Tuesday, May 25th 2010

Landtag, the State Parliament of Rhineland-Palatinate

06:30 p.m. Welcome Notes

Joachim Mertes, President of the Parliament of Rhineland-Palatinate

Kurt Beck, Prime Minister of the State of Rhineland-Palatinate Alfred Wittstock, Studienstelle Israel, Institute for Political Science, Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz

Dr. Frank-Walter Steinmeier, MP, Former Vice-Chancellor and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Federal Republic of Germany, Chairman of the SPD Parliamentary Group

Israel und der Nahe Osten – deutsche und europäische Perspektiven

(Israel and the Middle East – Perceptions from Germany and the European Union)

Prof. Dr. Georg Krausch,

President of Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz

Reception by the President of the Parliament



Wednesday, May 26th 2010

Alte Mensa, Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz

09:00 a.m. Opening and Welcome Notes

Representatives of the Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz

09:15 a.m. Israel facing Jordan/Egypt – Jordan/Egypt facing Israel

Prof. Dr. Yoram Meital, Chair of the Chaim Herzog Center for Middle East Studies, Ben Gurion-University, Beer Sheva Prof. Walid Kazziha, Chair of the Political Science Department, American University of Cairo Moderation: Prof. Dr. Jürgen W. Falter, Institute for Political

10:45 a.m. Coffee Break

Science

11:15 a.m. Israel facing Syria – Syria facing Israel

Prof. Dr. Moshe Ma'oz, Truman Institute,

Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Prof. Dr. Radwan Ziadeh, Carr Center for Human Rights,

Harvard University

Moderation: Dr. Johannes Marx, Institute for Political Science

12:45 p.m. Lunch Break

02:15 p.m. Israel facing Iran – Iran facing Israel

Prof. Dr. David Menashri, Director of the Center for Iranian Studies, Tel Aviv University

Prof. Dr. Bernard Hourcade, Senior Research Fellow at Centre national de la recherche scientifique, Paris (CNRS) Moderation: Alfred Wittstock, Studienstelle Israel, Institute for Political Science

03:45 p.m. Coffee Break

04:15 p.m. Israel facing Russia – Russia facing Israel

Yuval Fuchs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Jerusalem Prof. Dr. Robert O. Freedman, Department of Political Science, John Hopkins University Baltimore

Moderation: Dr. Pia Nordblom, Department of History

06:00 p.m. Israel facing USA – USA facing Israel

Prof. Dr. Oded Eran, Director at Institute for National Security Studies, Tel Aviv University

Prof. Dr. Kenneth Stein, Director of the Emory Institute for the Study of Modern Israel, Emory University Atlanta Moderation: PD Dr. Christian Tuschhoff, Institute for Political Science



Thursday, May 27th 2010 Alte Mensa, Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz

09:00 a.m. Welcome Note

09:15 a.m. Israel facing South America – South America facing Israel
Prof. Dr. Mario Sznajder, Chairperson of the Department of

Political Science, Hebrew University, Jerusalem

Prof. Dr. Carlos Escudé, Director at Centro de Estudios Internacionales y Educación para la Globalicación (CEIEG), Universidad del CEMA Buenos Aires

Moderation: Dr. Wolfgang Muno, Institute for Political Science

10:45 a.m. Coffee Break

11:15 a.m. Israel facing Africa – Africa facing Israel

Prof. Dr. Naomi Chazan, Department of Political Science, Hebrew University Jerusalem

Prof. Dr. Joseph R. A. Ayee, Vice Chancellor and Head of the College of Humanities, University of KwaZulu-Natal, Durban Moderation: Felix Wächter, M.A.

12:45 p.m. Lunch Break

02:15 p.m. Israel facing Asia – Asia facing Israel

Prof. Dr. Yitzhak Shichor, Department of Asian Studies, University of Haifa

Prof. Dr. Suolao Wang, Director of the Center for Middle Eastern

Studies, Peking University

Moderation: Dr. Susan McEwen-Fial, Institute for Political Science

03:45 p.m. Coffee Break

04:15 p.m. Israel facing Palestine – Palestine facing Israel

Prof. Dr. Itamar Rabinovich, The Moshe Dayan Center for Middle

Eastern and African History, Tel Aviv University **Prof. Dr. Manuel Hassassian**, Ambassador, Palestinian General

Delegation to the United Kingdom Moderation: Christian Sterzing, Heinrich Böll Stiftung

06:15 p.m. Final Statement

The conference will be held in English; application required