CALL FOR APPLICATIONS TO THE 1ST TURKEY EUROPE FUTURE FORUM

Europe and Turkey are strongly connected with each other in various ways, especially regarding Turkey’s EU accession status. Both are currently experiencing major changes within their societies, their political systems and their economies. Numerous trouble spots necessitate swift decisions and new strategies. The Turkey Europe Future Forum provides young leaders with an excellent platform for engaging into European-Turkish relations and to discuss the developments in both neighbourhoods. We invite 30 young leaders from all over Europe and Turkey to actively contribute with their ideas and experiences to the European-Turkish discourse:

The Turkey Europe Future Forum will be taking place for the first time in Istanbul and Ankara from May 30 until June 7, 2015.

The objective of the eight-day Future Forum is to strengthen the ties between young leaders from Turkey and Europe with a view to leveraging European discourse and creating a network based on mutual trust. In workshops, lectures and intercultural training sessions, the participants will share their sector- and country-specific perspectives, guided by a team of internationally renowned Co-Deans: Ümit Boyner and Ruprecht Polenz will supervise the program and meet with the participants during the Future Forum. In addition, high-ranking speakers, guests and hosts will be offering unique insights into the politics, economic affairs, culture and society of the participating countries.

Requirements for applicants

- Age between 25 and 35 years
- At least two years of professional experience in the areas of politics, economic affairs, administration, culture, media, academia or civil society
- Excellent academic and professional qualifications
- Turkish, German or EU citizenship
- University degree
- Very good command of English
- Proven interest in European policy and European-Turkish relations

The costs of participating in the program, including travel, accommodation and subsistence expenses, will be borne by the organizers.

The application deadline is March 15, 2015. We look forward to receiving your application together with your CV and motivation letter. Applications must be made online via: http://application.mpc-international.org/future-forum. Further information can be found on the MPC website www.mpc-international.org.

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