

**15<sup>th</sup> EAST ASIA-EUROPE THINK-TANK DIALOGUE**  
**BRIDGING ASIA AND EUROPE**  
**TURKEY, THE EUROPEAN UNION AND ASIA-EUROPE RELATIONS**  
**ISTANBUL, TURKEY**  
**28 – 29 OCTOBER 2013**

**MONDAY, 28 OCTOBER 2013**

08.30 – 09.00 hrs      **Registration**

09.00 – 09.30 hrs      **Welcome Remarks**

**Prof. Dr. Carolina G. Hernandez**

Founding President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO)  
Institute for Strategic and Development Studies (ISDS)  
Manila, The Philippines

**Dr. Colin Dürkop**

Resident Representative and Head  
Konrad Adenauer Stiftung (KAS)  
Turkey

**Dr. Wilhelm Hofmeister**

Director, Regional Programme Political Dialogue Asia  
Konrad Adenauer Stiftung (KAS)  
Singapore

09.30 – 10.30 hrs      **Session 1 – Turkey Between Asia and Europe**

**Co-Chairs**

**Prof. Dr. Carolina G. Hernandez**

Founding President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO)  
Institute for Strategic and Development Studies (ISDS)  
Manila, The Philippines

**Speakers**

**Prof. Dr. Hüseyin Bağcı**

Chairman, Department of International Relations  
Middle East Technical University (METU) Ankara  
Turkey

**Dr. Yeo Lay Hwee**

Director, European Union Centre  
National University of Singapore  
Singapore

***Open Discussion***

10.30 – 11.00 hrs      Coffee break

11.00 – 12.30 hrs

## **Session 2 – Turkey and Asia**

### **Chair**

**Dr. Tang Siew Mun**

Director (Foreign Policy and Security Studies)  
Institute of Strategic and International Studies ISIS Malaysia  
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

### **Speakers**

#### **Turkey and East Asia**

**Dr. Ceren Ergenç**

Department of International Relations  
Middle East Technical University Ankara  
Turkey

#### **Turkey and the Islamic Countries in Asia**

**Prof. Dr. Selçuk Çolakoğlu**

Director of USAK Center for Asia-Pacific Studies, Ankara  
Turkey

#### **Turkey and South and Central Asia**

**Assoc. Prof. Mitat Çelikpala**

Department of International Affairs, Kadir Has University  
Istanbul

### **Discussants**

**Dr. Eduard Soler I Lecha**

Research Fellow, Research Coordinator  
CIDOB (Barcelona Centre for International Affairs)  
Barcelona

**Dr. Yeo Lay Hwee**

Director, European Union Centre  
National University of Singapore  
Singapore

### ***Open Discussion***

12.30 – 14.00 hrs

Lunch

14.00 – 15.30 hrs

## **Session 3 – Turkey and The European Union**

### **The EU Membership Negotiations: Perspectives from Turkey and Europe**

### **Chair**

**Mr. Khin Maung Lynn**

Joint Secretary  
Myanmar Institute of Strategic and International Studies  
Myanmar

### **The EU Membership Negotiations: A Turkish Perspective**

**Asst. Prof. Zeynep Alemdar**

Director, European Union Research Center  
Okan University, Istanbul

### **The EU Membership Negotiations: A European Perspective**

**Dr. Malgorzata Bonikowska**

President, Centre for International Relations  
Warsaw, Poland

### **Turkey's EU Membership: A Perspective from Asia**

**Dr. Atsuko Higashino**

University of Tsukuba  
Japan

15.30 – 16.00 hrs

Coffee break

16.00 – 18.00 hrs

### **Session 4 – Turkey's Role as a Bridge Between the East and the West**

#### **Co-Chairs**

**Mr. Radek Pyffel**

Director, Poland Asia Research Centre  
Warsaw, Poland

#### **His Royal Highness Prince Norodom Sirivudh**

Former Deputy Prime Minister and Co-minister of Interior  
Founder and Chairman of Board of Directors,  
Cambodian Institute for Cooperation and Peace (CICP)  
Phnom Penh, Cambodia

