

PALANDÖKEN ECONOMIC FORUM

An Equitable Future in a Smart World: Intelligent Economies and Global Inequality

PROGRAM

April 26, 2025

Palandöken Economic Forum Program Opening

Date: April 26, 2025

Time: 14.00

Place: Polat Hotel

Erzurum Promotional Film Screening

Opening Speech:

President of the Union of Chambers and Commodity Exchanges of Türkiye, M. Rifat HİSARCIKLIOĞLU

Minister of Trade, Republic of Türkiye H.E. Prof. Dr. Ömer BOLAT

President of the Republic of Türkiye H.E. Recep Tayyip ERDOĞAN

Presentation of Plaques to Partners and Sponsors

Special Session

Culture and Tourism in the Age of Artificial Intelligence

Opening Speech: H.E. Mehmet Nuri ERSOY - Minister of Culture and Tourism of the Republic of Türkiye

Moderator: H.E. Derya ÖRS – Ambassador, President of the Atatürk Supreme Council for Culture,

Language and History of the Republic of Türkiye Ministry of Culture and Tourism

Date: April 26, 2025

Time: 15.45 – 17.30

Location: Polat Hotel

1. Speaker: Tourism and Cultural Heritage in the Era of Transformation

2. Speaker: Intelligent Transformation and Sustainability in Culture and Tourism Strategies

3. Speaker: Revitalizing Cultural Heritage in the Digital Sphere

4. Speaker: Artificial Intelligence and Intelligent Systems in the Tourism Industry

5. Speaker: Artificial Intelligence and Global Brand Management

6. Speaker: Artificial Intelligence in Visual Art

7. Speaker: Artificial Intelligence and Intelligent Systems in the Future of Performing Arts

Special Session

The Intelligent Economy Journey of Eurasia: Progress, Innovation and Common Future Strategies

Moderator: H.E. Mehmet Fatih KACIR - Minister of Technology of the Republic of Türkiye

Date: April 26, 2025

Time: 17.30 – 19.00

Location: Polat Hotel

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Special Session

Investment Horizon of Türkiye: Opportunities and Vision for the Future

Moderator: M. Rifat HİSARCIKLIOĞLU - President of the Union of Chambers and Commodity Exchanges of Türkiye

Date: April 27, 2025

Time: 09.00 – 10.30

Location: Polat Hotel

1st Session

Intelligent Economies on the Global Economic Agenda

Moderator: Saynur TEZEL – Haber Global

Date: April 27, 2025

Time: 10.45 – 12.15

Location: Polat Hotel

- 1. Speaker:** Global Economic Outlook
- 2. Speaker:** Building an Intelligent Economy
- 3. Speaker:** Financial Resources of the Intelligent Economies
- 4. Speaker:** Artificial Intelligence Without Borders
- 5. Speaker:** Intelligent Global Networks
- 6. Speaker:** Risks and Challenges of the Intelligent Transformation Era

12.15 – 13.00

Lunch

2nd Session

Accelerating the Future: Industries and Services Transformed by Artificial Intelligence

Moderator: Andrea SANKE – TRT World

Date: April 27, 2025

Time: 13.00 – 14.30

Location: Polat Hotel

- 1. Speaker:** The Impact of Artificial Intelligence and Automation on Industries
- 2. Speaker:** The Workforce Transformed by Artificial Intelligence: New Skills and Professions
- 3. Speaker:** The Impact of Artificial Intelligence on Manufacturing, Retail, and E-Commerce Sectors
- 4. Speaker:** Artificial Intelligence in the Future of Defence Sector
- 5. Speaker:** Education and Re-Skilling: Preparing the Workforce for the Future
- 6. Speaker:** Blockchain Technology and Financial Transformation
- 7. Speaker:** Artificial Intelligence in the Future of Healthcare Sector

14.30 – 14.45

Tea and Coffee Break

3rd Session

Climate Change, Ecological Transformation, and Energy Policies

Moderator: Maria RAMOS - TRT World

Date: April 27, 2025

Time: 14.45 – 16.15

Location: Polat Hotel

1. **Speaker:** The Future of Life on Our Planet
2. **Speaker:** Transition to a Carbon-Neutral Economy
3. **Speaker:** Energy Transformation and Renewable Energy Solutions
4. **Speaker:** Circular Economy and Transition to an Ecological Society
5. **Speaker:** Financing Ecological Transformation
6. **Speaker:** Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security

16.15 – 16.30

Tea and Coffee Break

4th Session

Inequalities Arising from the Era of Transformation: Global Cooperation and Strategies Needed for a Sustainable Future

Moderator: Ayşe SUBERKER - TRT

Date: April 27, 2025

Time: 16.30 – 18.00

Location: Polat Hotel

1. **Speaker:** Interaction Between Economic Development and Transformation
2. **Speaker:** Managing and Reducing Poverty in the Age of Transformation
3. **Speaker:** Access to Financial Resources in Reducing Inequalities
4. **Speaker:** The Digital “Edge-of-the-cliff”
5. **Speaker:** Artificial Intelligence and International Trade
6. **Speaker:** An Opportunity for Humanity: Policies and Instruments to Reduce Global Inequality
7. **Speaker:** Peace Economies and Global Stability

Closing Speech

Date: April 27, 2025

Time: 18.30 – 19.00

Location: Polat Hotel

President of Erzurum Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Saim ÖZAKALIN

Mayor of Erzurum Metropolitan Municipality, Mehmet SEKMEN

Governor of Erzurum, Mustafa ÇİFTÇİ

Minister of Treasury and Finance, Republic of Türkiye, H.E. Mehmet ŞİMŞEK

19.30

Dinner

Traditional Erzurum Night Event

OTHER ACTIVITIES

2025 Tourism Capital Events Held in Erzurum on the Same Date

26 April 2025

Summit of the Tourism Ministers of Asian Countries

Date: April 25, 2025

Time: 10.30 – 12.00

Location: Location to be determined by the delegation of the Ministry of Tourism

Planting Ceremony of the Memorial Forest on Behalf of ECO Countries

Date: April 26, 2025

Time: 13.15

Location: Erzurum Technical University

Opening Ceremony

Date: April 26, 2025

Time: 19.30

Location: Ice Hockey Hall

Silence of Respect, Turkish National Anthem, Flag Parade, Historical Ski Parade, Erzurum Bar Performance

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Other Performances:

Alagöz Art Group Performance

Concert of Local Musicians from Erzurum