Conference Program

Blickwechsel: Contemporary Turkey Studies
2018 Conference

Rights and Equality in Contemporary Turkey: Institutions, Interactions, Discourses

May 24 – 25, 2018
Humboldt Graduate School, Luisenstraße 56, 10115 Berlin
DAY I – THURSDAY, 24 MAY 2018

8:30 – 9:00  Registration
9:00 – 9:30  Welcome

9:30 – 11:00  Opening Panel
Ayşe Buğra, Boğaziçi University
Başak Çalı, Hertie School of Governance and Koç University

11:00 – 11:15  Coffee Break

11:15 – 13:00  Panel I: Discourses and paradigms on women and gender in contemporary Turkey. How do they interact?
Chair: Betül Yarar, University of Bremen
Sevgi Uçan Çubukçu, (formerly) University of Istanbul, Mapping the level of knowledge in gender studies: a mirror of women’s radicalism in Turkey?
Fatmagül Berktay, University of Istanbul, Reflections on the Deterioration of Gender Equality and Increasing Conservatism in Turkey
Mualla Gülnaz Kavuncu, Istanbul Aydıncık University, title tba

13:00 – 14:00  Lunch

14:00 – 15:30  Panel II: Freedom of Religion in Turkey
Chair: Ivo Furman, Istanbul Bilgi University
Pierre Hecker, University of Marburg, Organized Atheism in Turkey
Kaya Akyıldız, Bahçeşehir University & Ivo Furman, Istanbul Bilgi University Conspiracy, Perversion or Secularization? Mapping the Turkish Deism Controversy on Twitter
Jeremy Walton, Max-Planck-Gesellschaft, Foreclosed Futures? Reflections on the Recent Past of Turkish Muslim Civil Society

15:30 – 15:45  Coffee Break

15:45 – 17:15  Panel III: Rights, Equality and Constitution in Turkey: From Reform to Emergency
Chair: Ece Göztepe, Bilkent University
Oya Yeğen, Sabancı Univeristy, Glass Half Full: Drafting Fundamental Rights in the Turkish Constitution-Making Process of 2011-2013
Zafer Yılmaz, Potsdam University, The State of Emergency, New Phase of Authoritarian Constitutionalism and Changing Political Regime in Turkey
Didem Yılmaz, Bahçeşehir University, Human rights under emergency, emergency for human rights?

17:15 – 17:30  Break

17:30 – 19:00  Keynote Lecture
Rıza Türmen, former judge of the European Court of Human Rights
DAY II – FRIDAY, 25 MAY 2018

9:00 – 10:30 Panel IV: Social Rights in Turkey in a Comparative Context
Chair: Lutz Leisering, Bielefeld University
Mine Eder, Boğaziçi University, title tba
Lyle Scruggs, University of Connecticut, title tba
Tolga Bölükbaşı, Bilkent University, Welfare Effort and Social Rights in Turkey’s Welfare State: Welfare Laggard Catching Up?

10:30 – 10:45 Coffee Break

10:45 – 12:15 Panel V: F(e)uture Scenarios for EU-Turkey Relations – Blickwechsel or Business as Usual?
Chair: Wolfgang Wessels, CETEUS, University of Cologne
Funda Tekin, CETEUS, F(e)uture Scenarios for EU-Turkey Relations
Ebru Turhan, Turkish-German University, The Future of EU-Turkey Relations and Critical Junctures
Özgehan Şenyuva, Middle East Technical University, The Future of EU-Turkey Relations and Blickwechsel

12:15 – 12:45 Closing Remarks
Ertuğ Tombuş, Humboldt University Berlin