#### **Panelists**

**Prof. Dr. Hüseyin Bağcı**

Chairman, Department of International Relations  
Middle East Technical University (METU) Ankara  
Turkey

**Dr. Nguyen Hung Son**

Deputy Director-General  
Institute for South China Sea/East Sea Studies,  
Diplomatic Academy of Vietnam  
Hanoi. Vietnam

#### ***Open Discussion***

19.00 hrs

Meet at the hotel lobby  
Dinner venue: LITERA Restaurant, Beyoğlu

## TUESDAY, 29 OCTOBER 2013

09.00 – 10.30 hrs

### **Session 5 – Asia’s and Europe’s Perspectives on Recent Developments in the Middle East**

#### **Chair**

**Dr. Pranee Thiparat**  
Chulalongkorn University  
Bangkok, Thailand

#### **Speakers**

**Dr. Rizal Sukma**  
Executive Director  
Centre for Strategic and International Studies  
Jakarta, Indonesia

#### **Dr. Thanos P. Dokos**

Director-General,  
Hellenic Foundation for European & Foreign Policy (ELIAMEP),  
Athens, Greece

#### **Prof. Dr. In Nam-sik**

IFANS  
Seoul, Republic of Korea

#### ***Open Discussion***

10.30 – 11.00 hrs

Coffee break

11.00 – 12.30 hrs

### **Session 6 – Actor or Observer? Europe’s Role in Asia’s Regional Security Challenges**

#### **Co-Chairs**

#### **Dr. Michael Reiterer**

Senior Advisor at the Asia-Pacific Department at the European External Action Service (EEAS), Adjunct Professor for International Politics, University of Innsbruck  
Austria

#### **Dr. Tang Siew Mun**

Director (Foreign Policy and Security Studies)  
Institute of Strategic and International Studies ISIS Malaysia  
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

#### **Speakers**

#### **Dr. Mely Caballero-Anthony**

Head of Non Traditional Security Department  
Rajaratnam School for International Studies  
Nanyang Technological University  
Singapore

#### **Dr. May-Britt U. Stumbaum**

Head, NFG Research group “Asian Perceptions of the EU”  
Otto-Suhr-Institute for Political Science, Freie Universität  
Berlin, Germany

12.30 – 14.00 hrs	Lunch
14.00 – 15.30 hrs	<p><b>Session 7 – EU – Asia Dialogue Projects</b></p> <p><b>Chair</b>  <b>Mr. Michael Matthiessen</b>  Principal Advisor (ASEM)  Asia &amp; Pacific Department  European External Action Services (EEAS)  Brussels</p> <p><b>Speakers</b></p> <p><b>The EU - Asia – Dialogue Project of KAS, EPC, EAI and Europe Centre Singapore – preliminary results and upcoming activities</b></p> <p><b>Dr. Wilhelm Hofmeister</b>  Director, Regional Programme Political Dialogue Asia  Konrad Adenauer Stiftung (KAS)  Singapore</p> <p><b>Mr. Patrick Rüppel</b>  Programme Manager, EU-Asia Dialogue  Konrad Adenauer Stiftung (KAS)  Singapore</p> <p><b><i>Open Discussion</i></b></p>
15.30 – 16.00 hrs	<p><b>Concluding Remarks</b></p> <p><b>Prof. Dr. Carolina G. Hernandez</b>  Founding President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO)  Institute for Strategic and Development Studies (ISDS)  Manila, The Philippines</p> <p><b>Dr. Wilhelm Hofmeister</b>  Director, Regional Programme Political Dialogue Asia  Konrad Adenauer Stiftung (KAS)  Singapore</p>
18:00 hrs	Meet at the hotel lobby Farewell Dinner