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EDUCATION:

Ph.D. 1983, Princeton University
Department of Politics

M.A. 1980, Princeton University
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Major: Political Science and Economics

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ACADEMIC POSITIONS :

Chair
Department of Political Science and International Relations
Boğaziçi University
January 1997-January 1999; April 2013-September 2014; September 2015-July 2017; July 2021-

Vice-Rector for Academic Affairs (Provost)
Boğaziçi University, August 2008-August 2012.

Professor
Department of Political Science and International Relations
Boğaziçi University
May 1996-

Associate Professor
Department of Political Science and International Relations
Boğaziçi University
Fall 1990-Spring 1996

Assistant Professor
Department of Political Science and International Relations
Boğaziçi University

Fall 1983-Fall 1990
Visiting Scholar, Department of Political Science, Program on Governance and
Local Development,
Gothenburg University,
Fall 2018 and Fall 2020

Visiting Scholar, School of Social Sciences, Institute of Advanced Studies,
Princeton,
April 4-12, 2015.

Visiting International Scholar, Stanford Humanities Center
Stanford University,
Fall 2014

Visiting Scholar, Roberta Buffett Center for International and Comparative Studies
Northwestern University
2007-2008 academic year

Visiting Scholar, Center for Middle Eastern and North African Studies
University of Michigan
Fall 2000 and Fall 2001

Visiting Professor, Department of Political Science
University of Minnesota
June-July 1996

Visiting Fellow, Department of Near Eastern Studies
Princeton University
Fall 1993

Visiting Professor, Department of Near Eastern Studies
Princeton University
Fall 1989

Visiting Fellow, Center of International Studies
Princeton University
1988-1989 academic year

MEMBERSHIP in ACADEMIC BOARDS:

Editorial Board Member, Hawwa, 2017-

Editorial Board Member, 2014-
Journal of Middle East Women's Studies

United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD),
Board member, 2009-2013

Academic Board member,
Boğaziçi University Foundation, 2006-2012

Editorial Board Member, 2004-2015
Journal of Women's History

Editorial Board Member, 2002-2005
International Journal of Middle East Studies

Advisory Board Member, 2000-2005
Encyclopedia of Women and Islamic Cultures, Brill Publishers

Book Review Editor

Journal of Economic and Administrative Studies, Boğaziçi University, 1986-1991.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Undergraduate courses taught since 1983 :

Gender and Politics
Gender and Politics in Contemporary Middle East
Introduction to Turkish Politics
Problems and Issues in Turkish Politics
Introduction to Politics
Politics in Developing Countries
Bureaucratic Theory
Political Analysis
Religion and Society

Graduate courses taught:

Turkish Politics
Contemporary Issues in Gender and Politics
Gender and Politics in the Middle East
Gender and Politics
Socio-Economic Change in the Middle East
Transitions to Democracy
Democratic Theory
Democracy and Multiculturalism
Constitutional and Political Change in Turkey

PUBLICATIONS:

Books:

The Patriarchal Paradox: Women Politicians in Turkey, N.J., Fairleigh Dickinson University Press, 1989.

Rethinking the Political: Gender, Resistance and the State, co-edited with Barbara Laslett and Johanna Brenner, Chicago, University of Chicago Press, 1995.

Rethinking Islam and Liberal Democracy: Islamist Women in Turkish Politics, Albany, State University of New York Press, 2005.

Türkiye’de Kadına Yönelik Şiddet (Violence Against Women in Turkey), with Ayşe Gül Altınay
Istanbul, Punto, 2007 (2008 Pen Duygu Asena Award).

Violence Against Women in Turkey: a Nationwide Survey, with Ayşe Gül Altınay, Istanbul Punto, 2009.

Turkey Between Democracy and Authoritarianism, with Şevket Pamuk, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 2019.

Selected Articles:

"Obstacles to Political Careers: Perceptions of Turkish Women", International Political Science Review, vol.6, no.3, 1985.

"The Question of Suffrage in Turkey", Current Turkish Thought, no.57, Winter 1985.

"Türkiye'de Kadın Milletvekillerinin Değişen Siyasal Rollerini: 1934-1980" (Changing Political Roles of Women Parliamentarians in Turkey), Journal of Economic and Administrative Studies, Boğaziçi University, vol.1, no.1, Winter 1987.

"From the Private to the Political Realm: Women Parliamentarians in Turkey" in Ferhunde Özbay (ed.), Women, Family and Social Change in Turkey, UNESCO, 1990.

