CONFERENCE THEME

This year’s conference theme will be centered on “Disruptive Ideas and Technologies.” Social, economic, and technological changes often require an idea or innovation that challenge the norm and create a completely new social structure, industry, or market; and eventually disrupt the establishment displacing time-honored firms, products, and alliances. Distinct panels on Engineering and Physical Sciences, Health, Economics, and Social Sciences will bring together renowned Turkish-American scholars from academia and industry will discuss how disruptive ideas affect their respective disciplines. The biennial TASSA Conference meeting will expose the participants to a unique perspective on important issues and provide excellent opportunities to exchange perspectives on disruptive ideas and networking.

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POSTER SESSION

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