



## The Foundation of Abdulaziz Saud Al-babtain's Prize for Poetic Creativity

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### **Abdulaziz Saud Al-Babtain in the "Crans Montan" Global Forum: "The World's Security and Development.. Two Problematic Issues need to be solved"**



The chairman of the Abdulaziz Saud Al-Babtain Cultural Foundation, the poet, Abdulaziz Saud Al-Babtain has attended the 26th session of the "Crans Montana" annual forum, which was held in Brussels, Belgium.

According to the Executive Chairman and the founder of the Forum, Ambassador Jean-Paul Carteron, this year's session discussed: "The new global order which is currently undergoing major changes, new balances are to be found that will require adjustments and arbitrations but will not be implemented without difficulties nor suffering."

Carteron added that governments, international organizations and businesses usually meet in this conference, as every year, to assess the situation and shape the future of international relations. The participants discussed, this year, global issues of great vitality, including: world security issues, the European Union being at the Rendezvous with History, rebuilding peace and partnership with Russia. They also looked in the African affairs according to the principle of "Africa Deserves Respect, Integration and Real Partnership for Development", and discussed the Africa shift from Europe to the South-South Cooperation, as well as the idea of reinforcing the Arab States integration into the world affairs. Finally they explored new business opportunities in South Caucasus, Central Asia and Central & Eastern Europe.

The Forum also included side events of major importance that took place at the same time, which includes: Meeting of Religious leaders, African Women's Forum, Club of the Atlantic Africa, New Leaders for Tomorrow and Club of Ports.

In his speech, Al-Babtain expressed his optimistic feelings upon seeing "the civil society organizations being concerned with major challenges facing the world today, calling for seminars and conferences in order to find effective solutions to these unresolved issues that intercept the world security and peace.

Al-Babtain spoke about the most important problems facing a world exhausted by wars, which are security and development, referring to the importance of these two elements, being cited in the holy book, the Qur'an in the verses:" So let them worship the Lord of this House, Who provides them with food against hunger, and with security against fear."

Al-Babtain raised also the problematic issue of dividing the world, after the scientific revolution in Europe in the eighteenth century, into two parts; one enjoys a surplus of power and wealth, while the other is mired into tragedy. He called, in his speech, to create a balance in human capabilities to achieve human justice.