



3rd Levantine Heritage Foundation Zoom lecture gathering with guest speaker Dr Deniz Turker  
20 January 2020, 6pm (UK time)

## The Yıldız Palace and Sultan Abdülhamid II's Flat-Pack Homes

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A historian of Islamic art and architecture, Deniz Turker is a graduate of Harvard University's dual degree program in the History of Art and Architecture and Middle Eastern Studies. She previously held the Fari Sayeed Fellowship in Islamic Art at Pembroke College in Cambridge.

She specializes in nineteenth-century Ottoman material culture with particular focus on the art, architecture, and landscape of reform and respective transformations in patronage patterns. She has published on Ottoman collectors, antiquarians, and historians of Islamic art as well as Ottoman garden and landscape histories in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. She has recently co-curated an upcoming exhibition in ANAMED (Istanbul) titled Ottoman Arcadia: The Hamidian Expedition to the Land of Tribal Roots (1886), which is centred on a set of Ottoman, photograph albums gifted to Otto von Bismarck by Sultan Abdülhamid II. As a CIS Research Associate, she is also completing her book manuscripts on Yıldız, the last Ottoman palace complex.

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