

**CIVIL SOCIETY INVOLVEMENT IN SECURITY GOVERNANCE: THE CASE OF
TURKEY IN A COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE**

Workshop Program

Date: 5 October 2017

Location: The Marmara Pera Hotel – Pera 1 Room
Meşrutiyet Caddesi Tepebaşı, Beyoğlu/Istanbul

I. SESSION: CIVIL SOCIETY AND SECURITY GOVERNANCE

Moderator: Özge Genç, PODEM

09:30 Opening Remarks by İlhami Alkan Olsson, RWI

Speakers:

09:45 – 10:05 **A. Erkan Koca, PODEM Researcher**

“Presentation of the Findings of the Fieldwork with the NGOs in Istanbul (Beyoğlu): Perceptions of Safety and Security”

10:05 – 10:25 **Sebastian Roché and Max Valentin Robert, University of Grenoble**

“Government, security institutions and public reactions to exposure to terrorism: A view from France”

10:25 – 11:00 **Discussants:**

Yezid Sayigh, Carnegie Beirut

“The interplay between domestic, regional and national security: How can the challenges of democratic security policies be overcome? A view from the Arab countries”

Peter F. Sheridan, Co-operation Ireland

“How can we build trust, security and safety both intra-society and between state/security institutions and society? A View from Northern Ireland”

11:00 – 12:15 *Discussion*

Possible discussion points:

- How does the relationship between internal security, regional (external) security and national security play out in different countries? Within this scope, how can we deal with the security risks and challenges and develop criteria to counter them?
- What is the role and function of civil society in security governance policies and their implementations?
- How does the relationship between the state and civil society progress during the security challenges and state of emergency conditions? In this sense, is it possible to discuss the involvement of civil society in security policies?
- To what degree can positive values represented by civil society, such as cooperation, unity, trust, social justice and peace may impact a democratic and efficient security governance?

12:15 – 13:30 **Lunch break**

II. SESSION: SECURITY INSTITUTIONS AND GOVERNANCE

Moderator: A. Erkan Koca, *PODEM Researcher*

Speakers:

13:30 – 13:50

Özge Genç, PODEM

“Findings of the Research in Istanbul on Perceptions of the Police towards their profession and institution”

Discussants:

- 13:50 – 14:05 **Mike Hough, Birkbeck, University of London**
“The challenges of democratic policing in times of security crisis: trust and legitimacy as the foundation as relationships between the public, the police and the justice system”
- 14:05 – 14:20 **Sebastian Roché, University of Grenoble**
“Legitimacy : why social context matters, Police legitimacy in situations of conflict or strong tensions (France after terror attacks or riots, Northern Ireland and Catholics-Proestants, US after Ferguson shooting)”
- 14:20 – 15:30 *Discussion*

Possible discussion points:

- How security institutions react to security challenges and threats?
- What innate characteristics and tendencies of the security institutions surface during and after the security challenges and threats?
- What are the conditions of a trust and legitimacy-based security governance during times of security crisis and threats?
- What does successful reform processes include in order to bridge the gap between security institutions and public? Are ‘civilizing’ and democratic oversight, useful concepts?
- Do we need new concepts and definitions and / or re-define / replenish the existing concepts?

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break

**III. SESSION: CIVIL SOCIETY'S PARTICIPATION, ROLE AND FUNCTION IN
SECURITY POLICIES**

Moderator: *Ilhami Alkan Olsson, RWI*

Kick-off Speeches:

- 16:00 – 16:15 **Mehmet Ali Çalışkan, YADA**
"Civil society's participation and impact in policies and how their participation, role and function are affected by security crisis?"
- 16:15 – 16:30 **Cuma Çiçek, Researcher / Academic**
"Security Crisis and Civil Society in Turkey: Continuities and Ruptures"
- 16:30 – 18:00 *Discussion*

Possible discussion points:

- How can effective policies against the security threats be developed without compromising the rule of law and the principles of citizen rights?
- How can a solution that will benefit civil society and security institutions be developed?