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“European Integration in times of War and
Crises: Putting Centre-Periphery in
Context”

1-2 SEPTEMBER 2023

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1 SEPTEMBER 2023, FRIDAY

09:30-10:00 Registration

10:00-11:00 Opening Speeches

- Speech by Assoc. Prof. Başak Alpan, Chair, European Studies Programme Middle East Technical University / Coordinator, LEAP Network
- TBC
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11:00-12:30 Session 1: Turkey's European Integration in the Centennial of the Republic: Challenges and Hopes

Assoc. Prof. Gamze Aşcıoğlu-Öz, Middle East Technical University (Chair)

- Assoc. Prof. Ebru Turhan, Turkish-German University
- Prof. Münevver Cebeci, Marmara University
- Prof. Kürşad Ertuğrul, Middle East Technical University
- Assoc. Prof. Özgehan Şenyuva, Middle East Technical University

12:30-14:00 Lunch Break

14:00-15:30 Session 2: Global Disorder and European Integration: What Purchase for the Future?

Prof. Tark Şengül, Middle East Technical University (Chair)

- Assist. Prof. Onur Unutulmaz, Social Sciences University of Ankara
- İlhan Uzel
- Prof. Thomas Diez, University of Tuebingen
- Prof. Özlem Tür, Middle East Technical University

15:30-16:00 Coffee Break

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16:00-17:15 Session 3: Linking to “Europe” at the Periphery from the eyes of the Elites: Research Findings by the LEAP Project - I

Prof. Thomas Diez, University of Tuebingen (Chair)

- **Assoc. Prof. Ali Onur Özçelik**, Eskişehir Osmangazi University
- **Prof. David Aprasidze**, Ilia State University
- **Assoc. Prof. Miruna Troncota**, National University of Political Studies and Public Administration of Bucharest

2 SEPTEMBER 2023, SATURDAY

10:15-11:30 Session 4: Linking to “Europe” at the Periphery from the eyes of the Youth: Research Findings by the LEAP Project - II

Prof. David Aprasidze, Ilia State University (Chair)

- **Dragos Ionita**, National University of Political Studies and Public Administration of Bucharest
- **Prof. Afrim Hoti**, University of Prishtina
- **Nurdan Selay Bedir**, Middle East Technical University

11:30-12:00 Coffee Break

12:00-13:30 Session 5: Centres and Peripheries in Contemporary Global Politics

Assoc. Prof. Ali Onur Özçelik, Eskişehir Osmangazi University (Chair)

- **Assoc. Prof. Hatice Çelik**, Social Sciences University of Ankara
- **Assoc. Prof. Aylin Topal**, Middle East Technical University
- **Prof. Haldun Yalçinkaya**, TOBB-ETU University
- **Dr. Veysel Tekdal**, Eskişehir Osmangazi University

13:30-14:00 Closing of the Conference

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