



# The 12<sup>th</sup> Bodrum Roundtable

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Mandarin Oriental  
Bodrum, Turkey

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## Friday, 7 October 2016

21.00 Welcome dinner at the Assaggio Restaurant, Mandarin Oriental

## Saturday, 8 October 2016

08.00-09.00 Breakfast

09.00-09.30 **Keynote speech**  
**Lütfi Elvan**, Minister of Development,  
Ministry of Development, Turkey

09.30-10.15 **The EU-Turkey relationship**  
**Jean-Christophe Belliard**, Deputy Secretary-General,  
Political Director, European External Action Service  
**Lütfi Elvan**, Minister of Development, Ministry of  
Development, Turkey  
**Chair: Charles Grant**, Director, Centre for European Reform

10.15-12.45 **What next for Turkey and Europe?**  
**Carl Bildt**, Former Prime Minister and Foreign Minister,  
Sweden  
**Alexander Graf Lambsdorff**,  
Vice President, European Parliament  
**Simon Mordue**, Director, Strategy and Turkey, Directorate  
General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement  
Negotiations, European Commission  
**Kati Piri**, Rapporteur on Turkey and Member of the  
European Parliament  
**Ahmet Yıldız**, Ambassador, Deputy Foreign Minister,  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Turkey  
**Chair: Sinan Ülgen**, Chairman, Centre for Economics and  
Foreign Policy Studies



12.45-14.00	Lunch
14.00-16.00	<p><b>Combating online extremism*</b></p> <p><b>Scott Carpenter</b>, Managing Director, Jigsaw at Google</p> <p><b>Sasha Havlicek</b>, Chief Executive Officer, Institute for Strategic Dialogue</p> <p><b>Gilles de Kerchove</b>, Counter-Terrorism Co-ordinator, Council of the European Union</p> <p><b>Paul McCarthy</b>, Regional Deputy Director, Europe, International Republican Institute</p> <p><b>Chair: Rima Maktabi</b>, Senior Presenter and Roving Correspondent, Al Arabiya News Channel</p>
16.00-18.00	Free time
18.00-19.30	<p><b>The UK and the EU after Brexit</b></p> <p><b>Thomas Bagger</b>, Head of Policy Planning, Federal Foreign Office, Germany</p> <p><b>Charles Grant</b>, Director, Centre for European Reform</p> <p><b>Alex Barker</b>, Brussels Bureau Chief, <i>Financial Times</i></p> <p><b>Chair: Katinka Barysch</b>, Director of Political Relations, Allianz SE</p>
20.00	Departure for dinner
20.30-22.30	<p>Dinner at Musto Bistro</p> <p>Neyzen Tevfik Caddesi No: 130, Bodrum</p>
22.30-00.30	After dinner drinks (optional)

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**Sunday, 9 October 2016**

**08.00-09.15**

**Breakfast**

**09.15-10.00**

A conversation with **Espen Barth Eide**, Secretary-General's Special Adviser on Cyprus, United Nations

**Chair: Soli Özel**, Professor, Kadir Has University and Columnist, *HaberTürk*

**10.00-11.45**

**The geopolitics of low oil prices**

**Andrey Kortunov**, Director General, Russian International Affairs Council

**Alia Moubayed**, Director and Senior Economist, Middle East and North Africa, Barclays plc

**Mick Stump**, Regional Vice President and President, BP Turkey, BP plc

**Alexandros Yannis**, Energy Diplomacy Co-ordinator, European External Action Service

**Chair: Rem Korteweg**, Senior Research Fellow, Centre for European Reform

**12.00-15.00**

**Lunch and departures**



## List of participants

<b>Nazife Al</b>	Secretary General, Centre for Economics and Foreign Policy Studies
<b>Aslı Aydıntaşbaş</b>	Senior Fellow, European Council on Foreign Relations
<b>Thomas Bagger</b>	Head of Policy Planning, Federal Foreign Office, Germany
<b>Alex Barker</b>	Brussels Bureau Chief, <i>Financial Times</i>
<b>Katinka Barysch</b>	Director of Political Relations, Allianz SE
<b>Jean-Christophe Belliard</b>	Deputy Secretary-General, Political Director, European External Action Service
<b>Carl Bildt</b>	Former Prime Minister and Foreign Minister, Sweden
<b>Stefanie Bolzen</b>	UK and Ireland Correspondent, <i>Die Welt</i> and <i>Welt am Sonntag</i>
<b>Lizza Bomassi</b>	Deputy Director, Carnegie Europe
<b>Scott Carpenter</b>	Managing Director, Jigsaw at Google
<b>Anna Maria Corazza Bildt</b>	Member of the European Parliament
<b>Yeşil Deniz</b>	Research Assistant, Centre for Economics and Foreign Policy Studies
<b>Espen Barth Eide</b>	Secretary-General's Special Adviser on Cyprus, United Nations
<b>Lütfi Elvan</b>	Minister of Development, Ministry of Development, Turkey
<b>Doruk Ergun</b>	Research Fellow, Centre for Economics and Foreign Policy Studies
<b>Charles Grant</b>	Director, Centre for European Reform
<b>Ahmet Kasım Han</b>	Assistant Professor, Kadir Has University
<b>Sasha Havlicek</b>	Chief Executive Officer, Institute for Strategic Dialogue
<b>Ümit Hergüner</b>	Senior Partner, Hergüner Bilgen Özeke Attorney Partnership
<b>Diana Janse</b>	Ambassador and Senior Foreign Policy Advisor, Moderate Party of Sweden
<b>Bahadır Kaleağası</b>	International Co-ordinator and EU Representative, TÜSİAD
<b>James Kanter</b>	EU Correspondent, <i>International New York Times</i>



<b>Gilles de Kerchove</b>	Counter-Terrorism Co-ordinator, Council of the European Union
<b>Rem Korteweg</b>	Senior Research Fellow, Centre for European Reform
<b>Andrey Kortunov</b>	Director General, Russian International Affairs Council
<b>Gürkan Kumbaroğlu</b>	President, International Association for Energy Economics
<b>Müjge Küçükkeleş</b>	Program Officer, International Republican Institute
<b>Alexander Graf Lambsdorff</b>	Vice President, European Parliament
<b>Rima Maktabi</b>	Senior Presenter and Roving Correspondent, Al Arabiya News Channel
<b>Kamal Malhotra</b>	UN Resident Co-ordinator and UNDP Resident Representative in Turkey
<b>Paul McCarthy</b>	Regional Deputy Director, Europe, International Republican Institute
<b>Nevşin Mengü</b>	TV Presenter, CNN Türk
<b>Simon Mordue</b>	Director, Strategy and Turkey, Directorate General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations, European Commission
<b>Alia Moubayed</b>	Director and Senior Economist, Middle East and North Africa, Barclays plc
<b>Tom Nuttall</b>	Brussels Correspondent, <i>The Economist</i>
<b>Jordan Orsler</b>	Events Manager and PA to the Director, Centre for European Reform
<b>Soli Özel</b>	Professor, Kadir Has University and Columnist, <i>HaberTürk</i>
<b>Burak Özügergin</b>	Ambassador, Director General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Turkey
<b>Kati Piri</b>	Rapporteur on Turkey and Member, European Parliament
<b>Selin Sayek Böke</b>	Spokesperson and Vice Chair Responsible for Economic Policy, Republican People's Party, and Member of Parliament, Grand National Assembly of Turkey
<b>Marietje Schaake</b>	Member of the European Parliament
<b>Srikant Seshadri</b>	Senior Resident Representative in Turkey, International Monetary Fund





**Mick Stump**  
**Zachary Taylor**

Regional Vice President and President, BP Turkey, BP plc  
Regional Conflict Prevention Advisor, United Nations  
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**Vessela Tcherneva**

Senior Director for Programmes and Head of Sofia Office,  
European Council on Foreign Relations

