

The Increasing Role of Regional Organizations in Mediation Istanbul, 26-27 June 2014

26 June, Thursday

Venue: Hilton İstanbul Bosphorus

09:00- 10:00	Registration
10:00-10:15	Welcome Address by H.E. Altay Cengizer, Director- General for Policy Planning, MFA, Ankara/Turkey
10:15-12:00	First Session: Local Solutions to Global Problems - Conflict Resolution in the Age of Regionalism
	Moderator: Prof. Fuat Keyman, Istanbul Policy Center, Sabancı University, Istanbul/Turkey
	 Dr. Claus Neukirch, Deputy Director, Conflict Prevention Centre, OSCE, Vienna/Austria
	 Prof. John Packer, Director, Ottawa University, Human Rights Research and Education Centre, Ottawa/Canada
	• H.E. Tacan İldem, Permanent Representative of Turkey to OSCE, Vienna/Austria
12:00-14.00	Lunch

14.30-16.00

Second Session: Are Regional Organizations Up to the Task? - Building Capacity for Mediation

Moderator: Prof. Peter Wallensteen, Director of Uppsala Conflict Data Program (UCDP), Uppsala University, Uppsala/Sweden

- H.E. Staffan de Mistura, President of the Board of Governors for the European Institute of Peace (EIP), Brussels/Belgium
- H.E. Mahdi Fathallah, Director for Political Affairs, Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), Jeddah/Saudi Arabia
- H.E. Hesham Youssef, Senior Advisor to the Secretary General of the Arab League (AL), Cairo/Egypt
- Ms. Margorzata Wasilewska, Head of Division for Conflict Prevention, Peacebuilding and Mediation, European External Action Service (EEAS)
- Mr. Kehinde A. Bolaji, Department of Political Affairs, Peace and Security, Economic Community Of West African States (ECOWAS)

16.00-16.30 Coffee Break

16.30-18.00

An Example of a Successful Mediation: The Mindanao Peace Process in the Philippines

Moderator: Prof. Selçuk Çolakoğlu, Yıldırım Beyazıt University, Ankara/Turkey

- Prof. Miriam Coronel-Ferrer, Chair of the Government of the Philippines Peace Panel, Manila/ Philippines
- Mr. Mohaqher Iqbal, Chair Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF), Negotiation Panel, Philippines
- H.E. Sayyid Qasim El-Masry, Special Envoy of the Secretary General of the OIC for Peace in Southern Philippines, Cairo/Egypt
- H.E. Tengku Dato' Ab Ghafar Bin Tengku Mohamed, Chief Facilitator for the Government of Malaysia in Mindano Peace Process, Kuala Lumpur/Malaysia

20:00-22:00

Dinner

27 June, Friday

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09.30-11.00

Third Session: The Role of the UN in the Search for Coherence and Coordination - How to Streamline Efforts?

Moderator: Associate Prof. Nimet Beriker, Sabancı University, Istanbul/Turkey

- H.E. Ertuğrul Apakan, Chief Monitor of the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine
- H.E. Levent Bilman, Director of Policy and Mediation Division, Department of Political Affairs of the United Nations, New York/United States
- Prof. John Packer, Director, Ottawa University, Human Rights Research and Education Centre, Ottawa/Canada
- H.E. Basat Öztürk, Director General for Multilateral Political Affairs, MFA, Ankara/Turkey
- H.E. Ufuk Gökçen, Permanent Observer of the Organization of Islamic States to the UN, New York/USA

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-13:30 Fourth Session: Mediation and Non-Governmental Actors at the Regional Level
Discussion and debrief from NGO-led mediation

workshops

Moderator: Ms. Tuija Talvitie, Executive Director of the Crisis Management Initiative, Helsinki/Finland

- Associate Prof. Esra Çuhadar, Bilkent University, Ankara/Turkey
- Mr. Norbert Ropers, Program Director for South East Asia/Berghof Foundation, Bangkok/ Thailand

 Ms. Thania Paffenholz, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva/Switzerland

14:00-15:30

Lunch Hosted by H.E. Ahmet Davutoğlu, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Turkey

15:30-17:00

High Level Session

Presenter: H.E. Altay Cengizer, Director-General for Policy Planning, MFA

- H.E. Ahmet Davutoğlu, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Turkey
- H.E. Martti Ahtisaari, Former President of the Republic of Finland