

## After the Turkish Elections: Data, Myths and Narratives

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On June 24, Turkey went to polls for parliamentary and presidential elections. Turkish citizens residing in Germany casted their vote as well. As the participation rate grows with each election, the impact of voters living in Germany increases. Political choices of this group trigger important debates about integration and citizenship. However, debate about election results in Germany very often rely on hasty generalizations and reproduce misconceptions. With the participation of leading scholars in the field, we aim to shed light on the voting patterns of Turkish citizens in Germany. Panel presentations based on recent and comparative studies will be followed by an open discussion.

**Prof. Dr. Dirk Halm** (Vice Director, Centre for Studies on Turkey and Integration Research; Adjunct Professor, Institute for Political Science, Universität Münster)  
*“Assimilation and Transnational Political Orientations of Immigrants from Turkey”*

**Prof. Dr. Achim Goerres** (Chair, Priority Research Area “Transformation of Contemporary Societies” and Deputy Chair, Institute of Political Science, Professor of Empirical Political Science, Universität Duisburg-Essen)  
*“Who supports Erdoğan in Germany? The Major Differences within the Turkish Community in Germany”*

**İnci Öykü Yener-Roderburg** (PhD candidate, Universität Duisburg-Essen and Strasbourg University)  
*“Turkey’s Transnational Party Politics: The AKP and the HDP in Germany”*

### **Moderator**

Dr. Egemen Özbek, Academic Coordinator, Academy in Exile