**Sinan Ülgen**  
**Özgür Ünlühisarcıklı**

Chairman, Centre for Economics and Foreign Policy Studies  
Director, Ankara Office, The German Marshall Fund of the  
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**Ilija Vojnovic**  
**Alexandros Yannis**

Turkey Country Director, International Republican Institute  
Energy Diplomacy Co-ordinator, European External Action  
Service

**Ahmet Yıldız**

Ambassador, Deputy Foreign Minister, Ministry of Foreign  
Affairs, Turkey

**Deniz Zeyrek**

Ankara Bureau Chief, *Hürriyet*



## Biographies

### Aslı Aydıntaşbaş



#### Senior Fellow, European Council on Foreign Relations

Aslı Aydıntaşbaş is a senior fellow at the European Council on Foreign Relations and an Istanbul-based writer and commentator on Turkish politics, the Middle East, and media freedoms. She used her *Milliyet* column from 2009-15 to look deeper into issues and flaws in Turkish democracy, as well as analyse Turkey's foreign policy. She has regularly written on Turkey for publications including the *International Herald Tribune*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The New York Times*, *Forbes*, *Politico.com* and *Newsweek/The Daily Beast*. Aydıntaşbaş has also been a regular commentator on television and her TV show *Karşı Gündem* was on CNN Türk during 2013-14. Prior to joining *Milliyet*, she served as a Washington correspondent and later the Ankara bureau chief for *Sabah*, one of Turkey's leading newspapers. She covered the Clinton administration, the United Nations, the Bush administration, and the Iraq War in 1997-04 as a Washington and New York correspondent for NTV and *Radikal*. Aydıntaşbaş is a graduate of Bates College, where she was the recipient of the Maung Maung Gyi award for excellence in international relations, and holds an MA in journalism and Middle East studies from New York University.

### Thomas Bagger



#### Head of Policy Planning, Federal Foreign Office, Germany

Thomas Bagger is head of policy planning at the German Federal Foreign Office. From 2009 until July 2011 he served as head of the foreign minister's office in Berlin. His previous postings abroad were Washington, 2006-09, Ankara, 2002-06, and Prague, 1996-98. Before joining the German diplomatic service in 1992, he worked as a research associate at the Institute of International Affairs (SWP) in Germany. He holds an MA in government and politics from the University of Maryland, College Park and a doctorate from Ludwig-Maximilian University in Munich.





## Alex Barker



### **Brussels Bureau Chief, *Financial Times***

Alex Barker is the Brussels bureau chief for the *Financial Times (FT)*, where he leads the newspaper's coverage of Brexit negotiations, the eurozone and the future of the EU-27.

He spent the last five years in Brussels working as the *FT's* European diplomatic editor, with a focus on the migration crisis, and as EU correspondent, specialising in competition and financial services. Barker started his career in current affairs television and joined the *FT* in 2005. His reporting assignments have included four years as a political correspondent in Westminster, and shorter stints in Washington, New York and Ankara.

## Katinka Barysch



### **Director of Political Relations, Allianz SE**

Katinka Barysch is director of political relations at Allianz SE in Munich, where she works on economic, technological and political trends and manages the company's external partnerships. From 2001-13, Barysch was first chief economist then deputy director of the Centre for European Reform. She has also worked as an analyst and editor for the Economist Intelligence Unit and as an advisor to several European governments, the European Commission, the House of Lords and various multinational companies and financial institutions. She is a World Economic Forum young global leader, a member of the Global Future Council on Security, a David Rockefeller fellow of the Trilateral Commission, strategic advisor to the chairman of the Munich Security Conference and a European fellow at Chatham House.



## Jean-Christophe Belliard



### Deputy Secretary-General, Political Director, European External Action Service

Jean-Christophe Belliard is the deputy secretary-general, political director at the European External Action Service. He studied at the Paris Institute of Political Studies and the National Institute of Oriental Languages and Civilisations, Paris.

In 1984 Belliard joined the French ministry of foreign affairs and was posted as second secretary in Khartoum, Sudan from 1985-87, before returning to Paris to work for the Sudan desk in the African directorate from 1988-91. From 1991-94 he was first secretary, then second counsellor, in Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania, where he represented France at the Arusha peace talks on Rwanda and during Operation Turquoise.

In 1995, Belliard moved to Washington DC to serve as press director and spokesman at the French embassy. From 1997-2001 he was consul general in Cape Town, South Africa, after which he returned to Paris as deputy director for Africa, 2001-04. During this time he also lectured at the Paris Institute of Political Studies.

From 2004-08 he was Javier Solana's personal envoy for Africa at the EU emissary for Zimbabwe, Brussels, after which he was appointed French ambassador to Ethiopia and permanent representative to the African Union, 2009-12, and then French ambassador to Madagascar, 2012. Most recently he was the director for Africa and the Indian Ocean at the French ministry of foreign affairs, 2012-16, before becoming deputy secretary general in September 2016. He has been awarded a chevalier de l'ordre national du mérite and a chevalier de l'ordre de la légion d'honneur.



## Carl Bildt



### **Former Prime Minister and Foreign Minister, Sweden**

Carl Bildt has served as both prime minister, 1991-94, and foreign minister, 2006-14, of Sweden. During the first period his government initiated major liberal economic reforms and also negotiated and signed Sweden's membership agreement with the European Union. Bildt has served in international functions with the EU and UN, primarily related to the conflicts in the Balkans. He was co-chairman of the Dayton Peace Talks on Bosnia and became the first high representative in the country. Later, he was the special envoy of UN secretary-general Kofi Annan to the region. Returning as foreign minister of Sweden in 2006, he came to be seen as one of the most prominent and vocal of European foreign ministers during those years. He was one of the initiators of the EU's Eastern Partnership, and also pushed the EU forward on issues of the Middle East.

## Stephanie Bolzen



### **UK and Ireland Correspondent, *Die Welt* and *Welt am Sonntag***

Stefanie Bolzen is the UK and Ireland correspondent for *Die Welt* and *Welt am Sonntag*. From 2009 until 2012 she was the papers' Europe correspondent in Brussels covering EU and NATO affairs. Until 2008 she was a foreign news reporter and editor for *Die Welt* in Berlin covering issues including Eastern Europe, EU enlargement and energy policy. Bolzen trained at the Axel Springer Academy having studied modern history at the universities of Cologne and Seville. She is an alumni of the Milena Jesenská fellowship and the Arthur F Burns fellowship.



## Lizza Bomassi



### Deputy Director, Carnegie Europe

Lizza Bomassi is the deputy director of Carnegie Europe, where she is responsible for harmonising Carnegie Europe's strategic and operational priorities and managing relations with Carnegie's global centres and programs as well as partner organisations in Europe. She has a background in communications and development studies. Previously, Bomassi worked for the EastWest Institute's International Task Force on Preventive Diplomacy, a group of leading decision makers working to make conflict prevention a reality. During her time there she helped establish the Parliamentarians Network for Conflict Prevention and the Global Conference on Preventive Action. Prior to this, Bomassi worked for Save the Children in Pakistan and Afghanistan on emergency relief and humanitarian assistance programs for Afghan refugees in Pakistan and internally displaced people in Afghanistan. She has also spent time working in the private sector in France. Bomassi has written on a range of topics, including Asia, migration, and the impact of demographic shifts on violent conflict.

## Scott Carpenter



### Managing Director, Jigsaw at Google

Scott Carpenter is the managing director of Jigsaw at Google, and was previously the director of free expression at Google Ideas. Prior to joining Google, Carpenter founded and directed Project Fikra as the Keston family fellow at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy, where he remains an adjunct fellow. Carpenter served as deputy assistant secretary of state in the bureau of Near East affairs where he helped conceive and implement the Middle East Partnership Initiative (MEPI) before being named co-ordinator for the Broader Middle East and North Africa initiative (BMENA). His other roles in government include director of governance for the Coalition Provisional Authority in Iraq from April 2003 to July 2004, and deputy assistant secretary in the bureau of human rights and democracy. Earlier in his career, Carpenter worked for the International Republican Institute where he founded and co-directed its European program from Bratislava, Slovakia, and on Capitol Hill. He received his MA from the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies and is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.





