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SUMMIT OF RELIGIOUS LEADERS FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Alicante, 14 – 16 November 2016

Inauguration

Tuesday, 15 November

10.15 h Arrival and accreditation at “*Casa Mediterráneo*”

10.50 h Group photo

11.00 h Words of welcome from Director-General of *Casa Mediterráneo*

Speakers:

- Gabriel Echávarri Fernández, Mayor of Alicante
- César Sánchez Pérez, President of the Provincial Council of Alicante

11.30 h Opening ceremony

- Nasser Al-Nasser, High Representative of the United Nations Alliance of Civilisations
- Javier Herrera García-Canturri, Director-General of International Legal Cooperation and Relations with the Faiths, of the Ministry of Justice of Spain
- Ignacio Ybáñez Rubio, State Secretary for Foreign Affairs of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Spain

12.00 h Debate on “**Responsibility of religious leaders for peacebuilding in the Middle East**”

Speakers:

- Bishop Shomali, Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem
- Dr. Izzat Jaradat of Jordan, Secretary-General of the World Muslim Conference for Jerusalem
- Rabbi Michael Melchior of Jerusalem, President of the Middle East Religious Peace Initiative

Panellists:



- Rabbi David Lau, Chief Rabbi of Israel
- Dr. Maher Khuder, Shariah Court judge
- Rabbi Yaakov Ariel, Chief Rabbi of Ramat Gan, leader of the national-religious movement. Israel
- Imad Falouji, President of the Adam Centre for Dialogue of Civilisations. Palestine

13:00 h End of public session*

*Closed meetings between religious leaders will take place on 14, 15 and 16 November.

Coffee and pastries will be served