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TURKEY'S CONTRIBUTION TO REGIONAL AND GLOBAL STABILITY.

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National Europe Centre, ANU, 1 Liversidge St [67C], The Australian National University. The seminar will be followed by a reception with light refreshments. Parking available in Balmain Lane, opposite University House. This lecture is free and open to the public. RSVP preferred: europe@anu.edu.au Enquiries: T: 02 6125 9896 <http://www.anu.edu.au/NEC/>



The Turkish Republic established by Mustafa Kemal in 1923 occupies a unique geographic and cultural place in world affairs. Its influence extends over more than two hundred million Turkic-speaking peoples and many Muslim countries. In this sense, more than any other state in the region, Turkey is called on to act as a bridge between cultures and religions. It is the sixth largest economy in Europe and the seventeenth largest economy in the world. It is also a strategic energy hub, a key member of NATO and the OECD, a member of the Organisation for Black Sea Economic Cooperation and a member of the Council of Europe. It is currently negotiating for accession to the European Union. H.E. Mr Ersavcı will discuss Turkey's contribution to stability in its region and beyond at the cross-roads of civilisations.

His Excellency Murat Ersavcı began working for the Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1972. His first overseas posting was to West Germany in 1977 and since then he has worked in various overseas postings in Europe and the Middle East, a NATO specialist, as well as being principal advisor to the Prime Minister and Director General of the Turkish Press and Information Service. In 1996 he became the Turkish Ambassador to Ireland and in 1998 took the post of Ambassador the Sultanate of Oman. He has been Ambassador to Australia since 2006.



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