

**Young Leaders Study Group on The Future of Europe:
The EU, the West, and the Rest**

Third Conference

The EU and the Limits of Enlargement

April 24 – 29, 2007 in Ankara and Istanbul

Tuesday, April 24
Hotel Sheraton, Ankara

Arrival of the participants at the Sheraton Hotel in Ankara

6:00 pm

Gather in the hotel lobby to walk to the restaurant

6:30 pm

Restaurant Budakalti: Opening Dinner

*50 Years after the Treaty of Rome – The State of the
European Union*

Erik Jones, Lecturer, Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced
International Studies, Washington DC

Comment: **Suat Kınıklioğlu**, Director, Ankara Office,
German Marshall Fund, Ankara

Moderated by **Marc Howard**, Associate Professor,
Georgetown University, Washington DC

Wednesday, April 25
Hotel Sheraton, Ankara – Conference Room “Camelia I & II”

9.00 – 10.15

*The Rationale behind Turkey’s Foreign and Security
Policy*

Atila Y. Eralp, Department of International Relations,
Middle East Technical University, Ankara

Moderated by **Bastian Giegerich**, Research Fellow, The
International Institute for Strategic Studies, London

10.15–11.00

Bus Transfer to the State Secretariat for Finance

11.00 – 12.00	Reception and discussion with Ali Babacan , State Minister and Chief Negotiator, Turkish Foreign Ministry, Ankara
12.00–12.30	Bus transfer to the Sheraton Hotel
12.30 – 2.00	Lunch
2.00 – 3.00	<i>The State of the EU-Turkey Negotiations</i> Ambassador Oğuz Demiralp , Secretary-General for EU Affairs, Ankara Ambassador Marc Pierini , Head of the Delegation of the European Commission to Turkey, Ankara Moderated by Elif Kursunlu , Secretariat General for EU Affairs, Ankara
3.00 – 3.30	Coffee Break
3.30 – 4.30	Internal Discussion of <i>The Pros and Cons of Turkish EU Membership</i> Moderated by Christophe Kiener , Administrator, Trade in Services & Investment, DG Trade, EU Commission, Brussels
4.30 – 6.00	<i>The Faith Factor: Religion and its Impact on Turkish Society and Politics</i> Ahmet Hadi Adanali , Faculty of Divinity, Ankara University, Advisor to Mehmet Aydın, Minister of State for Religious Affairs, Ankara Moderated by Hakan Altınay , Executive Director, Open Society Institute AF-Turkey, Istanbul
7.00	Bus transfer to the restaurant
7.30	Dinner
9.30	Bus transfer to the hotel

Thursday, April 26

Hotel Sheraton, Ankara – Conference Room “Camelia I & II”

- Up until 8.45 Check-out (bring luggage to the lobby to load the bus)
- 9.00 – 11.00 *Predictions on the Outcome and Consequences of Turkey’s Upcoming Presidential and General Elections*
- Şaban Dişli**, AK Parti, Deputy Chairman in Charge of International Relations, Member of the Parliament, Ankara
- Onur Öymen**, CHP, Vice President for International Affairs, Ankara
- Nüzhet Kandemir**, DYP, Vice President for International Affairs, Ankara
- Moderated by **Aslı Aydıntaşbaş**, Bureau Chief, SABAH, Ankara
- 11.00 – 6.00 Bus Transfer to Istanbul (Lunch on the bus)
- 7.15 Bus transfer from hotel to the German Consulate
- 8.00 Dinner Reception at the German Consulate
- Priorities for Germany’s EU Presidency*
- Matthias Ludwig Bogislav von Kummer**, Consul General of the Federal Republic of Germany in Istanbul
- 10.00 Bus transfer to the hotel

Friday, April 27

Hotel Armada, Istanbul – Conference Room “Pereeze”

9.00 – 9.30

Business Environment in Turkey: Opportunities for Domestic and Foreign Direct Investments

Yavuz Canevi, Chairman of Türk Ekonomi Bankası A.S. and former Head of the Turkish Central Bank, Istanbul

Moderated by **Thomas Petz**, Director - Senior Credit Officer, Bayerische Hypo- und Vereinsbank AG, New York

9.30 – 10.30

TNC's Experiences with Countries in Transition

Radomir Šimek, Chief Financial Officer, Siemens, Prague

Moderated by **Jacob Lund Nielsen**, Managing Partner, Cabinet DL sprl, Brussels

10.30 – 11.00

Coffee Break

11.00 – 12.30

In or Out? Costs and Benefits of Turkey's Accession to the European Union

Ulrike Hauer, Head of Section Trade, Economy and Agriculture, EC Delegation to Turkey, Ankara

