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PROGRAMME
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ARRIVAL AND REGISTRATION; WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION; KEYNOTE SPEECH; ROUNDTABLE 1: QUO VADIS TURKEY?; STANDING DINNER

DAY 2

PANEL 1 GOVERNANCE: ACHIEVEMENTS, OBSTACLES, INCENTIVES AND THE LIMITS OF CONDITIONALITY
Discussants/Moderators: Giga Zedania and Simone Baglioni

PANEL 2 POLITICAL DISCOURSES AND IDENTITY CONFIGURATIONS: TRANSFORMATIONS OF POLITICAL AND SOCIAL IDENTITIES
Discussants/Moderators: Jonathan Wheatley and Julie George

PANEL 3 ETHNIC COMMUNITIES AND NETWORKS, TRANSNATIONALISM AND SECURITY
Discussants/Moderators: Jean Radvany and Revaz Gachechiladze

PANEL 4 CONFLICTS: STRATEGIES FOR CONFLICT MANAGEMENT, THE ROLE OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS; CHANGING DRIVERS OF CONFLICTS, UNRECOGNISED CONFLICTS
Discussants/Moderators: Alexander Iskandaryan and Pavel Baev

SPECIAL SESSION ON PUBLISHING; ROUNDTABLE 2: OBSTACLES FOR CONFLICT RESOLUTION IN THE SOUTHERN CAUCASUS

DAY 3

PANEL 5 DEMOCRACY, POLITICAL STRUCTURE, REGIME AND STATE COMPOSITION
Discussants/Moderators: Nicolas Hayoz and Christoph Stefes

PANEL 6 UNDERSTANDINGS OF SECURITY: REGIME SECURITY, HUMAN SECURITY, REGIONAL SECURITY
Discussants/Moderators: Ghia Nodia and Sergey Minasyan

PANEL 7 REGIONALISM AND MULTILATERAL ENGAGEMENT: SUBREGIONAL PROCESSES; BLACK SEA SYNERGY; OTHER EU PROGRAMMES
Discussants/Moderators: Roy Allison and Panagiota Manoli

PANEL 8 REGIONAL POWERS AND THE GEOPOLITICAL CONTEXT TO TRANSFORMATION: TURKEY’S NEW REGIONAL ROLE; IMPACT OF EVENTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST
Discussants/Moderators: Mitat Çelikpala and Gencer Özcan

PANEL 9 RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES: ENERGY POLICY, ENERGY DEPENDENCE AND EXTERNAL RELATIONSHIPS
Discussants/Moderators: Radu Dudau and Jonas Grätz

ROUND TABLE 3: THE SOUTHERN CAUCASUS IN THE 21ST CENTURY: RISKS AND LIKELY CHANGES; CONCLUDING REMARKS, CONFERENCE DINNER
DAY 1
Thursday 11 October 2012, 13:00 – 21:00
CIBALI HALL – BLOCK B
13:00 – 14:00 ARIVAL AND REGISTRATION
14:00 – 14:30 NICOLAS HAYOZ, ASCN Director, University of Fribourg
ROY ALLISON, University of Oxford
MUSTAFA AYDIN, Rector of Kadir Has University
Welcome and Introduction
14:30 – 15:30 PROF. CHARLES KING, Georgetown University
1st Keynote Speech: Thinking about the Black Sea World: Why Good Scholarship Makes Good Policy
15:30 – 16:30 ARRIVAL AND REGISTRATION
16:30 – 17:00 Sea and the Caucasus
Geostrategic Importance of the Black Sea
1st Keynote Speech: University
17:00 – 18:30 17:00 – 17:30 Round Table 1: Quo Vadis Turkey?
Moderator: Dimitrios Triantaphyllou, Kadir Has University
Speakers:
Mustafa Aydin, Kadir Has University
Fuat Kaymak, Sabanci University
Sule Kut, Koc University
Philip Robins, University of Oxford
18:45 – 21:00 STANDING DINNER

DAY 2
Friday 12 October 2012, 9:30 – 19:00
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10:00 – 10:40 Discussion / Coffee Break 10:40 – 11:10
11:10 – 11:30 Round Table 1: Quo Vadis Turkey?
Moderator: Dimitrios Triantaphyllou, Kadir Has University
Speakers:
Mustafa Aydin, Kadir Has University
Fuat Kaymak, Sabanci University
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Philip Robins, University of Oxford
11:50 – 12:20 Discussion / Lunch Break 12:20 – 14:00
14:00 – 14:20 PANEL 2 ROOM D-98
14:40 – 15:10 Discussion
15:30 – 16:00 Special Session on Publishing
Moderation: Sinem Akgül Akça/Kadir Has University/Journal of International Relations
Speakers:
Ioannis Armakolas, Southeast European and Black Sea Studies
Terry Cox, Europe-Asia Studies
Adam Fagan, East European Politics
Sinem Akgül Akça, Journal of International Relations
Eldar Ismayilov, Central Asia and the Caucasus
Raphael Janicot, Central Asian Survey
17:00 – 17:30 Coffee Break
17:30 – 18:00 PANEL 3 ROOM D-106
18:45 – 21:00 STANDING DINNER

