

CONTACT  
INFORMATION

**Boğaziçi University**

**Faculty of Economics & Administrative Sciences**

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RESEARCH  
INTERESTS

Determinants of Inter/Intrastate Conflicts; Interdependence; Global Energy Politics; Econometric Modeling of Interstate Energy Relations; Quantitative/Large-N Research Methodology, Data Collection, and Design; Twitter and Social Media Analyses.

ACADEMIC  
POSITIONS

**Boğaziçi University**

Assistant Professor, Political Science & International Relations, **Faculty of Economics & Administrative Sciences**, Sept. 2025 – Present.

**İstanbul Medipol University**

Assistant Professor, Political Science & International Relations, **Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences**, Oct. 2018 – Aug. 2025.

Department Chair, Jan. 2021 – Aug. 2025.

Associate Dean, Dec. 2023 – Aug. 2025.

**Sabancı University**

Part-time Faculty, **Conflict Analysis & Resolution**, **Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences**, Sept. 2019 – Jan. 2020

Research Assistant, **International Studies**, **Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences**, June 2014 – Aug. 2018

**Harvard University**

Visiting Research Fellow, **Government**, **Graduate School of Arts & Sciences**, Jan. 2017 – June 2017

EDUCATION

**Sabancı University**

Ph.D., **Political Science**, 2018

Dissertation Title: *The Role of Energy Interdependence in Shaping World Politics*

M.A., **Political Science**, 2012

Thesis Title: *Restless Dyads: Revisiting Onset and Escalation in Militarized Interstate Disputes*

**Koç University**

M.A., **Economics**, 2011

Thesis Title: *Informality and Labor Market Mobility in Turkey: Evidence from Micro Data, 2000-2002*

B.A., **Economics**, *Vehbi Koç Scholar* (with High Honors), 2009

**Anadolu University**

A.A., **Theology** (with Honors), 2011.

**Aydın Science High School**, 2004

## PUBLICATIONS

“Navigating Energy Diplomacy in Times of Recovery and Conflict: A Study of Cross-Border Trade Dynamics”, with M. Emre Hatipoğlu and Fateh Belaid. *Resources Policy* (SSCI) 90, 104850, 2024.

“Russia-Ukraine War and EU’s Energy Security: Vulnerabilities and Opportunities,” (in Turkish) *What Kind of Partnership? Making Turkey-EU Relations Work Again* (Talha Köse, Ed.), SETA Books, 103, 2023.

“The Elderly in the Post-February 6 Earthquake Region: Current Situation, Needs and Recommendations,” (in Turkish) with Faruk Taşçı. *Senectus*, 1(2), 271–291, 2023.

“Documenting Energy Flows between States: The Global Energy Relations Dataset (GERD), 1978-2014,” with M. Emre Hatipoğlu. *International Interactions* (SSCI) 48(3), 492–519, 2022.

“The Pacifying Effect of Energy Dependence on Interstate Conflict: A Large-N Analysis,” with M. Emre Hatipoğlu and Mehmet Ali Soytaş. *Energy Research & Social Science* (SSCI) 78, 102–133, 2021.

“Quantitative Large-N Data Analysis and Its Application in International Relations Literature,” (in Turkish) *Pamukkale Üniversitesi Sosyal Bilimler Enstitüsü Dergisi* 42, 131–147, 2021.

“Energy Diplomacy,” (in Turkish) *Transforming Diplomacy & Turkey: Actors, Areas, Tools* (A. R. Usul, İ. Yaylacı, Ed.), Küre Yayınları, 2020.

“Automated Text Analysis and International Relations: The Introduction and Application of a Novel Technique for Twitter,” with M. Emre Hatipoğlu, İnanç Arın, and Yücel Saygın. *All Azimuth: A Journal of Foreign Policy and Peace* (ESCI) 8(2), 183–204, 2019.

“Social Media and Turkish Foreign Policy: Perceptions on Turkish Foreign Policy over Kobane Tweets,” (in Turkish) with M. Emre Hatipoğlu, Berkay Dinçer, and Yücel Saygın. *Uluslararası İlişkiler* (SSCI) 13(52): 175–197, 2016.

“Twitter and Politics: Identifying Turkish Opinion Leaders in the New Media,” with M. Emre Hatipoğlu, Gökhan Göktürk, Brooke Luetgert, and Yücel Saygın. *Turkish Studies* (SSCI) 15(4): 671–688, 2014.

## WORKING PAPERS

“Syrian Migrants, Domestic and International Politics: Parsing out Sentiments on Turkish Twitter,” with M. Emre Hatipoğlu.

