

# 9th Annual Transatlantic Security and Turkish Studies Symposium

## Turkish Foreign Policy Challenges and Opportunities

Friday  
April 3, 2015

8:15 am – 5:00 pm

Reception following

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### Speakers:

**Bilgin Ayata** *Freie Universität Berlin*

"From Blessing to Curse? The Arab Uprising and Its Implications on Turkish Foreign Policy"

**Çiğdem Benam** *Boston College*

"Opening Up the Turkish 'black box': Domestic Determinants of Turkish Foreign Policy"

**Nilsu Gören** *University of Maryland*

"Extended Deterrence and Tactical Nuclear Weapons: The Turkish Case"

**Ayhan Kaya** *Bilgi University*

"Desecularization of the State and Society in Turkey and Its Impact on Turkish Foreign Policy: Islamization and Ottomanization"

**Can Kasapoğlu** *Center for Economics and Foreign Policy Studies*

"The Syrian Civil War and Turkey's Tough Choices: Ankara Facing the New Regional Security Environment"

**Kemal Kirişçi** *Brookings Institution*

"Syrian Refugees in Turkey: Why Were They Welcomed by the Turkish State?"

**Kemal Silay** *Indiana University*

"A Political and Military Predicament: The Escalating Danger of Islamism in Turkey and Discourses against Its NATO Membership"

**Ömer Taşpınar** *Brookings Institution*

"Turkey-EU Relations: Still Relevant?"

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