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**U.S.-Relations with the
Muslim World:
*One Year After
Cairo***

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TENTATIVE PROGRAM

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Registration

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Welcoming Remarks

- **Dr. Peter Mandaville**, *Chair, Program Committee*
- **Dr. Radwan Masmoudi**, *CSID President*

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Panel 1

Amphitheater

Roundtable: Perspectives on Muslim Engagement featuring Farah Pandith

Chair: Peter Mandaville
George Mason University

- **Farah Pandith** – Special Representative to Muslim Communities, U.S. Department of State
- **Respondents:**
 - **Marc Lynch** – George Washington University
 - **Emile Nakhleh** – Independent scholar
 - **Daniel Brumberg** – United States Institute of Peace

10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Coffee Break

11:00 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.

Parallel Session #1

Amphitheater

Muslim Perceptions & Public Opinion

Chair: Abiodun Williams
Vice President, Conflict Prevention and Analysis, USIP

- **“Views of the U.S. in Post-Jihadist Thought”** – Omar Ashour, University of Exeter
- **“Muslim publics' views of the U.S.”** – Steven Kull, Worldpublicopinion.org
- **“A Nigerian Perspective on the Cairo Speech”** – Chloe Berwind-Dart, Cherish Foundation

- **“New Approaches to Public Diplomacy in the Muslim World”** – Kristin Lord, Center for a New American Security

11:00 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.

Parallel Session #2

Oceanic Suite

Islam, Human Rights, and Development

Chair: Mona Yacoubian, USIP

- **“The Obama Administration and Islamic Human Rights”** – Satoshi Ikeuchi, University of Tokyo
- **“Arab Youth Development in U.S.–Muslim Engagement”** – Oliver Wilcox & Chris Carneal, U.S. Agency for International Development, Middle East Bureau
- **“Political Islam and U.S. Foreign Policy in the Obama Era”** – Halim Rane, Griffith University
- **“Constructing Political Islam as the New Other”** – Corinna Mullin, School of Oriental & African Studies

12:30 – 2:00 p.m.

Keynote Luncheon

The Pavillion

Prospects for Improved Relations and Understanding Between the U.S. and the Muslim World

Congressman Keith Ellison
Fifth District of Minnesota

Tariq Ramadan
Oxford University

Reza Aslan
University of California, Riverside

2:10 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Plenary Session

Amphitheater

Dialogue with Political Islamists

**Moderator: Daniel Brumberg,
United States Institute of Peace**

- **Mustapha Khalfi**, *Justice & Development Party, Morocco*
- **Zineddine Tebbal**, *Movement for the Society of Peace, Algeria*
- **Salah Ali Abdulrahman**, *Deputy Speaker, Islamic National Member, Bahrain*
- **Respondent – Quinn Mecham**, Professor, Middlebury College and George Washington University, and Franklin Fellow, Policy Planning, U.S. Department of State

3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Coffee Break

4:00 p.m. – 5:20 p.m.

Parallel Session #3

Oceanic Suite

Voices from the Muslim World

**Chair: Emad El-Din Shahin
University of Notre Dame**

- **“Civil Society Organizations as Actors of Change in the MENA Region: Potentialities and Challenges”** – Nabila Hamza, Foundation for the Future, Amman, Jordan
- **“The U.S. Image among Arab’s New Generation: Finding and Recommendations from Experimental Research”** – Moataz A. Fattah, Cairo University & Central Michigan University
- **“Back to the Spirit of the Cairo Speech: From Marshall Plan to Obama Plan”** – Alaya Allani, University of Tunis
- **“Taliban’s Islamic State, Obama’s Olive Branch and Democracy in the Muslim World: An Examination of Governance in Contemporary Pakistan”** – Abdullah Al-Ahsan, International Islamic University, Malaysia

4:00 p.m. – 5:20 p.m.

Parallel Session #4

Amphitheater

Democracy & Democracy Promotion

Chair: Asma Afsaruddin
Indiana University

- **“Evaluating Obama’s Contributions to Iran’s Democratic Opposition”** – Laila Taraghi, University of Arkansas
- **“The Role of the U.S. in Encouraging Pro-Democracy Movements”** – Stephen Zunes, University of San Francisco
- **“Applying Sustainable Democracy Promotion to the Muslim World”** – Eric Patterson, Berkley Center for Religion, Peace & World Affairs
- **“Challenges to Integrating Democracy Promotion in U.S. Policy in Afghanistan and Pakistan”** – Brian Katulis – The Center for American Progress

5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Concluding Keynote

Amphitheater

Building Bridges of Understanding Between America and Muslim Majority States

Rashad Hussain

**U. S. Special Envoy to the Organization of the Islamic
Conference**