“Energy Interdependence and Foreign Policy Similarity: Empirical Investigation of the Energy Weapon Model”

“Religion, Sense of Efficacy and Political Participation in Turkey,” Ayşe Büşra Topal and Beyzanur Han Tuncez.

“What Is European Aid Fractionalisation?,” with Damla Cihangir-Tetik.

“Economic Interdependence and Interstate Conflict: A Review Article,” (in Turkish).

“Restless Dyads: Revisiting Onset and Escalation in Militarized Interstate Disputes,” with M. Emre Hatipoğlu.

“Autocratic Regimes and Civil War Onset: On An Isthmus or Archipelago,” with M. Emre Hatipoğlu.

“International Organizations and Democratic Dispute Resolution: Does Power Politics Still Prevail?”

“Informality and Labor Market Mobility in Turkey: Evidence from Micro Data, 2000-2002,” with İnanç Tunali.

CONFERENCE &  
WORKSHOP  
PRESENTATIONS

“Got Energy? Interstate Energy Trade and Foreign Policy,” with M. Emre Hatipoğlu (presenter) and Fateh Belaid. *USAEE/IAEE North American Conference*, United States Association for Energy Economics, November 6–8, 2023.

“Energy Dependence and Interstate Conflict,” *ISA Midwest Annual Conference* (conference was held virtually), November 20–22, 2020.

“Syrian Migrants, Domestic and International Politics: Parsing out Sentiments on Turkish Twitter,” *ERF 26th Annual Conference: Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as a Framework for MENA’s Development Policy* (conference was held virtually), June–August, 2020.

“Can Energy Exports Provide Leverage in International Organizations? Russia, the Middle East and Voting in UN General Assembly” *Analytical Approaches to Blending Political Science with the Study of Energy Markets II*, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, Oct. 23, 2019.

“Energy Dependence and Interstate Relations: An Empirical Investigation of the Global Energy Interdependence Dataset,” *CEEISA-ISA’s Joint International Conference*, Belgrade, Serbia, June 17–19, 2019.

“Energy and the Quantitative International Relations (IR) Literature from Political Science,” *Analytical Approaches to Blending Political Science with the Study of Energy Markets I*, Golden, Colorado, April 9, 2019.

“Energy Interdependence and Foreign Policy Affinity: Introducing the Global Energy Dependence Dataset,” *ERF 25th Annual Conference: Knowledge, Research Networks, and Development Policy*, Kuwait City, Kuwait, March 10-12, 2019.

“Syrian Migrants and Domestic Politics in Turkey: Parsing out Sentiments on Turkish Twitter,” with M. Emre Hatipoğlu, İnanç Arm, and Yücel Saygın, *CEST Conference 2018: Societal Conflict and Cohabitation in Turkey and Beyond*, Stockholm, Sweden, Nov. 29- Dec. 1, 2018.

“Energy Interdependence and Militarized Interstate Disputes,” with M. Emre Hatipoğlu, *7th Annual Eurasian Peace Science Conference*, Özyeğin University, İstanbul, Turkey, Jan. 20-21, 2018.

“International Organizations and Democratic Dispute Resolution: Does Power Politics Still Prevail?” *ECPR Graduate Student Conference*, University of Tartu, Tartu, Estonia, July 10-13, 2016.

“Twitter and Politics: Identifying Turkish Opinion Leaders in the New Media,” with M. Emre Hatipoğlu, Gökhan Gökürk, Brooke Luetgert, and Yücel Saygın. *Maximizing the Integration Capacity of the European Union (MAXCAP) Young Researchers Workshop*, Sabancı University, İstanbul, Turkey, April 20-21, 2015.

“Restless Dyads: Revisiting Onset and Escalation in Militarized Interstate Disputes,” with M. Emre Hatipoğlu. *Empirical Studies in Political Analysis (ESPA) Workshop*, Antalya, Turkey, Jan. 24-25, 2015.

“Informality and Labor Market Mobility in Turkey: Evidence from Micro Data, 2000-2002,” with İnsan Tunalı. *Turkish Labor Market Network Meeting*, Bahçeşehir University, İstanbul, Turkey, June 5, 2014.

“International Organizations and Democratic Dispute Resolution: Does Power Politics Still Prevail?,” *5th Annual Eurasian Peace Science Conference*, Koç University, İstanbul, Turkey, April 24-27, 2014.

“Informality and Labor Market Mobility in Turkey: Evidence from Micro Data, 2000-2002,” with İnsan Tunalı. *ERF 20th Annual Conference: Economic Development and Social Justice*, Cairo, Egypt, March 22-24, 2014.

