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## FOREWORD

The Turkish Academy of Sciences (TÜBA) is an autonomous organization dedicated to the development and promotion of science in Türkiye. Its origins can be traced back to the Ottoman Society of Scholars, founded in 1851. TÜBA encompasses a broad spectrum of scientific fields, divided into three groups: Basic and Engineering Sciences; Health and Life Sciences; and Social Sciences and Humanities. Committed to fostering scientific research, TÜBA organizes working groups, provides grants and awards, supports scientific reports, and collaborates with sister academies worldwide.

During the 2023 meeting of TÜBA's International Relations Working Group, the decision was made to organize a conference in 2024 titled "Global Transformations and Türkiye". This title aligns with the theme of the Science-20 conferences, "Science for Global Transformation", scheduled to be held in Brazil in early 2024. It underscores the significance and immediacy of global changes and challenges. As a prominent member of the Science-20 Academies, TÜBA plays a pivotal role in guiding discussions on global issues. The academy's approach to addressing global challenges with collaborative scientific efforts and innovative solutions is demonstrated by its focus on areas such as Global Political Crisis/War, Artificial Intelligence, Bioeconomy, Energy Transition, Health Challenges, and Social Justice.

In the context of a rapidly evolving global landscape characterized by shifting geopolitical paradigms and changing international relations, prioritizing solution-oriented and science-driven initiatives in Türkiye is critical. To navigate these transitions effectively, it is essential to utilize scientific expertise judiciously. Central to our ethos is the principle of social justice. We are dedicated to fostering a world of fairness and equity, where resources are distributed equitably, and environmental stewardship is emphasized for the collective well-being of future generations. Our commitment extends beyond mere advocacy; we actively encourage dialogue and collaboration to support inclusive socio-economic development.

The conference provides a platform for scholarly discourse and interdisciplinary collaboration. The aim is to navigate towards a more sustainable and equitable future through rigorous deliberation and the exchange of insights. Additionally, it is important to acknowledge the severe humanitarian crises occurring in various parts of the world amidst our scholarly endeavors. Recent escalations, such as the Israeli occupation in Gaza and the Russian occupation in Ukraine, highlight the importance of promoting peace and stability through diplomatic efforts. As objective scholars, we condemn acts of aggression and encourage peaceful resolutions through dialogue and diplomacy.

The conference is anticipated to offer valuable scholarly insights and contribute to the advancement of knowledge in our respective fields. I would like to express my gratitude to the TÜBA International Relations Working Group for organizing this conference. Additionally, my thanks go to all the speakers and participants for their contributions.

Sincerely,

Prof. Dr. Muzaffer ŞEKER  
President  
Turkish Academy of Sciences (TÜBA)

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The TUBA Conference on “Global Transformations and Türkiye”, held at Istanbul University on 18-20 April 2023, is organized by TUBA’s Working Group on International Relations.

The theme of the conference is Global Transformations and Türkiye focusing upon the recent significant changes the world has undergone and their impacts upon Türkiye. Global transformations may be traced back to the beginning of significant intercontinental exchanges from the end of first millennium onwards. Yet the developments and interactions that occurred in the last five hundred years have been incomparable to the earlier periods and they have been further precipitated in the last couple of decades. With the new inventions and increased speed in transportation and telecommunication technology, the world indeed has become a “global village” leading to the change in the nature of international relations both in theory and practice. There are now new concepts and issues, which were not in the agenda of both scholars and the public two or three decades ago, such as virtual space, digital communication, artificial intelligence, human security and cyber security, unconventional channels of diplomacy, sustainability, etc., to name but a few. On the other hand, the traditional-conventional concepts and issues are still there and keeping their pressure on international relations such as war, increased destructive capacity of states and non-state actors, migration, energy security, etc., again to name but a few. Located at the crossroads of the continents, Türkiye has always been under the impact of global transformations and recently she aspires to be an agent of those transformations. We are no doubt faced with both the positive and negative effects of these developments.

