

Public Lecture

Alevi Kurds and the Transformation of Sacred Space:

How 'Kemeré Duzgı' became 'Düzgün Baba Cemevi'

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Focusing on the Dersim region, this presentation by Philipp Schwartz Fellow Ahmet Kerim Gültekin will examine the transformation processes of practices related to sacred places in Kurdish Alevism. Based on ethnographic fieldwork, the lecture will inquire into the religious transformation of the Dersim region and its broader significance for the study of Alevism. The lecture will be preceded by an introduction by Markus Dreßler on the situation of oppositional scholars in contemporary Turkey.

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