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A CALL FOR PAPERS FOR THE CONFERENCE

Armenia-Turkey: paving ways for dialogue and reconciliation

18-19 MAY, 2017

YEREVAN, ARMENIA

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS: [Dr.Ugur Ümit Üngör](#) (*University of Utrecht*) and [Dr. Vicken Cheterian](#) (*University of Geneva*)

CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

The conference is initiated within the framework of the Programme [Support to the Armenia-Turkey Normalisation Process: Stage Two](#), financed by the European Union, to empower and engage the civil societies of Turkey and Armenia, to contribute to the enhanced regional peace and stability, democratic pluralism and social inclusion across and within the two societies.

The aim of the conference is to facilitate academic and policy dialogue, improving information flow, communication exchange and networking between researchers, experts, media representatives and institutions through engaging already existing and new actors in economic, cultural, educational and awareness-raising activities between Armenia and Turkey. The Conference will serve as a forum for discussion, debates and generation of ideas as well as a networking event.

POSSIBLE TOPICS INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- Understanding Armenia and Turkey: mutual public perceptions*
- Possible areas of confidence building: steps and measures
- Consequences of local and global developments in Armenian-Turkish relations
- Armenian-Turkish economic relations today and tomorrow: challenges and opportunities
- Internal and external actors of the Armenian-Turkish relations: seeking ways to build bridges
- Media coverage of Armenian-Turkish relations
- Mobility: from tourism to migration

**Special note: Applicants are encouraged to use the [output database](#) of the public opinion survey conducted in Armenia in 2014 within the project *Towards a Shared Vision of Normalization of Armenia-Turkey Relations*.*

CONFERENCE SESSIONS

Sessions will be selected and finalized based on the above-mentioned topics and submitted papers by April 4, 2017.

ELIGIBILITY

Scholars, experts and researchers, including think-tank and academia representatives, and PhD researchers; NGO and civil society representatives; Media representatives and Policy makers (including government agencies) and representatives of international organizations interested in the subject are welcome to apply. Applicants from Armenia and Turkey are especially encouraged to contribute to and attend the conference.

SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS

Prospective participants are hereby invited to submit abstracts by January 26, 2017.

Abstract Guidelines

The following criteria will be used to evaluate and select the submitted abstracts:

1. Abstracts should be submitted in **English** and be no longer than 300 words.
2. Abstracts must bear relevance to one of the subjects described in the *Possible Topics* section.
3. Abstracts must be logically coherent and must accurately reflect the purpose, structure, argument and conclusions of the paper.
4. Citations must be equipped with accurate references to the sources.

Requirements for full papers will be provided individually to the authors of selected abstracts.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The Conference Steering Committee will select the Conference speakers on a competitive basis. Individuals whose paper abstracts will have been selected by the end of selection process will be contacted to submit full papers.

Selected papers and speeches will be published on the websites of CRRC-Armenia, Eurasia Partnership Foundation-Armenia and Hrant Dink Foundation within a month of the Conference.

IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract Submission Deadline: January 26, 2017, 00:00 GMT (extended)

Reply-by: February 3, 2017

Full paper submission deadline: March 21, 2017, 00:00 GMT

Reply-by: March 28, 2017

CONFERENCE LANGUAGES

The Conference will be conducted in Armenian and English. Simultaneous translation will be available.

FEES AND COSTS

There is no participation fee, and the conference participants will be provided with meals on the day(s) of the conference. However, the participants are responsible for their travel and accommodation. Facilitation in arranging accommodation will be provided upon request of participants.

LIMITED FUNDING

Limited funding is available for 5 participants from Turkey to contribute toward travel and up to 3 nights of accommodation in Yerevan.

REGISTRATION

To apply for the Conference, please complete the application [form in English](#).

CONTACT INFORMATION

For further questions, please contact Ms. Narine Ishkhanyan, Project Coordinator, CRRC–Armenia. E-mail: conference@crrc.am; Phone: (+37410) 57 48 68 (ext. 103).

THE ORGANIZER

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ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Support to the Armenia-Turkey Normalisation Process: Stage Two (ATNP2)

Support to the Armenia-Turkey Normalisation Process: Stage Two (ATNP2) is a programme implemented by a Consortium of eight civil society organisations from Armenia and Turkey with the financial assistance of the European Union under the Instrument contributing to Stability and Peace. ATNP2 builds upon the achievements of ATNP1 implemented between 2014-2015. The overall objective of the programme is to empower and engage the civil societies of Turkey and Armenia to contribute to the enhanced regional peace and stability, democratic pluralism and social inclusion across and within their societies.