“Restless Dyads: Revisiting Onset and Escalation in Militarized Interstate Disputes,” with M. Emre Hatipoğlu. *PSS-ISA Joint Conference* Co-Sponsored by The Peace Science Society, International and the International Studies Association, Corvinus University, Budapest, Hungary, June 27-29, 2013.

“Autocratic Regimes and Civil War Onset: On An Isthmus or Archipelago,” with M. Emre Hatipoğlu. *4th Annual Eurasian Peace Science Conference*, Koç University, İstanbul, Turkey, May 25, 2013.

## PROJECTS

Part-time Researcher, “Twenty Years in Social Policies.” (granted by SETA)

- Compiling a time-series data of all indicators on social policies and protection in Türkiye for years 2002–2022.

Part-time Researcher, “Turkey Data Monitor.”

- *Part-time Research Assistant* of Dr. Murat Üçer
- Data processing on macro data sets.

Research Assistant, “Academics and Religion in Turkey.”

- *Research Assistant* of Ateş Altınordu, Çağla Aydın, and A. Faik Kurtulmuş.
- Coding several categorical variables and producing some basic statistical results from micro data using MS Excel.

Research Associate, “Identifying Policy Opinion Shapers and Trends in Turkey” (I-POST) (granted by Sabancı University).

- *Research Associate* of Brooke Luetgert, M. Emre Hatipoğlu, and Yücel Saygın.
- Reviewing and reporting the literature about social media and methodologies of network analysis.
- Focusing on social network analysis tools to identify who the Turkish opinion leaders are. Using quantitative techniques to calculate conventional centrality measures with R and STATA.

Research Associate, “Re-analysis of escalation patterns in interstate disputes based on incident level Militarized Interstate Disputes (MID-IP) v.3 dataset.”

- *Research Associate* of M. Emre Hatipoğlu.
- Reviewing the literature about interstate conflict studies.
- Working on EUGene data generating program. Learning about Militarized Interstate Disputes (MID) and Correlates of War (COW) datasets. Operationalizing and coding new independent variable related to our research question.
- Replicating several conflict studies published in top journals by using both EUGene and STATA.

Research Assistant, “Adjustments for Attrition and Rotation Design for Transition Matrices Obtained from the Turkish Household Labor Force Survey: Methods and Labor Market Applications” (granted by TÜBİTAK).

- *Research Assistant* for İnan Tunalı.
- Learning what the attrition problem is, how we can solve this problem for Turkish HLFS. Reviewing and reporting the related literature.
- Collecting and reporting data from TURKSTAT’s web page.
- Adjusting and manipulating micro dataset of 2000-2002 HLFS (Household Labor Force Survey).
- Using STATA and MATLAB programs to modify the data, to solve complex functions, and to apply various econometric models and testing procedures, such as; Maximum Likelihood Estimation, Multinomial Logit model, Rescaled Additively Non-Ignorable Model of Attrition model, Seemingly Unrelated Regression model, Hausman Specification Test, Hausman & McFadden’s Independence from Irrelevant Alternatives Test, Heckman’s Sample Selection Bias Correction.

#### TEACHING

Instructor, <b>Istanbul Medipol University</b>	<b>Oct. 2018 - current</b>
Statistics for Social Sciences (Undergrad-level)	
Research Methods in Social Sciences (Undergrad-level)	
Global Energy Politics (Undergrad-level)	
International Conflict and Cooperation (Undergrad-level)	
International Economics (Undergrad-level)	
Terrorism, Insurgency, and Civil War (Undergrad-level)	
Political Institutions (Undergrad-level)	
Introduction to Economics II (Undergrad-level)	
Petrol ve Enerji Siyaseti (Graduate-level)	
Uluslararası İlişkiler Teorileri (Graduate-level)	
Instructor, <b>Anadolu University</b>	<b>March 2025 - May 2025</b>
Political Science (Undergrad-level)	
Instructor, <b>Sabancı University</b>	<b>Sept. 2019 - Jan. 2020</b>
CONF 512: Research Methods (Graduate-level)	
Teaching Assistant, <b>Sabancı University</b>	<b>Sept. 2011 - Aug. 2018</b>
POLS 530: Quantitative Research Methods (Graduate-level; four semesters)	

POLS 531: Qualitative Research Methods (Graduate-level; five semesters)

IR 392: Foreign Policy Analysis (Undergrad-level; two semesters)

SPS 101/102: Humanity and Society I/II (Undergrad-level; four semesters)

Teaching Assistant, **Koç University** **Sept. 2007 - June 2011**

MFIN 510: Financial Econometrics (Graduate-level)

ECON 322: International Finance (Graduate-level)

