

THE MIDDLE EAST WATER CRISIS
Creative Perspectives and Solutions
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PROGRAM

FOR

**THE MIDDLE EAST WATER CRISIS:
CREATIVE PERSPECTIVES AND SOLUTIONS**

Day 1: May 8, University of St. Jerome's College

[all participants with an asterisk (*) are confirmed]

9:00 Opening Address

*Chair: Terrence Downey (*University of Waterloo*)

Address from the Government of Canada

*The Honourable Monique Landry (*Minister for External Relations and International Development*)

9:45 Session 1: Defining the Perimeters and Parameters of the Issues and Problems

Chair: *Steve Lonergan (*Chair, Panel on Environmental Security: Canadian Global Change Program*)
(*Director, Centre for Sustainable Regional Development: University of Victoria*)

*John Kolars (*University of Michigan*)

*Hussein Amery (*McMaster University*)

*Fred Frey (*Pennsylvania State University*)

*Elias Salameh (*Director, Water Research and Study Centre: University of Jordan*)

Discussant: *David Brooks (*Associate Director, Environment Policy Program: International Development Research Centre*)

* Jouad Boulos (*Lawyer, International Water Law*)

12:30 Luncheon

2:00 Session 2: Past Issues and Attempted Solutions.

Chair: *Bruce Mitchell (*University of Waterloo*)

*Aaron Wolf (*University of Wisconsin*)

*Jad Isaac (*Director, Applied Research Institute - Jerusalem*)

*Atif Kubursi (*McMaster University*)

Discussant: *Ibrahim Mattar (*American Near East Refugee Aid Program - Jerusalem*)

*Miriam Lowi (*Princeton University*)

7:30 Banquet Dinner

*Chair: Marie Sanderson (*Director, Water Network: University of Waterloo*)

*Dr. Robert Farvolden (*Ground Water Institute, University of Waterloo*)
(*Former Dean of Science Faculty, University of Waterloo*)

Day 2: May 9, University of St. Jerome's College (morning) and Theatre of the Arts in the Modern Languages Building (afternoon)

9:00 Session 3: Political, Technological, and Economic Solutions to Current and Projected Problems

*Chair: *John Keenan (Professor of Civil Engineering Systems and Associate Dean, School of Engineering and Applied Sciences: University of Pennsylvania)*

**Ulrich Kuffner (Principal Water Resources Engineer, World Bank)*

**Aly Shady (Chief of Irrigation Centre, Natural Resources Division: Canadian International Development Agency)*

**Dan Hillel (Professor of Plant and Soil Sciences: University of Massachusetts)*

*Discussant: *John Waterbury (Professor of Politics and International Affairs, Princeton University)*

**Ribhi Abulhaj (Former Director, United Nations Industrial Development Organization Office, West Asia)*

12:30 Lunch

2:00 Session 4: Forum on the Implementation of the Proposed Solutions and Water Conflict Resolution Mechanisms.

*Chair: *Janice Gross Stein (University of Toronto)*

**Munther Haddadin (Chief Water Negotiator, Jordanian Delegation: Middle East Peace Talks)*

**Jad Isaac (Director, Applied Research Institute - Jerusalem)*

**Iltar Turan (Chair, Department of International Relations: University of Istanbul)*

**Jerry Delli Priscoli (Water Policy Group, World Bank)*

*Discussant: *Selig A. Taubenblatt (Executive Consultant, Bechtel Group, Inc: Washington, D.C.)*

4:30 Concluding Speech

**Chair: John English (President, Canadian Institute of International Affairs)*

**His Excellency Samir Kwar (Minister of Water and Irrigation, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan)*

5:00 Conference Summary

Rapporteur:

**Steve Lonergan (Chair, Panel on Environmental Security: Canadian Global Change Program)
(Director, Centre for Sustainable Regional Development: University of Victoria)*

5:30 press briefing

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