



FOREWORD

Dear readers/followers,

As the *UPA Strategic Affairs* journal, we continue our work with great dedication. Our team may be small, and we may be young. We may even face ill-intentioned individuals who seek to cause us harm rather than offer support. Yet, our desire to make a scholarly contribution to Türkiye (Turkey) and the world has never waned, nor will it ever do so.

In this issue, we once again present a collection of valuable and meticulously prepared articles. I must note that, alongside the authors, a select group of editors has put in tremendous effort to prepare these works for publication. We will return in January with a new special issue (*UPA Strategic Affairs* 8/1) dedicated to the United Kingdom, and we look forward to receiving your original contributions for it.

With my best regards...

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