Anglo-Turkish Society hybrid lecture, 12 January 2027, 6.00 pm (UK time)
Speaker: Elçin Poyrazlar
Venue: Royal Anthropological Institute, 50 Fitzroy St, Fitzrovia, London W1T 5BT
Title: 'Crime and Impunity: Writing crime fiction in Turkey'

Turkey has been enduring crime waves that shake the country to its core. Corruption, social injustice, high crime rates among children and femicide are among the urgent problems of the country today.
Such realities offer material to the crime writer, but fiction lags behind the violence of real life.
Drawing on her journalistic experience, Turkish novelist Elçin Poyrazlar writes crime fiction that probes political power, social injustice and the dark side of human nature.
In this conversation, she will discuss with the audience issues such as the fine line between the fictional and the real, crime and punishment, justice and persecution and what it means to write in cruel times.

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Elçin Poyrazlar is an award-winning author and journalist from Turkey who is noted for her feminist crime fiction. Poyrazlar's fiction brings political intrigue, power struggles, gender inequality and injustices in Turkish society. She has lived in Istanbul, Brussels, Washington, London and Madrid.
Her latest thriller, *The Law of the Rose* was published in November 2026.
Her other novels – Death of a Journalist (2014), Black Amulet (2016), The Woman in the Coat (2018), The Flowers of Death (2021), The Lost Face (2022), The Naked Heart (2023) and The Hand of the Shadow (2025) all received enthusiastic reviews. Poyrazlar lives in London.

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