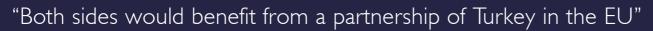
## Atıl Kutoğlu

Born in Istanbul 1968, Atil Kutoglu is one of the most popular and successful Turkish fashion designers on the international arena.

He graduated from the German Lycée in Istanbul and came to Vienna to study business administration. When still at school in Istanbul he was already freelancing for the country's leading fashion companies Vakko and Beymen. In 1991 he completed his business studies at the University of Vienna and presented his first collection with the help of a grant from the Mayor of Vienna, Dr. Helmut Zilk. In 1997 Kutoglu opened the first "Vienna Fashion Days" with a fashion show at which Countess Pilar Goëss - a leading trendsetter in Vienna and a celebrated model in the Seventies returned to the catwalk for Atil Kutoglu.



Clients and admirers of Kutoglu creations include members of the aristocracy and show business personalities such as actress Emily Lloyd, Princess Francesca von Habsburg, Princess Ira von Fürstenberg, pop-star Victor Lazlo, Elizabeth Jagger, Mica Ertegün, Princess Camilla von Habsburg, Arriana und Hubertus von Hohenlohe, Blaine Trump, film stars Sonja Kirchberger, Barbara Wussow, Catherine ZetaJones, Naomi Campbell, Lauren Bush (President's niece), Nabila Kashoggi, Austria's Foreign Minister Ursula Plassnik etc.





He also designed a special silk scarves collection for the Archduchesse of Austria Francesca von Habsburg's exhibition "The St. Petersburg Muraqqa" which featured oriental miniatures and examples of calligraphy from past centuries. In 1999 Atil Kutoglu was invited by Mrs. Berna Yilmaz, wife of the Turkish Prime Minister to show his "Ottoman Collection" on the occasion of the 700th anniversary of the founding of Ottoman Empire with a gala fashion show in the renown Yildiz Palace in Istanbul.

