



New FPC event

[Press and Media Freedom in Turkey](#)

Date: Wednesday 17th April 2013

Time: 6pm-7.30pm

Venue: Committee Room 12, House of Commons

Speakers:

- Uğur Dündar, Senior Turkish Journalist
- Rt Hon Ann Clwyd MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Human Rights Group
- Ben Ward, Deputy Director for Europe and Central Asia, Human Rights Watch
- Further speaker to be announced shortly

Chair: Deniz Ugur, Events and Projects Manager, Foreign Policy Centre

This FPC event will enable a broad discussion of some of the key media issues in Turkey today. The debate will explore the arrest and imprisonment of journalists, political pressure on media outlets and the companies that own them, media regulation, and the continuing challenges for Kurdish media. It will also look at current attempts at reform which impact on media freedom, such as the proposed fourth judicial package and attempts at constitutional change. [Click here for the event flyer.](#)

The event is free and open to all. Please RSVP to events@fpc.org.uk

New Publications

[Europe in the World: Can EU foreign policy make an impact?](#)

The Foreign Policy Centre's new publication, [Europe in the World: Can EU foreign policy make an impact?](#), examines both how Europe is seen on the world stage and the effectiveness of the new External Action Service in delivering on its key objectives: building an effective new diplomatic service, strengthening EU influence in the neighbourhood and developing relations with strategic partners. It explores the institutional and organisational challenges surrounding the creation of the EEAS and considers what tensions remain with other EU institutions and national governments, with particular reference to the UK's difficult relationship with Europe.

Europe in the World is edited by Adam Hug (Foreign Policy Centre). It contains contributions on a range of topics and different perspectives from: Dr. Jozef Batora (Comenius University), Thiago de Aragão (Foreign Policy Centre), William Gumede (Foreign Policy Centre), Jacqueline Hale (Open Society Foundations), Richard Howitt MEP, Stefan Lehne (Carnegie Europe), Dr. Simon Lightfoot and Dr Balazs Szent-Ivanyi (University of Leeds), Prof. Anand Menon (Kings College London), Rt. Hon. Sir Malcolm Rifkind KCMG, QC, MP, Edward Macmillan-Scott MEP, Prof. John Peterson (University of Edinburgh), Dr. Neil Winn (University of Leeds). Rt. Hon. Douglas Alexander MP (Shadow Foreign Secretary) provides the foreword. [Click here to download the publication.](#)

[The financial revolution in Africa: Mobile payment services in a new global age](#)

This [pamphlet](#) builds on an FPC and UK Foreign Office event series, the first of which took place in March 2011, with a follow-up conference taking place in March 2012 - in association with the City of London Corporation and 'This is Africa' - the FT's bi-monthly magazine. The events and publication brought together national and international experts and specialists from across the mobile payment service sector. The project aimed to develop and promote an evidence-based understanding of the risks and challenges associated with supervising mobile payment services and promoting their global expansion. This essay collection focuses on three core themes. The first explores how effective



regulatory oversight might be developed. The second examines how expanding the provision of mobile payment schemes might improve the distribution of financial services and finally the third section critically assesses the future of branchless banking beyond issues of financial access. Essentially, it considers the challenges of increasing service use and integrating mobile money services into existing electronic payment systems.

The pamphlet contains contributions by: Mark Simmonds MP, UK Foreign Office Minister for Africa, Susie Lonie, Co-Creator of M-Pesa, Mireya Almazán and Claire Alexandre (formerly), Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Hemant Bajjal and Sal Karakaplan, MasterCard, Simone di Castri, GSMA, Christine Hougaard, Cenfri, Quan Le, GMX Consulting, Prateek Shrivastava, Accendo Associate (and formerly at Monitise), Cicero Torteli, Freeddom and Josephine Osikena (ed.), Foreign Policy Centre. [Click here to download the pamphlet.](#)

New Articles

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- [Access to Finance in the occupied Palestinian Territories: Overcoming a rigid framework](#) by Stephen Royle
- [FPC Briefing: Results of Preliminary Analysis of February 18th 2013 Presidential Election in Armenia](#) by Zaven Kalayjian and Sassoon Kosian
- [FPC Conversation Piece: Labour's Next Foreign Policy. A Response](#) by Prof Jason Ralph and David Clark
- [The EEAS needs cooperation from member states](#) by Adam Hug
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- [Summary Report: The financial revolution in Africa-Mobile payments services in a new global age](#) by Josephine Osikena