## Anna Maria Corazza Bildt



### Member of the European Parliament

Anna Maria Corazza Bildt is a member of the European Parliament. An Italian national, she was elected in June 2009 and again in May 2014 by the Swedish people for the centre right Moderate Party. Corazza Bildt belongs to the European People's Party group (EPP). In the European Parliament she is first vice chair of the Internal Market and Consumer Protection Committee (IMCO) and deputy co-ordinator for her political group in the Women's Rights and Gender Equality Committee (FEMM). She is also a member of the Civil Liberties, Home Affairs and Migration Committee (LIBE), the EU Turkey Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC) and the EU-Ukraine Parliamentary Association Committee (PAC). She chairs the intergroup on children's rights and is a member of the friends of Turkey group in the European Parliament. Her main areas of interest include the digital single market, consumer issues, migration, equality, as well as peace and security in Europe. She is a driving force in the European Parliament to ensure that the best interests of children are respected in all decisions.

## Espen Barth Eide



### Secretary-General's Special Adviser on Cyprus, United Nations

Espen Barth Eide is United Nations special adviser on Cyprus, chairing the negotiations aiming at reunifying the divided island. From 2014-16, he was managing director and member of the managing board of the World Economic Forum (WEF) in Geneva. Until October 2013, he was Norway's minister of foreign affairs. During his ten years in government, 2000-01 and 2005-13, he also held the positions of minister of defence, deputy minister of foreign affairs and deputy minister of defence. Apart from his posts in government, Eide has pursued an academic career in political science. From 1993-00, he was a senior researcher at the Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI) and from 2002 to 2005, he directed NUPI's department of international politics. Eide is vice chair of the board of the Humanitarian Dialogue Centre in Geneva, member of the board of NUPI, and senior adviser to the Centre for Strategic and International Affairs in Washington DC.



## Lütfi Elvan



### Minister of Development, Ministry of Development, Turkey

A member of the Justice and Development Party (AKP), Lütfi Elvan currently serves as the minister of development. He has previously assumed the role of minister of transport, maritime and communication, 2013-15.

Additionally, he has served as a member of parliament for the district of Karaman, 2007-15, Antalya, June-November 2015 and Mersin, November 2015-present.

Elvan holds an undergraduate degree in mining engineering from the Istanbul Technical University, a master's degree in mining engineering and operations research from Leeds University and a second master's degree in economics from the University of Delaware.

## Charles Grant



### Director, Centre for European Reform

Charles Grant is director of the Centre for European Reform (CER) which he helped to set up in 1996. He works on, among other subjects, EU foreign and defence policy, Russia, China, the euro and Brexit.

He previously worked for *Euromoney* and *The Economist* in London and Brussels, and his biography of Commission President Jacques Delors 'Delors: Inside the House that Jacques Built' was published by Nicolas Brealey in 1994. He is the author of many CER publications and is a regular contributor to the *Financial Times* and the *International New York Times* amongst others.

He was a director and trustee of the British Council from 2002-08, and is a member of the international advisory boards of EDAM, the Moscow School of Civic Education and Terra Nova. He is a member of the council of the Ditchley Foundation, and chairman of the foundation's programme committee.





## Ahmet Kasım Han



### Assistant Professor, Kadir Has Universtiy

Ahmet Kasım Han is a member of the faculty of International Relations at Kadir Has University in Istanbul.

Han holds a BA in economics and international relations, an MA in political history and a PhD in international relations from Istanbul University, and also studied negotiations at Harvard University.

Han has been awarded a 'Young Leaders of Europe' grant on US foreign policy by the Department of State of the United States.

He was an observer for NATO on the state of the NATO/ ISAF operation in Afghanistan in 2005 and 2011.

Han has been published extensively on Afghanistan, the geostrategy of energy politics, US foreign policy and Turkish foreign policy. He has worked as a columnist in Turkish papers *Radikal* and *Referans*.

He is also the chief editorial advisor of the Turkish edition of the *New Perspectives Quarterly*.

Han has also served as the International Relations Advisor for the Turkish Exporters Assembly, the umbrella organization of Turkey's exporting industries between 2003-06. He has lectured for, and held academic posts in, Istanbul University, Bilgi University, Istanbul Commerce University, the Turkish Armed Forces War Academy (TAF) and the Air Force War College. He has also served as a visiting scholar at the University of St Andrews Center for Syrian Studies in Scotland in 2011.



## Sasha Havlicek



### **Chief Executive Officer, Institute for Strategic Dialogue**

As the co-founding CEO of the London-based Institute for Strategic Dialogue, Havlicek leads the organisation's government advisory, research and delivery programmes in the fields of counter-extremism and foreign policy. Havlicek advises a range of Western governments on countering extremism; she chairs the 11-country Policy Planners' Network on Countering Radicalisation, and co-chaired the EU's internet radicalisation working group from 2012-15. She is the co-founder of the women and extremism initiative and has spearheaded, among other things, a partnership with Jigsaw to build the first global network of former extremists and their victims (AVE), and the innovation hub – a partnership with Facebook, Google and Twitter – that combines tech and marketing expertise with frontline networks to counter the internet propaganda machine of extremists. She recently launched the Online Civil Courage Initiative in Germany with Facebook's Sheryl Sandberg. Havlicek previously served as senior director at US think-tank the EastWest Institute (EWI), where she headed the organisation's conflict resolution work and served on a task force of the Stability Pact for South-Eastern Europe. She is a member of the European Council on Foreign Relations, has been invited to testify on extremist recruitment before US Congress and is a regular commentator in the media (CNN, BBC, Channel 4 News and other networks).



## Ümit Hergüner



### Senior Partner, Hergüner Bilgen Özeke Attorney Partnership

Ümit Hergüner is senior partner at Hergüner Bilgen Özeke, which he founded in 1989. The Hergüner firm is among the leading independent, full-service law firms in Turkey, and it represents major foreign and domestic financial institutions, corporations, public institutions, and private individuals. Hergüner heads the Corporate Practice Group, where he leads every major M&A and Energy transaction, also lending his expertise on all project finance transactions, particularly those involving international finance institutions. Hergüner and the firm have close ties to the United States, the United Kingdom, and the European Union, and have advised on strategic investment initiatives in developing economies like Iran, Kazakhstan, Azerbaijan, and Côte d'Ivoire. Hergüner is also on the Advisory Board of the International Relations & European Union Centre at the Union of Turkish Bar Associations in (TBB) Ankara. He also served as the American Bar Association and the TBB representative to the International Bar Association's Working Group on the UN Guidelines on Human Rights and Business. Hergüner is a board member of the International Law Institute (ILI) in Washington, DC and the former President of the Istanbul chapter of ILI. He is also a former president and current board member of the Corporate Governance Association of Turkey (TKYD), and is a member of the Turkish Industrialists and Businessmen Association (TÜSİAD). Hergüner holds an undergraduate and a Master's degree from Istanbul University School of Law, as well as LLM degrees from the American University Washington College of Law, and the University of Virginia, School of Law.



## Diana Janse



### **Ambassador and Senior Foreign Policy Advisor, Moderate Party of Sweden**

Diana Janse is the senior foreign policy advisor to the Moderate Party, Sweden's main opposition party, and its leader. She has previously served as Sweden's ambassador to Lebanon and Syria, and to Georgia and Armenia. Other postings included Russia, Afghanistan and Brussels.



## Bahadır Kaleağası



### International Co-ordinator and EU Representative, TÜSIAD

Bahadır Kaleagasi is a graduate of the Brussels Free Universities and Istanbul University. He worked as a researcher and lecturer at the Center for Strategic and International Studies and the Institute for European Studies of the Brussels Free Universities, and was a visiting academic at Harvard University, Georgetown University and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. His work covered the theories of international relations, the EU's decision-making system, EU-US relations and the external economic relations of the EU.

