



6th ALL AZIMUTH WORKSHOP

“THINK GLOBAL, ACT LOCAL: THE GLOBALIZATION OF TURKISH IR”

November 5-6, 2021, Ankara

The CFPPR is organizing an online workshop as part of its *All Azimuth* series, which will consist of three panels and a roundtable discussion, and featuring a select group of scholars, like yourself, who have already made contributions elsewhere to the Global IR discussion. The Global IR initiative has generated a wealth of debates engendering self-reflection and criticism while encouraging new intellectual pathways within the IR discipline. In doing so, it has sought to amplify periphery voices, pluralize IR discussions, and help to promote homegrown theorizing more in tune with the subjective realities of world politics. Now more cognizant than ever of the global intellectual traditions that accompanied the rise and proliferation of the IR discipline and sophisticated diagnoses of the “global” obstacles to a more global discipline, we now seek to reexamine Turkish IR and reappraise its homegrown theorizing potential. After all, to understand IR’s disciplinary problems and discuss specific pathways forward, what better place to begin such inquiries than at home? We, therefore, ask our contributors to ponder themes like: what is Turkish academia’s contribution to IR; what factors limit the impact of Turkish IR scholarship; and what specific changes to pedagogical and institutional practices would help to elevate Turkish IR?

Building on a successful series of meetings and publications under the *All Azimuth* series, the CFPPR is organizing this workshop, which will take place online on November 5-6, 2021. In convening this workshop, we are also building on a successful series of meetings and publications. Our first workshop was held in 2013 with the participation of Turkish scholars. Since then, our workshops have brought together scholars from different corners of the world to discuss IR theorizing in the periphery, including structural factors impacting disciplinary hierarchies, disciplinary dialogue, and interaction in the context of “Global IR,” and research into IR pedagogy and practices. We successfully published an edited volume with Routledge’s *Worlding Beyond the West Series* as well as in special issues of *All Azimuth: A Journal of Foreign Policy and Peace*, while the papers from last year’s workshop are set to appear in our January 2022 issue. We are also proud to mention that *All Azimuth* recently moved up to the second quartile of the Scopus Q-Index, making it the top IR Journal in Turkey

Our focus on “Turkish IR” is in the spirit of developing Global IR. Firstly, from a practical standpoint, Turkey lies at the epicenter of numerous international conflicts, piquing the interest of IR scholars, foreign policy specialists, and practitioners alike. Secondly, Turkish IR can be described as a being in the global periphery and yet possessing “institutional cores” that act as engines of IR production and dissemination, including reproduction of mainstream Western IR as well. A fair appraisal of Turkish IR and its contributions to IR more broadly and non-Western IR is necessary. Thirdly, we are afforded the opportunity to revisit some of the themes and ideas we covered in our first and third workshops. This is an auspicious moment to take stock of developments in Turkish IR and perhaps apply some of the ideas and lessons derived from the evolving Global IR debate since then.

If you are interested in participating, we encourage you to send the title and abstract of your proposed paper, and author bio(s) by June 24. Please email to fprr@bilkent.edu.tr or erpul@bilkent.edu.tr. For a list of suggested questions and themes –and we encourage our participants to explore alternative topics– please see the “Proposed Panels”.

We look forward to all submissions.

