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Turkey and the Middle East Refugee Crisis



Raife Gülrü Gezer, Consul General of Turkey for
Los Angeles

November 18, 2015 - 5:30 – 7:45 pm

Cost for dinner and talk: \$25: Talk only at 6:30 is free

San Manuel Student Union 106AB

5500 University Pkwy., San Bernardino CA 92407

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As of February 2015, Turkey become the world's biggest refugee hosting country with 2.1 million Syrian refugees, spending the equivalent of more than six billion dollars on direct assistance to refugees. Since the refugee crisis began in 2011, more than 4 million Syrians have fled their homes to escape the civil war, mostly to the neighboring countries of Turkey, Lebanon, Jordan, and Iraq. Beginning in early 2015, the numbers moving into Europe spiked dramatically, finally drawing the world's attention to the extreme nature of the refugee issue. Consul General Gezer will discuss major issues of this humanitarian crisis and its implications for the future.

Join us for the dinner session at 5:30 pm to discuss the issues and challenges that have emerged from the Syrian civil war, particularly the seemingly ceaseless flood of refugees fleeing for their very lives. Turkey has been involved since the beginning of the crisis. Consul General Gezer will tell us what efforts have been made to provide refuge in Turkey and the prospects for the end to the violence.

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