

Forms of Resistance in Turkey

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13:00 – 17:00

Room A4 4 407

Where there is power, there is resistance, and where there is a regime of repression, resistance tends to become even stronger. In our workshop titled *Forms of Resistance in Turkey*, we are going to broach the issue of feminist, sociopolitical and scientific resistance in current Turkey. Therefore, we take a look at the Academics for Peace, the Gezi protests and virtual representations of feminist intervention. We are very happy to have three guests from Turkey and Bremen discuss their works with us:

Dr. Zeynep Gambetti (Boğaziçi University Istanbul) is going to present a paper on whether the Academics for Peace was a case of parrhesia and civil disobedience. Against this background, she focuses on Solidarity Academies that are being set up in Turkey in recent times. They are genuine cultures of participation and an alternative to institutionalized academia.

Dr. Gaye İlhan Demiryol (Bahçeşehir University Istanbul) is going to present a paper on the Gezi protests, which evaluates the public space from an Arendtian perspective, and conceives of the Gezi occupation as an instance of active citizen involvement.

Aslı Polatdemir (University of Bremen) is going to share the general frame of her dissertation project “Empowerment Concepts of Women’s Movements in Turkey”, in which she analyses subjectification through websites. Moreover, we will work on examples from her data corpus from a Foucauldian discourse analysis perspective all together.

The event is open to the public, with advance registration requested. Papers will be circulated prior to the workshop.

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