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Nationality Turkish

Date of birth 24/09/1982

Area of Expertise Europeanization and domestic change, implementation studies, comparative politics, policy analysis, public sector governance, political economy, Turkish politics, Southeast European politics, and more specific policies of fight against corruption and illegal migration.

## EDUCATION/TRAINING

• Dates (from – to) 2010-2014  
Title of qualification awarded Ph. D  
Name and type of organisation Political and Social Sciences  
Berlin Graduate School for Transnational Studies (BTS)  
Freie Universität Berlin (FU Berlin), Germany  
*Title of PhD thesis:* There is a Limit to Your Reach! Exploring Differential Dynamics of Decoupling in Anti-corruption Related Institutional Change in the Turkish Public Sector  
*Supervisors:* Professor Dr. Tanja Börzel (FU Berlin) and Assoc Dr. Saime Özçürümez (Bilkent University)

2009-2010  
MPhil degree  
Political Science  
Central European University, Budapest, Hungary

2007- 2009  
The Master of Science (MSc.)  
European Affairs (two years)  
Dept. of Political Science  
Lund University, Sweden  
*Title of MSc Thesis:* "Does Candidate Status Matter? Unpacking the Relationship between Europeanization and Conditionality in Turkey and Serbia  
*Supervisor:* Professor Dr.Magnus Jerneck

2004- 2006  
M.A Degree in European Union Studies  
Institute of Social Sciences  
Dokuz Eylül University, Izmir, Turkey  
*Title of M.A Thesis:* Europeanization and Transformation Process of Turkey  
*Supervisor:* Professor Dr. Canan Balkır

2000-2004  
B.A Degree with Distinction  
International Relations  
Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences  
Ege University Izmir, Turkey

**SUMMER SCHOOLS& METHODS AND  
SOFT SKILLS TRAINING**

18-20 March 2013  
Process Tracing  
Freie Universität Berlin  
BTS Workshops, Germany

31 August-3 September 2012  
Summer Academy Freiburg on the 'Dynamics of institutional change under EU's toolkit of conditionality: Judicial reform and fighting corruption in Eastern Europe, Western Balkans and Turkey  
Freiburg, Germany

20-22 January 2012  
Academic English Writing  
Freie Universität Berlin  
BTS Workshops, Germany

10 February 2012  
MaxQda Workshop  
Freie Universität Berlin  
BTS Workshops, Germany

19-21 October 2011  
Content Analysis Workshop  
Freie Universität Berlin  
BTS Workshops, Germany

18, 26, 27 May 2011  
Interview techniques  
Freie Universität Berlin  
BTS Workshops, Germany

31.05.2011 Advanced Scientific

Presentation- Dahlem Research School, Berlin, Germany

14 /15.06.2011

Academic Smalltalk and Networking  
Dahlem Research School, Berlin, Germany

05 /06.07.2011 Teaching and Learning at University Level,  
Dahlem Research School, Berlin, Germany

16-20 November 2010

JMCE Winter Method School on Public Sphere Research  
Freie Universität Berlin, Germany

13-14.09.2010

Intercultural Communication  
Dahlem Research School, Berlin, Germany

30.09.2010

Time and Project Management  
Dahlem Research School, Berlin, Germany

22/23.09.2010

Research Project concept  
Dahlem Research School, Berlin, Germany

24.09.2010

Good scientific practice  
Dahlem Research School, Berlin, Germany

21- 31 January 2007

Minorities of Europe, Riga/Latvia  
EUROMED Youth Programme Action-5 "YouMan Rights A Training for Dialogue and Human Rights Project"

10-22 July 2006

Inter University Summer School-Vrije Universiteit Brussels (VUB), Institute for European Studies (IES) and Diplomatische Akademie Wien, University of Vienna, Vienna (with scholarship by IES)  
Certificate on EU Decision Making Process

July 2005

EU Project Management Training, Aegean Industrialist and Businessmen Association (Ege Sanayici ve Isadamları Dernegi-ESIAD) IZMIR, Opportunity Window Project for Small and Medium Size Enterprises 2005-financed by EU, executed by IS-KUR

## WORK EXPERIENCE

- Dates (from – to) September 2014-February 2015
  - Name and address of employer Post-doctoral researcher  
SUITS Stockholm University Institute for Turkish Studies  
Stockholm University SE-106 91  
Stockholm, Sweden
  - Type of business or sector
  - Occupation or position held
  - Main activities and responsibilities
- January -August 2014  
Visiting Doctoral Researcher  
SUITS Stockholm University Institute for Turkish Studies  
Stockholm University SE-106 91  
Stockholm, Sweden

September 2013- December 2013  
Visiting Doctoral Researcher  
Lund University  
Department of Political Science  
SE-22100 Lund, Sweden

