## PALMETTO FORUM



## UNDERSTANDING THE CONFLICT IN THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN

with Dr. Ali Demirdas, Contributor to National Interest and other news media.

Wednesday, March 3, 2021 12:30 – 1:30 ET

Free and Open to the Public

Participants for this virtual meeting must register by March 1st to receive a Zoom link.

Greece and Turkey are currently engaged in a dispute over territorial waters that threatens to engulf the region, due to the fact that Greece is a member of the EU, both are members of NATO, and other countries in the region have overlapping commits as well. Dr. Demirdas will unpack the issues and assess the possibility for the tensions to lead to



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