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Building Bridges:

Towards Viable Democracies in Tunisia, Egypt, and Libya

In collaboration with:

Centre d'études maghrébines à Tunis (CEMAT)

University of Tunis, El Manar

Day One - March 28, 2013:

9:00-9:30 Welcome

Dr. Lina Khatib, Co-founder, Program on Arab Reform, Stanford University

Prof. Larry Diamond, Director, Centre on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law,
Stanford University

Dr. Mongi Boughzala, Professor of Economics, University of Tunis, El-Manar

Dr. Laryssa Chomiak, Director, Centre d'études maghrébines à Tunis (CEMAT)

9:30-10:10 Address by Sheikh Rashid Ghannoushi, President of Ennahda, Tunis

10:10-10:50 Address by Dr. Samir Morcos, Political researcher and former assistant to the
President of Egypt for democratic transition



10:50-1:00 Session 1: Political Coalitions and Islamism

Chair: HRH Prince Hicham Ben Abdallah, Consulting Professor, Stanford University

Address by Mr. Beji Caid Essebssi, President of Nida Tounes Mr. Beji Caid Essebssi,
President of Nida Tounes

Mr. Said Ferjani, Spokesperson of Ennahda

1:00-2:00 Lunch

2:00-4:00 Session 2: Constitution Drafting

Chair: Prof. Larry Diamond, Stanford University

Dr. Slim Laghmani, Professor of Law, University of Carthage

Dr. Emad Shahin, Professor of Public Policy, The American University in Cairo

Dr. Salwa El Dagbili, Professor of Constitutional Law, University of Benghazi and member
of the National Transitional Council, Libya

4:00-4:30 Break

4:30-6:00 Session 3: National Dialogues and Civil Society Performance

Chair: Dr. Laryssa Chomiak, CEMAT

Dr. Dhafer Malouche, Professor, University of Carthage, Tunisia

Dr. Ibrahim Awad, Professor of Public Policy, The American University in Cairo

Discussion on Libya

Day Two - March 29, 2013:

9:00-11:00 Session 1 and Stanford Research Project Launch: Political Participation, Pluralism and Citizenship Rights

Chair: Dr. Lina Khatib, Stanford University

Dr. Charles Tripp, Professor of Politics, SOAS, University of London

Dr. Samir Morcos, Political researcher and former assistant to the President of Egypt for democratic transition

Dr. Faraj Najem, Professor, University of Benghazi

Mr. Lotfi Maktouf, President and founder, Al-Madanya

11:00-11:15 Break

11:15-1:15 Session 2: Economic Policy

Chair: Dr. Mongi Boughzala, University of Tunis El-Manar

Dr. Mahmoud Ben Romdhane, Economist & policymaker, Tunisia

Dr. Hafez Ghanem, Senior Fellow, Global Economy and Development Program, Brookings Institution

Mr. Sami Zaptia, Founder, Libya Herald

1:15-2:15 Lunch



2:15-4:15 Session 3: Political and Economic Relationships with the USA and Europe

Chair: Prof. Larry Diamond, Stanford University

Mr. Salman Shaikh, Director, Brookings Doha Center, Brookings Institution

Mme Mabrouka M'barek, Member of National Constituent Assembly, Congress for the Republic (CPR), Tunisia

Dr. Amr Darrag, Chairman of Foreign Relations Committee and Member of the Executive Board, Freedom and Justice Party, Egypt

Mr. Anas El Gomati, Founder, Sadeq Institute, Libya

4:15-4:30 Break

4:30-6:00 Closing speech by Prof. Larry Diamond, Director, Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law, Stanford University, followed by closing roundtable discussion: Scenarios for viable democracies

6:00-7:00pm Closing Reception