



MOROCCO - U.S. RELATIONS



RABAT, OCTOBER 29th, 2019



PROGRAM

- 09H00 - 09H15:
Registration of participants.

Opening

- 09H15 - 09H30:
Introductory remarks by **Mr. Tawfik MOULINE**, General Director of IRES
- 09H30 - 9H45:
Address by **Mr. David GREENE**, Charge d'Affaires at the U.S. Mission to Morocco

Theme 1: Does the Maghreb still matters for the U.S. foreign policy?

- 10H00 - 10H45:

Moderator: **Dr. Zakaria ABOUDDAHAB**, IRES Research Fellow

- **Dr. Yonah ALEXANDER**, Director of International Center for Terrorism Studies at the Potomac Institute for Policy Studies
 - **Dr. Michael RUBIN**, Resident scholar at the American Enterprise Institute
 - **Dr. Jack Vahram KALPAKIAN**, Associate Professor of International Studies at Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane
- 10H45 - 11H15: Questions and answers.

COFFEE BREAK: 11:15-11:30

Theme 2: Prospects of political relations between Morocco and the United States

- 11H30 - 12H15:

- Moderator: **Ambassador Mohammed BELMAHI**, IRES Research Fellow
- **Ambassador Gerald M. FEIERSTEIN**, Vice President of the Middle East Institute
- **Ms. Bouchra BOUDCHICHE**, Director of American Affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, African Cooperation, and Moroccan Expatriates
- **Dr. Robert SATLOFF**, Executive Director of the Washington Institute (Video teleconferencing at 14h20)

- 12H15 - 12H45: Questions and answers.

Lunch Break

- 12H45 - 14H15: Lunch

Theme 3: Prospects of economic relations between Morocco and United States

- 14H40 - 15H20:

Moderator: Dr. Mouna CHERKAOUI, professor at Mohammed V University in Rabat

- **Ms. Nathalie SCHARF**, Commercial Counselor, U.S Consulate Casablanca
 - **Ms. Rabia EL ALAMA**, Director of The American Chamber of Commerce in Morocco (AMCHAM)
 - **Dr. Mohamed CHATER**, IRES Research Fellow
- 15H20 - 15H50: Questions and answers.

Theme 4: Prospects of relations between Morocco and the United States in advancing political reforms, humans rights and culture of peace

- 15H50 - 16H30:

Moderator: Dr. El Arbi MRABET, IRES Research Fellow

- **Dr. Jeremy GUNN**, Professor at Rabat International University
 - **Mr. Khalid RAMLI**, Director of cooperation at the Morocco's National Council of Human Rights (CNDH)
 - **Mr. John DAVISON**, Director of Tangier American Legation
- 16H30 - 17H00: Questions and answers.

Concluding Remarks

- 17H00: By **Mr. Tawfik MOULINE**, General Director of IRES

Rapporteur: Mr. El Mehdi BOUDRA, IRES Resident fellow