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From Brussels to Istanbul: Dialogue on Turkey's Accession to the EU

Within the framework of the Project « Mobilizing Local Networks for a Better Informed
Dialogue on Turkey's Accession to the EU » (ACCESS-TR)

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Bahçeşehir University
Fazıl Say Conference Room
İstanbul

Draft Programme

10:00 – 10:30 h

Registration

10:30 – 11:00 h

Opening and Welcome

Taner Berksoy, Bahçeşehir University
Atila Eralp, Director, C.E.S.-METU
Yvonne Nasshoven, Executive Director, TEPSA

11:00 – 12:30 h

“The EU and Turkey – visions for a common future”

Chair:

Atila Eralp, Director, C.E.S.-METU



Key note speeches:	Marc Pierini, Head of the Delegation of the European Commission in Turkey Egemen Bağış, Minister for EU Affairs and Chief Negotiator (TBC)
12:30 – 14:00 h	Lunch
14:00 – 15:30 h	Opening the “black box” - perspectives on Turkey’s accession to the EU Chair: Cengiz Aktar, Bahçeşehir University The Swedish perspective Gunilla Herolf, Senior Researcher, SIPRI, TEPSA Board member The Italian perspective Emiliano Alessandri, IAI, Rome The Spanish perspective Eduard Soler, CIDOB, Barcelona The Greek Perspective Athanasios Katsiaros
15:30 – 15:45 h	Coffee Break
15:45 – 17:00 h	Regional perspectives from Turkey Chair: Çiğdem Üstün, CES-METU Samsun – perspectives from the Black Sea Alper Güzel, Ondokuz Mayıs University Gaziantep – perspectives from the South-East Mehmet Nuri Gültekin, Gaziantep University Antalya – perspectives from the Mediterranean Erol Esen, Akdeniz University Faruk Kaymakçı, Turkey's EU Communication Strategy Director for Communication at Secretariat General for EU Affairs
17:00 – 17:15	Concluding remarks Yvonne Nasshoven, Executive Director, TEPSA Atila Eralp, Director, C.E.S.-METU