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The Armenians of Aintab
The Economics of Genocide in an Ottoman Province

Discussant
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Friday, April 9, 2021; 12-1:30 pm @ Zoom

Ümit Kurt is a historian of the modern Middle East, with a research focus on the collapse of the Ottoman Empire. He specializes in the late Ottoman socio-economic history, Armenian genocide, mass/collective violence and inter-ethnic conflicts. His broader training also includes the comparative empires, population movements, history of the Ottoman urban and local elites, wealth transfer and nationalism. His publications include The Spirit of the Laws: The Plunder of Wealth in the Armenian Genocide (co-authored with Taner Akçam) and Armenians and Kurds in the Late Ottoman Empire (co-edited with Ara Sarafian). The Armenians of Aintab will be released on April 13.

Professor Janet Klein’s research has focused on state-society relations as well as nationalism, identity, and gender dynamics from a historical perspective, and her primary area of focus—late-Ottoman Kurdistan—has served as a lens through which she explores wider issues that extend beyond this geography and time period. Dr. Klein is the author of The Margins of Empire: Kurdish Militias in the Ottoman Tribal Zone and numerous other articles and book chapters.

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