

## **TURKEY AT 100: (DIS)CONTINUITIES AND (DIS)CONTENTS**

Orient Institute, School of Social and Political Sciences, University of Lisbon, Portugal

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### **Call for Papers**

At 100, the Turkish Republic is in a flux that is consequential for global affairs. From Atatürk's laicism to Recep Tayyip Erdoğan's Yeni Türkiye [new Türkiye], the republic has gone through a dynamic series of changes that impacted its social, cultural, political and economic fabric. Emerged during the devastating aftermath of the Great War, the Republic has been a regional stage for competing nationalisms, domestic and international migrations and forced population movements, a critical arena of the Cold War politics, an economic and financial showcase for several phases of bust and boom, a vibrant civil society coupled with periods of coups and repression, pulsating democratic participation that coincide with stifling deep-state politics, and accompanying cultural complexities. Capturing such dynamism of this republic that bridges Middle East and Europe, calls for multi-layered evaluation of ideas and practices such as Republicanism, Democracy and Modernity in action, as well as interdisciplinary debates on the shifting undercurrents of the 21<sup>st</sup> century in terms of globalization, rise of authoritarianism, impact of climate change and episodes of massive resistance. To serve this end, the Orient Institute, based at the School of Social and Political Sciences (University of Lisbon,

Portugal), is organising an international conference seeking to address the changes during the past 100 years in Turkey and future trajectories for the country.

This conference is the third in a series that began in 2014 with a very productive discussion on the Gezi Park protests that culminated in the publication of an edited volume (*'Everywhere Taksim': Sowing the Seeds for a New Turkey at Gezi*), followed by another in 2017, which led to the publication of two special issues, one in *Mediterranean Quarterly* and another in *Turkish Studies* in 2018.

We invite submissions on the following and related topics:

- Securitization and authoritarianism of the AKP rule
- Opposition and resistance
- Debates on the presidential system vs. the parliamentary system
- Minorities
- Competing nationalisms and negotiations of territorial sovereignty
- Turkish foreign policy in global context
- Prospects for EU accession
- Democratisation/de-democratisation
- Neoliberalism and state (re)-formation
- A new Constitution
- Issues of international and domestic migration
- Rights and freedoms
- Secularism/laicism
- Negotiating public space
- Art and creativity as resistance practices
- The 2023 general elections.

If you are interested in participating, please send a 500-word abstract to Dr. Isabel David (Assistant Professor, School of Social and Political Sciences, [isabela\\_davidova@yahoo.com](mailto:isabela_davidova@yahoo.com) and [isabel.david@iscsp.ulisboa.pt](mailto:isabel.david@iscsp.ulisboa.pt)) and Dr. Kumru F. Toktamış (Associate Professor, Pratt Institute, [kumru@pratt.edu](mailto:kumru@pratt.edu)) by September

10, 2022. We acknowledge receipt of all emails and will reply to all. If you do not receive a reply, please resend your abstract. Please include the following in your email:

- Author name;
- Affiliation;
- email address;
- abstract in Word format;
- a short CV.

Acceptance notices will be sent by late September, 2022.

In case your abstract is accepted, a draft paper of around 8000 words is due two weeks prior to the beginning of the conference. We intend to compile an edited volume with the best papers to be published in the recently launched “Culture, Society and Political Economy in Turkey” book series with Peter Lang Academic Publishers, edited by Dr. Isabel David and Dr. Kumru F. Toktamis.

There is no fee for this conference. Please note that we are unable to provide any financial help to participants.

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