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<i>Fellowships</i>	<b>Visiting researcher:</b> Higher School of Economics (HSE), Moscow, Russia, February-June 2013 and May-November 2015. <b>Visiting fellow:</b> University of Kent, Department of Politics and International Relations, Canterbury, UK, April-December 2007. <b>PhD research:</b> Jagiellonian University, Centre for European Studies, Krakow, Poland, October 2006-February 2007.
<i>Grants and Scholarships</i>	EU FP-7 Project grant, 2013 and 2015 Research scholarship from the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK), 2007 LLP/Erasmus grant for PhD research, 2006
<i>Research Interests</i>	Turkish foreign policy, Russian foreign policy, Turkish-Russian relations, geopolitics, Eurasianism, Caucasus
<i>Courses Taught</i>	Turkish Foreign Policy I – Undergraduate (Fall Semester) Turkish Foreign Policy II – Undergraduate (Spring Semester) Russia in World Politics – Undergraduate (Fall Semester) Political Geography II – Undergraduate (Spring Semester) Jeopolitik (in Turkish) – PhD (Spring Semester)

### ***Articles in Peer-Reviewed Journals***

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- 2014 “Reassessing the ‘Turkish Model’ in the Post-Cold War Era: A Role Theory Perspective,” *Turkish Studies* 15 (2): 258-282 (co-authored with Emel Parlar Dal).
- 2014 “Rise of New Centres of Power in Eurasia: Implications for Turkish Foreign Policy,” *Journal of Eurasian Studies* 5 (2): 184-191.
- 2014 “Geopolitical Codes in Davutoğlu’s Views toward the Middle East,” *Insight Turkey* 16 (1): 85-101.
- 2013 “Turkey as a ‘Regional Stability Contributor’ in the South Caucasus,” *Journal of Central Asian and Caucasian Studies* 8 (15): 1-19.
- 2013 “The Evolution of ‘Eurasia’ as a Geopolitical Concept in Post-Cold War Turkey,” *Geopolitics* 18 (1): 24-44.
- 2011 “Turkey and Russia: An Emerging ‘Strategic Axis’ in Eurasia?,” *EurOrient*, No. 35-36: 263-282.
- 2005 “The Rise of Geopolitics in Russia in the Post-Cold War Period,” *Turkish Review of Eurasian Studies*, No. 5: 27-61.
- 2004 “Neo-Eurasianism and Putin’s ‘Multipolarism’ in Russian Foreign Policy,” *Turkish Review of Eurasian Studies*, No. 4: 135-172.
- 2003 “The Impact of Baku-Tbilisi-Ceyhan Pipeline on Turkey-U.S. Relations,” *Turkish Review of Eurasian Studies*, No. 3: 73-116.

### ***Chapters in Edited Books***

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- 2016 “Geopolitics Versus Ideology: Azerbaijan in Turkish Views on Eurasia,” in Murad Ismayilov and Norman Graham (eds.), *Turkish-Azerbaijani Relations: One Nation – Two States?*, Oxford: Routledge, 54-71.
- 2015 “Türkiye-Rusya İlişkileri: Jeopolitik Rekabetten Çokboyutlu Ortaklığa [Turkish-Russian Relations: From Geopolitical Competition to Multidimensional Partnership],” in Özden Zeynep Oktav and Helin Sarı Ertem (eds.), *2000’li Yıllarda Türk Dış Politikası: Fırsatlar, Riskler ve Krizler* [Turkish Foreign Policy in the 2000s: Opportunities, Risks and Crises], Ankara: Nobel, 201-230.
- 2015 “Türkiye’deki ‘Avrasya Yorumları’: Formel, Pratik ve Popüler Jeopolitik Yansımalar [‘Interpretations of Eurasia’ in Turkey: Formal, Practical and Popular Geopolitical Reflections],” in Murat Yeşiltaş, Sezgi Durgun and Pınar Bilgin (eds.), *Türkiye Dünyanın Neresinde? Hayali Coğrafyalar, Çarpışan Anlatılar* [Where Is Turkey in the World? Imagined Geographies, Competing Narratives], Istanbul: Koç University Press, 229-256.
- 2015 “Türkiye’nin Rusya ve Güney Kafkasya Politikası [Turkey’s Policy toward Russia and South Caucasus],” in Burhanettin Duran, Kemal İnat and Ali Balcı (eds.), *Türk Dış Politikası Yıllığı 2014* [Turkish Foreign Policy Yearbook 2014], Ankara: SETA, 355-382.
- 2014 “Rusya’nın Arap Baharı Politikası [Russia’s Policy toward the Arab Spring],” in Perihan Paksoy and Armağan Gözkaman (eds.), *Arap Baharı Üzerine Değerlendirmeler* [Assessments on the Arab Spring], Ankara: Detay, 115-135.

