

# Mahathir, Erdogan and Clinton due at Jeddah forum

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## **JEDDAH (Saudi Arabia):**

Leading figures from the world of politics and finance, including former US president Bill Clinton and Turkish Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan, will take part in the 5th Jeddah Economic Forum slated for Jan 17-19, a newspaper reported yesterday.

The gathering under the theme "Achieving Accelerated Growth" will also be attended by Queen Rania of Jordan, Lebanese Prime Minister Rafiq Hariri and former Malaysian premier Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad, *Al-Watan* said, quoting organiser Amr Dabbagh, chairman of Jeddah Marketing Board.

An official communique from Erdogan's office confirmed yesterday that he would attend the forum during an official visit to Saudi Arabia.

Dabbagh recently said this year's forum would be expanded to include 60 speakers and more than 1,000 delegates. —  
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