



## TURKEY EUROPE FUTURE FORUM

### CALL FOR APPLICATIONS 2022 “THE RETURN OF A BIPOLAR WORLD? – PROSPECTS FOR TURKEY-EU RELATIONS”

**APPLY NOW FOR JUNE 26 TO JULY 02, 2022, IN BERLIN!**

The rapid rise of China as an economic and political power is often perceived as a move towards a bipolar world in which the U.S. and China compete for supremacy. This may increase the likelihood of conflicts and exclusive alliances. Others raise hopes that a bipolar world is more stable and predictable which may even foster peaceful coexistence and prosperity. Both scenarios raise important questions for the EU and the future of Turkey-European relations in an interdependent world.

The 8th 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 do geopolitical rivalries impact on Turkey-EU relations? How can lasting cooperative structures be ensured in times of global realignments? How does ideological competition impact on civic freedoms and human rights? The TEFF brings together participants from different backgrounds to engage in workshops, training sessions, 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 21, 2022.** Further information can be found on our website: [www.turkey-europe-future-forum.com](http://www.turkey-europe-future-forum.com).

**Important notice:** Depending on the developments regarding COVID-19, we reserve the right to implement the TEFF 2022 as a digital event. We monitor the situation closely and will inform all selected participants not later than a month prior to the event.

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