

Middle East Technical University
Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences
Department of International Relations
3140558 The Making of European Security
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The objective of this course is to provide students with an analytical understanding of current security developments in Europe. The modern history of Europe from the World War I to to-day is to be taught to prepare a better ground to focus on the issues of the post-Cold War security considerations in Europe. Tutelage of European security under the US and the USSR, European responses and continuity and departure in the making of European security are to be discussed. The Evolution of attitudes and roles of major powers and the restructuring of security organizations (NATO, WEU, OSCE and ESDI and ESDP) concerning European security are to be examined. The unilateral and multilateral military interventions in the post-Cold War era in Europe are to be specifically discussed with particular references to different schools of thoughts. Students are expected to look into first hand documents and are encouraged to follow up the latest developments in Europe.

Requirements

There will be no mid-term and final exams. Each student will prepare one or more papers and present them at the class. Paper subjects will be assigned to the students by the third week.

Course Schedule*

Week 1: Introduction

Week 2: Paper Writing and Paper Topics

Week 3: European Security between the two World Wars

Week 4: Global Context: Towards the Cold War

Week 5: The Formation of the US and USSR's Hegemonic Projects

Week 6: Two National Responses to the Contested Hegemonies

A French Response

A German Response

The Helsinki Final Act and the CSCE

Week 7: Change of the Global Context and Return to Architectural Debate

Week 8: Formation of a European Hegemonic Project within NATO: ESDI

Week 9: Formation of a European Hegemonic Project besides NATO: ESDP

Week 10: The Formation of European Hegemonic Project and Turkey's Place and Stances

Week 11: Contested Hegemonies: Redefinition of Hegemonic Projects

The US Hegemonic Project

The EU's Hegemonic Project from CESDP to "Structured Cooperation" and National Responses

Week 12: The European Hegemonic Project and its Neighborhood Policy:

A) the Mediterranean Region

B) the Black Sea Region

Week 13: The European Hegemonic Project, its Global Role and Limits

Week 14: Round up

*A reading list is given at the first meeting in class.