The conference aims to provide a comprehensive platform catering to scholars, policy-makers, and the general public. It will serve as a forum for engaging discussions across a spectrum of practices and viewpoints. Among the themes to be explored are global transformations throughout history, contemporary shifts, and the diverse paradigms within International Relations. Topics will encompass security and cyber security, energy security, supply chain integrity, human security, migration and refugee issues, as well as emerging channels of diplomacy and science diplomacy. Additionally, the conference will delve into the roles of non-state actors such as NGOs and multinational corporations, while addressing cultural, civilizational, and identity dynamics. Discussions will extend to various polities and collectivities including states, empires, governance bodies, nations, and ethnic and religious groups. Furthermore, there will be deliberation on the feasibility of establishing a “just” international order and strategies for sustainability.

We earnestly hope that this conference proves to be both fruitful and enriching for all involved. I am sure it will serve as a platform for insightful discussions, meaningful exchanges, and the cultivation of new ideas and perspectives. We will be hearing from 70 speakers and I extend my sincerest appreciation to each of you for your invaluable participation.

Prof. Dr. A. Nuri Yurdusev  
Chair

TÜBA International Relations Working Group

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PROGRAM

April 18, 2024, Thursday

09:00-09:30 **Opening Session**

1. A. Nuri Yurdusev - *TÜBA International Relations Working Group Chair*
2. Bülent Zülfiyar - *İstanbul University Rector*
3. Muzaffer Şeker - *TÜBA President*
4. M. Fatih Kacı - *Ministry of Industry and Technology (TBC)*

09:30-10:30 **Keynote Speaker**

**Imaginations of International Society: Cross-Roads From ‘Rome’, ‘Serendippo’, and ‘Yalta’**  
Siba N. Grovogui - *Cornell University*

10:30-11:00 **Coffee Break**

11:00-12:30 **PANEL 1.1. (Doctorate Hall): Diplomacy in a Changing World**

Moderator: Çağrı Erhan - *Altınbaş University*

**Enhancing the Economic Diplomacy Capacity and Performance of Türkiye in the New Global Political Economy Environment: A Model Proposal**

Mustafa Said Yazıcıoğlu, Nazım Ekren,  
*Uğur Yasin Asal*, Mefule Fındıkcı Erdoğan  
*İstanbul Ticaret University*

**Indonesia’s Strategies in Developing Covid-19 Vaccine: From Moderate Vaccine Nationalism to Vaccine Science Diplomacy**  
Siti Rochmawati Susanto - *Airlangga University*

**Energy security in the Eastern Mediterranean: A case study on the naval diplomacy of Cyprus, Greece, and Türkiye**  
Giovanni Parente - *Maynooth University*

**Energy Security and the Turkish Shipyards in the Arctic: A Global Perspective**  
*Ebru Caymaz* - *Çanakkale Onsekiz Mart University*  
Adnan Dal - *Hatay Mustafa Kemal University*

**11:00-12:30** **PANEL 1.2. (Blue Hall): Security and Strategy in a Changing World**

Moderator: Ali Balcı - *Sakarya University*

**Wings for Middle Powers between Eurasia and the West:  
Türkiye's Drone Diplomacy in the Russo-Ukrainian War and the  
Quest for Strategic Autonomy**

*Alessandra Russo - Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore*

*Riccardo Gasco - University of Bologna*

*Samuele C.A. Abrami - Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore*

**Scaling The State Interest: Middle Power Alignments  
in Status Quo-Revisionism Dualism**

*Metin Yücekaya - Social Sciences University of Ankara*

**More Assertion in the Middle: Effects of Systemic Transition**

*Younis Sarwer - Georgia State University*

**Regional Power, Middle Power, Emerging Power?**

**The Role of Türkiye in the Contemporary International Relations**

*Mariyan Karagyozov - Bulgarian Academy of Sciences*

**11:00-12:30** **PANEL 1.3. (Kılıçlık Hall): Middle Powers**

Moderator: Şener Aktürk - *Koç University*

**Grand Strategy: Middle Powers and Türkiye**

*Nurşin Ateşoğlu Güney - National Intelligence Academy*

**Türkiye's Multifaceted Relations with the US and China:**

**An Analysis of Factors Affecting their Relations**

*Behzad Abdollahpour - İstanbul University*

**Türkiye's Successor Actors in North Africa**

*Hacı Duran - İstanbul Aydın University*

*Mena Laldja - Institute of Law and Political Science*

**Transnational Authoritarianism and State Response in Türkiye and  
Canada: A Comparison of the Murders of Jamal Khashoggi and  
Hardeep Singh Nijjar**

