ÖFFENTLICHER GASTVORTRAG

Donnerstag, 31.05.2018, 18:00 – 20:00 Uhr
Uni Tobler, Lerchenweg 36, Raum F005

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"From Imperial Elites to Stateless Refugees: Ottoman Collapse and the Colonial Middle East"

Ottoman defeat in the Great War came in late 1918, one hundred years ago this year. The Great War and its narratives are familiar, but what did defeat and colonial partition mean for the tens of thousands of people educated, trained, and acculturated as Ottoman state servants and elites? What was it like to go from being a member of the Ottoman parliament, to take one example, to a suddenly stateless refugee, perhaps fleeing for one's life?