

## Reckoning the Cold War's Legacy in Turkey



Behlül Özkan  
(Marmara University)

&

Mehmet Ali Tuğtan  
(Istanbul Bilgi University)

**Tuesday, May 4, 2021**  
11 am PDT  
(2 pm EDT, 9 pm Istanbul)

Co-organized with the  
[Program on Turkey](#) at  
Stanford University  
co-sponsored by  
*Ottoman Turkey Encounters*

This conversation will examine the adverse and long-lasting impact of the US-led anti-communism on Turkish democracy. We will trace the roots of current authoritarianism in the top-down Islamization of society and institutions since the 1950s, paying special attention to the role of the military — an institution often regarded as the protector of secularism.

**Zoom Meeting Registration Link:**

<https://stanford.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAucu6trz8jHdLDhpcqaMLKEyGupi4ccJ26>