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“Multidimensional Regional  
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## CONCEPT PAPER

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Turkey- Iran- Pakistan regional cooperation process which has started with Baghdad Pact- CENTO is continued with RCD (Regional Cooperation Development) and later with ECO (Economic Cooperation Organization), however, in the course of time, some of the cooperation organizations have been abolished and some of them has lost their influence and left their places to looser relations. These regional powers with a high potential for cooperation seem to be slow in to deepening interdependency. Establishment of a relationship with a strong institutional infrastructure parallel to regional developments according to the realpolitik but also independent from its negative effects is essential for these three countries to transform the risks into opportunities and construct a sustainable regional policy by increasing interdependence.

**The Conference** which is to be held in cooperation with **TASAM**, **IPIS** and **Karachi Council on Foreign Relations** in **Istanbul** on **13 February 2018** aims to make a strategic contribution to strengthen the process of regional cooperation by discussing new cooperation potentials between Turkey, Iran and Pakistan.

### Main Theme

“Multidimensional Regional Cooperation and New Silk Road”

### Sub-Themes

Turkey, Iran and Pakistan in the Future Asia and Eurasia

New Silk Road Project (OBOR) and Complementary Economic Cooperation

Re-Organization of Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO)

Cooperation in Security and Counter Terrorism