

NORWEGIAN RISK FORUM 2021  
OCTOBER 21  
OSLO

**Managing Business Through Geopolitical Risks, Business Fluctuations & Energy Transition**

**Part 1: Welcome & Keynote Address - Global Live Video Conference - Program Time Zone: Oslo - Central European Time**

07.00 - Welcome to Norwegian Risk Forum 2021 - Webex Video Conference Session Opens

07.30 - Introductory Remarks & Keynote Address:

The Changing Dimensions in Global Geopolitics

Arne Elias Corneliusen, Founder and Chairman, NRCI, Oslo

**Part 2: Geopolitical Risks, Renewable Energy Strategies and Strategic Forecasting in Asia and Europe**

08.30 - Understanding Renewable Energy and Industrial Strategies, Dynamics and Risks in China, Japan, and South Korea

Scott Foster, Senior Financial Analyst, LightStream Research, Tokyo

09.00 - Assessing Changing Political Dynamics, Risk Outlook & Industrial Strategy in India - Current Trends & Strategic Forecast

Ravi Kant, Senior Columnist, Asia Times, New Delhi

09.30 - Dynamic Risk Landscape, Business Opportunities, Industrial Strategies and Political Developments in Southeast Asia

Parag Khanna, Managing Partner, Future Map, Singapore

10.00 - Assessing China's Internal Political Dynamics - Risk Outlook and Strategic Forecast

Isabel Hilton, Senior Advisor, China Dialogue, London

10.30 - Understanding Russian Strategic Thinking and Mapping Strategic Drivers and Dynamics in Russia - Europe Relations

Andrey Kortunov, Director General, Russian International Affairs Council, Moscow

11.00 - Panel Debate: Understanding Geopolitical Risks, Strategic Developments and Energy Dynamics in Eurasia

Moderator: Arne Elias Corneliusen, Founder and Chairman, NRCI, Oslo

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12.30 - Break

**Part 3: Risk Outlook, Opportunities and Strategic Considerations in the Middle East and Africa**

13.30 - Understanding Political Developments and the Future Direction of Iran - Strategic Forecast and Risk Outlook

Abas Aslani, Senior Research Fellow, Center for Middle East Strategic Studies (CMESS), Tehran

14.00 - Understanding how Historical Rivalries inform Current Gulf Dynamics and Relations between Qatar, Bahrain, and the UAE

Michael Quentin Morton, Senior Gulf Analyst, London

14.30 - Understanding Logistics, Supply Chain and Infrastructure Developments in Sub-Saharan Africa - Risks and Opportunities

Marnus Kotze, Head of Logistics and Services for Africa, AP Moeller – Maersk, Cape Town

15.00 - Political and Security Risks in Southern Africa – Risk Outlook and Strategic Forecast

Derica Lambrechts, Senior Lecturer in Political Science, Stellenbosch University, Stellenbosch

15.30 - Enabling Business in West Africa: The Risk Versus Reward Dilemma

Jean-Marc Ricca, Country Cluster Head West Africa, BASF West Africa Limited, Lagos

16.00 - Panel Debate: Managing Business Operations and Understanding Risks in the Middle East and Africa

Moderator: Arne Elias Corneliusen, Founder and Chairman, NRCI, Oslo

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17.30 - Final Remarks to Norwegian Risk Forum 2021

Arne Elias Corneliusen, Founder and Chairman, NRCI, Oslo

18.00 - End of Norwegian Risk Forum 2021 Video Conference