- 2014 “Azerbaycan’da Siyasal-Kültürel Dönüşüm Süreci (1828-1917) [The Political-Cultural Transformation Process in Azerbaijan (1828-1917)],” in Sevinç Alkan Özcan and Vügar İmanbeyli (eds.), *Azerbaycan’da Din ve Kimlik* [Religion and Identity in Azerbaijan], Istanbul: Küre, 53-72.
- 2014 “Soğuk Savaş Sonrası Dönemde Dünya Siyaseti [World Politics in the Post-Cold War Period],” in Şaban Kardaş and Ali Balcı (eds.), *Uluslararası İlişkilere Giriş: Tarih, Teori, Kavram ve Konular* [Introduction to International Relations: History, Theory, Concepts and Issues], Istanbul: Küre, 41-55.
- 2012 “Zihinsel Kurgular ve Dış Politika: Avrasyacılık Örneği [Intellectual Constructs and Foreign Policy: The Case of Eurasianism],” in S. Gülden Ayman (ed.), *Mekan, Kimlik, Güç ve Dış Politika* [Space, Identity, Power and Foreign Policy], Istanbul: Yalın, 111-149.
- 2011 “Turkish-Russian Relations in the New Century,” in Özden Zeynep Oktav (ed.), *Turkey in the 21st Century: Quest for a New Foreign Policy*, Surrey: Ashgate, 95-114.
- 2010 “Avrasyacılık ve Uluslararası İlişkiler [Eurasianism and International Relations],” in Sevinç Alkan Özcan (ed.), *Avrasya Konuşmaları: Medeniyet, Modernite, Kimlik* [Eurasia Conversations: Civilization, Modernity, Identity], Istanbul: Küre, 33-60.
- 2010 “Yeni Avrasyacılara Göre Rusya’nın Soğuk Savaş Sonrası Dünya Düzenindeki Yeri [Russia’s Place in the Post-Cold War World Order from the Neo-Eurasianist Perspective],” in Mesut Özcan and Muzaffer Şenel (eds.), *Modernite ve Dünya Düzen(ler)i* [Modernity and World Order(s)], Istanbul: Klasik, 249-276.

### ***Papers Presented at Conferences and Workshops***

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- 2016 “SU-24 Fighter Jet Crisis: A Turkish Perspective”, 3<sup>rd</sup> *International Conference on Eurasian Politics and Society* (organized by CESRAN and Kadir Has University), Istanbul, June 2-3.
- 2016 “Türk-Rus İlişkilerinin Karadeniz-Kafkasya Boyutu: Uçak Krizi ve Sonrası [Black Sea-Caucasus Dimension of Turkish-Russian Relations: Fighter Jet Crisis and After],” *International Black Sea-Caucasus Congress* (organized by TASAM), Istanbul, 20-22 April (co-authored with Emel Parlar Dal).
- 2016 “2000’li Yıllarda Türkiye-Rusya İlişkilerinin Parametreleri [The Parameters of Turkish-Russian Relations in the 2000s],” *Tarihsel Perspektiften Türkiye-Rusya İlişkilerini Anlamak* [Understanding Turkey-Russia Relations from A Historical Perspective] (conference organized by Kadir Has University), Istanbul, February 19.
- 2016 “Turkish-Russian Relations”, *Turkish-Greek Journalists Meeting* (workshop organized by Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung Turkey), Istanbul, February 13.
- 2016 “Rusya’nın Suriye Stratejisi [Russia’s Strategy in Syria]”, *Küresel ve Bölgesel Aktörlerin Suriye Stratejileri* [Regional and Global Actors’ Strategies in Syria] (symposium organized by the SETA Foundation), Istanbul, February 10.
- 2016 Participant, *PONARS Eurasia Workshop* (organized by George Washington University and Hollings Center), Istanbul, February 4-6.

