

1st Day, 12 December 2016 Monday Session I	TIME	LOCATION		
	8:30-9:30	REGISTRATION		
		BLUE HALL	BLACK HALL	SEA HALL
	9:30-10:30	<p style="text-align: center;">Opening Speeches Prof. Mehmet Emin Arat Marmara University Rector Prof. Tayyar Arı Uludağ University Chair of the Department of International Relations Prof. Atilla Sandıklı President, Wiseman Center for Strategic Studies Key-Note Speech: Prof. Esra Hatipoğlu Nişantaşı University, Rector</p>		
	10:30-11:00	COFFEE BREAK		
	11:00-12:30	<p style="text-align: center;">Opening Panel: Opportunities and Challenges for Cooperation Panel Chair: Prof. Nurşin A. Güney H.E. Traian CHEBELEU, Deputy Secretary General, Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation. H.E. Mr. Zoran Markovic, the Consul General of the Republic of Serbia Dr. Yevgeniya Gaber, Political Officer, Embassy of Ukraine Ellen Wasylina, President of Geostrategic Maritime Observatory Prof. Valeriy A. Kryukov, Deputy Director of Institute of Economics and Industrial Engineering, Siberian Division of the RAS H.E. Ahmet Ünal Çeviköz, Retired Diplomat Salim Dervişoğlu, Retired Admiral</p>		
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1st Day, 12 December 2016 Monday Session III	15:30-17:00	<p style="text-align: center;">International Political Economy Panel Chair: Prof. Mehmet Özkan An Evaluation for the Future of Container Transport in The Black Sea (Assoc. Prof. Soner Esmer, Dokuz Eylül University)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The Importance of Coordination in the Strategic Plans in the Context of Global Governance (Prof. Ömer F. Gençkaya-Hakan Gündoğdu, Marmara University) Data Mining in Structural Analysis of International Technology Companies and Reflections for International Relations (Prof. Mehmet Özkan, Marmara University-Asst. Prof. Levent Boran, Nişantaşı University)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Research and Development Investments in Developing Countries: An Overview of Competition and Its Effects (Assoc. Prof. İdris Sarısoy, Marmara University)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Regionalism in Black Sea Panel Chair: Prof. Ersan Bocutoğlu An Economic Cooperation Model Among Transcontinental States in the Black Sea Basin (Prof. Ersan Bocutoğlu, Avrasya University)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Necessity of Regional Security Organization in Black Sea Region (Asst. Prof. Gökhan Duman, Istanbul Aydın University) The Limits of Black Sea Regional Cooperation: Between External and Intervention and loose Institutionalization (Ariel Gonzalez Levaggi, Istanbul Koç University)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Challenges and Opportunities for Establishing a Security Community in the Wider Black Sea Area (Dr. Mukhtar Hajizada, Khazar University) Collective Security Treaty Organization as the Corner Stone of Regionalizing Security in Caucasia (Zeynep S. Acar, Ege University)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Regional Crisis and Conflict Management After the Russian Invasion of Crimea: The Case of Crimean Tatars (Assoc. Prof. Sezai Özçelik, Çankırı Karatekin University) Russian and Turkic worlds: Adjara and Tatarstan as Meeting Points (Prof. Andrey Makarychev, Institute of Government and Politics, University of Tartu, Estonia)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Russian Politics in the Black Sea: What Brings Crimea Panel Chair: Assoc. Prof. Fatih Özbay Russian Hegemony in Black Sea as a Cyber Power; Data Of 2015-2016 Cyber War (Vahit Güntay, Karadeniz Technical University)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Modernization of Russian Black Sea Fleet and the Effects of the Annexation of Crimea on the Balance of Military Power in Black Sea (Researcher Arda Mevlütoğlu) Russia's Black Sea Fleet in The Post-Soviet Period and The Regional Security (Assoc. Prof. Fatih Özbay, Istanbul Technical University)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The Analyzing of Russian Federation-Ukraine Conflict in the Context of Securitization Theory (Dr. Selim Kurt, Giresun University) Church as a Tool of Dispersion in Russian Foreign Policy: The Discourses of "Canonical Territory" and the "Russian World" (Asst. Prof. Merve İrem Yapıcı, Adnan Menderes University)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Nationalist Movements in the Russian Federation and Its Periphery: A Debate over Igor Girkin (Strelkov)(Asst. Prof. Utku Yapıcı, Andan Menderes University)</p>