September 2010-August 2013  
Research Fellow  
Kolleg Forscher Gruppe (KFG)  
College of Transformative Power of Europe  
Freie Universität Berlin, Ihnestr. 22  
14195 Berlin  
Germany

April-June 2012  
Visiting Doctoral researcher  
Department of Political Science and Public Administration,  
Bilkent University,  
Bilkent, 06800, Ankara

May 2012- ongoing  
Editor  
Centre for Policy Analysis and Research on Turkey (ResearchTurkey)  
Law Street, 14, Chilham House Southwark SE1 4EA  
London  
United Kingdom

November 2008-February 2009  
Intern  
SIEPS-Swedish Institute for European Policy Studies  
Svante Arrhenius väg 21 A  
SE- 114 18 Stockholm  
Sweden

May-August 2007  
Research Fellow  
Media Monitoring Project: 2007 Presidential Elections in Turkey  
University of Exeter, Centre of European Studies and  
Dokuz Eylul University EU Graduate Dept.  
İzmir, Turkey

April-August 2007  
Office Staff, EU Office  
Dokuz Eylul University Rectorship  
Cumhuriyet Bulvarı No: 144, Alsancak, TR-35210  
Izmir, Turkey

17-27 April 2006  
Translator  
Transmission and Distribution S.A. SIEMENS Group  
Maintenance Training Course on Gas Insulated Switchgear for TEİAŞ  
İzmir, Turkey

May 2004 , Economic Congress of Turkey 2004  
Press-info official  
Kadro pre-congress -team Company  
Organisation and fairing  
İzmir, Turkey

July 2004  
Interpreter-English (Ivory Islands)  
Izmir International Fair  
Organization and fairing  
İzmir, Turkey

September 2003  
Intern in European Studies  
Eurasian Strategic Studies Center, Konrad Adaneur cad. No: 41 Yıldız, Çankaya  
Ankara-Turkey

August 2002 and July-August 2003  
Intern in Foreign Trade Department  
Alkim Paper Trade & Industry CO. Akdeniz Cad. No: 14/5  
Izmir, Turkey

## TEACHING EXPERINECES

Wintersemester 2011/2012  
Freie Universität Berlin  
Bereich Europäische Integration  
The European Union: Governance, Integration and Enlargement – Theory, Practice and Challenges

02.10. 2012  
Humboldt University Berlin  
Department of Social Sciences  
Integration and Migration for the GeT Master programme  
Europeanization and Turkey: A probelm for the latter?

04.12.2012  
Europa-Viadrina University, Department of Cultural and Social Anthropology,  
Political islam and AKP

26.12.2011  
Dokuz Eylül University  
Graduate School of Social Science  
Department of EU Studies  
To what extent does Europeanization travel to Turkey?

## PUBLICATIONS

(Forthcoming) 'Same Same or Different? Accession Europeanization in Central Eastern Europe and Turkey Compared' in: Europeanization of Turkey: Policies, Politics and Polity, Ali Tekin and Aylin Güney (eds.) Routledge (with Prof Dr. Tanja A. Börzel and Dr.Gözde Yılmaz)

(2014) "Zooming into the 'Domestic' in Europeanization: Promotion of Fight against Corruption and Minority Rights in Turkey" Journal of Balkans and Near Eastern Studies Journal of Balkan and Near Eastern Studies Volume 16, Issue 1, 2014 Special Issue: The Devil is in the Domestic? European Integration Studies and the Limits of Europeanization in Turkey, pp.11-29 (with Dr.Gözde Yılmaz) (SSCI)

(2013) Europeanization: Analyzing the Domestic Change in Turkey <http://www.e-ir.info/2013/05/10/europeanization-analyzing-the-domestic-change-in-turkey/> . May 12, 201

(2012) "Europeanization in Turkey: Stretching a Concept to Its Limits, KFG Working Paper Series No:36, February 2012, Kolleg-forschergruppe (KFG)" Transformative Power of Europe",

Freie Universität Berlin (with Prof Dr. Tanja Börzel)

(2012): "Europeanization Decoupled? Fight Against Corruption in Turkey" Centre for Policy Analysis and Research on Turkey (ResearchTurkey), London: Research Turkey, Vol 1, issue 3, pp.35-41

(2011) "The Limits to Europeanization: Analyzing Domestic Change in Turkey" in: Nas, Cigdem/Izci, Rana (eds.) Changing Europe and Turkey: Current Debates, Marmara University, European Union Institute Publications, No:15 Istanbul, pp.29-45 (with Prof Dr. C. Balkir).

(2008) "Expecting The Unforeseeable: The 2007 Turkish Elections in the Media", Turkish Studies, 9 : (2), pp. 197- 212, (with Prof Dr. C. Balkir, Prof Dr. S. Banducci and Dr. H. Toker) (SSCI)

(2007) "The Impact of Europeanization on The Institutional And Administrative Transformation: The Case Study of Public, Private and Civil Society Institutions in Izmir" International Symposium on The Changes And Transformation In The Socio-Economic and Political Structure of Turkey Within The EU Negotiations, Ekin Yayınevi, Kütahya (with C.Balkır, T.Durmuşlar, İ.Ergün).

