

China-Arab Banking & Business Forum

“Building on the Belt and Road Initiative”

13 November, 2018

Phoenicia InterContinental Hotel

Beirut - Lebanon



AGENDA AND TIMETABLE

8:30-9:30 Registration and networking over coffee/tea

9:30-10:00 Welcoming Addresses:

-**Mr. Adnan Kassar**, Honorary Chairman- Union of Arab Chambers,
Chairman - Fransabank Group

-**Mr. YANG Zaiping**, Secretary General, Asian Financial Cooperation Association (AFCA)

-**Sh. Mohamad Jarrah Al Sabbah**, Chairman, Union of Arab Banks

Keynote Address of the Governor of the Central Bank of Lebanon Dr. Riad Salameh

Signature of MOUs:

* AFCA and Fransabank Group collaborate to strengthen China Arab research, events, exchanges and partnerships.

* Lebanese Ministry of Industry and Fransabank Group cooperate to promote to China the Lebanese Industrial Parks and Renewable Energy projects.

10:00-11:00 Panel I: **Infrastructure Efforts in the Arab World:
Paving the Way for the Silk Road**

➤ *Role of Lebanon as a hub for China and its prospective projects*

Speakers:

- **Mr. Wang Kejian**, Ambassador of the People's Republic of China in Lebanon

- **Mr. Ziad Hayek**, Secretary General, High Council for Privatization &PPP

➤ *Reconstruction of Syria and Iraq: prospects and key players*

Speakers:

- **Mr. Lin Johnson**, President and SEO, Bank of China Qatar

- **Mrs. Janet Heckman**, Managing Director for the Southern and Eastern Mediterranean (SEMED) region at the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

- **Mr. Jack WANG**, Secretary General of Chinese Chamber of Commerce in Iraq

11:00 - 12:30 **Panel II: Joint Ventures in Manufacturing: Overseas Industrial Zone Opportunities for China in the Arab World**

Keynote Addresses on: *Conditions for Chinese Arab Banking syndication and co-financing of Chinese investment and projects in the Arab world.*

Speakers:

- **Mr. Hisham Okasha**, Chairman of National Bank of Egypt
- **Sheikh Tahnoon Bin Zayed AL NAHYAN**, Chairman of First Abu Dhabi Bank
- **Mr. Ibrahim BENJALLOUN**, Director General of BMCE Morocco (Partner of the China-Moroccan Industrial Park)

➤ ***China Overseas Industrial Zones: Strategy and Implementation***

Speakers:

- **Mr. Li Jianhong**, Chairman of China Merchants Group (Founder of Great Stone China Belarus Industrial Park, the largest Chinese Overseas Industrial Park.
- **Mr. Zhang Bingjun**, Chairman of TEDA, China's prominent Industrial Zones developer

➤ ***Lebanon's Industrial Zones Projects and Tripoli Special Economic Zone Opportunities***

Speakers:

- **Mrs. Raya El Hassan**, President of the Tripoli Special Economic Zone
- **Mr. Dany Gedeon**, Director General Lebanese Ministry of Industry

12:30 -13:30 **Lunch**

13:30-14:45 **Panel III: Connecting Partners: Financing the Belt and Road Initiative**

Keynote Address:

Mr. Samir Hammoud, President of the Banking Control Commission of Lebanon

➤ ***China Development Bank's strategic launch of the China Arab countries Interbank Association***

Speakers:

- **Mr. Liu Dayuan**, Deputy General Manager, China Development Bank /Ningxia Branch
- **Mr. Nadim Kassar**, General Manager of Fransabank Group

➤ ***Risk Assessment and Mitigation: Increasing Cooperation in Compliance and AML Areas***

Speakers:

- **SINOSURE** director
- **UAB to confirm: Arab bank Jordan**

➤ ***Establishment of Chinese-Arab Funds and Financial Cooperation Schemes to support BRI***

Speakers:

- **Mr. Lu Jianzhong**, Chairman of the Silk Road Chamber of International Commerce
- **Mr. Munib Al Masri**, Chairman, Alquds Fund and Endowment, Palestine

14:45-16:00

Panel IV:

**Balancing the Arab Trade Deficit:
Opportunities for Increasing Engagement with China**

- *Encourage Chinese firms to employ Arab talent and spur China Arab educational and corporate exchange opportunities and partnerships with the new generations*

Speaker:

- **Mr. Ahmed El Wakil**, President of the Union of African Chambers, President of the Association of Mediterranean Chambers, Chairman of the Egyptian Chambers of Commerce and Senior Vice President of Islamic Chambers

- *E-Commerce in the Global Marketplace: Chinese and Arab e-cooperation*

Speakers:

- **Mrs. Winnie Kong**, Head of Operation, BINGSTAR Ecommerce Company
- **UAB to nominate speaker from Arab Bank leading Fintech and ecommerce projects**

- *Promote Arab Tourism destinations within the largest global tourism market*

Speakers:

- **Mr. Peter Wong**, Executive Chairman, China Chamber of Tourism
- **Mr. Wadih Kanaan**, Secretary General – Syndicate of Hotels in Lebanon, Member of Executive Board – Arab Tourism Organization.

19:00

Cocktail Dinner hosted by Fransabank Group at the Eau de Vie of Phoenicia Hotel