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## List of Abbreviations

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| AAPD     | Acts on the Foreign Policy of the Federal Republic of Germany             |
| AKP      | Justice and Development Party   |
| CATI     | Computer Aided Telephone Interview  |
| CDU/ CSU | Christian Democratic Union/Christian Social Union                         |
| EC       | European Communities  |
| EEC      | European Economic Community   |
| EEZ      | Exclusive Economic Zone   |
| EP       | European Parliament   |
| EU       | European Union  |
| FDP      | Liberal Democratic Party  |
| FEUTURE  | The Future of EU-Turkey Relations: Mapping Dynamics and Testing Scenarios |
| GMF      | The German Marshall Fund of the United States                             |
| IMF      | International Monetary Fund   |
| ISIS     | Islamic State of Iraq and Syria   |
| NATO     | North Atlantic Treaty Organisation  |
| OSCE     | Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe                      |
| SPD      | Social Democratic Party   |
| TEU      | Treaty on European Union  |
| TFEU     | Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union                           |
| TTS      | Transatlantic Trends Survey   |
| UK       | United Kingdom  |
| USA      | United States of America  |
| USSR     | Union of Soviet Socialist Republics                                       |



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