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Preface

The special issue of Turkish Studies Journal covers the articles peer reviewed from the participants of the 8th Conference of the International Congress on Current Debates in Social Sciences (CUDES). The Congress is designed to introduce the latest advances in social sciences and includes a broad category from a variety of perspectives. The first and most important purpose to potential readers should have about CUDES and this special issue is to provide a platform to find the latest discussions in different areas of social sciences such as Economics, Labour Economics, Philosophy, Sociology, Fine Art, History, Business and Finance. In this issue, authors discussed global climate changes and current agreements, the effects of inflations to Turkish economy, gender issues, the current challenges of journalism in Turkey, current political issues with Game Theory, analysis of Turkish Movies, financial issues, Turkish political history analysis and class issue etc.

The International Congress on Current Debates in Social Sciences has started to be organised by Farhang Morady at University of Westminster in the United Kingdom with the collaboration of Kocaeli University in Turkey and Silesian University in Czech Republic in 2010. CUDES invites researchers, academicians, journalists, policy makers, and members from non-governmental organizations for the conference. The first CUDES was held in London. After the conference, Globalisation, Religion & Development book was published by IJOPEC.

The second CUDES was held in Karvina Czech Republic in 2011, the third one was held at Kocaeli University, under the theme of Research Methods in Social Sciences as a work-shop. The fourth and fifth congress was organised at Kocaeli University for discussing current debates in social sciences. University of Belgrade (Serbia) has joined the organization, and Harran University followed. CUDES 2018 was organised by University of Westminster from the United Kingdom, Harran University from Turkey, VUZF University from Bulgaria, University of Belgrade from Serbia and Altınbaş University from Turkey.

CUDES 2018 aimed to bring together a myriad of distinctive and international scholars in the field of social sciences to argue, discuss, share their diverse experiences and ultimately discover potential solutions to the issues related to current debates. Ultimately, CUDES will continue to organize Congress engages with social sciences and related issues, and publish articles to support researchers by providing resources.

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