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KKC-Symposium: Parenting and parental ethnotheories in Turkey

Wednesday, June 21, 2023 | Hybrid: GD 1/156 and ZOOM
4 p.m. - 6 p.m. (CET)

Free registration: via e-mail to kkc@rub.de

Programme:

I. Parental ethnotheories and child-rearing in Turkey

Prof. Dr. Nebi Sümer (Sabanci University, Istanbul) and Prof. Dr. Umut Beşpınar (Middle East Technical University, Ankara)

We present a large-scale study on parental ethnotheories (socialization goals and parenting belief system) using selected samples of parents and grandparents in Turkey. We will summarize primary findings on shared parental goals, beliefs, and child-rearing practices and discuss their implications for social change and culture-specific parenting behaviors.

II. Reflections of social polarization on parenting in Turkey

Dr. Zeynep Beşpınar (Marmara University, Istanbul)

This talk examines fieldwork data on fatherhood experiences of upper-middle class fathers in Turkey who define themselves as secular or conservative. The study focuses on the relationships of men from both groups with their fathers, the meanings they attribute to fatherhood as well as their fatherhood practices. The data are analyzed using debates on fatherhood in the masculinity literature and literature on secular and conservative values, identities, lifestyles, gender roles and parenting practices.

