

## **MARCH 20, 2023**

14.00-17.00

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Scuola Normale Superiore Faculty of Political and Social Sciences

**Altana** Conference Hall Palazzo Strozzi - Florence

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## GRIEF, ANGER AND SOLIDARITY: TURKEY AND SYRIA UNDER THE RUBBLES

What happened in Turkey, Syria, and the rest of the region directly results from the rule and reproduction of neoliberal capital, where an ever-expanding project of artificially induced, ecologically unsustainable urbanisation takes precedence over the lives of both human and non-human beings. The interests of profit for the few and the overwhelming majority of ordinary people have been exposed as an irreconcilable and violent contradiction.

The proposed event will invite the voices and experiences of activists, members of NGOs, scholars, and others who have been directly involved in dealing with the February 6 earthquakes and its aftermath to honour the memory of those who lost their lives, highlight some of the immediate politico-humanitarian interventions at the local, national, and international level; analyse and understand why the earthquake in Turkey took so many lives; unmask the cynical and totally inadequate "responses" of the government; and finally, explore possibilities for increased people to people's solidarity in the here and now.

Opening Remarks and Chair

**GUGLIELMO MEARDI** (Scuola Normale Superiore)

Introduction

**BAHAR YALÇIN** (Mimar Sinan Fine Art University and visiting at Scuola Normale Superiore)

HANDE DÖNMEZ GÜLENOĞLU (Scuola Normale Superiore)

Speakers

MURAT CEMAL YALÇINTAN (Mimar Sinan Fine Art University, City & Regional Planning Dept., Istanbul)

NURCIHAN TEMUR (Feminist activist, Women's Coalition Turkey and Association for Women's Freedom and Equality, Adana)

**SELIME BÜYÜKGÖZE** (Feminist activist, Feminist Solidarity for Disasters)

Concluding remarks

MARIO PIANTA (Scuola Normale Superiore)

