

## Angola Forum 2015

### Angola after 40 Years of Independence: The Way Ahead

A Chatham House Africa Programme Conference  
12 November 2015

#### Programme

09:00 – 09:30

#### Welcome and Introduction

**Dr Alex Vines OBE**, Director, Area Studies and International Law, Chatham House

#### Ministerial Presentations

**HE Georges Rebelo Chicoti**, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Angola (*Video Presentation*)

**James Duddridge MP**, Minister for Africa, UK (*Video Presentation*)

09:30 – 10:30

#### Session One

#### Launch: A Short History of Modern Angola

**Professor David Birmingham**, Emeritus Professor, University of Kent

Discussant: **Søren Kirk Jensen**, Associate Fellow, Africa Programme, Chatham House

Chair: **Dr Alex Vines OBE**, Director, Area Studies and International Law;  
Head, Africa Programme, Chatham House

10:30 – 10:50 Coffee

10:50 – 12:00

#### Session Two

#### Angola's International Relations: Change, Priorities, and Influence

*The UK Angola Partnership for Prosperity*

**HE Miguel Gaspar Fernandes Neto**, Angolan Ambassador to the UK

*Supporting Elections in 1992 (Video Presentation)*

**Dame Margaret Anstee**, UN Special Representative to Angola (1992 – 1993)

*Initiating Relations with an Independent Angola*

**John Flynn CMG**, Political Adviser, Chevron; UK Chargé d'Affaires, Angola (1978); UK  
Ambassador to Angola (1990 – 1993)

*Post Independence Relations with Portugal*

**António Monteiro**, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Portugal (2004 – 2005)

Chair: **Tony Dykes**, Director, Action for Southern Africa

12:00 – 12:30 Lunch

12:30 – 14:00

**Session Three**  
**Angola's Economic Trajectory**

*Securing Financial Stability*

**Theodore Giletti**, Director, Banco Angolano de Investimentos

*Developing Resources to Support Diversification*

**Darryl Willis**, Regional President, BP Angola

*Investment Infrastructure for Economic Growth*

**John Kolodziejski**, Editor, Universo Magazine, Sonangol

Chair: **Ricardina Pederneira**, Author, *Do Business in Angola*

14:00 – 14:15 Coffee

14:15 – 15:15

**Session Four**  
**The Role of Civil Society**

*Balancing Economic Growth with Democratic Development*

**Dr Aslak Orre**, Senior Researcher, Chr. Michelsen Institute

*The Role of Faith Groups in Bridging Government and Society: The experience of Mosaiko*

**Fr. José Manuel**, Roman Catholic Chaplain, LSE; Co-founder, Mosaiko-Institute for  
Citizenship

*Life with Landmines: Peace Dividend or Poverty Trap?*

**Nick Roseveare MBE**, Chief Executive, MAG (the Mines Advisory Group)

Chair: **Chi Onwurah MP**, Chair, APPG on Angola

15:15 – 15:30

**Closing Remarks**

**Dr Alex Vines OBE**, Director, Area Studies and International Law; Head, Africa Programme,  
Chatham House