(2009) "Does Candidate Status Matter? Unpacking the Relationship between Europeanization and Conditionality in Turkey and Serbia" Published MSc. Thesis, Lund University, Dept of Political Science, Lund\Sweden

### **Conference Papers**

(2014) The Fight against Corruption in Turkey: A Failure of Europeanisation?  
ECPR General Conference, Southern European Politics Standing Group, Glasgow, UK, 3-6 September

(2014) Politics of Policy Reform in Pre-Accession Countries: Exploring Turkey's Public Sector Reforms to Fight Corruption, . IPSA World Congress, Montreal, Canada, 19-24 July 2014

(2013) "Differential Decoupling? Putting Fight Against Corruption Reforms Under Spot", 20th International Conference of Europeanists, Amsterdam, June 25-27, 2013

(2013) "Zooming into the 'Domestic' in Europeanization: Promotion of Fight against Corruption and Minority Rights in Turkey", 54th ISA Annual Convention, San Francisco, USA, 3-6 April

(2012) "Give me not just what I need but What I Want: Europeanization of Fight against Corruption in Turkey", 22. IPSA World Congress, Madrid, Spain, 8-12 July.

(2011) "How does Political Elite resonance matter for Europeanization? Policy change in Asylum and Anti-corruption policies in Turkey", UACES conference, University of Cambridge, 5-7 September

(2011) "Europeanization Filtered: How Partisan Factor Matters for EU Legal Norm Adoption?", Workshop on Faraway, So Close? Reaching beyond the Pro/Contra Controversy on Turkey's EU Accession, Sabanci University-Kollegforschergruppe , Istanbul, June 2-4

(2011) Drivers or Spoilers of Europeanization? Political Actor Constellations and EU Legal Norm Adoption in Turkey, Workshop on Europeanization: EU and Beyond, Koc University, Istanbul, 13-14 May

(2011) "Filtered Europeanization: How Different Political Actor Constellations Matter for the EU Legal Norm Adoption in Turkey?" EUSA Biennial Conference, Boston, MA, US, March 3-5.

(2009). "Europeanization Culturally Filtered? Questioning the Conditionality- Compliance Linkage in Turkey and Serbia", International conference on "The Transformative Power of Europe: The European Union and the Diffusion of Ideas, Kollegforschergruppe, 10-11 December

2009, Berlin.

(2009) "Europeanization as a path dependent process in Turkey: Changing Positions of Political Parties within Unchanging European Trajectory" The Tenth Mediterranean Research Meeting, Robert Schumann Centre for Advanced Studies, European University Institute, Florence and Montecatini Terme, 25-28 March

(2009) "Europeanization and Turkey: Becoming a problem for the latter?" SIEPS- Swedish Institute for European Policy Studies, Working report, Stockholm, January.

(2007) "The Impact of Europeanisation on Institutional and Administrative Transformation "The Case of Izmir" ECPR General Conference, Panel: Integration, Europeanisation and the New Neighbors, Pisa, 6-8 September (with Prof Dr. C. Balkir)

### **Book Reviews**

(Forthcoming): The Politics of the Black Sea Region EU Neighbourhood, Conflict Zone or Future Security Community? by Carol Weaver, Ashgate, 2013, Journal of Common Market Studies (SSCI)

2015: Political Corruption in Comparative Perspective: Sources, Status and Prospects, by Charles Funderburk, Ashgate, Political Studies Review, 13(1). (SSCI)

2014: Turkey and the European Union: Processes of Europeanization, by Cigdem Nas and Yonca Özer (2012), Ashgate, Political Studies Review, 12(1): 153 (SSCI)

2013: European Integration and Transformation in the Western Balkans Europeanization or business as usual? Southeast European and Black Sea Studies, by Arolda Elbasani, (ed), Southeast European and Black Sea Studies 13(4):599-601 (SSCI)

2013: Converging Europe: Transformation of Social Policy in the Enlarged EU and in Turkey by Ipek E.Vural (2011) Farhham: Ashgate, Political Studies Review, 11(1), pp 134-135 (SSCI)

2012: Mobilizing for Human Rights: International Law in Domestic Politics by Beth A. Simmons (2009). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, Political Studies Review, 10(1), p117 (SSCI)

2012: Multiple Democracies in Europe: Political Culture in New Member States by Paul Blokker (2010) Abingdon: Routledge, Political Studies Review, 10 (1), pp 147- 148 (SSCI)

2012: The Influence of the European Union on Turkish Foreign Policy by Ozlem Terzi (2010), Aldershot: Ashgate, Political Studies Review, 10 (2), pp 147-148 (SSCI)