Moderated by **Peter Hill**, Cabinet to Peter Mandelson, European Commission for Trade, Brussels

12.30 – 2.00

Lunch

2.00 – 3.30

Working Groups 1–4 on Turkey's Accession to the European Union

WG 1: *Business: How TNCs Open New Markets* (Room “Pereeze”)

Turan Sahin, Group Managing Director, Siemens, Prague

Hakan Lucius, Deputy Head of Division for Turkey, European Investment Bank, Luxembourg

WG 2: *The Role of the Media in Shaping Public Opinion* (Room “Pereeze”)

Anna Kalczyńska, News Anchor and Reporter, TVN24, Warsaw

Farhad Dilmaghani, Head, Unit "Corporate Messages", Allianz AG, Munich

- WG 3: *Civil Society in Transition: Adjusting to the Global Environment* (Room “Kadirga Hall”)
Özgür Ünlühisarcıklı, Turkish Education Volunteers Foundation, Istanbul
Neil Campbell, Senior Research Analyst, International Crisis Group, Brussels
- WG 4: *EU Accession: Lessons Learned – The View from the EU’s Newest Members* (Room (td))
Jiri Brodsky, Deputy Director, Foreign Affairs Department, Office of the President of the Czech Republic, Prague
Dragos Pislaru, General Manager, Group of Applied Economics Strategy & Consulting SA, Bucharest
- 4:00 – 6:00 Tour of Topkapi Palace with introduction by **İlber Ortaylı**, Director, Topkapi Palaca, Istanbul
- 7:15 Bus transfer from the hotel to restaurant: Istanbul Modern
- 8.00 Dinner
- Why Turkey’s Accession into the EU is of Geopolitical and Economic Interest to the West*
Deborah Jones, U.S. Consul General, Istanbul
- 10.00 Bus transfer to the hotel

Saturday, April 28

Hotel Armada, Istanbul – Conference Room “Perezze”

- 9.00 – 9.30 *The Role and Influence of Civil Society Organizations in Turkey*
Ebru Ağduk, Deputy Director, National Democratic Institute for International Affairs, Ankara
Rana Birden, Advisor to the Board, ARI Movement, Istanbul
Filiz Bikmen, Director, TÜSEV, Istanbul
Moderated by **John Robinson**, Political Officer, Office of European Union and Regional Affairs, U.S. Department of State, Washington DC
- 9.30 – 10.30 Plenary Discussion
- 10.30 – 11.00 Coffee Break

11.00 – 12.30	<p><i>Public Opinion, the Turkish Media, and their Role in the EU Negotiation Process</i></p> <p>Cengiz Çandar, Columnist, Istanbul</p> <p>Kadri Gürsel, Milliyet, Istanbul</p> <p>Günter Seufert, Berliner Zeitung, Istanbul</p> <p>Moderated by Birand Bingül, Managing Editor, WDR TV, Foreign News and Cosmo TV, Cologne</p>
12.30–1.00	Wrap-up and Evaluation
1.00–5:30	Free Afternoon
5:30	Bus transfer from the hotel to the pier
6.00–10.00	Boat Tour on the Bosphorus and Closing Dinner
10.00	Bus transfer to the hotel and / or Taksim Square

Sunday, April 29

Individual Departures

Locations and Telephone Numbers

Hotels

Ankara

Sheraton Hotel (April 24 until April 26, 2007)
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Restaurants

Tuesday, April 24, 2007 (Ankara)

Restaurant Budakaltı
Arjantin Cad. Budak Sok. No: 6
06700 G.O.P. / Ankara
Tel.: +90.312.4278545; +90.3124680707

Wednesday, April 25, 2007 (Ankara)

Tike Restaurant
Billur Sokak No:17/2, Kavaklıdere Ankara
Phone: +90.312.4260141

Thursday, April 26, 2007 (Istanbul)

Reception: German Consulate General, Istanbul
Host: Consul General Matthias Ludwig Bogislav von Kummer
Alman Başkonsolosluğu; İnönü Cad. No: 16-18,
Gümüşsuyu, 34437 Istanbul
Phone: +90.212.3346-100 (Switch Board); -112/-102 (direct number)
Please bring Passport and Invitation

Friday, April 27, 2007 (Istanbul)

Restaurant Istanbul Modern
Istanbul Modern Museum of Modern Art
Meclis-i Mebusan Cad., Liman Isletmeleri Sahasi
Antrepo No:4 34433 Karaköy Istanbul
Phone: +90.212.2922612-13

Saturday, April 28, 2007 (Istanbul)

Cruise on the Bosphorus

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