

# Turkish American Biz POWER

The 1st Annual Turkish American Chambers of Commerce Conference

September 14, 2009 • Washington, D.C.

The Rotunda • Ronald Reagan Building & International Trade Center

Organized by the Turkish Union of Chambers & Commodity Exchanges (TOBB)

And the Foreign Economic Relations Board of Turkey (DEİK)



## An Invitation



**M. Rifat Hisarcıklođlu**

President of TOBB & DEIK

Chairman of the Board of the  
World Turkish Business Council

Dear Turkish-American Chamber of Commerce Member,

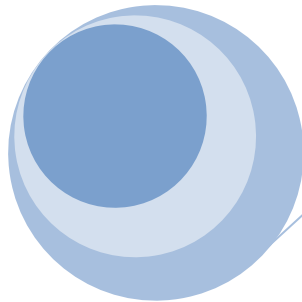
I have great pleasure in inviting you to the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Turkish American Chamber of Commerce Conference organized by the Turkish Union of Chambers & Commodity Exchanges (TOBB) and the Foreign Economic Relations Board of Turkey (DEIK) on September 14<sup>th</sup> 2009 in Washington, D.C.

I was delighted to see that several Turkish-American Chambers of Commerce and Industry were formed in various parts of the United States during the past few years from Texas to California, from Georgia to Illinois and in Washington, D.C. Turkish American entrepreneurs are proudly joining together in democratic organizations where they can support each other, have a strong unified voice and strive to improve economic and commercial relations between Turkey and the United States.

You are a unique group of individuals because you serve as the real bridge between two continents, two countries and two peoples. You share both cultures and have their famous entrepreneurial spirit and knowhow to do business in both countries. Turkish Americans make up an important part of our World Turkish Business Council which was recently formed under DEIK's umbrella.

With congratulations for your achievements so far, I look forward to seeing you on September 14<sup>th</sup> when we will demonstrate the power of Turkish American Businesses in the heart of Washington.

Sincerely,  
M. Rifat Hisarcıklođlu

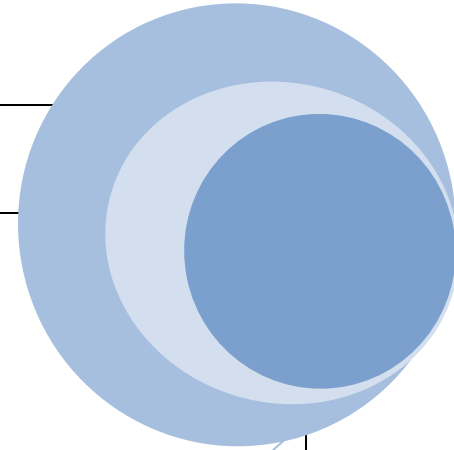


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## Program of Events



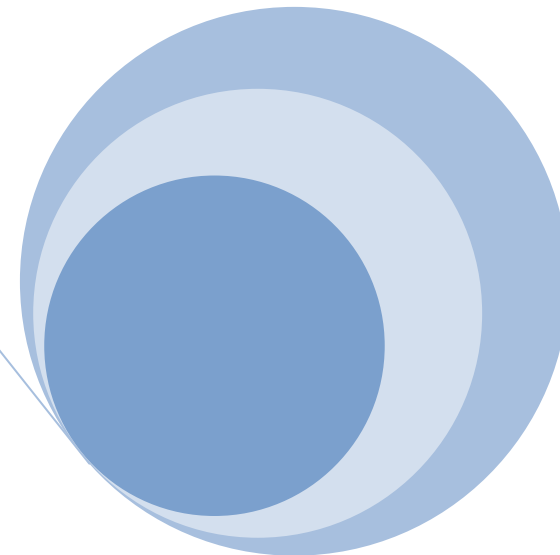
<b>4:00 – 4:30 PM</b> Atrium Ballroom	<b>Registration</b> Registration for CSIS & TOBB Joint Event
<b>4:30 – 5:30 PM</b> Atrium Ballroom  <b>A Joint CSIS &amp; TOBB Event</b>  	<b>Welcome Remarks</b> <b>Dr. John J. Hamre</b> President & CEO, Center for Strategic International Studies <b>Muhtar Kent</b> CEO & Chairman of the Board, The Coca-Cola Company <b>Global Economic Problems: Private Sector Solutions</b> <b>M. Rifat Hisarcıkliođlu</b> President, TOBB & DEIK
<b>5:30 – 5:45 PM</b> Horizon Ballroom	<b>Registration</b> Registration for the Turkish American Chambers of Commerce Conference <b>Conference Participants Please Follow Signs to the Horizon Ballroom</b>
<b>5:45 – 7:10 PM</b> Rotunda <i>Please note that the rest of the Conference is targeted for Turkish American businessmen, and <b>Turkish</b> will be the <b>main language</b> of communication during the rest of the Program.</i>	<b>How to Have A Stronger Turkish Lobby in the US?</b> <b>Panel Moderated by Dr. Güven Sak, Director of TEPAV</b> <b>Sevil Özışık</b> , President, TACCI (Turkish American Chamber of Commerce & Industry) <b>Günay Evinch</b> , President, ATAA (Assembly of Turkish American Associations) <b>Güler Köknar</b> , Vice President, TCA (Turkish Coalition of America) <b>Nedim Düzenli</b> , Americas Committee Chairman, World Turkish Business Council <b>Dr. Bülent Alırıza</b> , Director, CSIS Turkey Project <b>Participants will have an opportunity to contribute to the dialogue.</b>
<b>7:10 – 7:20 PM</b>	<b>Conference Participants Please Follow Signs to the Rotunda</b>
<b>7:20 – 9:00 PM</b> Rotunda  <i>A traditional Turkish Iftar dinner will be served. Iftar is at 7:26 PM.</i>	<b>Importance of US-Turkey Economic &amp; Commercial Relations</b> <b>Ambassador Nabi Şensoy</b> Ambassador of the Republic of Turkey to the United States of America <b>M. Rifat Hisarcıkliođlu</b> President, TOBB & DEIK

You're invited to the ...

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**RSVP Form** *Please Reply by September 4, 2009*

- RSVP FOR CSIS & TOBB EVENT ONLY**  
**OR**  
 **RSVP FOR ENTIRE PROGRAM**

First Name:

Last Name:

Name of Business or Affiliation:

Title at Business:

Phone Number:

Address:

E-mail Address:

**TO BE FILLED OUT BY TURKISH AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN ONLY**

A member of a Turkish American Chamber? If so, which one?

Title within Chamber:

Chamber City/State:

Are you available to meet with Congressional office in DC on Sept 14 or 15?

Name of YOUR Congressperson:

**CONFIRMED RSVPs ARE REQUIRED FOR ENTRY INTO ALL EVENTS**

*Please note that the CSIS & TOBB event will be conducted in English.*

*Press is allowed ONLY to the CSIS & TOBB event and the Iftar Dinner Program.*

**NOTE:** *The Turkish American Biz Conference is targeted for Turkish American businessmen, and all events after 5:30 PM will be conducted in Turkish.*

Please Send Your RSVP to  
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Call TOBB & DEIK US Office for any questions at 202-789-3644.