*Murat Yılmaz - Kastamonu University*

**12:30-14:00** **Lunch**

*İstanbul University - House of Professors*



**14:00-15:30** **PANEL 2.1. (Doctorate Hall):**

**Peace Keeping and Military Interventions**

Moderator: Mehmet Fatih Aysan - *Marmara University*

**Beyond Borders: Türkiye's UN Peacekeeping Contributions as Instruments of Foreign Policy**

*Firuze Simay Sezgin Namlı - Ibn Haldun University*

*Sümeyye Kaya Uyar - Bilkent University*

**Transformation of Peacekeeping Operations and Türkiye's Contributions**

*Menent Savaş Cazala - Galatasaray University*

*Dilek Karabacak - Turkish National Defence University*

**A Rising Security Player in the Global South:**

**Türkiye's Approach of Peacekeeping Operations in Africa**

*Kenfack Kitio Alexe Fridolin*

*Ministry of External Relations of the Republic of Cameroon*

**Transformation of Türkiye's Policy on**

**Military Deployment Abroad in a Changing World Order**

*Muzaffer Şenel - SUNY Binghamton University*

**14:00-15:30** **PANEL 2.2. (Blue Hall) : Civilizations and World Orders**

Moderator: Hacer Topaktaş Üstüner - *İstanbul University*

**Reflections on Culture, Civilization and Identity in the Era of Global Transformations**

*Gabor Hamza - Hungarian Academy of Sciences*

**A Contribution to Rules-Based International Order :**

**Codification of Kin-state Protection for Inter-State Relations**

*Hasan Ulusoy - Republic of Türkiye Ministry of Foreign Affairs*

**War and Captivity. Romanian POWs in Ottoman POW Camps and Ottoman (Turkish) POWs in Romanian POW Camps During WWI**

*Radu-Romeo Tudorancea*

*Nicolae Iorga Institute of History Romanian Academy*

**Civilizational Identity: The Idea of Civilization State and the Changing Paradigm of International Relations**

*Mohammad Sohrab - Muslim National University*

**Türkiye and Strengthening Position in Organization of Islamic Cooperation: Toward a Just World Order?**

*Yasser Salimi Namin - University of Warsaw*

**14:00-15:30** **PANEL 2.3. (Kılıçlık Hall):**  
**Human Mobility Meets the Rise of Populism**

Moderator: Ayselin Yıldız - *İstinye University*

**Discursive Power of Scholarly Produced Knowledge about Syrian  
Refugeedom and Subaltern Potential of Turkish Scholarship**

Sandra Cvikic - *Institute of Social Sciences Ivo Pilar*

**Are Turkish Citizens Concerned with Refugee Issues in Elections?  
Evidence from a Public Opinion Survey**

Kohei Imai - *IDE-JETRO*

**The Populism–Foreign Policy Nexus in Contemporary Türkiye**

Tamás Dudlák - *ELTE Eötvös Loránd University of Budapest*

**A White Paper Proposal for Ingos Towards Refugees in Türkiye**

Hakan Dulkadiroğlu - *Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University*

**15:30-16:00** **Coffee Break**

**16:00-17:30** **PLENARY PANEL (Doctorate Hall):**  
**Türkiye on the Cusp of Persistent Challenges and  
Global Transformations**

Moderator: Ahmet Nuri Yurdusev (*Middle East Technical University*)

