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are pleased to invite you to a lecture and reception

**“Conserving Turkey's Globally
Important Biodiversity”**

by

DR. ÇAĞAN ŞEKERCİOĞLU

**Monday, May 14, 2012, 6:30 pm
The Turkish Embassy Chancery
2525 Massachusetts Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20008**

R.S.V.P. to events@ataa.org by May 11, 2012



Dr. Çağan Hakkı Şekercioğlu is a professor of conservation ecology and ornithology at the University of Utah Department of Biology, Turkey's first tropical biologist and an award-winning photographer. He is the president of the Kars-based non-profit environmental organization “KuzeyDoğa”, as well as the USA non-profit organization “Nature Türkiye Foundation”. Şekercioğlu succeeded in getting Lake Kuyucuk declared eastern Turkey's first Ramsar wetland and chosen the 2009 European Destination of Excellence. He also successfully led the creation of Turkey's first wildlife corridor. Here are some highlights of his career:

*National Geographic Emerging Explorer, 2011
Turkey's Scientist of the Year, 2010*

Turkey Ministry of Environment and Forestry wetland conservation awards, 2011

One of the most cited 1% of the world's scientists of the past decade since 2010

Invitation to the Buckingham Palace by Princess Anne for conservation achievements in Turkey, 2010

Chosen one of the 100 Hopes for the Future of Turkey (Newsweek Türkiye), 2010

Whitley Gold Award, the United Kingdom's foremost environmental award, given by Princess Anne, 2008

Stanford University, Department of Biology, Center for Conservation Biology, Ph.D. in ecology, 1998-2003

Outstanding Young Person of the Year in environmental and ethical leadership, JCI Turkey, 2003

Chosen one of the 100 Leading Academics of Turkey, 2001

Harvard University, Biology and Anthropology degrees, magna cum laude, 1993-1997

Silver medal in the International Biology Olympics, 1993