

**AMBASSADOR AKİF ÇAĞATAY KILIÇ
CHIEF ADVISOR ON FOREIGN POLICY AND SECURITY TO THE
PRESIDENT OF TÜRKİYE**



Akif Çağatay Kılıç was born in 1976 in Siegen, Germany. He went to primary and secondary school in Germany and transferred to Istanbul German High School in Türkiye.

He studied economics and political sciences at the University of Hertfordshire in the UK. Following graduation, he worked for the private sector in several positions. Akif Çağatay Kılıç served as an advisor and deputy chief of cabinet to H.E. Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, then Prime Minister.

He was elected MP from Samsun Province for the Justice and Development Party in the 24th Parliamentary General Elections. He was a member of the Turkish Delegation to the NATO Parliamentary Assembly, the Chairman of Türkiye-Germany Friendship Group and a member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs in the Grand National Assembly of Türkiye.

Akif Çağatay Kılıç was appointed Minister of Youth and Sports for the 61st Government of the Republic of Türkiye on 25 December 2013. He remained in office for 62nd and 63rd Governments of the Republic of Türkiye under Prime Ministry. Re-elected MP from Samsun Province for the Justice and Development Party for the 25th and 26th parliamentary term, Akif Çağatay Kılıç was appointed again the Minister of Youth and Sports for the 64th and 65th Governments of the Republic of Türkiye until June 2017.

In the 27th Parliamentary elections, he was elected MP from Istanbul Province. He performed as the Chairman of the Turkish Delegation to Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, the Chairman of Türkiye-Germany Friendship Group and Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Turkish Grand National Assembly.

He is currently the Chief Foreign Policy and Security Advisor to the President.

Ambassador Kılıç is fluent in German and English. He is married and father of two children.