



Energy expert Volkan Ediger

TURKEY SHOULD ADAPT TO NEW ORDER AS IRAN EMERGES AS NEW REGIONAL POWER

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Volkan Ediger, a professor of energy systems engineering who served as the energy adviser to three Turkish presidents between 1998 and 2010, has said the United States reached a deal with Iran in order to prevent a strategic alliance in the region between Russia, China and Iran and has urged Turkey to adapt to the “new order” in the Middle East that is in the making, especially in the field of energy.

Professor Ediger, who is currently strategy development and research coordinator at **Kadir Has** University, was the first energy adviser at the presidential palace during late President Süleyman Demirel’s term and also worked in the Çankaya Palace for Presidents Ahmet Necdet Sezer and Abdullah Gül. Talking to Sunday’s Zaman, Ediger elaborated on the shifting energy policies in the Middle East as a result of the rise of China’s energy needs, the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) factor and his recommendations for Turkey’s policymakers. **CONTINUED ON PAGE 06**