ECON 302: Applied Macroeconomic Analysis (Undergrad-level)

ECON 311/312: Econometrics I/II (Undergrad-level; two semesters)

ECON 202: Intermediate Macroeconomics (Undergrad-level)

MATH 101/102: Finite Mathematics/Calculus (Undergrad-level)

SUMMER SCHOOLS **University of Mannheim**, Mannheim, Germany  
& ACADEMIC  
SEMINARS

**Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM)**, June 2013.

- *Theoretical and Methodological Foundations* by Prof. Randall Calvert and Prof. James Lo
- *Advanced Methods in Selection and Strategic Modeling* by Prof. Curtis Signorino

**Institut Barcelona di'Estudis Internacionals (IBEI)**, Barcelona, Spain

**IBEI Summer School of the Mediterranean**, July 2010.

**Koç University**, İstanbul, Turkey

Advanced Research Methods & Statistics in Social Sciences, July 2011 & July 2012.

- *Network Analysis* by Prof. Zeev Maoz
- *Structural Equation Modeling* by Prof. Nazlı Baydar
- *Survey Design and Sampling* by Prof. Ali Çarkoğlu
- *Hierarchical Linear Modeling* by Prof. Mahmut Beyazıt

**Sabancı University**, İstanbul, Turkey

Hierarchical Linear Modeling (HLM) Workshop, March 2011.

**Barcelona Graduate School of Economics**, Barcelona, Spain

**Barcelona Labor Economics Summer School**, June 2010.

SKILLS

**Languages:** Turkish (native), English (advanced), Arabic (Beginner), Ottoman Turkish (Intermediate)

**Statistical Softwares:** STATA (high proficiency); SPSS, HLM, MPLUS (beginner).

**Social Network Analysis:** UCINET, MAOZ.NET.

**Programming Languages:** R (intermediate); Python, OX, MATLAB (beginner).

**Others:** Microsoft Office, T<sub>E</sub>X (L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, B<sub>I</sub>B<sub>T</sub>E<sub>X</sub>), Citavi, Learning Catalytics (high proficiency), ArcGIS, QGIS (beginner).

AWARDS &  
HONORS

Academic Golden Owl Award, Turkish Researchers' Association, 2016.

Graduate Scholarship for Ph.D., Sabancı University Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences: Full Tuition Waiver, Monthly Stipend, and Dormitory Scholarship, 2012-current.

Graduate Fellowship TÜBİTAK: National Scholarship for Ph.D. Students, 2012-current.

Graduate Travel Grants, Sabancı University Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, 2012, 2014, 2015, 2016.

Merit-based Graduate Grant for Summer School, EITM Europe, Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models Summer Institute 2013, Mannheim: Scholarship covering tuition fee of 1300 Euros, June 2013.

Merit-based Graduate Grant for Summer School, IBEI Summer School of the Mediterranean 2012: Scholarship covering accommodation in Barcelona and tuition fee of 800 Euros in total, July 2012.

Graduate Scholarship for M.A., Sabancı University Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences: Full Tuition Waiver and Dormitory Scholarship, 2011-2012.

Graduate Fellowship TÜBİTAK: National Scholarship for Master Students, 2009-2011.

Graduate Scholarship for M.A., Koç University Graduate School of Social Sciences: Full Tuition Waiver, Monthly Stipend, and Dormitory Scholarship, 2009-2011.

Vehbi Koç Scholar Award, Koç University College of Administrative Science and Economics, 2005-2009.

Undergraduate Fellowship Koç University College of Administrative Science and Economics, High Merit Scholarship: Full Tuition Waiver, Monthly Stipend, and Dormitory Scholarship, 2004-2009.

THESIS  
SUPERVISION

Elif Işık (*ongoing*), M.A. in Political Science, "A Systematic Analysis of Factors Affecting Fertility in Türkiye Using Micro-level Datasets," Advisor.

Tuba Şending (2019), M.A. in Political Science, "Regime Type and the Propensity to Negotiate with Insurgents during Civil Conflict," Committee Member.

Büşra Yeşilağaç (2019), M.A. in Conflict Resolution, "Controversial Nature of Nuclear Energy in Turkey: An Explanatory Analysis," Committee Member.

Neslihan Saydam (2019), M.A. in Conflict Resolution, "The Role of International Board Members in the Integration Of National Oil Companies (NOCs) into the Global Market: A Comparative Analysis of Saudi Aramco and Equinor", Committee Member.

Abulaiti Abudula (2018), M.A. in Political Science, "Chinese Foreign Aid and the UNGA Voting Patterns of the Recipients," Committee Member.