



Contemporary
Turkish Studies

SOCIAL CHANGE IN TURKEY SINCE THE YEAR 2000

30 April-1 May 2015, London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)

This conference will explore the many facets of social change in contemporary Turkey. While the political dimensions of AKP's year in power have been extensively studied and commented on, there has been much less scholarly attention paid to the social aspects of rapid transformation in the period since the turn of the millennium. The papers in this conference will focus on state-society relations, and issues relating to social class and gender, and will provide a critical perspective on Turkey's structural transformation. The conference is convened by Çağlar Keyder under the auspices of the Contemporary Turkish Studies Chair at London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE).

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Thursday, 30 April 2015

Venue: Room NAB.2.04, 2nd Floor, New Academic Building (NAB), LSE

18:00 – 20:00 **Opening Panel:**

18:00 – 18:15 **Welcoming Remarks**

Esra Özyürek, Associate Professor, Chair for Contemporary Turkish Studies, European Institute, LSE

18:15 – 20:00 **Session I**

Paper Titles and Speakers

“Socioeconomic Transformation and the New Business Environment in Turkey”

Ayşe Buğra, Professor, The Atatürk Institute for Modern Turkish History, Boğaziçi University, İstanbul

“Expanding Political Control without Incumbent Take-over? Rethinking Mutations of AKP's Neoliberal Economy since the 2000s”

Mine Eder, Professor, Department of Political Science and International Relations, Boğaziçi University, İstanbul

Moderator: Çağlar Keyder, Centennial Professor, European Institute, LSE

Friday, 1 May 2015
Venue: Room STC.S421, 4th Floor, St. Clements Building (STC), LSE

10:00 – 12:30

Session II

Paper Titles and Speakers

“The Consolidation of the New Islamic Bourgeoisie in Turkey: Elite Formation and Recruitment Patterns under the Rule of AKP”

Dilek Yankaya, Post-doctoral Research Fellow, ERC WFAFW Program, IREMAM Aix-en-Provence, and Associated Researcher, CERI Sciences Po

“The Industrial Topography of Turkey during the 2000s”

Utku Barış Balaban, Department of Labour Economics and Industrial Relations, Faculty of Political Science, Ankara University

“Financialization, Credit Markets, and Political Consent in the ‘New Turkey’”

Başak Kuş, Assistant Professor of Sociology, Wesleyan University, USA

Moderator: Esra Özyürek, Associate Professor, Chair for Contemporary Turkish Studies, European Institute, LSE

12:30 – 14:00

Lunch

Friday, 1 May 2015
Venue: Room NAB.2.04, 2nd Floor, New Academic Building (NAB), LSE

14:00 – 15:30

Session III

Paper Titles and Speakers

“Slowly but Surely? The Rise of Women Participating in the Labour Force in Turkey”

Esra Sarioğlu, Instructor, Department of Sociology, Yeditepe University, İstanbul

“From Home-Makers to Domestic Workers: Discursive Geographies of Womanhood and Labour in Turkey”

Funda Üstek, Post-doctoral Researcher at ARITHMUS Project, Department of Sociology, Goldsmiths, University of London

Moderator: Deniz Kandiyoti, Emeritus Professor in Development Studies, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS)

15:30 – 16:00

Coffee Break

16:00 – 18:00

Closing Panel:

16:00 – 18:00

Session IV

Paper Titles and Speakers

“The Denigrated Growth Machine: The Housing Rush of the 2000s in İstanbul and the Birth of a Middle Class in the Peripheries”

Sinan Tankut Gülhan, Research Assistant, Department of Sociology, Uludağ University, Bursa

“What about the Working Class? Workers of Turkey in the Long AKP Decade”

Alpkan Birelma, PhD Candidate, The Atatürk Institute for Modern Turkish History, Boğaziçi University

Moderator: Sami Zubaida, Emeritus Professor of Politics and Sociology, Birkbeck, University of London

17:30 – 18:00

General Discussion

This event is free and open to all. No ticket is required.

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