"Die Mutterlandspartei und der politisch-wirtschaftliche Wandel nach 1983" in Jutta Aumüller et al. (eds.), Jahrbuch für Vergleichende Sozialforschung 1987/88, Berlin, Edition Parabolis, 1990.

"Islamic Fundamentalism and Women in Turkey", The Muslim World, vol. 80, no.1, January 1990.

"Feminizm ve İslam: Kadın ve Aile Dergisinin Düşündürdükleri" (Feminism and Islam: Thoughts on the Journal Kadın ve Aile) in Şirin Tekeli (ed.), Kadın Bakış Açısından 1980'ler Türkiye'sinde Kadınlar (Women in 1980s' Turkey from a Woman's Perspective), Istanbul, İletişim Yayınları, 1990 (4. edition 2010).

"Zum Verhältnis von Feminismus und Islam: Überlegungen zur Frauenzeitschrift Kadın ve Aile" in Ayla Neusel et al. (eds.), Aufstand im Haus der Frauen: Frauenforschung aus der Türkei, Berlin: Orlanda Frauenverlag, 1991.

"Social Change and the 1983 Governing Elite in Turkey" in Mübeccel Kıray (ed.), Structural Change in Turkish Society, Indiana, Indiana University Press, 1991.

"Politics and Big Business in Turkey: Janus Faced Link to the State" in Metin Heper (ed.), The Strong State and Economic Interest Groups: The Post 1980 Turkish Experience, Berlin, N.Y., Walter de Gruyter, 1991.

"1980'ler Türkiye'sinde Kadın Hareketi" (Women's Movement in the 1980s' Turkey), Toplum ve Bilim, Spring 1991.

"Women's Movement and the Turkish State in the 1980-1990 Decade" in Klaus Helkama and Kirsi Tolonen (eds.), Psychological Issues in the Political Transformation of Central and Eastern Europe, Helsinki, University of Helsinki, 1991.

"1980'ler Türkiye'sinde Kadın Hareketi" (Women's Movement in the 1980s' Turkey), Necla Arat (ed.) Türkiye'de Kadın Olgusu, İstanbul, Say Yayınları, 1992, reprinted from Toplum ve Bilim, Spring 1991.

"İslami Değerler Açısından Kadının Toplumdaki Yeri ve Modern Değerlerle Çatışan Noktalar" (Woman's Status in Islam and Controversy with Modern Values), Bülten, April 1992.

"Women's Studies in Turkey: From Kemalism to Feminism", New Perspectives on Turkey, no.9, Fall 1993.

"Toward a Democratic Society: Women's Movement in Turkey in the 1980s", Women's Studies International Forum, vol.17, no.2/3, 1994.

"Women's Movement of the 1980s in Turkey: Radical Outcome of Liberal Kemalism?", in Müge Göçek and Shiva Balaghi (eds.), Reconstructing Gender in the Middle East: Tradition, Identity and Power, N. Y., Columbia University Press, 1994.

"Purple Roof Women's Shelter Foundation: Democratic Aspirations in Institution Building", Journal of Economic and Administrative Studies, Boğaziçi University, vol. 8, no. 1-2, 1994.

"Feminism and Islam: Considerations on the Journal Kadın ve Aile" in Şirin Tekeli (ed.), Women in Modern Turkish Society, London, Zed Books, 1995 (revised version of "Feminism ve İslam: Kadın ve Aile Dergisinin Düşündürdükleri").

"On Gender and Citizenship in Turkey", Middle East Report, January-March 1996.

"A Feminist Mirror in Turkey: Portraits of Two Activists in the 1980s", Princeton Papers, Fall, 1996.

"A Feminist Mirror in Turkey: Portraits of Two Activists in the 1980s", Harris et al, Challenges to Democracy in the Middle East, Princeton, Markus Wiener Publishers, 1997, (reprinted from Princeton Papers, Fall, 1996).

"The Project of Modernity and Women in Turkey", in Sibel Bozdoğan and Reşat Kasaba (eds), Rethinking Modernity and National Identity in Turkey, Seattle, University of Washington Press, 1997.

"Der republikanische Feminismus in der Türkei aus feministischer Sicht" in Claudia Schöning-Kalender et al (eds.) Feminismus, Islam, Nation, Frankfurt, Campus Verlag, 1997.

