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Turkey and Thailand:

Unlikely Twins

with

Prof. Ayse Zarakol

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In both Turkey and Thailand, a complacent elite finds itself challenged by a newly enfranchised electorate. A new and exceptionally popular elected leader succeeds in displacing the traditional dominance of the military and undermining the political myths that have shaped the nation for decades. Zarakol will analyze the reasons why social forces in these two countries have crystallized in such similar patterns.

Bio:

Ayse Zarakol is a Council on Foreign Relations International Affairs Fellow for 2012-2013. Previously she was an Assistant Professor at Washington and Lee University in Lexington, VA, and she will soon assume a position as University Lecturer at University of Cambridge, UK. Her current research interests include: East-West relations in the international system, problems of modernity and sovereignty, and Turkish politics in a comparative perspective.



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