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**'New Modalities for Democratic Autonomy for Minorities that do not entail  
Dismembering States: the Case of the Republic of Turkey'**

**15-18 May 2015**

**Ankara University Faculty of Political Sciences & Queen's University Belfast**

**British Council Researcher Links Workshop**

**Programme**

**First Day: 15 May 2015, Friday**

09:30 Opening

10:00-11:30 First Session (I): *Liberal Democratic Nation States and the antinomies of minority representation*

11:30-11:45 Coffee Break

11:45-13:00 First session (II): *Liberal Democratic Nation States and the antinomies of minority representation*

13:00-14:00 Lunch

14:00-15:15 Second Session (I): *The Antinomies of Human Rights and the Representation of Minorities*

15:15-15:30 Coffee Break

15:30-17:00 Second Session (II): *The Antinomies of Human Rights and the Representation of Minorities*

19:30 Welcoming Dinner: Balıkçıköy Restaurant (Filistin Cad.)

**Second Day: 16 May 2015, Saturday**

09:30-11:00 Third Session (I): *The antinomies of minority representation in Europe*

11:00-11:15 Coffee Break

11:15-12:30 Third Session (II): *The antinomies of minority representation in Europe*

12:30-13:30 Lunch

13:30-15:00 Fourth Session (I): *The Antinomies of Minority Representation of the Turkish Republic*

15:00-15:15 Coffee Break

15:15-16:30 Fourth Session (II): *The Antinomies of Minority Representation of the Turkish Republic*

17:30 Trip to Ankara Castle

20:00 Dinner: Zenger Paşa Konağı

**Third Day: 17 May 2015, Sunday**

10:00-11:00 Fifth Session (I): *Gender and minority representation*

11:00-11:15 Coffee break

11:15-12:30 Fifth session (II): *Gender and minority representation*

12:30-13:30 Lunch

13:30-15:00 Sixth Session (I): *The Antinomies of the Kurdish Question in the Turkish Republic*

15:00-15:15 Coffee break

15:15-16:30 Sixth Session (II): *The Antinomies of the Kurdish Question in the Turkish Republic*

19:30 Dinner: Komşu Restaurant

**Fourth Day: 18 May 2015, Monday**

10:00-11:00 British Council: Newton-Katip Çelebi Fund

11:00-11:15 Coffee Break

11:15-12:30 Concluding Remarks

12:30-14:00 Lunch

14:00-15:30 Concluding Remarks

15:30-15:45 Coffee Break

15:45-17:00 Concluding Remarks (future plans, publications, panels etc.)

## SESSIONS

### First Session (15 May 2015)

**Chair:**

Ephraim Nimni: *Liberal Democratic Nation States and the antinomies of minority representation*

**Participants:**

A. M. Aytaç & Z. Yılmaz: *Re-politicizing Concepts of Non-Territorial Autonomy*

Çağdaş Sümer: *Politics of Autonomy in the Late Ottoman Empire*

Dilan Okçuoğlu: *How Can We Make Territorial Autonomy Work In Heterogeneous Societies Where Relations Of Control Are Deeply Entrenched?*

Latif Taş: *Millet Practice, Territorial and Non-Territorial Autonomy in Present Day Turkey*

Sarah Hackett: *New minorities, new modalities: non-territorial autonomy and Western European diversity management regimes*

T. Agarin & A. Kornikov: *Hegemony of Form: What kind of social inclusion do NCA's promote?*

Natasha Ezrow: *Minority Representation and Failed States*

## Second Session (15 May 2015)

### Chair:

Bill Bowring: The Antinomies of Human Rights and the Representation of Minorities

### Participants:

Naif Bezwan: *Democratic Autonomy as a means of Conflict Transformation and Self-government?*

Derya Bayır: *Is Territorial/Non-territorial Autonomy Possible in Turkish Law?*

Elodie Fabre: *Minority representation and autonomy within statewide political parties*

Hasan Sayim Vural: *Autonomy and Legal Entity: Religious Minorities in Turkey*

## Third Session (16 May 2015)

### Chair:

David Smith: The antinomies of minority representation in Europe

### Participants:

Dylan O'Driscoll: *The Costs of Denying Autonomy*

P. J. McLoughlin: *Accommodation of Nationalist Minorities and Negotiating with Militant Groups: Ambiguous Lessons from Northern Ireland*

Cemil Boyraz: *Rojova Revolution? Modelling Democratic Confederatism*

Federica Prina: *'Combining Territoriality and Non-Territorial National Cultural Autonomy: The Case of Russia's Tatars'*

Lucía Payero López: *A nation-state or a multination state? National conceptions, minorities and self-determination in Spain*

Marina Germane: *Managing Ethnic Diversity in a Nationalising State: The Baltic States and the Republic of Turkey– Some Comparative Aspects*

Utku Yapıcı: *Change in the Status of the Crimean Tatars after the Annexation of Crimea: from National Minority to Indigenous People?*

#### **Fourth Session (16 May 2015)**

**Chair:**

Baskın Oran: *The Antinomies of Minority Representation of the Turkish Republic: an historical overview*

**Participants:**

Ayşe Serdar: *Re-construction of Laz Ethnicity*

Berna Zengin Arslan: *Defining Alevism: The Management of Religion in Turkey, Secularism and the Diyanet*

Besim Can Zırh: *The Dilemmas of Alevi Opening: Recognizing Alevism by Excluding Alevi*

Eylem Akdeniz: *“Where Do We Belong?”: Conflicted Circassian Identity Between Diaspora And Turkish Citizenship*

Nurcan Kaya: *Education rights of minorities and autonomy: The case of minority schools in Turkey*

Şakir Dinçşahin: *Anti-semitism in Turkey under the AKP Rule*

#### **Fifth Session (17 May 2015)**

**Chair:**

Rebecca Bryant: *Gender and minority representation: Empowering women through minority representation*

**Participants:**

Berna Ekal: *From Co-presence to Equality: Reconsidering the Position of Alevi Women in the Struggle against Discrimination*

Necla Açık: *Gender and Multi-layered Citizenship of Kurds in Turkey*

Imren Borsuk: *Attacks against Pro-Kurdish parties in Turkey*

Ömer Fazlıoğlu: *Mass Support Towards Power-Sharing Arrangements In The Resolution Of Ethnic Conflicts: The Case Of Turkey’s Protracted Kurdish Conflict*

**Sixth Session (17 May 2015)**

**Chair:**

Elçin Aktoprak: *The Antinomies of the Kurdish Question in the Turkish Republic*

**Participants:**

Cengiz Güneş: *'Democratisation' and 'Decentralisation': The Twin pillars of 'Democratic Autonomy'*

Çetin Gürer: *Democratic Autonomy as a Limitation of Nation State Power*

Durukan Kuzu: *The Politics of Identity, Recognition and Multiculturalism: The Kurds in Turkey*

Elsa Tülin Şen: *Political recognition through democracy and non-territorial autonomy: the case of Turkey's Kurds*

Ulrike M. Vieten: *European Citizenship, Transnationalism And Diaspora: What Is The Impact On The Kurdish Question In 21st Century Turkey?*