

Foreword

Afro Eurasian Studies is a new academic journal that aims to contribute academically to the fields of economics, international trade and business and politics focusing in particular on the areas of Africa, the Middle East, Asia and Europe, more correctly labelled as Afro-Eurasia. MÜSİAD (the Association of Independent Industrialists and Businessmen), a leading association of businessmen (in Turkey) supports this journal. The world has been changing at an enormous speed when observed in its economical, commercial and political contexts. Therefore, we are still striving to understand and grasp the new economical, commercial and political facts that are emerging. It seems that the priorities of world economy and politics will be found in Asia, Africa, Eurasia and the Middle East over the next century. However, it does not mean that the West, Europe and the North America, will not remain one of the core regions of the world. MÜSİAD is an association of business people; however we believe that a successful businessman should read correctly where the world is heading both in an economic and political sense and the new commercial, and business, economic and political realities that are beginning to dominate the world. We hope that *Afro Eurasian Studies* will contribute academically to a more prosperous, democratic, free and just world.

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