DAY 3
Saturday 13 October 2012, 9:30 – 19:00
FENER HALL – BLOCK B
09:30 – 09:50 PANEL 4 ROOM D-107
10:00 – 10:40 Discussion / Coffee Break 10:40 – 11:10
11:10 – 11:30 Round Table 2: Cibali Hall – Block B
Moderator: Sabine Freiser, International Crisis Group
Participants:
Alexei Malashenko, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
Alexander Rondeli, Georgian Foundation for Strategic and International Studies
Peter Semneby, Swedish Ambassador to Afghanistan
Ronald Suny, University of Chicago/University of Michigan
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Speakers:
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Adam Fagan, East European Politics
Sinem Akgül Akça, Journal of International Relations
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Raphael Janicot, Central Asian Survey
17:00 – 17:30 Coffee Break
17:30 – 18:00 PANEL 3 ROOM D-106
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DAY 4
Sunday 14 October 2012, 9:30 – 19:00
CIBALI HALL – BLOCK B
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10:00 – 10:40 Discussion / Coffee Break 10:40 – 11:10
11:10 – 11:30 Round Table 2: Cibali Hall – Block B
Moderator: Sabine Freiser, International Crisis Group
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Sinem Akgül Akça, Journal of International Relations
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Raphael Janicot, Central Asian Survey
17:00 – 17:30 Coffee Break
17:30 – 18:00 PANEL 3 ROOM D-106
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DAY 5
Monday 15 October 2012, 9:30 – 19:00
FENER HALL – BLOCK B
09:30 – 09:50 PANEL 4 ROOM D-107
10:00 – 10:40 Discussion / Coffee Break 10:40 – 11:10
11:10 – 11:30 Round Table 2: Cibali Hall – Block B
Moderator: Sabine Freiser, International Crisis Group
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Sinem Akgül Akça, Journal of International Relations
Eldar Ismayilov, Central Asia and the Caucasus
Raphael Janicot, Central Asian Survey
17:00 – 17:30 Coffee Break
17:30 – 18:00 PANEL 3 ROOM D-106
18:45 – 21:00 STANDING DINNER

DAY 6
Tuesday 16 October 2012, 9:30 – 19:00
CIBALI HALL – BLOCK B
09:30 – 09:50 PANEL 4 ROOM D-107
10:00 – 10:40 Discussion / Coffee Break 10:40 – 11:10
11:10 – 11:30 Round Table 2: Cibali Hall – Block B
Moderator: Sabine Freiser, International Crisis Group
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DAY 7
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Sinem Akgül Akça, Journal of International Relations
Eldar Ismayilov, Central Asia and the Caucasus
Raphael Janicot, Central Asian Survey
Panel 5 Room D-97

10:30 – 11:00

5.1 David Sichinava
Tbilisi State University
Chevalier Theory and the Electoral Geographies of Georgia

5.2 Povilas Zellys
Vilnius University
Guarding or Retarding? US Democracy Assistance Programs in Post-Rose Revolution Georgia

11:30 – 12:00

5.3 Tir Bagdadi
Izmir University of Economics
State-Building in Azerbaijan and Armenia: The Use of Capital and Coercion to Capture the State

5.4 Farid Guliyev
 Jacobs University Bremen
Oil and Political Stability in Azerbaijan

Panel 6 Room D-98

11:30 – 12:00

6.1 Anvar Rahmetov
MT-Luica Institute for Advanced Studies, Italy
Political Economy of Protest: Controversial Elections and Popular Protests in the South Caucasus

6.2 KeVork Oskanian
University of Westminster
Pointing Fingers: Securitisation, State Ideology and Regime (In) Security in the South Caucasus

13:00 – 13:30

6.3 Nadiya Kravets
Harvard University
Security Practices in the Wider Black Sea Region

6.4 Teodor Bogdan-Alexandru
Pităr Viteazu National Intelligence Academy, Romania
A Constructivist Approach on Regional Security in the Eastern Neighborhood of the European Union

Panel 7 Room D-106

15:30 – 16:00

7.1 Dina Poiană
Babes-Bolyai University, Romania
Regional Cooperation and National Interests in the Black Sea Region: A Zero Sum Game or the Key to a Successful Model of Cooperation?

7.2 Muhhtar Hajizada
University of Leicester
Europeanisation of the Black Sea Sub-Regionalism

16:00 – 16:30

7.3 Lucia Najišlová
EUROPEUM – Institute for European Policy, Czech Republic
Turkey and the EU in their Common Neighborhood: A Tournament in Missed Opportunities?

7.4 Teodor Lucian Moga
Romanian Academy
The EU as a Model of Soft Power in its Eastern Neighbourhood

Panel 8 Room D-107

15:30 – 16:00

8.1 Emre Erzen
Marmara University
Turkey’s Role as a “Regional Re- liability Contributor” in the Southern Caucasus

8.2 Julien Zarifian
Unit of Cergy-Pontoise, France
The US Foreign Policy in the South Caucasus, from President Clinton to Obama: Coherence and Constancy of a Geopolitical Regional Penetration

16:30 – 17:00

8.3 Isleri Niňačeviḱ
Kadir Has University
Turkish Ideational Constraints on the Revitalization of Armenia-Turkey Relations: A Constructivist Perspective

8.4 Lia Evoyan
Armenian National Academy of Sciences
Turkey-Azerbaijan Relations: Factors Affecting the Dynamics of their Development

Panel 9 Room D-114

16:30 – 17:00

9.1 Sławomir Raszewski
University of Leeds
States Over Markets? Development of a Turkish Gas Hub and its Effects on Sustainable Market Development

9.2 Plamen Dimitrov
St. Kliment Ohridski University, Sofia
Turkey as Regional Energy Corridor: Aspirations, Possibilities, Risks

17:00 – 18:00

Concluding Remarks
Pavel Basev Peace Research Institute, Oslo
Dimitri Triantaphyllou Kadir Has University

18:00 – 23:00

Conference Dinner