- 2016 “Russian Factor in Syria”, *Iranian and Turkish Perspectives on the Regional Developments* (conference organized by Center for Middle Eastern Strategic Studies-ORSAM, Institute for Middle East Strategic Studies-IMESS and Iranian Political Science Association-IPSA), Tehran, January 9.
- 2015 “Türkiye’nin Avrasya Politikası [Turkish Foreign Policy in Eurasia],” *2015’te Türk Dış Politikası* [Turkish Foreign Policy in 2015] (panel organized by the Foundation of Arts and Sciences, Istanbul, December 19).
- 2015 “Türkiye-Rusya Siyasi İlişkilerinin Geleceği Üzerine Değerlendirme [An Assessment of the Future of Turkish-Russian Political Relations], *Türkiye-Rusya İlişkilerinde Güncel Gelişmeler: Uluslararası Hukuk Perspektifi* [Current Developments in Turkish-Russian Relations: An International Law Perspective] (panel organized by Center for Strategic Research-SAM and Istanbul Medipol University), Istanbul, December 17.
- 2015 “Crisis in Ukraine: A Turkish Perspective,” *The Impact of the Ukrainian-Russian Crisis on the Wider Region* (panel organized by Istanbul Şehir University), Istanbul, 27 October.
- 2015 “Migration as a Social Problem between Turkey and Russia: Role of the Media”, *Problems of Migration: State Policies and Role of the Media* (conference organized by the Higher School of Economics), Moscow, June 4.
- 2015 “Eurasianism in Turkey: A Formal Geopolitics Perspective,” *The Politics of Eurasianism* (workshop organized by Södertörn University and Baltic Sea Foundation), Stockholm, May 14-15
- 2015 “Geopolitical Traditions in Turkey: The Case of Turkish Eurasianism,” *20<sup>th</sup> Annual ASN World Convention* (organized by Columbia University, Harriman Institute), New York, April 23-25.
- 2014 “Turkish-American Relations within the Framework of Black Sea Security,” *The Middle East in Flux: Iraq, Syria and Turkish-American Relations* (workshop organized by Center for Middle Eastern Strategic Studies-ORSAM, Near East-South Asia Center for Strategic Studies-NESA and Yıldız Technical University), Istanbul, December 10.
- 2014 “Ukrainian Crisis and Black Sea Geopolitics: A Turkish Perspective,” *Regional Security and Cooperation Perspectives in the Black Sea in the Aftermath of Recent Developments in Ukraine* (conference organized by Center for Middle Eastern Strategic Studies-ORSAM, Center for Strategic Research-SAM and TOBB University of Economics & Technology), Ankara, November 3.
- 2014 “Soğuk Savaş Sonrası Dönemde Türkiye-Polonya İlişkileri [Turkish-Polish Relations in the Post-Cold War Period],” *Türkiye-Polonya İlişkilerinin 600. Yılı* [600<sup>th</sup> Year of Turkish-Polish Relations] (symposium organized by the Beykoz Municipality), Istanbul, September 27.
- 2014 “Current State of Turkish-Ukrainian Relations: Challenges and Prospects,” *Ukrainian-Turkish Relations at Present Stage: Opportunities and Obstacles* (workshop organized by A.Yu.Krymskiy Institute of Oriental Studies, Kennan Institute in Ukraine and Center for Strategic Research-SAM), Kiev, July 3.

- 2014 “Geopolitical Implications of the Ukrainian Crisis,” *Implications of Ukrainian Crisis for Eastern Europe* (workshop organized by Center for Strategic Research (SAM) and European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR), Ankara, June 2.
- 2014 “Türkiye’nin Ukrayna Krizine Yönelik Politikası [Turkey’s Policy towards the Ukrainian Crisis],” *Ukrayna Krizi ve Türkiye Paneli* [Ukrainian Crisis and Turkey], Istanbul Şehir University, Istanbul, May 20.
- 2013 “The Black Sea Region in Davutoğlu’s Strategic Depth: A Critical Geopolitical Perspective,” *IV. Blue Black Sea International Congress* (organized by Marmara University), Istanbul, November 25-26.
- 2013 “Geopolitical Codes in Davutoğlu’s Views towards the Middle East,” *Strategizing Turkey: Davutoğlu Era in Turkish Foreign Policy* (international conference organized by Istanbul Kültür University), Istanbul, October 26-27.
- 2013 “Suriye Krizi Işığında Türkiye-Rusya İlişkileri [Turkish-Russian Relations in the Light of the Syrian Crisis],” *Sakarya Üniversitesi Ortadoğu Çalıştayı* [Sakarya University Workshop on the Middle East], Sakarya, June 19.
- 2013 “Turkish Foreign Policy and Russian-Turkish Relations,” *MGIMO University Conference*, Moscow, April 12.
- 2012 “Turkey’s Role as a ‘Regional Stability Contributor’ in the Southern Caucasus”, *Academic Swiss Caucasus Net (ASCN) Conference* (organized by ASCN and Kadir Has University), Istanbul, October 11-13.
- 2012 “Revisiting ‘The Grand Chessboard’: Rise of New Centres of Power in Eurasia and Its Implications for Turkish Foreign Policy”, *Mapping the Faultlines: Structural Crisis of the World-System and Turkey* (workshop organized by Istanbul Şehir University and Keele University), Istanbul, May 10.
- 2011 “Yeni Yüzyılda Türkiye-Rusya İlişkileri [Turkish-Russian Relations in the New Century]”, Symposium organized by Yıldız Technical University, Istanbul, May 12.
- 2009 “Central Asia or ‘Eurasia’?: The Ideological and Pragmatic Factors Defining Turkey’s Foreign Policy in the Region,” *11<sup>th</sup> European Society for Central Asian Studies (ESCAS) Conference*, Budapest, September 3-5.
- 2009 “Dynamics of Change in Turkish-Russian Relations in the 2000s,” *8<sup>th</sup> METU International Relations Conference*, Ankara, June 17-19.
- 2006 “Russia’s Place in the Post-Cold War World Order from the Neo-Eurasianist Perspective,” *Civilizations and World Orders International Symposium* (organized by the Foundation for Sciences and Arts), Istanbul, May 12-14.