He was awarded the European Commission's Jean Monnet scholarship and NATO research fellowship, has taken part in several EU projects and the European Commission's Forward Studies Unit, and served as European affairs counsellor to several public and private institutions.

In 1996, Kaleagasi was appointed the permanent representative of Turkish Industry and Business Association (TÜSIAD) to the European Union and the Confederation of European Business (BUSINESSEUROPE) in Brussels. Since 2008, he has also been the international coordinator of TÜSIAD.

He is a scientific member at the Brussels Free Universities, founding president of the Turkish environmental protection organisation TEMA's European branch, president of the Institut du Bosphore in Paris, and a board member of TÜSIAD International, the JCI-Europe and Forum Istanbul, Turkey's high-level economic and political conference network.

Kaleagasi has co-authored numerous books and publications, and been a regular commentator for *Radikal* and the monthly economic review *Finans Dünyası*.



## James Kanter



### **EU Correspondent, *International New York Times***

James Kanter is the EU correspondent for the *International New York Times* and he has been with the company since 2005.

His previous experience includes four years in Southeast Asia where he was editor-in-chief of *The Cambodia Daily*. He later studied law and regulation as a Knight fellow at Yale Law School earning an LL.M. Kanter has won awards for his reporting on markets and antitrust and he has contributed to prizewinning coverage of banking scandals and the euro crisis. He received the 2009 Reporting Europe prize for an investigation of the European Emissions Trading System. He was raised in California, England and Massachusetts.

## Gilles de Kerchove



### **Counter-Terrorism Co-ordinator, Council of the European Union**

Gilles de Kerchove was appointed EU counter-terrorism co-ordinator in September 2007. In this function, he co-ordinates the work of the European Union in the field of counter-terrorism, maintains an overview of all the instruments at the Union's disposal, closely monitors the implementation of the EU counter-terrorism strategy and fosters better communication between the EU and third countries to ensure that the Union plays an active role in the fight against terrorism.

Before that he was director for justice and home affairs at the Council Secretariat. He is also a European law professor at the Catholic University of Louvain, the Free University of Brussels and at the Université Saint Louis-Brussels. He was deputy secretary of the convention that drafted the charter of the fundamental rights of the European Union from 1999-00. He has published a number of books on European law.





## Rem Korteweg



### Senior Research Fellow, Centre for European Reform

Rem Korteweg works on European foreign, economic and security issues. His research focuses on Europe's neighbourhood, the (geo)politics of trade, European energy security and Brexit. In this role, he advises national governments, EU institutions and companies. In 2012, he had a placement within the ministry of foreign affairs of the Netherlands as strategic policy advisor. Before joining CER, Korteweg worked at the Hague Center for Strategic Studies (HCSS), where he wrote on Western defence policy, economic diplomacy and state fragility. In 2006-07 he was a Fulbright scholar at the Johns Hopkins-SAIS Center for Transatlantic Relations in Washington DC. In 2004 he was a visiting fellow at the EU Institute for Security Studies.

He has published in a variety of newspapers and academic journals, and is the author of 'The superpower, the bridge-builder and the hesitant ally: How defence transformation divided NATO 1991-2008', 2011. Korteweg has a PhD in international relations from Leiden University, an MA in the history of international relations from Utrecht University and a BA in social sciences from University College Utrecht. He is a committee member of the Netherlands' Advisory Council on International Affairs (AIV), which advises the Dutch government and parliament on foreign policy questions.



## Andrey Kortunov



### **Director General, Russian International Affairs Council**

Andrey Kortunov is director general of the Russian International Affairs Council (RIAC). He graduated from the Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO) and did his postgraduate studies at the Institute for US and Canadian studies at the USSR Academy of Sciences. He holds a PhD in history and focuses on international relations, foreign and domestic policy of Russia and Russian-American relations.

Kortunov was deputy director of the institute for US and Canadian studies and was the founder and first president of the Moscow Public Science Foundation. He taught Russian foreign policy at the University of Miami and at the Lewis & Clark College, University of California. In 2011, he was elected director general of the Russian International Affairs Council, a non-profit partnership established by order of the president of the Russian Federation.

Kortunov is the author of over 120 publications dedicated to the analysis of Soviet/Russian-American relations, global security, and the foreign and domestic policy of the USSR and Russia.

## Gürkan Kumbaroğlu



### **President, International Association for Energy Economics**

Gürkan Kumbaroğlu is president of the International Association for Energy Economics (IAEE) based in the United States, and president of the Turkish Association for Energy Economics. He is the founding director and chairman of the board of the Energy Policy Research Center at Boğaziçi University in Istanbul, Turkey.

He has been a visiting researcher and professor at universities worldwide including the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology ETH Zurich, the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, RWTH Aachen University, the University of Sao Paulo, the Chinese Academy of Sciences, the University of Campinas and the University of Port Harcourt.

Kumbaroğlu is an editorial board member of the journals Sustainability, Innovative Energy Policies and the Journal of Self-Governance and Management Economics. He has received several international awards and published numerous articles and book chapters on energy and environmental policy.



## Müjge Küçükkeleş



### **Program Officer, International Republican Institute**

Müjge Küçükkeleş has a BA in political science and public administration from Middle East Technical University, Turkey, and an MA in politics and international studies from the University of Warwick. She is currently a PhD candidate in the international relations department at Kadir Has University in Istanbul, a program officer at the International Republican Institute's Turkey office and is a former member of the Atlantic Council's 'Young Turkey Young America' fellowship.

## Alexander Graf Lambsdorff



### **Vice President, European Parliament**

Alexander Graf Lambsdorff is vice president of the European Parliament and has been a member since 2004.

In 2009-14, Lambsdorff served as deputy leader of the liberal group (ALDE). Lambsdorff also heads the Free Democratic Party (FDP) (German Liberal Party) delegation in the European Parliament and is a member of the FDP's executive committees at the federal, state (North Rhine-Westphalia) and local level (Bonn). Lambsdorff is a member of the committee on international trade and substitute member of the committee on foreign affairs. In addition, he is a member of the parliamentary delegation for relations with Israel as well as the EU-Turkey Joint Parliamentary Committee.

Lambsdorff has focused on EU enlargement and the United Nations, while actively engaging in democracy support policies by leading EU election observation missions to several countries in Asia and Africa. He has been involved in economic policy-making as a member of the committee for the internal market, with a particular focus on the markets for chemicals, services and security-related products. Lambsdorff studied history, constitutional law and international relations at Bonn University in Germany and at Georgetown University in Washington. In 1995, he joined the German foreign service and served in the policy planning staff, the German Embassy in Washington, and the political department before leaving the foreign service for the 2004 European election campaign.



## Rima Maktabi



### Senior Presenter and Roving Correspondent, Al Arabiya News Channel

Rima Maktabi has over 15 years' experience in television. She rejoined the Al Arabiya news channel in October 2012 and has done extensive field coverage from Syria since then, focusing on the political, military and humanitarian aspects of the war-torn country. Maktabi has interviewed top leaders and decision makers in the Arab world throughout her career, and has covered major events in the Middle East, most significantly with her fieldwork in the 2006 Lebanon War and the Lebanese army's war with the Fateh el Islam militia.

Maktabi was nominated by the World Economic Forum as a young global leader in 2010, and has won awards for her work in journalism including the Mohammed Bin Rashed Al Maktoum award for her Lebanon War coverage in 2006.

In 2013 Maktabi was recognised as one of the most influential international warzone journalists. From 2010-12, Maktabi worked with CNN as an anchor and reporter covering major news stories across the Middle East, including the Arab Spring revolutions in Tunisia, Egypt and Bahrain, and was the host of CNN's renowned show 'Inside the Middle East'. From 2005-10, Maktabi worked with Al Arabiya as a reporter and senior anchor hosting the daily 8 o'clock news. She has an MA in international affairs and BA in communication arts, both from the Lebanese American University in Beirut (LAU). In 1996, just as she joined LAU, Maktabi started working with Lebanese Future TV where she remained for 10 years, hosting a political show for the youth in 2005.



