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investigate three overlapping themes about 'the international': history and historiography; civilisation and culture; nation and state. Drawing on insights from global intellectual history, it will trace the ways in which Turkish Islamist thought, from the late nineteenth century until the present, evolved in conversation with philosophical and political debates and trends in both European and Muslim settings. In exploring what is presented in the first instance as a 'non-Western' body of thought, the work will query the very categories of 'Western' and 'non-Western' on which theoretical debates within the discipline of International Relations are increasingly centred. The research will be carried out through textual analysis in combination with fieldwork in Turkey. It will result in the publication of a monograph.