ARmenians and Assyrians: Shared Catastrophe | 1914 to 2019

A Discussion with Author Kemal Yalçın
Moderated by Nurhan Becidyam

The Ottoman Empire deported, killed, or otherwise persecuted staggering numbers of its non-Turkish, non-Muslim citizens, setting a modern precedent for how a regime can commit genocide in pursuit of political ends while largely escaping accountability. While this brutal history is most widely known in the case of the Armenians, few appreciate the extent to which Assyrian subjects suffered and died under similar policies.

Turkish author Kemal Yalçın provides a much-needed opportunity to learn about the shared experience of Christian nations in the empire and republic. He will present his study of the Assyrian Genocide, or Seyfo, the Armenian Genocide, and the post-1915 experience of hidden and open Christians. The author will speak in Turkish, which will be translated to English.

Join us and meet author and journalist Kemal Yalçın. He has published eight books covering the Armenian and Assyrian genocides. He resides in Germany. Nurhan Becidyam is a local activist and board member of the National Association for Armenian Studies and Research.

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The event is free. A reception will follow the discussion.