly to nd out their problems and su ering, and to coordinate with the concerned authorities to nd e ective solutions to them.

SANAD ORGANIZATION FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Sanad is a nonprofit organization operating in Iraq, dealing with finding sustainable solutions to the root causes that constrain economic development for the long run by targeting five domains: Education, sustainable natural resources and environment, financing, capacity building, and fostering technology. Sanad includes multi-disciplinary experts who work as a Think-Tank to tackle local challenges and provide practical solutions based on international standards.

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(Agenda)

Event: Climate Change and Security Conference – Iraq.

Dates: May 21st 2023.

Location: Baghdad, Iraq – Iraqi Federal Parliament main building.

Hosted: Iraqi Federal Parliament – The First Deputy Mr. Mohsen Al-Mandalaw.

Organizers: SANAD Organization for Economic Development.

SUNAdy May 21, 2023	
09:00 - 09:55	Registration and networking.
10:00 - 10:05	Opening ceremony- by Ceremony Moderator.
10:10 - 10:20	Keynote speech 1 (Federal Iraqi Parliament).
10:25 – 10:35	Keynote speech 2 (Iraqi Government).
10:40 - 10:50	Keynote speech 3 (Organizer).
11:00 – 12:30	Panel 1 – Climate Change: Water and National Security.
12:30 - 13:00	Coffee break.
13:00 – 14:30	Panel 2 – Climate Change: Agriculture, Economy and Food Security.
14:30 - 15:00	Wrap up – closing.
15:00	Open buffet lunch break.

Sunday May 21, 2023









11:00 – 12:30 Panel 1 – Climate Change: Water and National Security

Organizer and Moderator:



Dr. Sameh Wisam Al-Muqdadi

Expert Water Management, Water Politics and Climate Change CEO, Sanad Organization for Economic Development - Iraq

Round 1: Concepts and strategies

Speakers:



Abbas Alzamili Chairman Parliament Committee - Security and Defense – Iraq.

Topic: Security and defense strategy under the climate change impact.



Qasim Al-Araji Iraqi National Security Adviser / Former Interior Minister – Iraq.

Topic: Water and National Security – Transitional challenges.



Jill Hass Senior Technical Advisor WASH – Relief International - Canada

Topic: Water security - the local conflict / regional tension.



Dr. Ali Rasheed Koshnaw President of Erbil Governorate Council, KRG - Iraq

Topic: Global warming and human security factsheet.

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Round II: Case studies - Experiences from the real world.

Speakers:



Prof. Dr. Broder Merkel Water expert – Technical University of Freiberg - Germany

Topic: Geoscience Resource for Iraq (GRI) – German project.



Dr. Sadiq Baqir Jawad Advisor of Water Resources - Prime Minister Office, Iraq

Topic: Water Transboundary and Groundwater security.



Sepal Jamil Sadeeq Water and Environment Advisor – UNICEF - Iraq

Topic: Water infrastructure and security.

End of the first Panel

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13:00 – 13:30 Panel 2 – Climate Change: Agriculture, Economy and Food Security

Moderator:



Prof. Dr. Yass Al-Khafaji Emeritus Professor - Economy

School of Business Administration - American University of Sharjah

Round 1: Concepts and strategies

Speakers



Falih Al Kazali Chairman Parliament Committee - Agriculture, Water and Marshes – Iraq.

Topic: Governance and monitoring the Agriculture and Food security.



Ann Koontz Senior advisor – Relief International – USA.

Topic: Green Enterprises, moving from niche to mainstream.



Thulfiqar Hoshi Khalaf President Engineering Union – Iraq.

Topic: Engineers as an active force under climate challenges.



Amanj Harki Committee of Electricity and Energy, Member of Parliament – Iraq.

Topic: Policies to foster technology.

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Speakers:



Prof.Dr.Jamie Lead Environmental Health Sciences, University of South Carolina – USA.

Topic: Sustainable Oil production.



Dr. Mohammed Hassan Jabir Head of Sustainable Development, Alataba Alabbassiya – Iraq.

Topic: Sustainable Agriculture-Food national projects.



Basima Abdulrahman CEO of KESK for Green Solution – Iraq.

Topic: Solar and Green Energy.

End of the Second Panel



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