## Kamal Malhotra



### UN Resident Co-ordinator and UNDP Resident Representative in Turkey

Kamal Malhotra has been the United Nations resident co-ordinator and UN Development Programme (UNDP) resident representative in Turkey since April 2013. Prior to this appointment, from October 2008 - March 2013, Malhotra was the UN resident co-ordinator for Malaysia, UNDP resident representative for Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei Darussalam and UN population fund (UNFPA) representative for Malaysia.

From 1999-08 he worked in the UNDP's bureau for development policy, New York, as senior adviser on inclusive globalisation, civil society empowerment adviser and senior civil society adviser. Before joining the UNDP, Malhotra was co-founder and co-director of Focus on the Global South, 1995-99, a global policy research organisation located at the Chulalongkorn University Social Research Institute in Thailand. Malhotra holds an MA in international affairs from Columbia University, New York, with a specialisation in economic and political development, an MBA from the Indian Institute of Management, India, with a specialisation in finance and economics, and a BA in economics (with honours), from the University of Delhi, India. Malhotra is widely published with over 75 journal and other articles on the multilateral system and development co-operation.





## Paul McCarthy



### Regional Deputy Director, Europe, International Republican Institute

Paul McCarthy joined the International Republican Institute (IRI) in 2004 as a member of the Middle East and North Africa division. McCarthy was named regional deputy director of the Europe division in January 2015, where he is responsible for overseeing a diverse portfolio of regional and country specific programs, including a public opinion research program in Turkey, and working to strengthen IRI's transatlantic relations with European partners. In this capacity, McCarthy is focused on analysing the impact of the migration crisis on European politics, and developing programs which seek to counter violent extremism (CVE). As program director in Jordan, he developed an innovative local governance and municipal polling program that has become a model for the Institute. McCarthy also served as program director in Iraq, where he managed a program building the capacity of Iraqi national and local governmental institutions, political parties and civil society organisations. Before joining IRI, McCarthy oversaw the National Endowment for Democracy's extensive assistance programs to pro-democratic forces in the Balkans during a critical period in that region's turbulent history.

## Nevşin Mengü



### TV Presenter, CNN Türk

Nevşin Mengü is a TV Presenter for CNN Türk. She started her career in journalism in 2004 after studying political science. Since then she has worked as a correspondent, producer and presenter and was based in Iran from 2009 to 2010. Upon her return to Turkey, she spent time working for Hürriyet newspaper before becoming a presenter on the 18 o'clock news on CNN Türk. She has been in this role for five years





## Simon Mordue



### **Director, Strategy and Turkey, Directorate General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations, European Commission**

Since September 2014, Simon Mordue has been the director for strategy and Turkey in the Directorate General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations, covering issues such as the overall strategy for enlargement policy and the European neighbourhood policy, policy planning, inter-institutional relations and communication, thematic support, monitoring and evaluation, financial instruments and negotiations with Turkey.

In the Barroso II Commission, Mordue was head of cabinet for Štefan Füle, European commissioner for enlargement and neighbourhood policy. In the Barroso I Commission, Mordue was deputy head of cabinet to vice president Günter Verheugen, covering a broad range of areas in the vice president's team including responsibility for driving forward the better regulation agenda and the relations of the vice president with the European Parliament and Council.

This latter role involved overseeing complex inter-institutional negotiations on issues such as REACH, the single market for goods package and the defence package. He had also been part of commissioner Verheugen's team for the last part of the Prodi commission where he oversaw preparations for the new financial perspectives and dealt with relations with the European Parliament.



## Alia Moubayed



### **Director and Senior Economist, Middle East and North Africa, Barclays plc**

Alia Moubayed is a director and senior economist at Barclays, based in London. She has responsibility for economic research and geopolitical analysis for the Middle East and North Africa.

Moubayed joined Barclays in October 2008 from the World Bank, where she worked for six years as a senior economist, responsible for economic research and policy dialogue at the economic policy department of the Europe and Central Asia region. Prior to that, she held research and policy responsibilities in various economic institutions of the government of Lebanon, including the Central Bank, the office of the minister of economy and trade, and the Council for Development and Reconstruction.

Moubayed holds degrees in economics, finance and public policy from the American University of Beirut and the National School of Administration (ENA) in France.

## Tom Nuttall

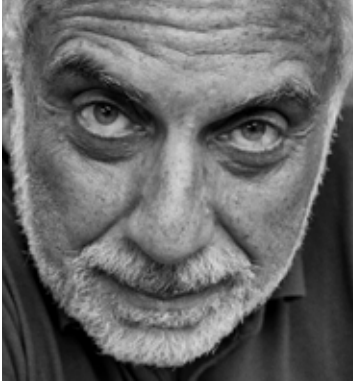


### **Brussels Correspondent, *The Economist***

Tom Nuttall has written *The Economist's* Charlemagne column since August 2014. Previous posts include Los Angeles and London.



## Soli Özel



### **Professor, Kadir Has University and Columnist, *HaberTürk***

Soli Özel holds a BA in economics from Bennington College and an MA in international relations from Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS). Özel is currently a full time professor at Kadir Has University. He is also a columnist at *HaberTürk* daily newspaper, and an advisor to the Turkish Industry and Business Association (TÜSİAD). He has guest lectured at Georgetown, Harvard, Tufts and other US universities, taught at the University of California-Santa Cruz, SAIS, University of Washington, and Hebrew University, and held fellowships at the University of Oxford, the European Union Institute of Security Studies and was a Fischer family fellow at the Belfer Centre of the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. In spring 2013 he was a Keyman fellow at Northwestern University where he guest lectured. He is on the board of directors of International Alert and is a member of the council of the European Council on Foreign Relations.

## Burak Özügergin



### **Ambassador, Director General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Turkey**

Burak Özügergin entered into the Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1985. Since then he has worked in various departments including Multilateral Economic Organizations, EU Affairs and Maritime and Aviation Matters. He has been posted in London, Benghazi, New York and Washington.

Özügergin was ambassador to Croatia between 2010-14. Currently he is in charge of Eastern Mediterranean affairs, including Cyprus and Greece; as well as maritime and aviation policies. Özügergin has a bachelors from George Mason University and a masters from Johns Hopkins University.



## Kati Piri



### **Rapporteur on Turkey and Member, European Parliament**

Kati Piri is a member of the European Parliament, where she focuses on foreign affairs, human rights, justice and home affairs, and civil liberties. She is the standing rapporteur on Turkey, drafting the European Parliament's annual progress report on Turkey's accession process. Piri is also member of the EU-Ukraine delegation and the Euronest Parliamentary Assembly. Previously, she worked as programme manager for the South Caucasus at the Netherlands Institute for Multiparty Democracy (NIMD).

Piri also worked as political advisor for the Socialists and Democrats (S&D Group) in Brussels.

## Selin Sayek Böke



### **Spokesperson and Vice Chair Responsible for Economic Policy, Republican People's Party, and Member of Parliament, Grand National Assembly of Turkey**

Selin Sayek Böke graduated from the economics department of Ankara's Middle East Technical University in 1993. She received her MA and PhD from Duke University. In 1999 she worked as a short term consultant in the World Bank's Eastern and Central Asia department. Between 1999 and 2001 she worked as an assistant professor of economics at Bentley College's economics department. In 2001 Sayek Böke started work as an economist in the International Monetary Fund. Upon her return to Turkey in 2003, she became part of the academic staff of Ankara's Bilkent University. In the autumn of the same year she worked as an adjunct professor at Georgetown University's public policy institute. She became the chair of the economics department at Bilkent University in 2011 and continued to hold that title until she joined the administrative ranks of the Republican People's Party (CHP). Sayek Böke has authored and co-authored several publications on many economic issues, including foreign direct investment.

Since September 2014 Sayek Böke has been the vice chair responsible for the economic policy of CHP, and since January 2016 is also the spokesperson for the party.



