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# CALL FOR PAPERS

## THE ARAB-TURKISH CONGRESS OF SOCIAL SCIENCES (ATCOSS-2010)

### "Culture and Middle Eastern Studies"

10-12 December, 2010. Ankara, Turkey

The congress aims to bring together scholars of the Middle East to exchange ideas and findings concerning the mutual problems of the region, and swap experiences about scientific methods and approaches within Middle Eastern studies. This will be an excellent opportunity to explore the varied intellectual trends across scholarly boundaries. Among the growing trends, we will focus on the **cultural variables** in understanding political, economic, social, and historical issues. Such trends are most important for our region since culture is essential for attaining homogeneity and unity in the region while recognizing its diversity. ATCOSS 2010 aims to reconsider cultural factors in relation to other factors in attempting to build new untraditional perspectives and approaches for Middle Eastern studies. The Congress invites the researchers from all fields and branches of social sciences to participate with papers in [Arabic](#), [Turkish](#) or [English](#). We suggest the following themes (though not limited to):

International relations and issues.  
Society and the state  
Pedagogical theories and systems  
Comparative religion studies  
Acculturation and dialogue of civilizations  
Cross-cultures comparisons  
Comparative history

Public policy  
Political and economic development  
Media and virtual reality studies  
Ethics of politics and economic practice  
Innovation in literature and arts theory  
Cities and urban transformations  
Middle Eastern relations

**Young Academics:** The Congress specifically encourages young academics interested in the regional affairs in general and the Arab-Turkish affairs in particular. 10 young scholars (graduate students) from Arab and Turkish sides will be completely sponsored to attend the Congress.

#### **Important Dates:**

August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010: Abstract/proposal submission

November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010: Full papers submission

September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010: Notification of Acceptance

10-12 December, 2010: Congress Sessions

**Attendance:** All participants – except for paper presenters – will be required to register for 50 US\$ for scholars and 30 US\$ for students. We will have a limited number of funds for the scholars from developing countries. The organizing committee will provide the participants with administrative support in finding suitable accommodation during the Congress.

For further details about the theoretical background, submission details and final papers criteria, please read the Congress [concept paper](#) on [our website](#) or [Facebook](#). Please send your abstract/proposal to [congress@atcoss.com](mailto:congress@atcoss.com).

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