



INVITATION

Center for Strategic and International Studies ■ Washington, D.C.

The Center for Strategic and International Studies Africa Program cordially invites you to attend:

“The Niger Delta: Prospects for Elections and the Future Reform Agenda”

Wednesday, March 14, 2007, CSIS B1 Conference Center

8:30 – 9:00

Registration

9:00 – 9:15

Welcome

J. Stephen Morrison, CSIS

Presentation: Key Trend Lines in the Niger Delta

Michael Wallace Baca, CSIS

Alexander Iannaccone, CSIS

9:15 – 11:00

Panel I: The Close-in View

Chair: Akwe Amosu, Open Society Institute

Panelists:

Precious Omuku, Shell Oil Company

Oronto Douglas, Environmental Rights Action

Dimieari Von Kemedi, Our Niger Delta

Chris Albin-Lackey, Human Rights Watch

Discussants:

Phillip van Niekerk, Good Governance Group

Michael Watts, University of California, Berkeley

11:00 – 11:15

Coffee Break

11:15 – 12:30

Panel II: Future Reform and Strategies for External Support

Chair: David Smock, United States Institute of Peace

Panelists:

Theresa Whelan, Deputy Assistant Secretary

U.S. Department of Defense

Phil Carter, Director, Office of West African Affairs

U.S. Department of State

David Goldwyn, Goldwyn International Strategies, LLC

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