



MIKTA

New Innovative Partnership

Australia is pleased to host the 8th MIKTA Foreign Ministers Meeting in Sydney as 2016 Chair on 24-25 November. MIKTA Foreign Ministers meet regularly to share views on key global issues and collaborate on innovation and humanitarian action.

MIKTA is an innovative partnership that brings together Mexico, Indonesia, the Republic of Korea, Turkey and Australia. These are all significant economic powers and play pivotal strategic roles in their respective regions.

MIKTA's work is based on shared values and interests, in particular a commitment to open economies and strong international governance structures.

MIKTA's seven priority themes:

- International energy governance and energy access;
- Global Security and counter-terrorism;
- Peacekeeping;
- Trade and the economy;
- Gender equality;
- Democracy, human rights and good governance; and
- Sustainable development



Australian Foreign Minister Julie Bishop hosts the 7th MIKTA Foreign Ministers Meeting in New York, 22 September 2016. (From left) Turkey's Minister of Foreign Affairs Mevlüt Çavuşoğlu, Mexico's Minister for Foreign Affairs Claudia Ruiz Massieu Salinas, Australia's Minister for Foreign Affairs Julie Bishop, Indonesia's Minister for Foreign Affairs Retno Marsudi, Republic of Korea's Minister for Foreign Affairs Yun Byung-se. Photograph by DFAT.

MIKTA can be a powerful advocate and voice for issues such as:

- International security and countering violent extremism
- The benefits of liberalised trade and investment
- Promoting women's empowerment

MIKTA is not a negotiating 'bloc'. Its goal is consultation and dialogue drawing on diverse perspectives to develop and promote a consensus to advance the common interests of the international community.

The inaugural MIKTA meeting was held in September 2013. MIKTA Foreign Ministers held their last meeting 22 September 2016, in New York.