

# Agenda

## German-Turkish Roundtable on International Affairs (GTRT) 2024 “Super Election Year 2024: Implications and Outlook for the International Order”

### 31 October to 01 November 2024, Divan Ankara

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#### 31 November 2024

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2:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Reception and Welcome Coffee/Finger Food

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2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. **Welcome and Introduction**

- Hürcan Aslı Aksoy, CATS, SWP
- Taha Özhan, Ankara Institute

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3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Panel 1: Elections and the Fate of Democracy**

*Elections decide who is going to govern next, but this year’s elections across the world may be about more. They could determine the fate of democracy itself. This session will address the following questions: What challenges do this year’s elections pose for the future of global democracy? How is democracy evolving in the West and the non-West? What do the successes of the far right in European elections mean for plurality, diversity, migration and Europe’s relations with its neighbourhood? What are the main issues for the health and future of democracy? Going forward, what should form the global narrative of democracy?*

Moderation: Sinem Adar, CATS/ SWP

Speakers:

- Johannes Thimm, SWP
- Hans Kundnani, Chatham House (hybrid)
- Seda Demiralp, Işık University

Discussion

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5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Coffee/Tea Break

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6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

**Keynote:** »European and US Elections and their Impacts on the Future of International Order«

- Charles A. Kupchan, Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) (hybrid)
- Stefan Mair, SWP
- Nuh Yılmaz, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Türkiye (tbc)

Moderation:

- Hürcan Aslı Aksoy, CATS, SWP
  - Taha Özhan, Ankara Institute
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7:00 p.m.

Dinner

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## 01 November 2024

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8:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Registration Coffee

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9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

### Panel 2: Elections and the Future of the Global Economy

*Geopolitical risks inevitably affect the economy, both globally and in individual countries. Elections around the world pose geopolitical risks that could have significant impacts on the global economy. With almost half of the world's population going to the polls, the effects will be seen in market conditions and energy prices, as well as international trade and investment. This session will address the following questions: How will the elections in the European Union and the United States affect the global economy? Will this revive globalisation or encourage the establishment of separate economic blocs? What are the prospects for international trade and economic relations?*

Moderation: Yaşar Aydın, CATS/ SWP

Speakers:

- Güldem Atabay, PanoramaTr
- Jonas Kraeusel, German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action
- Tarik M. Yousef, Middle East Council on Global Affairs (ME Council)

Discussion

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10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Coffee Break

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11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**Panel 3: Elections and the Future of Geopolitics**

*The election year of 2024 represents a key turning point for the future of global politics. The outcomes will be intricately intertwined with the future of geopolitics. They are likely to redefine the nature of great power competition, the course of ongoing wars (that will reshape global and regional security structures), the future of major alliances (such as NATO), and emerging alignments in global politics. They will also affect European security and (dis)order in the Black Sea region and the Middle East. This session will address the following questions: What are the global geopolitical implications of the key elections in 2024? What do they mean for the great power competition between the United States and China? How might these elections reshape European security and the future of NATO? How will they affect the Ukraine and Gaza wars?*

Moderation: Osman Sert, Ankara Institute

Speakers:

- Ambassador (ret.) Hasan Murat Mercan
- Maria Luisa Fantappiè, Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)
- Faisal Devji, University of Oxford
- Galip Dalay, Chatham House

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12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Wrap-up and Closing Remarks**

- İlder Turan, Istanbul Bilgi University (*tbc*)

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1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

*Optional Lunch and Departure*

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