## Marietje Schaake



### **Member of the European Parliament**

Marietje Schaake has served as a member of the European Parliament for the Dutch Democratic Party (D66) with the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (ALDE) political group since 2009. She serves on the international trade committee and is the spokesperson for the ALDE group on the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership. Schaake also serves on the committee on foreign affairs and the subcommittee on human rights. She is the founder of the European Parliament intergroup on the digital agenda for Europe. Furthermore, Schaake is the vice president of the US delegation and serves on the Iran delegation and the delegation for the Arabian Peninsula.

She is a member of the Global Commission on Internet Governance and a young global leader with the World Economic Forum.

## Srikant Seshadri



### **Senior Resident Representative in Turkey, International Monetary Fund**

Srikant Seshadri took up the position of senior resident representative in Turkey in August 2014. Seshadri has had extensive experience covering economic, financial, and policy issues in advanced and emerging economies. Immediately prior to taking up his current position, he was deputy chief of the advanced economies division in the strategy, policy, and review department of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), where his principal responsibilities included the monitoring of G7 and other advanced economies. He has also served in various other capacities at the IMF, including in the research, monetary and capital markets, and external relations departments. Prior to joining the IMF, he also worked in the private sector as a sovereign risk analyst, covering a broad range of emerging and advanced economies. He holds a PhD in economics from Boston College, a BA in economics, as well as a BSc in chemistry from Washington State University.





## Mick Stump



### **Regional Vice President and President, BP Turkey, BP plc**

Mick Stump has been with BP for over 30 years and is currently regional vice president and president, BP Turkey for the Azerbaijan-Georgia-Turkey region. Prior to his current appointment he was vice president of operations for BP's onshore operating global portfolio covering BP's operated assets in Alaska, Trinidad, North Sea midstream, Oman and Indonesia. He fulfilled this role for over three years and had line responsibility for delivering safe, compliant, reliable and competitive performance. Previously, Stump held various operational and resource development assignments in the North Sea, Egypt, Ecuador, Alaska, Venezuela and Abu Dhabi and has substantial experience in joint venture operations. Most recently he was general manager and managing director of GUPCO, BP's 50:50 joint venture operating company in the Gulf of Suez, Egypt. Stump has a first class honours degree in civil engineering and spent three years with consulting engineers Mott MacDonald before joining BP.

## Zachary Taylor



### **Regional Conflict Prevention Advisor, United Nations Development Programme**

For the past decade Zachary Taylor has worked in various security and conflict prevention related positions with the United Nations, both in the field (through out Southeast Europe and Central Asia) and at the head quarters. For the past five years he has served as regional conflict prevention advisor covering the Europe and Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) territories for the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) – and in conjuncture with the department of political affairs – to support the UN's broader conflict prevention and peacebuilding programming. Until 2011, he worked supporting post-conflict recovery (in the Balkans and West Africa), as well as managing and advising on conflict prevention, arms control and citizen security programming throughout Europe, Central Asia and East Africa. From 2006-11, he was the chief technical advisor for arms control and security in UNDP Croatia. Prior to joining the UN, Taylor worked with the UK-based NGO Saferworld in the South Caucasus and for the London *Daily Telegraph* in the New York bureau and the Washington DC-based National Democratic Institute for International Affairs (NDI) where he supported governance programming in Kosovo, FYR Macedonia and Serbia. Taylor has a BA in international relations from Middlebury College in Vermont, USA and an MSc in security studies from University College London.





## Vessela Tcherneva



### Senior Director for Programmes and Head of Sofia Office, European Council on Foreign Relations

Vessela Tcherneva is the European Council on Foreign Relations's (ECFR) programme director and head of the Sofia office. Her areas of expertise are foreign and security policy, transatlantic relations, regional studies, EU enlargement, Balkans and the Black Sea region. She is the co-founder of Sofia Platform, a venue for dialogue between members of NGOs, the media and politics, from Europe, the Middle East and the United States. From 2010 to 2013 she was the spokesperson for the Bulgarian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and a member of the political cabinet of foreign minister Nickolay Mladenov. She has been the head of the Bulgarian office of ECFR since 2008, as well as programme director for foreign policy studies at the Centre for Liberal Strategies in Sofia. Between 2004 and 2006 she was secretary of the International Commission on the Balkans, chaired by former Italian prime minister Giuliano Amato. She has been a supervising editor for *Foreign Policy Bulgaria* magazine since its launch in 2005.



## Sinan Ülgen



### Chairman, Centre for Economics and Foreign Policy Studies

Sinan Ülgen graduated from the University of Virginia in 1987 with a double major in computer sciences and economics. He undertook graduate studies at the College of Europe in Brugge, Belgium, where he received, in 1990, a masters degree in European economic integration. He then joined the Turkish foreign service as a career diplomat.

In 1992, he was posted to the Turkish permanent delegation to the European Union in Brussels where he became part of the team that negotiated the Turkey-EU customs union.

Ülgen is the founder and managing partner of Istanbul Economics. The consultancy specialises in market entry strategies for international companies, and political and economic risk analysis related to Turkey and regulatory affairs.

Ülgen is also the chairman of the Istanbul based think-tank, the Centre for Economics and Foreign Policy Studies (EDAM) and a visiting scholar at Carnegie Europe in Brussels. His research and opinion pieces have been widely published by the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Center for European Policy Studies, Centre for European Reform, Atlantic Council, The German Marshall Fund of the United States, Brookings and the World Economic Forum, as well as newspapers such as *Le Figaro*, *Financial Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *European Voice*, *Project Syndicate* and *The International New York Times*.

He is also the co-author of a book on Turkey-EU relations with Kemal Derviş and a frequent commentator on Turkish affairs in the international press. Ülgen is an academic advisory board member of the NATO Defence College in Rome and a member of the international policy experts group setup by the NATO secretary general Anders Fogh Rasmussen.



## Özgür Ünlühisarcıklı



### **Director, Ankara Office, The German Marshall Fund of the United States**

Özgür Ünlühisarcıklı is the director of GMF's office in Ankara, Turkey. Prior to joining GMF, he was the manager of the resource development department of the educational volunteers foundation of Turkey. Previously, Ünlühisarcıklı worked as the director of the ARI Movement, a Turkish NGO promoting participatory democracy, and as a consultant at AB Consulting and Investment Services. After graduating from Robert College in Istanbul, Ünlühisarcıklı received his bachelor's degree in business administration from Marmara University and his master's degree from Koç University.

## Akın Ünver



### **Assistant Professor, Kadir Has University**

Akın Ünver is an assistant professor of international relations at Kadir Has University, specialising in energy politics, conflict psychology and radicalisation sociologies. In addition, he studies discourse theory, regional security complex theory and psychoanalytical approaches to decision-making.

He is also a supervisory board member at EDAM, Co-Opinion Youth Solidarity Network and Doğruluk Payı (Turkey's main political fact-checking initiative).

Ünver completed his PhD at the University of Essex and his dissertation 'Defining Turkey's Kurdish question: Discourse and politics since 1990' was awarded the Middle East Studies Association's Malcolm Kerr 'best dissertation in the field of social sciences' award. He has researched at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy and the University of Michigan and lectured at Princeton University. His articles have been published in *Foreign Affairs*, *The Diplomat* and others, and he regularly appears in international media.



## Ilija Vojnovic



### **Turkey Country Director, International Republican Institute**

Ilija Vojnovic is the International Republican Institute's (IRI) resident country director in Turkey. He is in charge of drafting and overseeing the IRI assistance programs for enhancing political competition and promoting policy-oriented politics.

Prior to his assignment in Turkey, Vojnovic worked on supporting political parties and government institutions in Serbia in the areas of good governance and policy development. Before his arrival at IRI, Vojnovic worked as a reporter for the national TV station in Serbia, B92.

