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Samsun Workshop

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Turkey's Accession to the EU" (ACCESS-TR)

25-26 June 2009

Address: Ondokuz Mayıs University, Atatürk Congress and Cultural Centre

P R O G R A M M E

25 June 2009, Thursday

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| 9.30-10.00 | Registration |
| 10.00-10.45 | OPENING REMARKS
H. Basri GÜZELOĞLU , Governor of Samsun
Prof. Dr. Hüseyin AKAN , Ondokuz Mayıs University Rector
S. ZEKİ MURZİOĞLU , Chair, Samsun Chamber of Commerce and Industry
Prof. Dr. Atila ERALP , METU Center for European Studies
Anne SCHMIDT , TEPSA, Brussels |
| 10.45-11.00 | Coffee Break |
| 11.00-12.30 | TURKEY'S ACCESSION PROCESS TO THE EU: SELECTED POLICY ISSUES
Chair: Prof. Yunus BEKDEMİR, OMÜ International Relations Unit

EU-Turkey Relations and the Functioning of the EU
Mette Buskjær Christensen, Danish Institute for International Studies/TEPSA
History and Key Features of EU Enlargement Rounds
Dr. Sait Akşit, METU Center for European Studies
Single Market and Customs Union
Dr. Sándor Meisel, Institute for World Economics, Budapest/TEPSA
Gender Equality in the EU
Dr. Ayşe İdil Aybars, METU Center for European Studies
Foreign Policy in the EU
Dr. Çiğdem Üstün, METU Center for European Studies |



12.30-14.00

Lunch

14.00-16.00

YOUTH PARTICIPATION IN TURKEY'S EU ACCESSION PROCESS

Chair: Adnan Can ÇAKIR, Samsun Executive Board Member

The Role of Youth Participation in Turkey's EU Accession Process

Sami KILIÇ, Antalya City Council, Youth Assembly, AKVAM

Millenium Development Goals

Hüseyin MERTOL, Samsun City Council, Youth Assembly Advisory Board

Local Governments, Civil Society and Youth Participation

Hayat EKİCİ, City Council, Youth Assembly Coordinator

Youth Councils, National Youth Parliament and Turkey's Youth Policy Process

Serhat ÖZER, Gaziantep Youth Assembly / National Youth Assembly Education and Coordination Team

16.00-16.15

Coffee Break

16.15-18.00

EU EDUCATION POLICIES: FROM POLICY MAKING TO IMPLEMENTATION

Chair: Prof. Dr. M. Emin KÖKTAŞ, OMU

**EU Education/Training Programmes Participated by Turkey
ERASMUS**

Prof. Dr. Yunus BEKDEMİR, OMÜ International Relations Unit

COMENIUS, Leonardo Da Vinci, GRUNDTVIG

Özgür KARADEMİR, Samsun Provincial National Education Directorate, EU Office

BOLOGNA PROCESS

Prof. Dr. Kerim EDİNSEL, OMÜ Bologna Expert

18.00

Welcome Reception

26 June 2009, Friday

9.30-10.00

Registration

10.00-12.00

**BRINGING BUSINESS IN: BUSINESS ORGANISATIONS AND SOCIAL DIALOGUE
IN TURKEY'S ACCESSION PROCESS TO THE EU**

Chair: Prof. Dr. Alper GÜZEL, OMÜ İktisat Bölümü

**Competitiveness and the Importance of Enterprises in the EU – the example
of the food sector**

Hippocrates VOUNAKIS, European Commission, DG Enterprise



European Enterprise Network

Okan GÜMÜŞ, European Enterprise Network, Black Sea Consortium
Coordinator

The Approach of the Turkish Private Sector to EU Membership

Çiğdem TUNÇ, TOBB EU Office

The Role of Trade Unions in the EU and Turkey

Yücel TOP, EU-Turkey Trade Union Coordination Committee, Brussels

12.00-13.30

Lunch

13.30-15.30

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT, SOCIAL POLICIES AND CIVIL SOCIETY IN TURKEY'S EU ACCESSION PROCESS

Chair: Prof. Dr. Atilla ERALP, METU Center for European Studies

EU Regional Policies and the role of the Committee of the Regions

Dr. Ursula KALBFLEISCH-KOTTSEPER, Institut für Europäische Politik/TEPSA

EU Social Policies and Gender Equality

Prof. Julia S. O'CONNOR, University of Ulster

Europe of Citizens and a European civil society – from theory into practice

Dr. Julia DE CLERCK-SACHSSE, Centre for European Policy Studies, Brussels

Understanding of Regional Development and Development in Samsun in the process of EU Accession

Okan GÜMÜŞ, Samsun Chamber of Commerce and Industry

15:30-15.45

Coffee Break

15.45-17.15

A Glance from Samsun to the EU

Chair: Okan GÜMÜŞ Samsun Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Müberra PİRİNÇCI, Samsun Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Assist. Prof. Mehmet BOZOĞLU, Ondokuz Mayıs University

Eyüp ELMAS, Samsun Governorship, R&D Office

17.15

Closing

Prof. Dr. Atila ERALP, METU Center for European Studies

Anne SCHMIDT, TEPSA, Brussels