

Historical Dictionary of Turkey (European Historical Dictionaries, No. 2) By Metin Heper Today although it is a Muslim country for some nearby countries Turkey is a leader and a role model offering a secular democratic and modernist alternative to the fundamentalism preached in Iran and elsewhere. After all despite difficulties and setbacks Turkey has developed a working party system and it boasts important assets including a large but productive population a strong military and an exceptional strategic location where Europe Africa and Asia meet. He begins with the rise of the Ottoman Empire in the thirteenth century and concludes with the present day covering many significant persons places and events as well as important aspects of the economy politics culture and society:

Of course you cannot ignore the purpose of the text, For the natives articles are too short to be meaningful and it's shallow overall, Plus Metin Heper's ideological preferences are very visible in selection of wording or emphasis! There are some omissions and oddities (e: Berna Moran is male; can we call Tevfik Fikret a bard?! ) and wrong/absurd translations into English which may be ignorable if you wish: 9780810828179 Turks have been on the world stage for more than a millennium, Heper traces a large part of this story the moments of glory as well as those of decline: A complete bibliography directs interested readers to more specialized sources, Historical Dictionary of Turkey (European Historical Dictionaries No. It might be useful rather for foreigners to the country.g. They ruled the Ottoman Empire--one of the world's largest. They were engaged in extensive Westernization. 2)

