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We are proud to present the new (5/1) issue of *UPA Strategic Affairs*, an academic publication prepared by numerous Turkish and international scholars to support creative thinking and new ideas in all branches of Social Sciences. In this new issue, we are glad to present 8 original articles consisting of 226 pages in length.

While our editorial team provides freedom to all voices from all parts of the world without any discrimination or prejudice and publishes all articles that are worth getting published academically, we also try to support some progressive principles such as human rights, freedom of speech, women rights, peace, and respect for human dignity. It should be added that our team works voluntarily and does not make money although we believe we publish the best articles written on many subjects. I hope our progress will further accelerate in the future and the scientific community will notice the incredible effort spent on this journal.

Lastly, I want to notify all researchers and readers that our next issue (5/2) will be a special edition on the United States of America (U.S.). Because the publication will be a few weeks before the U.S. Presidential election, I strongly believe that there will be high-quality original articles written by Turkish and international scholars about U.S. domestic politics and U.S. Foreign Policy in September 2024.

Kind regards.

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