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Invites you to a discussion

with

H.E. Namik Tan Ambassador of the Republic of Turkey

Turkey in Europe, the Middle East and Beyond

Amb. Kurt Volker, Moderator

Senior Fellow and Managing Director, Center for Transatlantic Relations

When:Monday, March 7, 2011Time:12:30-1:30 PMWhere:Rome Auditorium, 1619 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington DC

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Historic changes continue to sweep across the Broader Middle East and North Africa, as waves of democratic protestors replace replacing authoritarian regimes with new but uncertain governments. The changes are driven not by Islam, nor by opposition to Israel or the West -- but instead by a new generation seeking to establish basic rights after decades of non-democratic rule. Amid these changes, Turkey stands as a growing global player, with renewed influence in the Middle East. As an established democracy, growing economy, and secular state with a predominantly Muslim population, Turkey can offer a unique perspective on developments in the region, and prospects for the future. Hear Turkey's Ambassador to the United States, Namik Tan, address these questions and more on March 7, 2011.