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2 nd Day, 13 December 2016 Tuesday Session I	09:00-10:30	<p align="center">South Caucasus</p> <p align="center">Panel Chair: Elkhan Mehdiyev</p> <p>Trans-Border Cooperation in South Caucasus (Archil Zhorzloniani, Tbilisi State University)</p> <p>The Latest Situation in Armenia-Azerbaijan Negotiations and the Nature of International Mediation (Elkhan Mehdiyev, University of Maryland at College Park, USA)</p> <p>The Impact of Non-State Actors on South Caucasus Equilibrium (Dr. Alessia Chiriatti, University for Foreigners of Perugia)</p> <p>Iranian Foreign Policy to the Black Sea Region in Terms of Ideology, Pragmatism, and Terrorist Threat (Vedran Ohucina)</p> <p>Russia's Policy on Abkhazia and South Ossetia in the UNSC (Asst. Prof. Mehmet Z. Günay, Istanbul Aydın University)</p>	<p align="center">South Caucasus and Increasing Importance of Black Sea</p> <p>Panel Chair: Prof. Hasret Çomak</p> <p>Reflections from Turkey-Russia Bilateral Relations On Armenia-Azerbaijan Conflict: Nagorno-Karabakh Conflict (Assist. Prof. İsmail Burak Küntay, Bahçeşehir University)</p> <p>The Relations Between Azerbaijan and Armenia Since the Formation of the OSCE Minsk Group (Ahmet Demir, Marmara University)</p> <p>Bandwagoning Strategy and Free-Rider Seeking: The Case of Azerbaijan (Dr. Fazlı Doğan, Selçuk University)</p> <p>The Strategic Importance Of Black Sea in China's One Road One Belt Initiative (Assoc. Prof.Soner Esmer, Dokuz Eylül University)</p>	<p align="center">Black Sea in EU Foreign Policy</p> <p>Panel Chair: Asst. Prof. Hatice Yazğan</p> <p>Black Sea Synergy: Success or Failure for the EU? (Asst. Prof. Hatice Yazğan, Çankırı Karatekin University)</p> <p>A Comparison of EU and Russian Policies towards the Black Sea Countries (E. Elif Peker, Yıldız Technical University)</p> <p>The EU's New Neighborhood Policy and Turkey-EU Relations (Asst. Prof. Dr. Zelal Kızıllan, Martin Artukulu University)</p> <p>Role and Position of Bulgaria and Romania in the Black Sea Region (Dr. Ashhan Anlar)</p> <p>Political-Economic Competition Between Russia and the EU in the Caspian Region: The "Ukrainian" Factor (Assoc. Prof. Emel Parlar Dal, Ali Murat Kurşun, Marmara University)</p>
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2 nd Day, 13 December 2016 Tuesday Session II	11:00-12:30	<p>Turkey's Relations with its Neighbors Panel Chair: Prof. Ramazan Gözen The Crisis of International Values and Regional Security: Turkish Russian Conflict in Turbulence of Arab Spring (Prof. Ramazan Gözen, Marmara University)</p> <p>"Hold Your Friends Close, but Your Enemies Closer": Testing the Tethering Strategy Over Russia and Turkey Relations (Asst. Prof. Erdem Özlük, Selçuk University)</p> <p>The Role of Akkuyu in Russia-Turkey Energy Relations: Is It a Strategic Investment or a Strategic Blindness? (Dr. Azime Telli, 19 Mayıs University)</p> <p>Power Competition in the Black Sea Basin and Importance of Regional Security (Asst. Prof. Nadire Filiz İrge, Marmara University)</p> <p>An Evaluation on The Potential Impacts of "Channel Istanbul" Project on Montreux Convention: A Geopolitical Mistake In The Black Sea? (Asst. Prof. Bülent Şener, Karadeniz Technical University)</p>	<p>Changing Dynamics in Black Sea Geopolitics Panel Chair: Assoc. Prof. Erbay Arıkboğa Turkey's Contribution to Black Sea Security (Prof. Gökhan Koçer, Karadeniz Technical University)</p> <p>Opportunities of the International Conjuncture for the Russian Foreign Policy in Putin Period (Abdurahman Gümüş, Yıldız Technical University)</p> <p>NATO and the Russian Federation in a New Rivalry Area: Black Sea (Asst. Prof. Doğan Şafak POLAT, Istanbul Arel University)</p> <p>NATO's Black Sea Policies (Asst. Prof. Erhan Akdemir, Eskişehir Anadolu University)</p> <p>The Importance of Black Sea in Terms of American Geopolitical Doctrine (Betül B. Akdemir, Istanbul Kemerburgaz University)</p>	<p>Turkish Foreign Policy Panel Chairs: Assoc. Prof. Emre Erşen Analyzing "T" in MIKTA: Turkey's Middle Power Role at the UN (Asst. Prof. Gonca O. Gök-Asst. Prof. Dr. Funda Karadeniz, Marmara University)</p> <p>Ideational Settings of the JDP Foreign Policy and the EU: Romanticism vs Formalism (Asst. Prof. Zuhale M. Uzuner, Marmara University)</p> <p>Turkey's Growing Involvement in the Gulf: Critical Perceptions from Inside and Outside Turkey (Dr. Nur Çetinoğlu, Marmara University)</p> <p>Reassessing Turkey's Multi-Exceptionalism(s) in the 21st Century: A Four-Layered Analysis of Patterns and Types (Assoc. Prof. Emel P. Dal- Ali M. Kurşun, Marmara University)</p> <p>The Impacts of Turkish-Russian Normalization Process on Syria and Middle East (Assoc. Prof. Emre Erşen)</p>
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