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türkiye ekonomi politikaları araştırma vakfı

## US ELECTIONS: POLITICAL DYNAMICS OF THE RACE AND ELECTORAL COLLAGE

Keynote Speaker

**Stephen J. Solarz**

Former Member of U.S. House of Representatives

Executive Committee Member of the International Crisis Group

*TEPAV, in cooperation with the Embassy of the U.S.A. in Turkey, will be hosting a round-table meeting with Mr. Stephen J. Solarz as the keynote speaker. Mr. Solarz will talk about the upcoming American presidential elections and the political dynamics of the race as well as the electoral collage. We would be pleased if you could join our meeting to be held at*

***TEPAV Building***

*(behind the TOBB University of Economics and Technology-Söğütözü Cad.No:43 Söğütözü-ANKARA) on October 15, 2008 at 16.00pm-18.00pm.*

### Meeting Agenda

- **Upcoming presidential elections**
- **Political dynamics of the race and electoral collage**
- **An analysis of the public opinion polls and how people feel about the candidates**
- **Major differences between the candidates**

For twenty-four years, Stephen J. Solarz served in public office both in the New York State Assembly and in the U.S. House of Representatives. He was elected from Brooklyn's 13th Congressional District to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1974 and re-elected eight times. He served in the New York State Assembly for six years prior to his election to Congress. Mr. Solarz served for 18 years on the U.S. House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee, serving as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Asian and Pacific Affairs, and the Subcommittee on Africa. He played a major role in the Congressional effort to restore democracy to the Philippines, abolish apartheid in South Africa and bring peace to Cambodia in 1993. Mr. Solarz also led the successful fight in the House of Representatives to lift the arms embargo against Turkey and in favor of the resolution authorizing the use of force in the Persian Gulf War. Mr. Solarz serves on The Elliott School International Council at George Washington University. He is a Board Member of the Center for International Ethics and Justice of Brandeis University, and a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. Mr. Solarz has written extensively for *Foreign Policy*, *Foreign Affairs*, *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Baltimore Sun*, *The Christian Science Monitor*, *Blueprint*, the magazine of the Democratic Leadership Council, and other publications. He is also executive committee member of International Crises Group