

Conference Program

**Blickwechsel: Contemporary Turkey Studies  
2018 Conference**

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

May 24 – 25, 2018

Festsaal, 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 Berktaş, University of Istanbul, *Reflections on the Deterioration of Gender Equality and Increasing Conservatism in Turkey*  
Mualla Gülnaz Kavuncu, Istanbul Aydın 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 University, *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, *Globalizing Social Policy: New Worlds of Welfare for the Twenty-first Century*

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