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**Lecture II (of three)-
Friday, October 16 • 7:00 PM**

**“SUBJECTS OR CITIZENS?: ARMENIANS FROM
THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE TO THE TURKISH REPUBLIC”**

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More than 90% of the Ottoman Armenians were annihilated between 1914 and 1922. However, after the declaration of the Turkish Republic in 1923, according to official numbers of the 1927 census there were still around 80,000 Armenians and around 360,000 Christians and Jews in Turkey, which was 2.6% of the whole population. The political elite of the Republic faced the question of defining and positioning these people. Should they be defined, positioned, and treated as subjects according to the Ottoman millet system or equal citizens according to the modern law? How would the related articles of the Lausanne Treaty be integrated to the relation between the state and Armenian community along other “minorities”? This talk, on the basis of this sort of questions, discusses the transition from Empire to Republic in terms of treatment of Armenians and if it made any difference for them. It tries to decipher the approach of the state to the Armenian community to understand the problems they have faced from the beginning of the republic to today.

Ohannes Kılıçdağı, received his Ph.D. in 2014 from Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, with his dissertation “Socio-political Reflections and Expectations of the Ottoman Armenians after the 1908 Revolution: Between Hope and Despair.” Between 2003 and 2017, he lectured in the Sociology Department of Bilgi University (Istanbul) on the social and political history of the late Ottoman Empire and modern Turkey. From 2017 to 2019 he was a post-doctoral fellow at the Center for the Middle Eastern Studies of Harvard University.

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