Seventh High-level Ministerial Dialogue on the Climate Finance

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Prof. Dr. Halil Hasar serves as the Director of the Climate Change Directorate (İklim Değişikliği Başkanlığı) of the Republic of Türkiye.

In this capacity, he leads the coordination of Türkiye's national climate change policies, the strategic work towards the country's 2053 Net Zero Emission Target, and Türkiye's representation in international climate negotiations under the UNFCCC.

He also serves as the Chief Climate Diplomacy Officer within the executive framework of the COP31 Presidency for the UN Climate Change Conference (COP31), taking place in Antalya, Türkiye, on 9–20 November 2026. In this role, he leads the Presidency's diplomatic engagement with Parties, negotiating groups and non-Party stakeholders, working to build trust and consensus in support of an implementation-focused outcome in Antalya. On the road to COP31, he represented the Presidency at the Bonn Climate Change Conference, where he cochaired the Open-Ended Consultations on COP31 Vision and Priorities together with Australia's Chief Negotiator, and held consultations with Parties and groups at ministerial and chief negotiator level.

A professor of Environmental Engineering, his academic areas of expertise include membrane technologies, wastewater treatment and reuse, energy-efficient treatment systems, clean technologies, environmental infrastructure, and carbon footprint.