"Purple Roof Women's Shelter Foundation: Democratic Aspirations and Local Constraints", in Zehra Arat (ed.), Deconstructing Images of "The Turkish Woman", New York, St. Martin's Press, 1998, paperback 1999. (revised version of "Purple Roof Women's Shelter Foundation: Democratic Aspirations in Institution Building", Journal of Economic and Administrative Studies, Boğaziçi University, vol. 8, no. 1-2, 1994).

"Türkiye'de Modernleşme Projesi ve Kadınlar", in Sibel Bozdoğan and Reşat Kasaba (der), Türkiye'de Modernleşme ve Ulusal Kimlik, İstanbul, Tarih Vakfı Yurt Yayınları, 1998.

"Feminists, Islamists and Political Change in Turkey", Political Psychology, vol. 19, no. 1, March 1998.

"A Woman Prime Minister in Turkey: Did it Matter?", Women and Politics, October 1998.

“Türkiye’de Yurttaşlık ve Kadınlar” in Suna Kili’ye Armağan, İstanbul, Boğaziçi Üniversitesi Yayınları, 1998.

"Türkiye'de Kadın Milletvekillerinin Değişen Siyasal Rollerini: 1934-1980" (Changing Political Roles of Women Parliamentarians in Turkey), in Ayşe Berktaş Hacımiraçoğlu (ed.) 75 yılda kadınlar ve erkekler, İstanbul, Tarih Vakfı Yayınları, 1998, reprinted from Journal of Economic and Administrative Studies, Boğaziçi University, vol.1, no.3 Winter 1987.

“Tansu Çiller ve Türkiye’de Kadınların Siyasal Katılımı”, in Zeynep Göğüş (ed.) Kadınlar Olmadan Asla, İstanbul, Sabah yayınları, 1998.

“Türkiye’de Toplumsal Cinsiyet ve Vatandaşlık” in Artun Ünsal (ed.) 75 Yılda Tebaa’dan Yurttaş’a Doğru, İstanbul, Tarih Vakfı Yayınları, 1998.

“Frauen und Demokratie in der Türkei”, in Gabriele Abels, Stefanie Sifft (eds), Demokratie als Project, Frankfurt, Campus Verlag, 1999.

“Refah Partisi Hanım Komisyonları”, in Bilanço 1923-1998: Siyaset-Kültür-Uluslararası İlişkiler, İstanbul, Tarih Vakfı Yayınları, 1999.

“Democracy and Women in Turkey: In Defense of Liberalism”, Social Politics Fall 1999.

“From Emancipation to Liberation: The Changing Role of Women in Turkey’s Public Realm”, Journal of International Affairs, Fall, 2000.

“Gender and Citizenship in Turkey”, Suad Joseph ed. Gender and Citizenship in the Middle East, Syracuse University Press, 2000.

“Gender and Citizenship: Considerations on the Turkish Experience”, Suad Joseph and Susan Slyomovics eds. Women and Power in the Middle East Philadelphia, University of Pennsylvania Press, 2001, (reprinted from Middle East Report, January-March 1996).

“One Ban and Many Headscarves: Islamist Women and Democracy in Turkey”, Hagar: International Social Science Review, vol.2, (1), 2001.

Group Differentiated Rights and Liberal Democracy: Rethinking the Headscarf Controversy in Turkey”, New Perspectives on Turkey, Fall 2001.

“Women’s Rights as Human Rights: The Turkish Case”, Human Rights Review, vol. 3, number 1, October –December 2001.

“Süleyman Demirel: National Will and Beyond”, Metin Heper and Sabri Sayarı eds. Political Leaders and Democracy in Turkey, Maryland, Lexington Books, 2002.

“Turkey: Early 20th Century to Present”, Encyclopedia of Women and Islamic Cultures, vol.1 Methodologies, Paradigms and Sources, Leiden, Brill Publishers, 2003.

“Boundaries of the Nation-State and the Lure of the Islamic Community in Turkey”, Joel Migdal ed., Boundaries and Belonging: States and Societies in the Struggle to Shape Identities and Local Practices, New York, Cambridge University Press, 2004.

“Rethinking the Political: A Feminist Journal in Turkey, *Pazartesi*”, Women's Studies International Forum, vol. 27, 2004.

“Women’s Challenge to Citizenship in Turkey”, Faruk Birtek and Thalia Dragonas eds. Citizenship and the Nation-State in Greece and Turkey, London and New York, Routledge, 2005.

“Civil Society and Democracy Ideologies: Turkey”, Encyclopedia of Women and Islamic Cultures, vol. 2 Family, Law and Politics, Leiden, Brill Publishers, 2005 .