### ***Book Reviews***

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- 2013 *Rusya ve Polonya’da Din, Kimlik, Siyaset (Religion, Identity, Politics in Russia and Poland)* by Sevinç Alkan Özcan, *Perceptions: Journal of International Affairs*, Vol. 18, No. 2, 2013, pp. 188-190.
- 2012 *Years of Blood: A History of the Armenian-Muslim Clashes in the Caucasus, 1905-1906* by Mammad Said Ordubadi, *Insight Turkey*, Vol. 14, No. 2, 2012, pp. 217-218.

- 2011 *Memalik'i Şahane'de Vatan'a (From Sultan's Lands to Homeland)* by Sezgi Durgun, *Radikal* (Turkish Daily), July 29.
- 2007 *Senfonik Kişilik: Beka-Doğa, Rus İdesi ve Rus İdeali (Symphonic Personality: Well-Being, Nature, Russian Idea and Russian Ideal)* by Vişne Korkmaz, *Cumhuriyet* (Turkish Daily), June 14.
- 2005 *Journal of Academic Studies' Special Edition on Europe / Eurasia* edited by Büşra Ersanlı, *Radikal* (Turkish Daily), February 25.

### ***Other Publications***

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- 2016 “The Turkish-Russian Reconciliation Process: The Implications For The Middle East,” *Al Sharq Forum Expert Brief*, August 2016, <http://sharqforum.org/2016/08/23/the-turkish-russian-reconciliation-process-the-implications-for-the-middle-east>.
- 2015 “Rusya'nın Suriye'deki Yeni Oyun Planı [Russia's New Game Plan in Syria],” *Ortadoğu Analiz* [Middle East Analysis] 7 (71): 34-37.
- 2015 “Rusya'nın Yeni Suriye Hamlesi Ne Anlama Geliyor? [What Are the Implications of Russia's New Move in Syria?],” *Ortadoğu Analiz* [Middle East Analysis] 7 (67): 33-35.
- 2014 “Rusya'nın Arap Baharı Politikası [Russia's Arab Spring Policy],” *Ortadoğu Analiz* [Middle East Analysis] 6 (61): 78-81.
- 2013 “Emerging Problems in the Ankara-Moscow Axis: The Syrian Crisis and NATO Missile Defense,” *Ortadoğu Analiz* [Middle East Analysis] 5 (60): 44-51.
- 2013 “The Shanghai Cooperation Organization: A New Alternative for Turkish Foreign Policy?” *Middle East Institute (Middle East-Asia Project)*, October 18, <http://www.mei.edu/content/shanghai-cooperation-organization-new-alternative-turkish-foreign-policy>.
- 2013 “Türk Dış Politikasında Avrasya Yönelimi ve Şanghay İşbirliği Örgütü [Eurasian Orientation in Turkish Foreign Policy and Shanghai Cooperation Organization],” *Ortadoğu Analiz* [Middle East Analysis] 5 (52): 14-23.

### ***Projects***

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- 2012-2016 Research group member in the EU FP-7 project titled “Transition versus Transformation: Comparing Paths to Democratic Change in the Former USSR Using Case Study Based Evidence from Civil Society, International Aid and Domestic Politics” (Grant No: PIRSES-GA-2011-295232).