

**10th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
"THE EUROPEAN UNION, TURKEY AND THE KURDS"**

**Turkey, the Kurds and the Imrali Peace Process:
An Historic Opportunity**

**Brussels, European Parliament, 4th & 5th of December 2013
Room: ASP 1G2**

Interpretation available in
Turkish, English, French, German, Spanish, Italian, Dutch

Patrons

Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu
Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, South Africa

Dr. Shirin Ebadi
Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, Iran

Bianca Jagger
Council of Europe Goodwill Ambassador
Chair of the Bianca Jagger Human Rights Foundation, UK

Professor Noam Chomsky
Writer, USA

Yasar Kemal
Writer, Turkey

Vedat Turkali
Writer, Turkey

Leyla Zana
European Parliament's Sakharov Prize for Freedom of Thought,
Rafto Prize Laureate, Turkey

Wednesday, 4th December 2013, 15.00-16.30
Opening Session, Room ASP 1G2

Opening Remarks and Greetings

- **MEP Ms. Gabi Zimmer**
Chair of the European United Left - Nordic Green Left Group (GUE/NGL) in the European Parliament, Germany
- **Ms. Kariane Westrheim, PhD**
Chair of EUTCC, Associate Professor, University of Bergen, Norway

Opening Speeches:

- **MP Ms. Leyla Zana**
Member of the Parliament, European Parliament's Sakharov Prize for Freedom of Thought, Rafto Prize Laureate, Turkey
- **MEP Mr. Jürgen Klute**
Coordinator of the EP-Kurds Friendship Group, GUE/NGL Group, Germany
- **Me Antoine Comte, Lawyer**, France

Video messages of Conference's Patrons

- **Video trailer of previous nine conferences**
- **Prof. Noam Chomsky**, Writer, the USA
- **Mr. Yasar Kemal**, Writer, Turkey

Wednesday, 4th December 2013, 16.30-18.30
Panel I, Room ASP 1G2

**Reforming the State and Reconciling Society:
Constitutional, political and social reforms in Turkey**

Moderator:

MEP Mr. Iñaki Irazabalbeitia Fernández, Greens-EFA Group

Speakers *(followed by questions and discussion with the audience)*

- **MP Ms. Gulden Kisanak**, co-Chair, BDP, Turkey
- **MP AKP**, Turkey *(to be confirmed)*
- **MP Sezgin Tanrikulu**, CHP MP for Istanbul, Turkey
- **Ms. Emma Sinclair-Webb**, Senior Researcher, Human Rights Watch
- **Mr. Hüseyin Yayman**, Academic & Member of the Wise people Commission, Turkey
- **Prof. Dogu Ergil**, Academic & Member of the Wise people Commission, Turkey
- **Mr. Hasan Cemal**, Journalist, Turkey

Thursday, 5th December 2013, 09.30-13.00
Panel II, Room ASP 1G2

**Peace-building Initiatives and Imrali Peace Process:
The role of the international community and the EU in promoting
justice and democracy in Turkey**

Moderators:

MEP Mr. Søren Bo Søndergaard, GUE/NGL Group, Denmark

Speakers *(followed by questions and discussion with the audience)*

- **MP Mr. Ertugrul Kurkcu**, co-Chair of the People's Democratic Party (HDP), Turkey
- **Mr. Yonnec Polet**, Deputy Secretary General of the Party of European Socialists (PES), Belgium
- **MEP Mr. Mark Demesmaeker**, Greens-EFA Group, Belgium
- **Mr. Hugh Pope**, International Crisis Group
- **Prof. David L. Phillips**, Director, Program on Peace-building and Rights, Columbia University Institute for the Study of Human Rights, USA
- **Dr. Günter Seufert**, German Institute for International and Security Affairs – SWP, Germany
- **Mr. Günay Aslan**, Journalist

Thursday, 5th December 2013, 15.00-17.30
Panel III, Room ASP 1G2

**The Kurdish Democratic Project:
Strategies and policies to bring peace to the Middle East**

Moderator:

Professor Michael Gunter, EUTCC, United States of America

Speakers *(followed by questions and discussion with the audience)*

- **Mr. Jonathan Spyer**, Middle East Analyst, Israel
- **Mr. Joost Jongerden**, Academic, The Netherlands
- **Mr. Mala Bakhtiyar**, Chief of Executive Body of Political Bureau, Patriotic Union of Kurdistan – PUK, Kurdistan
- **Ms. Amberin Zaman**, Turkey Correspondent of the Economist, Turkey
- **Mr. Zübeyir Aydar**, Member of the Executive Board of Kurdistan National Congress (KNK)
- **Mr. Saleh Muslim**, Co-President of the Syrian Kurdish Democratic Union Party (PYD), Syria-Kurdistan

Thursday, 5th December 2013, 17.30-18.30
Panel IV, Room ASP 1G2

Recommendations and Final Resolution

by EUTCC Board Members