“Contestation and collaboration: Women’s struggles for empowerment in Turkey” in Resat Kasaba ed., The Cambridge History of Turkey, Vol IV: Turkey in the modern world, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2008.

“Süleyman Demirel: Milli İrade ve Ötesi”, in Metin Heper and Sabri Sayarı, eds., Türkiye’de Liderler ve Demokrasi, İstanbul, Kitap Yayınevi, 2008.

“Nation Building and Feminism in Early Republican Turkey” in Celia Kerslake, Kerem Öktem and Philip Robins eds. , Turkey’s Engagement with Modernity: Conflict and Change in the Twentieth Century, Great Britain, Palgrave Macmillan, 2010.

“Women’s Rights and Islam in Turkish Politics”, The Middle East Journal, vol. 64, no. 2, 2010.

“Religion, Politics and Gender Equality in Turkey: implications of a democratic paradox?”, Third World Quarterly, vol. 31, no. 6, 2010.

“Çekişme ve İşbirliği: Türkiye’de Kadınların Güçlenme Mücadeleleri”, in Reşat Kasaba ed. Modern Dünyada Türkiye, İstanbul, Kitap Yayınevi, 2011.

“Violence, Resistance and Gezi Park”, International Journal of Middle East Studies, 45, November 2013.

“KAMER, a women’s center and an experiment in cultivating cosmopolitan norms”, Women’s Studies International Forum, 49, 2015, with Ayşe Gül Altınay.

“On the Emancipation of Women in Contemporary Turkey?”, in Nermin Abadan-Unat and Gretty Mirdal eds. Emancipation in Exile: Perspectives on the Empowerment of Migrant Women, İstanbul, Bilgi University Press, 2015.

“1980 Sonrası Kadın Sorunları ve Kadın Hareketi”, in Mehmet Kabasakal ed. Türkiye’de Siyasal Yaşam, İstanbul, Bilgi University Press, 2016.

“Islamist Women and Feminist Concerns in Contemporary Turkey: Prospects for Women’s Rights and Solidarity”, Frontiers: A Journal of Women Studies, 37, 3, 2016.

“Democratic Backsliding and the Instrumentalization of Women's Rights in Turkey” Gender and Politics, forthcoming, 2021.

Reports and Working Papers:

"Autonomy and Capacity: State Society Relations in Post 1980 Turkey", Boğaziçi University Research Paper, 1990.

"The role of non-governmental organizations in changing the political climate and creating conditions to promote equality", report prepared for the Council of Europe, 1994.

"Political Islam and Women's Associations" prepared for and published by Turkish Economic and Social Studies Foundation, Istanbul, October 1999.

"Gezi Parkı Direnişi: Demokrasi Açığı, Demokrasi Gücü", report prepared for the Science Academy, Turkey, 2013, available on line at www.bilimakademisi.org.

"Beyond the Democratic Paradox: The Decline of Democracy in Turkey", The Program on Governance and Local Development at University of Gothenburg, Working Paper no. 21 2019.

Book Reviews and other writings:

The New Women's Movement: Feminism and Political Power in Europe and the USA, by Drude Dahlerup (ed.), Beverly Hills, Sage Publications, 1986: "Türkiye'de Feminizm ve Solculuk" (Feminism and the Left in Turkey), Cumhuriyet, August 13, 1987.

Kadınlar İçin (For Women) by Şirin Tekeli, European Association of Women Political Scientists Newsletter, December, 1988.

"Kadınlar İçin Siyasetin Önemi" (Importance of Politics for Women), Toplum ve Bilim, Spring, 1989.

The Imperial Harem: Women and Sovereignty in the Ottoman Empire, by Leslie Peirce, Oxford, Oxford University Press, 1993 and The Women's Awakening in Egypt, by Beth Baron, New Haven, Yale University Press, 1994: Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society, Spring 1996.

Hasene Ilgaz Arşivi Kataloğu, by Nurgül Özdoğan and Zeynep Eratalay, unpublished thesis submitted to Marmara Üniversitesi, Fen-Edebiyat Fakültesi Arşivcilik Bölümü: "Kadın Eserleri Kütüphanesi'nde İlk Arşiv, İlk Katalog: Hasene Ilgaz", Toplumsal Tarih, March 2000.

Dislocating Cultures: Identities, Traditions and Third World Feminism by Uma Narayan, New York, Routledge, 1997 and Gender in Third World Politics by Georgina Waylen, Boulder, Lynne Rienner Publishers, 1996 : Women and Politics, vol.25 no.1/2, 2003.

