

# Middle East Peace Process

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Dr. Bartu mediating with Arabs, Kurds and Turkmen in Northern Iraq

## Mediating Chaos in the Middle East: To What End? On Behalf of Whom?

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The Middle East continues to evolve in unscripted ways as the region muddles through the fall-out of the Arab awakening: civil war in Syria; regression in Egypt; a series of transitions in Libya; ethnic/sectarian conflict in Iraq. Kofi Annan and Lakhdar Brahimi have attempted, without success, to resolve the Syrian conflict, and future UN mediators in the area will doubtless also find themselves in the unhappy position of negotiating between irreconcilable parties, lacking a shared vision of their country's future.

Dr. Bartu has worked for the UN and various NGO's in crisis-ridden areas throughout the Middle East, Asia and Africa. From 2001-2003 he served as political advisor to the UN envoy to the Middle East peace process. In 2008-2009 he led a UN team that sought to reconcile border disputes between Baghdad and the Kurdish Regional Government, and in 2011-2012 he was a senior member of a UN team arranging for a return to constitutional government in Libya.

**Pre-paid reservations required for guaranteed seating.  
Dinner reservations required by Monday, March 18.**

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### **Dessert & Program**

Council & UNA Members: \$6  
Non-members: \$9  
Dominican Staff: \$6  
Students: Free

Reception: 6:30 PM  
Dinner: 7:00 PM  
Dessert: 7:30 PM  
Program: 7:50 PM

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