

**INVITATION**  
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**Brown Bag Lecture and discussion \ Conflict and Crisis in Syria:  
Refugees, Camps and Security in Turkey**

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**13:00–14:00 hrs**

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Key reasons of human displacement in the Middle East, among others, are political instability, conflict and direct threat to human lives and basic freedoms by state and non-state actors. Syria, as the main actor in conflict since 2011, is still number one security threat in the region. In retrospect, the crisis in Syria had a significant impact on Turkey and many European countries, and a comprehensive solution to the ongoing conflict and for its ramifications is not yet in sight. The significant numbers of Syrian refugees in Turkey constitute a challenge to the EU and become a subject of political arguments and bargains. In this Lecture, the conflict in Syria will be re-examined by mainly focusing its impact on human displacement, highlighting relevant challenges for the host countries.

Dr Gurer, who will talk about and discuss “Conflict and Crisis in Syria: Refugees, Camps and Security in Turkey” holds a PhD degree from the Department of Political Science at Kent State University. His research interests and areas of expertise are Transnational and Comparative Security Policies, International Organizations and Security, Regional Security, Human Displacement, Refugees and Security Policies. He also worked with non-governmental aid agencies working with Syrian refugees in Turkey and provided security consultancy to increase security for aid workers and refugees. Most recently, he has worked at George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies as an Adjunct Professor and has given lectures on “Foreign Fighter Threat in Turkey” and “Refugees, Camps and Security in Turkey.”

The talk on 13 December 2016 will be the first event in BICC’s Brown Bag Lecture Series “Displacement and Development” which aims to interlink conflict and displacement studies on the one hand and development respectively humanitarian aid-oriented analyses on the other.

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