# **DS JOURNALISM ACADEMY**

## SPRING 2016 9-14 APRIL

**PROGRAM AGENDA** 



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#### DAY 1 / 9 APRIL / SATURDAY

#### Arrivals & Check-in at hotel

Venue: Sürmeli Hotel Gayrettepe, Prof. Dr. Bülent Tarcan Sk. No:3, 34349 İstanbul

#### 20.00-22.00 Welcome Dinner & Reception Venue: Khedive Palace (Hıdiv Kasrı) Çubuklu, Hidiv Kasrı, 34805 Beykoz/İstanbul

#### DAY 2 / 10 APRIL / SUNDAY

Venue: SETA Istanbul Defterdar Mah. Savaklar Cad. Edirnekapı/ İstanbul

- 09.30-09.50
   Registration

   09.50-10.00
   Opening Remarks

   Serdar Karagöz
   Editor-in-Chief, Daily Sabah

   Pinar Kandemir,
   Director, DS Centre for Policy Studies

   10.00, 10.00
   Session In The Political and Formation
- 10.00-12.00 Session I: The Political and Economic Environment in the Post-Election Era in Turkey

#### SPEAKERS:

Prof. Birol Akgün,
Director General, Strategic Thinking Institute in Ankara
Prof. Ali Murat Yel,
Professor at Marmara University, Communication Faculty in Istanbul
Sadık Ünay,
Expert on Political Economy and Economic Diplomacy at SETA and Columnist at Daily Sabah

#### MODERATOR:

Mehmet Solmaz, Senior Politics Editor, Daily Sabah

12.00-12.15 Coffee Break

#### 12.15-14.00 Session II: The Syrian Crisis and Its Regional and Global Implications

#### SPEAKERS:

Prof. Nurşin Ateşoğlu, Head of the International Relations Department at Yildiz Technical University in Istanbul Resul Serdar Ataş, Managing Editor at TRT World Prof. Gülnur Aybet,

Professor and Head of the Political Science Department and Director for the Centre for Security Studies at Bahçeşehir University in Istanbul

#### MODERATOR:

Hasan Basri Yalçın, Assistant Professor at İstanbul Commerce University and Researcher in Security Studies at SETA

- 14.00-15.00 Lunch Break
- 15.00-16.30 Session III: Managing the Refugee Crisis: Examining the Turkish Experience

### SPEAKERS:

Prof. Ibrahim Kaya,
Professor in the Faculty of Law at Istanbul University
Enes Bayraklı,
Researcher in European Studies at SETA
Bora Bayraktar,
Istanbul Representative and Correspondant at Euronews

### MODERATOR:

Yaser Tabbara, Researcher at OMRAN for Strategic Studies

### 17.00 Free Time

#### DAY 3 / 11 APRIL / MONDAY

Venue: SDE Ankara Çetin Emeç Blv. 4. Cad. 1330 Sok. No: 12 Aşağı Öveçler Mah. Çankaya/Ankara

07.00-08.10 10.00-12.30	Istanbul - Ankara Session IV: Counterterrorism & The Foreign Terrorist Fighters Phenomenon
	SPEAKERS: Fatma Ceren Yazgan, Deputy Director of Intelligence and Security at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Prof. Haldun Yalçınkaya, Professor and Department Chair of International Relations at The University of Economics and Technology in Ankara Dr. Mesut Özcan, Head of the Diplomacy Academy, Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs Necdet Özçelik, Security Analyst
	MODERATOR:
	<b>Nur Özkan Erbay,</b> TRT World Ankara Bureau Chief
12.30-13.00	Lunch Break
13.00-14.30	Discussion Session at Directorate General of Press and Information
	<u>SPEAKERS:</u> İsmail Mansur Özdemir, Deputy General Director, Directorate General of Press and Information
15.00-16.30	Trip to the Turkish Parliamentary (TBMM)
17.00-19.00	Presidential Palace Tour
19.00-21.00	Discussion Session <u>KEYNOTE SPEAKER:</u> Ibrahim Kalın, Presidential Spokesperson & Ambassador
22.00	Check-In to Hotel Venue: Raddison Blu İstiklal Cad. No:20, Altındağ/Ankara

#### DAY 4 / 12 APRIL / TUESDAY

- 08.35-09.45 Ankara-Gaziantep
- 12.00-14.30 Visit to the Nizip Refugee Camp and Meeting with Syrian Refugees
- 14.30-18.00 Gaziantep City Tour & Lunch
- 20.00-21.30 Dinner with Gaziantep Mayor Fatma Şahin and NGOs
- 22.00 Check-in to Hotel Venue: Dedeman Gaziantep Nesimi Mah, Cad. No. 160, 27120

#### DAY 5 / 13 APRIL / WEDNESDAY

Attendance is Optional

- 07.35-09.30 Gaziantep-Istanbul
- 10.00-13.00 Check-In to the Hotel
- 13.00-17.00 Istanbul Sultanahmet Tour
- 17.00-19.00 Dinner at Haveran Restaurant
- 19.00 21.00 Whirling Dervish Show at Bahariye Mevlevihanesi Venue: Bahariye Mevlevihanesi Eyüp Merkez, Silahtarağa Cad. No:12, Eyüp/İstanbul

DAY 6 / 14 APRIL / THURSDAY

**Check-Out & Departure**