



Tripoli Conference 2017 Challenges and Opportunities in the Economic Development of Tripoli and North Lebanon	
9:30	Registration, Refreshments and Networking
10:00	Welcome and Opening Remarks <i>Mr Albert Aoun, Chairman, IFP Group</i>
10:10	Keynote address: Overview on Tripoli's economic development plan <i>Tawfiq Dabboussi, President of the Chamber of Commerce Industry &amp; Agriculture of Tripoli &amp; North Lebanon</i>
10:20	Keynote address: Overview on Tripoli Special Economic Zone <i>Raya Haffar El Hassan, Chairman – General Manager of Tripoli Special Economic Zone (TSEZ)</i>
10:30	Keynote address: Updates on the future plans for Syria Post Conflict <i>Senior Representative from the United Nations - Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)</i>
11:00	Keynote address from the patron of the conference (State of the Prime Minister)
11:15	Coffee Break
11:30	<b>Panel Discussion: Challenges and Opportunities of Tripoli and North of Lebanon for the reconstruction of Syria</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What are the main projects developments planned for Lebanon?</li><li>• How the TSEZ is beneficial to Tripoli?</li><li>• Discussing the reopening of the Airport at Qlaiaat in the far north of Lebanon</li><li>• Challenges and opportunities of Tripoli and North of Lebanon for the reconstruction of Syria post conflict</li></ul> <b>Moderator:</b> <i>Nicolas Nahas, Former Minister of Economy and Trade in Lebanon</i> <b>Panellists:</b> <i>Raed Houry, Minister of Economy and Trade in Lebanon</i> <i>Raya Haffar El Hassan, Chairman – General Manager of Tripoli Special Economic Zone (TSEZ)</i> <i>Tawfiq Dabboussi, President of the Chamber of Commerce Industry &amp; Agriculture of Tripoli &amp; North Lebanon</i> <i>Nabil El-Jisr, President of the Council for Development and Reconstruction</i> <i>Jacques Jean Sarraf, Chairman of Malia Group</i>
12:30	Questions and Answers
12:45	<b>Tripoli Special Economic Zone (TSEZ) Project</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Overview on Creating a legal and regulatory environment within the TSEZ jurisdiction conducive to doing business</li><li>• Analysing the market and demand for investment</li><li>• Assessing the infrastructure, environmental and engineering aspects of the zone</li><li>• Designing appropriate infrastructure and facilities necessary for its success, including costs and detailed planning</li></ul> <b>Representative of Tripoli Special Economic Zone (TSEZ)</b>
13:15	<b>Port of Tripoli extension launched - expansion of container area</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Construction of the second phase extension</li><li>• Connecting the port to the surrounding infrastructure, including the railway, roads and bridges</li><li>• Understanding the value and the timeline of the project</li><li>• Connecting Port of Tripoli to Syria and Asia – “The Silk Road”</li></ul> <b>Ahmad Tamer, President of the Port of Tripoli</b>
13:45	Closing Comments from the Chairman
14:00	Networking Lunch and End of Conference