## Alexandros Yanniss



### **Energy Diplomacy Co-ordinator, European External Action Service**

Alexandros Yanniss holds a PhD from the Graduate Institute of International Studies of Geneva University. He has been a member of the cabinet of Catherine Ashton, the former EU high representative for foreign affairs and security policy and vice president of the European Commission, and has worked in the Council of the EU for Javier Solana, ex-EU high representative for common foreign and security policy. He has also been associate professor at The Fletcher School of Tufts University in Boston and visiting scholar at the School of International and Public Affairs of Columbia University in New York, and is a research associate at the Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy (ELIAMEP). His areas of expertise are EU enlargement and neighbourhood countries and policies as well as conflict prevention, international negotiations, multilateral diplomacy and energy geopolitics. He has lived and worked in Athens, Brussels, Geneva, New York, Boston, Kosovo and Nairobi and has worked extensively for the EU and the UN. He is an EU official currently working as the senior expert on energy diplomacy at the European External Action Service in Brussels.



## Ahmet Yıldız



### **Ambassador, Deputy Foreign Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Turkey**

Ahmet Yıldız has been the deputy foreign minister for Turkey since July 2016. Prior to this he was senior diplomatic advisor to the president, September 2014 until June 2016, and senior diplomatic adviser to the prime minister, July 2014 until September 2014, whilst also being a member of the foreign policy consulting board. Yıldız entered the diplomatic service in 1988, which was followed by placements in Tripoli, Stuttgart, Houston, Damascus, Riyadh and Jeddah. From September 2002 until August 2008, he was chief of section in the Directorate General of Intelligence; from September 2008 until September 2009, head of department in the Directorate General of the Special Representative Office of Iraq; and from September 2009 until December 2009, head of department in the Directorate General of Science.

He was the first consul general in Mosul from December 2009 until November 2011, and served as Turkey's ambassador to Bosnia and Herzegovina from November 2011 until July 2014.

## Deniz Zeyrek



### **Ankara Bureau Chief, *Hürriyet***

Deniz Zeyrek has been the Ankara Representative of *Hürriyet Daily* newspaper since 2013. He works on Turkish politics, international diplomacy and energy issues. From 2011-13 Zeyrek was the Ankara bureau chief of *Radikal Daily*. He had been the Ankara news editor at *Radikal Daily* from 2003. When *Radikal Daily* newspaper was first published in 1996, Zeyrek was invited to join the team, and worked as a diplomatic correspondent. He started working as a journalist for *Evrensel Daily* in 1995. Zeyrek studied Chemistry and Biology at Middle East Technical University.





## Organisational team

**Jordan Orsler**



**Events Manager and PA to the Director, Centre for European Reform**

Jordan Orsler is the CER's events manager and PA to the director Charles Grant. She is responsible for the co-ordination of CER events both nationally and internationally.

She has a degree in German and European Studies from the University of Sussex, and spent an Erasmus year studying at Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg.

**Nazife Al**



**Secretary General, Centre for Economics and Foreign Policy Studies**

Nazife Al is secretary general of the Centre for Economics and Foreign Policy Studies (EDAM). She co-ordinates as well as supervises the organisation of conferences and manages administrative tasks of projects carried out by EDAM. She graduated from Istanbul Bilgi University's international relations department in 2010 and completed her MSc in international relations at the Middle East Technical University. She is also an alumni of the German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP)'s EU-Middle East Forum.



## Yeşil Deniz



### **Research Assistant, Centre for Economics and Foreign Policy Studies**

Yeşil Deniz joined the Centre for Economics and Foreign Policy Studies (EDAM) as a research assistant in January 2016. She received her BSc in sociology from the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE). With almost two years of work experience, accumulated in the realms of corruption and internationally-funded development projects (mainly European Union tenders), Deniz returned to the LSE in October 2014. She completed her MSc in development management, to examine the political and economic causes of development and non-development. Her dissertation focused on the relationship between corruption and foreign direct investment.

## Doruk Ergun



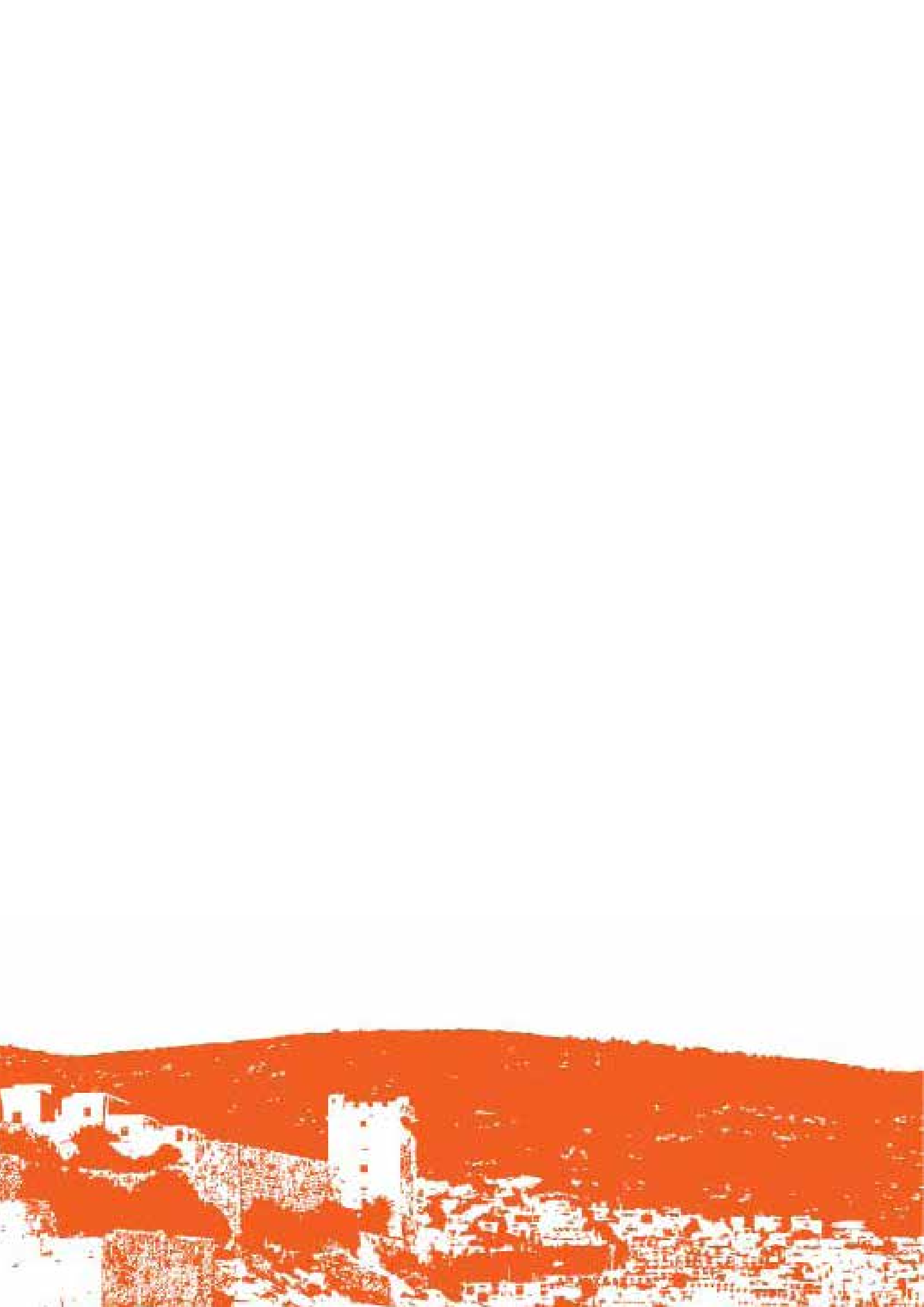
### **Research Fellow, Centre for Economics and Foreign Policy Studies**

Doruk Ergun is a research fellow at the Centre for Economics and Foreign Policy Studies (EDAM), where he works on foreign policy and security issues. In his research at EDAM, he has mainly covered Turkish foreign policy and security, the Syrian Civil War, ISIS, radicalisation and counter-radicalisation, Russia, NATO and transatlantic affairs, nuclear security, nuclear energy, and cyber security issues. Ergun was a research assistant at the NATO Parliamentary Assembly before assuming his position at EDAM. He received his MA in international affairs with a focus on international security studies from the Elliott School of International Affairs at George Washington University in 2011 and his BA in social and political sciences from Sabancı University in 2009.



