



TURKEY EUROPE FUTURE FORUM

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS 2023

“DRIFTING OR DRIVING? – TURKEY-EUROPEAN RELATIONS AMIDST GLOBAL TURMOIL”

APPLY NOW FOR SEPTEMBER 10 TO 17, 2023, IN ISTANBUL!

The Russian war against Ukraine became emblematic for several crisis-ridden developments in the international system marked by great power rivalry and a weakening appeal of the rules-based order. National governments and transnational institutions are forced to recalibrate and reposition. The EU's target to become a global actor gained new traction while its challenges were brought to the fore, particularly regarding economic and security concerns. The need to strengthen regional cohesion and sovereignty raises important questions for the EU and the future of Turkey-European relations in an interdependent world.

The 9th Turkey Europe Future Forum (TEFF) explores the challenges and opportunities that the changing geopolitical landscape may pose for the future of Turkey-European relations. How can lasting cooperative structures be ensured in times of global realignments? How do geopolitical rivalries impact on Turkey's positioning in the world? How can the EU become a geopolitical actor and ensure stability for Europe and beyond? The TEFF brings together young professionals from different backgrounds to engage in workshops, trainings, and study trips. We want to discuss, exchange ideas, and explore common ground despite differences.

Application requirements

- between two and ten years of professional experience in the fields of politics, economics, administration, culture, media, science or civil society
- outstanding achievements during studies, professional career, or civic engagement
- willingness to contribute to the TEFF for the whole period of the program
- Turkish, German or another European citizenship

The Forum is organized by **Stiftung Mercator**, a private German foundation, in cooperation with **Berlin Bosphorus Initiative (BBI)**, a leading think tank in strengthening Turkey–EU relations, and **TÜSIAD**, Turkey's leading independent business organization.

The application deadline is **January 20, 2023**. Further information can be found on our website: www.turkey-europe-future-forum.com.

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