



“Celebrating Europe Day”

Thursday 9 May 2013
Kadir Has University
Cinema A

Panel Discussion 1:

Is there a common ground on which a European citizenship can be constructed?

Biographies

Cüneyt ÖZDEMİR, Journalist, London

Cüneyt Özdemir has worked in the media sector since 1990. In 1992, he began his career working as a reporter for the 32. *Gun* news program. He has also worked as an international war correspondent at the Lebanese-Israeli border, in Northern Iraq, and in Afghanistan. In 1999, he was involved in the founding of the *CNN Türk* TV channel, where he has been presenting the *5N1K* news program since 2000. In 2008, he launched the news website <http://www.dipnot.tv> and in March 2011 he published the first issue of the weekly current affairs magazine *Dipnot Tablet* for tablet PCs, which is available in Turkish, English and Arabic. In 2012, he moved to London to broadcast the *5N1K* from London studios.

Serdar DİNLER, Corporate Social Responsibility Association of Turkey, Istanbul

Serdar Dinler is the president of the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Association of Turkey, whose goal is to “create tools, resources and methodologies for business to behave socially responsible on social, economic and environmental issues so that business can have a positive impact on the development of society”. Previously he worked for 23 years at the British Council, and has founded more than 20 NGOs, thereby becoming an expert on NGOs in Turkey. Currently he is directing the Life Long Learning Centre at Kadir Has University, İstanbul, developing education programs in line with the needs of the public and identifying solutions to these challenges in order to produce high quality education models.

Stefan CRETS, CSR Europe, Brussels

Stefan Crets is Executive Director of CSR Europe, the European platform for companies and stakeholders to work together towards their common goal of becoming European leaders in sustainable competitiveness and societal well-being. From 2002 onwards, he has worked as the CSR leader at Toyota Europe, and in 2008, he was appointed General Manager for Corporate Planning

and CSR, Toyota Europe. Prior to his experience at Toyota, he was Programme Advisor at the King Baudouin Foundation, and started his professional career as a research academic at the University of Antwerp. Mr. Crets' deep knowledge of corporate sustainability challenges lends firsthand experience of developing CSR strategy and practice in a company to CSR Europe.

Behrooz MOTAMED-AFSHARI, Civil Society Development and Youth Expert, Vienna

Behrooz Motamed-Afshari is a qualified civil society development and youth expert, with over 20 years of senior management, training and consulting experience based in the EU, Southeast Europe and Turkey, Eastern Europe and the Caucasus as well as in Tajikistan. He has particular expertise and experience in training and advising NGOs, companies and public authorities, specifically in the framework of civil society-relevant thematic areas. He has also been involved in directing and supervising activities across multiple country projects. He has worked with various donor agencies such as the World Bank, UNDEF, EuropeAid, Open Society, government ministries, local authorities and civil society groups.

Dimitrios Triantaphyllou, Center for International and European Studies, Istanbul

Dimitrios Triantaphyllou is the Director of the Center for International and European Studies at Kadir Has University, where he also teaches international relations. He holds a B.A. in Political Science and History from the University of California, Berkeley, and an M.A. and Ph.D. in International Relations from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University. He was previously Director General of the International Centre for Black Sea Studies (ICBSS) and Assistant Professor of International Relations at the University of the Aegean, Rhodes. He has also served in a number of policy, research, and administrative positions including, inter alia, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Republic, the Hellenic Observatory of the European Institute at the LSE, the Institute for Security Studies of the European Union, Paris, and the Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy (ELIAMEP), Athens. He is also Associate Editor of the *Southeast European and Black Sea Studies* (SSCI indexed); a member of the Greek-Turkish Forum; a member of the Governing Board of the European Studies Institute (ESI) at MGIMO University, Moscow; co-convener of the Commission on the Black Sea; and a Member of the Advisory Board of the Black Sea Trust for Regional Cooperation, a project of the German Marshall Fund of the United States.



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Panel Discussion 2:

Unity in Diversity: European identity through the lens of Erasmus students

Biographies

Marie Hartlieb

Marie Hartlieb studied culture and economics at the University of Mannheim and spent one year of her education in Istanbul, from 2010 to 2011. She briefly returned to Germany but the beauty of Istanbul called her back to work for a film festival and she then decided to stay indefinitely.

Carolyn Winterholler

Carolyn Winterholler studied journalism at the University of Bremen, spending one semester in 2010 in Istanbul on a foreign exchange. She then decided she hadn't discovered enough of Istanbul to be able to say goodbye and extended her stay here. She has been living in Istanbul working as a translator and journalist ever since.

Güneş Ferah Yıldızođlu

Güneş Ferah Yıldızođlu, 23 years old, is currently in her senior year at Kadir Has University, where she studies Industrial Engineering. At the age of 17, she spent a year in Argentina on a foreign exchange program, where she was first introduced to the experience of living in a different culture. Ms. Yıldızođlu also studied abroad at Coruna University through the Erasmus program. She is the President of the ESN club at Kadir Has as well as the National Delegate of ESN Turkey.

Berk Büyükbacı

Berk Büyükbacı attended Istanbul Bilgi University, where he studied under the Communication, TV Reporting and Programming department. During this time, he studied abroad in Jönköping, Sweden, through the Erasmus program. Since graduating, he has been working as a radio programmer for Radyo Vesaire and as a radio workshop instructor for Katadrom.

Laura Aragón

Laura Aragón is a Spanish graduate student in International Relations and Political Studies at the University Nova in Lisbon, Portugal, with a specialization in Globalization and Environment. Currently, she is studying at Galatasaray University through the Erasmus exchange program. Earlier on, she studied at the Lycée Français of Valladolid and then earned a B.A. in International Business in Lille, France. Her master's thesis, which she is now in the process of writing, focuses on social movements and alternatives of society.

Anne Andlauer

Anne Andlauer received her education at Paris Institute of Political Studies (IEP) as well as the Superior School for Journalism of Lille. After three years of traveling back and forth between France and Turkey, Ms. Andlauer moved to Istanbul in June 2010. She has been a writer for petitjournal.com in Istanbul since its founding, and for the past few months has been its editor-in-chief as well. She also acts as the Turkish correspondent for *Accents d'Europe*, a radio program of Radio France International (RFI); the Swiss daily newspaper *Le Temps*; the Belgian newspaper *Le Soir*; and Radio Fribourg. Ms. Andlauer is fluent in Turkish and English in addition to her native French.