

TÜSİAD-KOÇ UNIVERSITY ECONOMIC RESEARCH FORUM

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TUSIAD-KU ECONOMIC RESEARCH FORUM

Established in 2004 as a non-profit and non-partisan organization.

- ERF aims to be a world-class research institute that draws on both the academic and the professional expertise of the most outstanding minds in the field of economics and business.
- Integrating with business community through direct academic involvement in research related to both Turkish and global economy, ERF is dedicated to promote independent and objective analysis on economic policies for faster growth.
- ERF's mission is to conduct business and economic research, and to provide alternatives for short-term and long-term economic policies to meet the challenges of the sustainable economic growth.
- ERF is also active in a wide range of economic research activities, especially related with the policy suggestions for a development strategy.

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Formed jointly by the Turkish Industrialists' and Businessmen's Association and Koc University.

- **TUSIAD** is the largest non-governmental organization of the Turkish private sector, committed to promote Turkey's political, economic and institutional reform process, within the framework of the membership process to the EU.

TUSIAD published numerous reports and organized various panel discussions in the field of raising democratic standards and awareness in Turkey (more information is available at <http://www.tusiad.org>)

- **Koc University** is a leading research and education institution of international standing.

KU aims at generating knowledge at global scale, expanding the scientific horizons of Turkey and educating individuals who will ensure the dominance of contemporary science and technology in the development of the society (more information is available at <http://www.ku.edu.tr>)

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The main objectives of the Economic Research Forum are:

- to follow and analyze the developments in the global economics, especially those related with the EU integration process, and to conduct, promote, and support research on short-term and long-term economic trends;
- to offer an international environment that fosters rigorous research across the entire spectrum of economics and business and to disseminate information, research findings, and data;
- to offer original insights in order to deal better with the contemporary challenges, to work on alternative policies, and to discuss the implications of different economic policy options;
- to provide policy-makers venues to build shared understanding, if not consensus, on policy options among decision makers and professionals through conferences, roundtables and lectures;
- to enhance communication and cooperation with the non-governmental organizations engaged in research related to economic policy.

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The Conferences in 2010:

- Expanding Opportunities for the Next Generation and Female Labor Force Participation in Turkey, June 4, 2010
- Business Cycles and the Global Crisis, May 25, 2010
- Whither Greece and the Euro?, February 26, 2010

The Conferences in 2009:

- The Post-Crisis Global Economic Order and Turkish Economy, July 1, 2009
- The Role of Forward and Backward Linkages in International Trade, Economic Crisis and Turkey, June 12, 2009
- Fiscal Policy and the Global Crisis, June 9, 2009
- Global Economic Crisis and the Turkish Economy, April 30, 2009
- Turkey's Participation in the European Knowledge Economy (TEPEK), January 29-30, 2009

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The number of **Policy Notes** (in Turkish) published in ERF Website:

- 2010: 15 (as of September)
- 2009: 20

The number of **ERF Working Papers** published in ERF Website:

- 2010: 26 (as of September)
- 2009: 14
- 2008: 5
- 2007: 12

ERF Working Papers are automatically published by RePEc, the world's largest collection of online Economics Working Papers, Journal Articles and Software .

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Thanks to the **Affiliates Program** launched in 2010, in which

- 57 academicians in the field of economics and business
- from the most outstanding universities of Turkey and the world
- as well as from well-known global research institutes

participated as of September 2010.

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The ERF Web Page contains a database, in which data from

- Central Bank of the Republic of Turkey and
- The Undersecretariat Turkish Treasury

are presented in a user friendly manner.

The database also includes specific ERF Research Data.

- **Global Equity Market Spillover Index, Weekly,**
- **Global Equity Market Spillover Index, Daily, and**
- **Diebold-Yilmaz International Business Cycle Spillover Index,**

based on Diebold, F.X. and K. Yilmaz (2009), "Measuring Financial Asset Return and Volatility Spillovers, With Application to Global Equity Markets," Economic Journal, 119, 158-171, which also appeared as TUSIAD-Koc University Economic Research Forum Working Paper No. 07-05, January 2007.

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ERF has agreements with the following organizations in line with its objective of enhancing communication and cooperation with the non-governmental organizations engaged in research related to economic policy.

- Kiel Institute Global Economic Symposium
- Ukrainian Academy of Banking of the National Bank of Ukraine
- Intellectual & Industrial Rights Research & Application Center (FİSAUM)

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