2009 Energy Security Conference

The New Energy Silk Road: The Growing Asia-Middle East Energy Nexus

Washington, D.C.

Monday, May 18

8:30-8:40 am  Welcome
Roy Kamphausen, Vice President,
The National Bureau of Asian Research

8:45-9:15 Keynote Address
Jonathan Shrier, Acting Assistant Secretary of Energy
Office of Policy and International Affairs, U.S. Department of Energy

9:30-10:15 “The Middle East and Asia: Oil Trade and Investment”
Fareed Mohamedi
PFC Energy

10:15-10:25 Coffee Break

10:30-12:30 Asian Perspectives on the Growing Asia-Middle East Energy Nexus

Presentation: “Asia-Middle East Energy Trade and Investment Trends”
Mikkal Herberg
The National Bureau of Asian Research

Paper: “China’s Energy Role in the Middle East and Prospects for the Future”
Philip Andrews-Speed,
University of Dundee
   Prospects for China’s current and future energy and diplomatic role in the Middle East

Discussants:
Robert Sutter
Georgetown University

Bo Kong
Global Energy and Environment Program, SAIS, Johns Hopkins University

12:40-1:40pm Lunch

1:45-2:45 pm Asian Perspectives on the Growing Middle East Energy Nexus (continued)

Paper: “India’s Future Energy and Geopolitical Role in the Region”
Sumit Ganguly,
Indiana University
Prospects for India’s current and future energy and diplomatic role in the Middle East

Discussants:
James Clad
National Defense University

Manpreet Singh Anand
Chevron Corporation

3:00-5:00 pm  **Middle East Perspectives on the Growing Asia-Middle East Energy Nexus**

Paper: “Saudi Arabia’s Relations with China and Asia and Prospects for the Future”
Jean-Francois Seznec
Center for Contemporary Arab Studies, Georgetown University
How do the Saudis view their future energy and strategic relations with China and Asia, especially in the context of the strategic alliance with the United States?

Paper: “Iran’s Views on Future Relations with China and Asia and Prospects for the Future”
Hormoz Naficy
Petroventures Advisory Ltd. London
How does Iran view its future energy and strategic relations with China and Asia, especially in the context of its strategic conflicts with the United States?

Discussants:
Jon Alterman
CSIS

Flynt Leverett
New America Foundation

**Tuesday, May 19**

9:00-9:30  **Keynote: Rep. Jay Inslee (D-WA), U.S. House of Representatives**

9:30-10:30  **Other Competitors in Energy and Diplomacy in the Gulf and Middle East**

Presentation: “Japan and South Korea’s Energy Diplomacy in the Middle East and Gulf and Prospects for the Future”
Kent Calder
SAIS
Presentation: “Russian Energy and Strategic Interests in the Middle East and Gulf and Prospects for the Future”
Paul Saunders
Nixon Center

10:30-12pm  Roundtable Discussion: Strategic Implications for the US of the Growing Asia-Middle East Energy Nexus

Roundtable Participants:
Mikkal Herberg, NBR
Dan Blumenthal, AEI
Edward Chow, CSIS
Alan Hegburg, U.S. Department of Energy