**Türkiye, Sustainable Development, and the New World Economy**

Jeffrey David Sachs - *Columbia University*

**Navigating Subjectivity in the Age of Anxiety:**

**An Existentialist Perspective on post-2010 Turkish Foreign Policy**

Bahar Rumelili - *Koç University*

**The Stalemate Model of Peacemaking:**

**Ripe for the Emergence of Multipolarity in International Order**

Oliver Richmond - *University of Manchester*

**17:30** **Closing**

**19:00 - 22:00** **Conference Dinner**

İstanbul University - House of Professors

April 19, 2024, Friday

**09:00-10:30** **PANEL 3.1. (Doctorate Hall): Soft Power Politics**

Moderator: Ayşegül Komsuoğlu - *Nişantaşı University*

**Cultural Heritage Management and NGO's Event Management Practices: The Case of ÇEKL Foundation**

*Erdal Bilici*, Lütfiye Yaşar, Simge Ünlü - *Sakarya University*

**Turkish Soft Power: Analyzing Cultural and Touristic Strategies in Peacebuilding**

Edouard Epiphane Yogo - *University of Yaoundé II*

**International Scholarships as Development Assistance: The Role of Türkiye as an Educational Aid Donor**

*Selver Buldanlıoğlu Şahin*, Hacer Atabaş - *Bilkent University*

**Dual Pressures Through Inflow and Outflow:**

**An Overview of Türkiye's Migration Governance Framework**

Deena Saleh Şahin - *Piri Reis University*

**09:00-10:30** **PANEL 3.2. (Blue Hall) : Cyber Behaviour and the Challenge of AI**

Moderator: Mürsel Doğrul - *National Defense University*

**Türkiye's Responsible Cyber Behaviour – A Critical Evaluation**

*Fahad Nabeel*, Umair Pervez Khan - *National Defence University, Pakistan*

**Responsible AI: Transforming Climate Action in International Relations**

*Fatih Hüseyin Börekçi* - *Maltepe University*

Şadi Evren Şeker - *İstanbul University*

**The Imperative of Artificial Intelligence in Diplomatic Endeavors: Navigating India-Pakistan Relations Amidst Historical Tensions and Nuclear Realities**

Muhammad Tabish Abdul Qayyum - *University of Lahore*

**Geopolitical Impacts of Cyberspace on International Relations: An Indepth Analysis**

Nezir Akyeşilmen - *Selçuk University*

**09:00-10:30** **PANEL 3.3. (Kılıçlık Hall):**

**Great and Middle Powers and World Orders**

Moderator: Mehmet Özkan - *National Defense University*

**Complexity, Opacity, and the Making of China's Grand Strategy**

Kadir Temiz - *National Intelligence Academy*

**Greek-Turkish Relations: In Search for Honest Peace**

Georgios Koukoudakis - *Hellenic Army Academy*

**Turbulent Great Power Reflexes of the United States  
After 2001 and the International Order**

Murat Demirel - *Nevşehir Hacı Bektaş Veli University*

**Türkiye in the Age of Deglobalization:  
In the Way of World-Building within Worlds?**

Mehmet Akif Okur - *Yıldız Technical University*

**10:30-11:00** **Coffee Break**

**11:00-12:30** **PANEL 4.1. (Doctorate Hall):**

**Hybrid Warfare and Non-State Actors in World Politics**

Moderator: Ali Balcı - *Sakarya University*

**The Challenges of Hybrid Warfare for  
Türkiye in Light of the South American Experience**

Fátima Carolina Funes, Mariano Danculovic - *Salvador University*

**Negative Global Flows and Organized Crime  
as a Litmus Test for Türkiye's Globalization Endeavor**

Ayşen Baylak Güngör - *Istanbul Ticaret University*

**How Failure of Major Powers' Deterrence Against Non-State Actors  
in the Post Truth Era is Transforming Warfare (A Case Study of  
Afghanistan, Palestine-Israel Conflict and Russia Ukraine War)**