2012: The European Union and Baltic States: Changing Forms of Governance, by Jacobsson, Bengt (ed.), Routledge (2009), Political Studies Review, 10 (2), pp 292- 293 (SSCI)

2011: The Black Sea Region and EU Policy. The Challenge of Divergent Agendas, by Henderson, K. & Weaver, C. (eds.), Ashgate 2010, Journal of Common Market Studies, 49(5): 1148-1149 (SSCI)

2011: Business, Government, and EU Accession: Strategic Partnership and Conflict by Iankova, Elena. Plymouth: Lexington Books 2009, Europe -Asia Studies, 63(9). (SSCI)

2009: Economic Government of EU: A Balance Sheet of New Modes of Policy Co- ordination, by Ingo Linsenmann, Christoph O. Meyer and Wolfgang T. Wessels (eds.) Palgrave Studies in European Union Politics (2007), Society and Economy, Akadémiai Kiadó, Vol: 32 (1), pp. 152-6.

2009: The Fiscal Policy in the European Union, by Jesus Ferreiro - Giuseppe Fontana - Felipe Serrano (eds) Houndmills, Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 2008, 219, Acta Oeconomica, Vol. 60 (4)

**PERSONAL SKILLS  
AND COMPETENCES**

MOTHER TONGUE

**TURKISH**

OTHER LANGUAGES

- Reading skills
- Writing skills
- Verbal skills

**ENGLISH**

Excellent

Excellent

Excellent

**German**

Intermediate

Intermediate

Intermediate

**Swedish**

Basic

Basic

Basic

**PROJECT**

Media Monitoring Project: 2007 Presidential Elections in Turkey  
University of Exeter, Center of European Studies and Dokuz Eylul University EU Graduate Dept.  
May-August 2007

EUROMED Youth Programme Action-5 "YouMan Rights A Training for Dialogue and Human Rights Project" in partnership with Latvia, Germany and Egypt.  
Local Agenda 21 Youth Parliament, Metropolitan Municipality, of Izmir  
2006-2007

"Youth Bridge to Europe Project" Training Visits to NATO Headquarter, University of Sorbonne in Paris and European Parliament in Brussels. (27 May-2 June 2006)

"Europeanization of Turkish Governance" Middle East Technical University European Research Center-Dokuz Eylul University EU Studies Graduate Department (2005-2006)

**TECHNICAL SKILLS AND  
COMPETENCES**

Able to use Windows family 95,98,2000,XP,  
Office Programs Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Excel and SPSS  
MAXQDA, ATLAS TI, EN VIVO

**DRIVING LICENCE (s)**

-B- class driving license.

**AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

2013-2014  
Swedish Institute  
Swedish-Turkish Programme  
Research Grant  
Lund University/Stockholm University  
Sweden

2010-2013  
Political and Social Sciences  
Berlin Graduate School for Transnational Studies (BTS)  
The Freie Universität Berlin, the Hertie School of Governance, and the Social Science Research



Center Berlin  
Scholarship and full enrollment for PhD Programme

2009-2010 Central European University  
Scholarship and full enrollment for PhD Programme  
Budapest/Hungary

December-2009 Kolleg-Forscherguppe, Berlin Graduate School for Transnational Studies  
Mobility and Conference participation fund

October-2009 European Union  
Institute of Marmara University-  
"Bridges of Understanding: Intercultural Europe and Turkey's Contribution"  
Mobility fund and honorable participation fee

March-2009 European University Institute,  
Robert Schumann Centre for Advanced Studies  
Tenth Mediterranean Research Meeting  
Mobility Fund for conference participation

2007-2009 Swedish Institute  
Swedish-Turkish Programme  
Scholarship for The Master of Science Programme in European Affairs  
Lund University/Sweden

2007-2008  
Turkey Country Scholarship for M.A in European Studies (declined)  
University of Exeter  
The UK

2006  
Vrije Universiteit Brussels (VUB), Institute for European Studies (IES))  
Summer school for EU Decision Making Process  
Mobility and participation Fund

2004  
Ege University, Izmir-Turkey  
Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences,  
*B.A Degree with Distinction in International Relations*

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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### Groups and Associations

Netzwerk Türkei-Germany  
Research Turkey, London, UK  
EUSIMLU Organization Committee-Lund University  
European Consortium for Political Research -ECPR-Graduate Network  
ECPR Standing Group on Southern European Politics  
European Mediterranean Youth Bridge  
YouMan Rights Youth project Group  
Local Agenda 21 Youth Parliament

### Interests

Love to travel and experience different cultures. Interested in Yoga, Pilates Reiki and windsurf. Enjoy reading especially politics and history, following artistic activities (movies, exhibitions, opera, and theaters), listening Jazz, cooking and making puzzle.