FIFTH SAKIP SABANCI LECTURE / The Rt Hon The Lord Patten of Barnes, CH Christopher Francis Patten

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Organized by Sabancı University with the US-based think tank Brookings Institute, the 5th Sakıp Sabancı Conference will be held in Washington DC on May 5th. The conference will be delivered by Christopher Patten, the Chancellor to the Oxford University and a member of the Sabancı University International Board of Advisors. The title of Patten's speech is "Transatlantic Partners - The Challenges of Multilateralism for Europe and Turkey."

Named in honor of the late Sakıp Sabancı, the Honorary Chairman of the Sabancı University Board of Trustees, the Sakıp Sabancı Conference Series is held once a year with the cooperation of the Brookings Institute and Sabanci University to emphasize the opinions of leading foreign policy experts on recent developments in international politics.

The conference in Washington DC will be hosted by Güler Sabancı, the Chairperson of the Sabancı University Board of Trustees, and Strobe Talbott, the President of the Brookings Institute. Among the audience will be many American experts and policymakers in addition to the Vice President of the Brookings Institute, Kemal Dervis. The conference will be simultaneously broadcast via video link at Sabancı University in an event hosted by the President, Professor Tosun Terzioğlu. Güler Sabancı will be accompanied by Vice-Chairperson of the Sabanci University Board of Trustees, Professor Ahmet Aykaç and Vice President Professor Nihat Berker in Washington DC. Viewers in Turkey will also have the opportunity to ask questions in the questionanswer session that will follow the conference.

About Christopher Francis Patten

Christopher Patten is the Chancellor of Oxford University, and a prominent Conservative politician. Patten is also a Patron of the pro-European "Tory Reform Group" within the Conservative Party. Patten has been a Member of Parliament from 1979 to 1992, eventually rising to a cabinet minister and party chairman. In the latter capacity, he orchestrated the Conservatives' unexpected fourth consecutive electoral victory in 1992. In June 1992, he was appointed as the 28th and last British Governor of Hong Kong, and remained in this post until the return of Hong Kong to the People's Republic of China in 1997. Patten was a remarkable governor due to the structural reforms he effected during his tenure in Hong Kong, and to his struggle for democratic rights. The handover of Hong Kong to China in 1997 is considered a success. Christopher Francis Patten has been a member of the Sabancı University International Board of Advisors since 2008.

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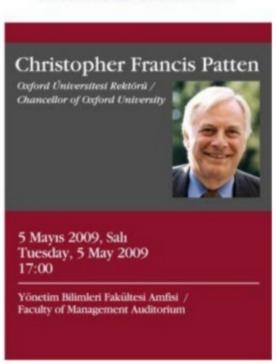
Time: 5.00 pm

Place: Faculty of Management Auditorium

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