Waqar Hasan Khan Khan - *Station Head of Suno News / Pakistan Army*

**Transformation of Eurasia:  
Türkiye and Rise of the Organization of Turkic States (OTS)**

Vasif Huseynov - *ADA University & Khazar University*

11:00-12:30

**PANEL 4.2. (Blue Hall):**

**Gendered Inequalities, Hierarchical Orders in World Politics**

Moderator: Bahar Rumelili - *Koç Univesity*

**Theorizing Social Reproduction through China's Internally Colonized Uyghur Community: Reconciling Exploitation and Oppression**

Crystal Whetstone - *Bilkent University*

**Making Sense of Global Continuities and Transformations Through Postcolonial Feminist IR**

Mine Nur Küçük Sipahioğlu - *Yeditepe University*

**Co-Construction of Orders at the National and the International Levels: Spatiotemporal Aspects of State Violence**

Burcu Türkoğlu - *Bilkent University*

**How Does the Concept of 'Human Security' Travel? The Politics of Theorising Human Security Beyond the Core**

Neslihan Dikmen Alsancak - *Bilkent University*

11:00-12:30

**PANEL 4.3. (Kılıçlık Hall): New Challenges to World Politics**

Moderator: Cem Korkut

*Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University*

**Effects of Social Media Use on Universal Culture: Tiktok Language**

*Nebiye Konuk Kandemir*, Efe Kağan Yurt - *Dokuz Eylül University*

**Belonging to the Post Industrial City in Times of Globalization. Evidence from Central, Eastern Europe and Türkiye**

Paweł Starosta - *University of Lodz*

**Türkiye and Climate Change; Lessons from Indian Local Governments**

Balan Pappinissery Puthanveetil - *International Sociology Association*

**Development of the Turkish Education Model for Immigrants**

Murat Tuncer - *Fırat University*

Ahmet Egemen Akmençe - *Ministry of National Education, Türkiye*

12:30-14:30

**Lunch**

Istanbul University House of Professors

**14:30-16:00** **PANEL 5.1. (Doctorate Hall):  
Business, Finance and Trade in a Changing World**  
Moderator: Halit Keskin - *Yıldız Technical University*

**Guideline for Corporate Digital Responsibility (CDR) in Global Environment**  
*Emel Esen*, Halit Keskin - *Yıldız Technical University*

**Can Global Value Chain Participation Mitigate Conflict Between Nations?**  
*Halit Yanıkkaya*, Pınar Tat - *Gebze Technical University*

**The Importance of Islamic Finance for the Countries of the Islamic World as the Balance of Economic Power Shifts**  
*Mehmet Bulut* - *Istanbul Sabahattin Zaim University*  
Cem Korkut - *Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University*

**Navigating Regional Shifts and Islamic Alliances: Türkiye and Malaysia in the Face of Arab-Israeli Normalization**  
*Ainul Asyraf Lokman* - *Universiti Malaya*  
Mohd Roslan Mohd Nor - *Universiti Malaya*  
Khalid El-Awaisi - *Social Sciences University of Ankara*

**14:30-16:00** **PANEL 5.2. (Blue Hall): Ordering the World**  
Moderator: Birol Akgün  
*Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University*

**A New World Order: Continuity or Rupture?**  
M. Akif Kireççi - *Social Sciences University of Ankara*

**The Global International Order; The Imperative of Reform?**  
Yahiaoui Hadia - *University of Khenchela*

**The Transformation of the International System and Türkiye's Role**  
Burhanettin Duran - *Social Sciences University of Ankara*

**The Geoeconomics of Türkiye:  
A Safe Heaven in the Times of New World Disorder**  
Yusuf Dinç - *Istanbul Sabahattin Zaim University*

**International Migration National Education**  
Servet Kardeş - *Van Yüziüncü Yıl University*

**16:00-16:30 Conclusion Session**  
Doctorate Hall

**19:00 - 22:00 Conference Dinner**  
İstanbul University Baltalimanı Restaurant

**April 20, 2024, Saturday**

**09:30 Breakfast**  
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**10:30 Lobby Meeting and Departure**

**14:30 Bosphorus Boat Trip**



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