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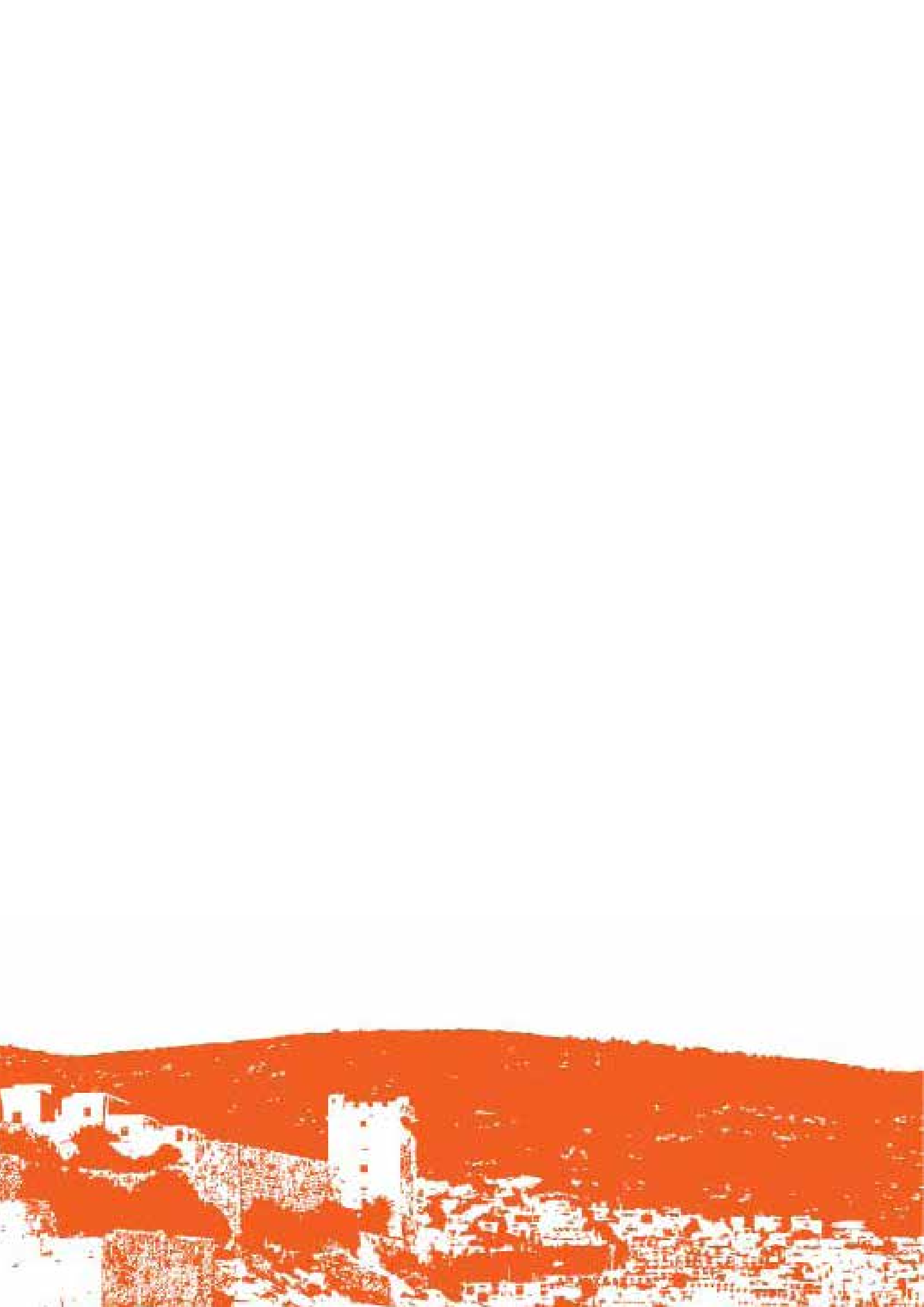


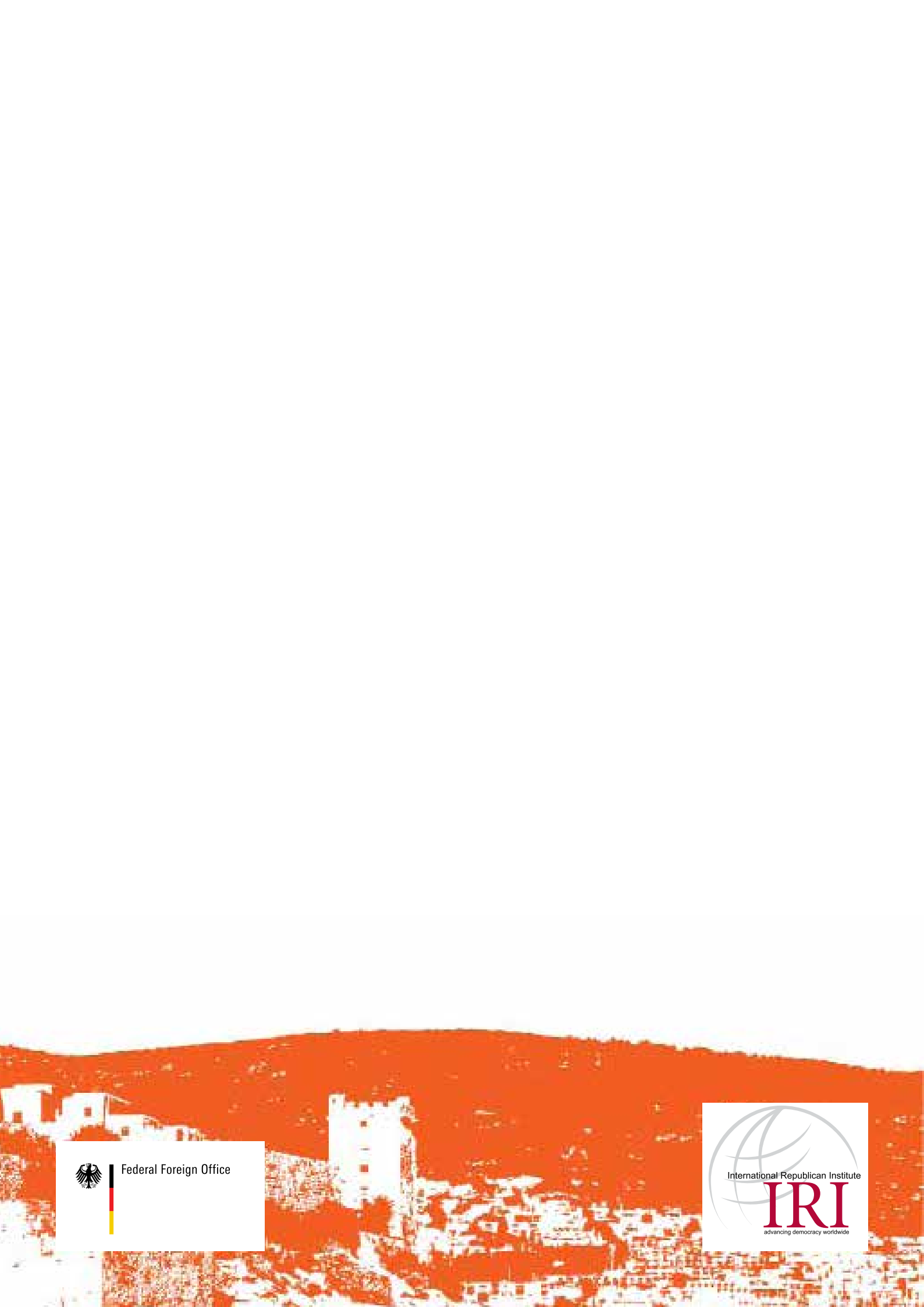


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