



**Afghanistan Reconnected:  
Regional Economic Security Beyond 2014  
Panel Discussion**

Tuesday, October 14, 2014

8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

United States Institute of Peace

2301 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20037

**Agenda:**

**8:30 a.m.: Registration and light breakfast**

**9:00 a.m.: Welcome**

**Dr. Andrew Wilder;** Vice President of South & Central Asia Programs, United States Institute of Peace

**Mr. James Creighton;** Chief Operating Officer, EastWest Institute

**9:15 a.m.-10:30 a.m.: Political and Economic Transition in Afghanistan**

**His Excellency Dr. Philipp Ackermann;** Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Germany to the United States, Former Deputy Special Representative of the German Federal Government for Afghanistan and Pakistan

**His Excellency Youssef al-Otaiba;** Ambassador of the United Arab Emirates to the United States **(tbc)**

**Mr. Jonathan Carpenter;** Deputy Special Representative for Afghanistan and Pakistan, United States Department of State

**His Excellency Mozammil Shinwari,** Deputy Minister, Ministry of Trade, Commerce and Industries  
The Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

**Moderator: Ambassador Martin Fleischer;** Vice President, Director of the Regional Security Program and head of EWI's Brussels Center

**10:30 a.m. -12:00 p.m.: Afghanistan Reconnected: Regional Economic Security Beyond 2014**

**Dr. William Byrd;** Senior Expert – Afghanistan, United States Institute of Peace

**Ambassador Shafqat Kakakhel,** Chairperson of the Board, Sustainable Development Policy Institute, Pakistan

**Ms. Ambika Sharma;** Deputy Secretary General & Head International Affairs Division, Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI)

**Dr. S. Frederick Starr;** Chairman, Central Asia-Caucasus Institute, Johns Hopkins University

**Ms. Fatema Z. Sumar;** Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs, United States Department of State

**Moderator: Mr. Scott Smith;** Director, Afghanistan and Central Asia Programs, United States Institute of Peace