



Greek-Turkish Young Leaders Symposium on Security
Thessaloniki, 12-16 December 2017

The Center for International and European Studies (CIES) is organizing **the 3rd Greek-Turkish Young Leaders Symposium (GTYLS) on Security**. The Greek-Turkish Young Leaders Symposium (GTYLS) on Security will include the participation of **15 Greek** and **15 Turkish** International Relations specialists (MA students, PhD candidates, young PhD scholars, and professionals), aged 22-35 years old, and Greek and Turkish experts that will act as speakers and trainers on **12-16 December 2017** in **Thessaloniki** in partnership with the Thessaloniki-based Navarino Network and the support of NATO Public Diplomacy Division and the Friedrich Naumann Stiftung.

The GTYLS includes sessions on “The New Security Challenges”, “The Young Leaders Speak”, “NATO’s Current Priorities and Challenges”, “The Future of Greek-Turkish Relations in The NATO Context” and “The Role of the Media”. These debates and discussions will be channeled into the “Peer to Peer Workshop” facilitated by an expert trainer where participants will work together to develop collaborative project proposals.

Participants are expected to meet the criteria listed below:

- International Relations Specialists (MA students, PhD candidates, young PhD scholars, and professionals)
- 22-35 years of age.
- An interest in the areas of international relations, security, NATO, and Greek-Turkish relations.
- Willing to establish networks and dialogue between Greece and Turkey.
- Fluent spoken and written English.

Please note that the language of the Symposium is **English**.

The organizers will cover round trip airfare from Istanbul to Thessaloniki; accommodation in Thessaloniki for the duration of the Symposium (4 nights including breakfast for all non-Thessaloniki based participants); lunch for 3 days; and two dinners. Please note that although the Symposium is open to participants from all parts of Turkey and Greece and they are especially encouraged to apply, the organizers will only provide for air travel between Istanbul and Thessaloniki. The CIES may provide on a need basis a small travel stipend for those attending the Symposium from elsewhere in Greece.

In order to apply, please fill in the **[application form](#)** by **10 November 2017**.

Application form: <http://form.khas.edu.tr/ciesapp/>