



The Lebanese German University
The Lebanese German Cultural Center
The World Youth Alliance - National Committee
cordially invite you to attend the first joint conference on

Identity and Belonging: Challenges and Opportunities

Date and Time: Saturday, March 8, 2014 – 9:30 am – 1:00 pm

Venue: Lebanese German University – Jounieh

With the participation of:

H.E. Ambassador of Germany to Lebanon, Mr. Christian CLAGES

H.E Dr. Khaled KABANI

H.E Dr. Bahige TABBARAH

Professor Antoine MESSARRA

Moderator: (Dr.) Ghassan BOU DIAB, World Youth Alliance National Coordinator

Tentative Program

9:30 - 10:00	Arrival and Registration
10:00 - 10:05	National Anthems of Lebanon and Germany
10:05 - 10:10	Welcome Address by President of the Lebanese German University Dr. Fawzi OUDAIMI
10:10 - 10:15	Note by World Youth Alliance Regional Director Mr. Cedric CHOUKEIR
10:15 - 11:00	<p>Session 1: Challenges of National Identity in a pluralistic society: A comparative review of Lebanon and Germany</p> <p>This session highlights the question of national identity from a comparative perspective between the Lebanese and the German experiences, while shedding light on the specificities and components of the Lebanese identity and related challenges in a pluralistic society.</p> <p>Speakers: H.E. Ambassador of Germany, Mr. Christian CLAGES H.E. Professor Antoine MESSARA, Member of the Constitutional Council</p>
11:00 -11:30	Questions and Debate
11:30 -11:45	Coffee Break
11:45 -12:30	<p>Session 2: Identity and Belonging in Lebanon: Towards Reconciliation and State Building</p> <p>This session aims at identifying opportunities to safeguarding the concepts of pluralism and national identity through educational systems, social ties, and commitment to state building, while observing political system reflecting the richness of Lebanon.</p> <p>Speakers: H.E. Professor Khaled KABBANI, Former President of Civil Service Board H.E. Dr. Bahige TABBARAH, Former Minister of Justice</p>
12:30 -13:00	Questions and Debate
13:00	Cocktail

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