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## Ahmet Davutoğlu's first official visit to Germany

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H.E. Ahmet Davuto"glu, Prime Minister of the Republic of Turkey

On 11-12<sup>th</sup> January 2015, H. E. Prof. Dr. Ahmet Davutoğlu, Prime Minister of the Republic of Turkey, made his first official visit to Germany. He was welcomed at the Federal Chancellery by H. E. Dr. Angela Merkel, Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany. Main topics of the governmental talks were bilateral relations, developments in the regional neighbourhood of Turkey – especially the conflicts in Syria and Iraq – as well as issues concerning the living conditions and integration of Turkish-born people in Germany.

As an indication to deepened cooperation and as

a sign of mutual trust, both heads of government agreed to hold annual, regular governmental consultations of both countries' cabinets. The first round of consultations will see the German government travelling to Ankara in 2016, the year after the Turkish general elections, which are set to take place in summer 2015.

While in Berlin, Prime Minister Ahmet Davutoğlu and his wife **Sare Davutoğlu** visited the facilities of the new Yunus Emre Institute, located in Kronenstrasse 1 in Berlin Mitte, the very same building as NUMOV's new headquarters. He was accompanied by H. E. Hüseyin Avni Karslıoğlu,

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