

TEPAV and the European Stability Initiative (ESI)
cordially invite you to a meeting on
***“How Germany and Turkey can save liberal Europe
and the EU debate on refugees”***

on February 26th , 2016 Friday

14.00 - 15.30

at the TEPAV Building,

3rd Floor Conference Room

(TOBB University of Economics and Technology, Söğütözü Cad. No: 43 Söğütözü - ANKARA)

PROGRAM

14.00 - 14.15	Welcome and Opening Remarks
	Güven Sak , Managing Director, TEPAV
14.15 - 15.00	Keynote Speaker
	Gerald Knaus , Founding Chairman, European Stability Initiative <i>Germany, Turkey and the Syrian Refugee Crisis</i>
15.00 - 15.30	Discussion and Q & A
	Moderator: Nilgün Arisan Eralp , Director, TEPAV European Union Institute

The Syrian refugee crisis is putting a huge strain on Turkey, the Balkans and some countries in the EU. While Germany welcomes Syrian refugees, other EU countries refuse to accept any. Throughout the EU, right-wing parties prejudiced against Muslims are gaining support. The EU has proposed many solutions which so far have failed to make any difference. What is to be done? What is happening in key EU countries? Which proposals stand any chance of making a difference? What role could Turkey play? ESI has argued since September that Turkey, Germany and Greece hold the key to any solution.

Gerald Knaus is the founding chairman of ESI, an independent, not-for-profit think tank registered in Berlin and Istanbul. After studying in Oxford, Brussels and Bologna, Mr. Knaus taught economics in Ukraine and worked for NGOs and international organisations in Bulgaria and Bosnia and Herzegovina. In 1999, he founded ESI where he has co-authored more than 80 ESI reports. He is a founding member of the European Council on Foreign Relations and was for five years an Associate Fellow at the Carr Center for Human Rights Policy at Harvard University's Kennedy School.

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The meeting will be conducted in English. No translation will be available.