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The annual Atlantic Council Energy and Economic Summit in Istanbul, now in its seventh year, aims to build bridges in a region spanning from Central Asia to Central Europe and the Levant that is marred by centuries of division and conflict, but whose nations and people are also bound together by so much.

The Summit brings together an influential constituency to foster and strengthen transatlantic engagement on regional and global energy as well as economic and political challenges in the wider Eurasian region around Turkey.



Photos first row from left: Joe Biden, Vice President, United States; Ahmet Davutoğlu, Prime Minister, Republic of Turkey; Miguel Arias Cañete, Commissioner for Climate Action and Energy, European Commission. Second row from left: Ashti Hawrami, Minister of Natural Resources, Kurdistan Regional Government; Nina Dos Santos, News Anchor, CNN and Ali Babacan, Deputy Prime Minister, Republic of Turkey; Mehmet Şimşek, Minister of Finance, Republic of Turkey. Third row from left: Signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between the United States and the Republic of Turkey to collaborate on wind energy deployment; Taner Yıldız, Minister of Energy and Natural Resources, Republic of Turkey and Adel Abdul Mahdi, Minister of Oil, Republic of Iraq.



PAST PARTICIPANTS

Official dignitaries included Vice President **Joe Biden** (United States), Prime Minister **Ahmet Davutoğlu** (Turkey), President **Bujar Nishani** (Albania), Deputy Prime Minister **Ali Babacan** (Turkey), and former Prime Ministers and Deputy Prime Ministers from **Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Iraq, Kazakhstan, Kurdistan Regional Government of Iraq, Serbia, and Turkey.**



Foreign, Economy, and Energy Ministers included Energy Secretary **Ernest Moniz** (United States), Energy and Natural Resources Minister **Taner Yıldız** (Turkey), Foreign Minister **Daniel Mitov** (Bulgaria), Oil Minister **Adil Abdul Al-Mahdi** (Iraq), Finance Minister **Mehmet Şimşek** (Turkey), Natural Resources Minister **Ashti Hawrami** (Kurdistan Regional Government of Iraq), Energy Minister **Mohammed Bin Dhaen Al Hamli** (United Arab Emirates), Energy Minister **Natiq Aliyev** (Azerbaijan), as well as ministers and senior officials from **Afghanistan, Croatia, Georgia, Greece, Hungary, Kosovo, Lithuania, Macedonia, Moldova, Pakistan, Romania, Russia, Spain, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan.**

Other Distinguished Guests included former US Deputy Secretary of Energy **Daniel Poneman**; former US Department of State Special Envoy and Coordinator for International Energy Affairs **Carlos Pascual**; former US Secretary of State **Madeleine Albright**; former US National Security Advisors **James Jones, Brent Scowcroft, Zbigniew Brzezinski, Samuel Berger, and Stephen Hadley**; former President of Poland **Aleksander Kwaśniewski**; European Commissioner for Climate Action and Energy **Miguel Arias Cañete**; Director-General of the International Renewable Energy Agency **Adnan Amin**; Abu Dhabi Investment Authority's Global Head of Research **Christof Rühl**; US Department of State Special Envoy and Coordinator for International Energy Affairs **Amos Hochstein**; International Energy Agency Chief Economist **Fatih Birol**; SOCAR President and CEO **Rovnag Abdullayev**; ALP Chair and CEO **Anne Lauvergeon**; Turkish Airlines Chairman **Hamdi Topçu**; Chairman, President, and CEO of Southern Company **Thomas Fanning**; Halkbank CEO **Ali Fuat Teşkesenlioğlu**; and Genel Energy CEO **Tony Hayward.**



This invitation-only event is only open to summit partners, their representatives and designees, and other invited guests. Wide-scale coverage of the Istanbul Summit by local, regional, and international press is expected.

For information on how to become a partner and corresponding sponsorship levels, please contact Summit Director Defne Arslan at FDArslan@AtlanticCouncil.org.

Photos from top row: Breakfast conversation with Joe Biden, Vice President, United States and Ahmet Davutoğlu, Prime Minister, Republic of Turkey; Ian MacDonald, Vice President, Europe, Eurasia, and Middle East Exploration and Production, Chevron; Tony Hayward, CEO, Genel Energy; Fatih Birol, Chief Economist, International Energy Agency and Melanie A. Kenderdine, Energy Counselor to the Secretary, US Department of Energy; Leaders' Council dinner.