Fragments of Culture, by Deniz Kandiyoti and Ayşe Saktanber eds. , London, I. B. Tauris and Co. Ltd., 2002: South European Society and Politics, Summer 2003.

Faces of the State, by Yael Navaro, Princeton, Princeton University Press, 2002, International Journal of Middle East Studies, August 2003 .

"Niye Kadın Kotası?" (Why a Quota for Women?) Radikal İki, April 8, 2007, p.1.and 4.

“Men’s Coups, Women’s Troubles”, Journal of Middle East Women’s Studies, March 2017, 13:1.

“Toplumsal cinsiyet ve toplumsal cinsiyet eşitliği nedir ne değildir? Sarkaç, February 10, 2020.

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

International Political Science Association
Middle East Studies Association
Association of Middle East Women’s Studies
Turkish Social Science Association
Turkish Political Science Association

RESEARCH GRANTS

Boğaziçi University Research Fund grant for the project, “Turkey Since 1980”, June 2017- June 2018.

United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD), Project on “Religion, Politics and Gender Equality”. August 2007- March 2009.

TUBITAK (Turkish Scientific and Technical Research Institution) grant for the project with Dr. Ayşe Gül Altınay : “Gender Based Violence: Analyzing the Problem and the Struggle Against it”, January 2006- July 2007.

Boğaziçi University Research Fund grant for the project, “Feminist Journals in Turkey”, July 2002.

TESEV (The Turkish Economic and Social Studies Foundation) grant for the project, “Political Islam and Women’s Associations”, April- October 1998.

Ford Foundation Middle East Research Competition grant for the project, "The Women's Movement of the 1980s and the State in Turkey", June 1992.

AWARDS and HONORS

Science Academy, Turkey, member, 2012-

Boğaziçi University, “Outstanding Achievement in Research”, 2002.

Pen Duygu Asena Award 2008, for Türkiye’de Kadına Yönelik Şiddet, Istanbul, Punto, 2007 with Ayşe Gül Altınay.

CONFERENCE, SEMINAR PAPERS, LECTURES

Sabancı University, Orient Institute, Koç University, “Mapping Gender in the Near East: What’s New and What’s Ahead”, December 9-10, 2020: “Women’s Status and Women’s Studies in Turkey and the Near East”.

Marmara University, Faculty of Political Science, February 27, 2020: “Hayat Hikayesi ve Akademik Deneyim”.

Bilkent University, Kadın Zirvesi, February 22, 2020: “Türkiye’de Kadın Hakları ve Siyasal Dönüşüm”.

European Conference on Politics and Gender, Amsterdam, 4-6 July 2019: “Feminist Movement and the Women of the Gezi Park Protests”.

Göteborg University, Global Studies, November 29, 2018: “Beyond the Democratic Paradox: The Decline of Democracy in Turkey”.

Stockholm University, Institute of Turkish Studies, November 27, 2018: “Beyond the Democratic Paradox: The Decline of Democracy in Turkey”.

Middle East Studies Association annual meeting, San Antonio, November 15-18, 2018: “The AKP Authoritarianism and Instrumentalization of Women’s Rights”.

Northwestern University, Chicago, Buffett Institute for Global Studies, “Law and Politics in Turkey” Conference, October 26-28, 2017: “The Liberal Means to Conservative Ends: Women’s Rights and the Justice and Democracy Party’s Authoritarian Trajectory from Reform to Emergency rule”.

Middle East Studies Association annual meeting, Boston, November 17-20, 2016: “The Authoritarian Bargain: The Decline of Democracy in Turkey”.

Middle East Studies Association annual meeting, Boston, November 17-20, 2016: Special Session, “The Crisis in Turkey”, speaker.

Columbia University, NY, Institute for Religion, Culture and Public Life Conference, “Democracy and Religious Pluralism”, February 12-13, 2016: “Justice and Development Party: Authoritarian Bargain and Increasing Violence in Turkey”.

Bogazici University and Women’s Library International Conference, “Against Women: Violence Transcending Boundaries and Cultures”, November 29, 2015: “Violence against women and Resistance : the Turkish Case”.

Koç University Lecture, November 26, 2015: “Kadına Yönelik Şiddet ve Direniş”.

Middle East Technical University, International Conference on Knowledge and Politics in Gender and Women’s Studies, October 9-11, 2015: “On becoming a feminist academic”.

Institute of Advanced Studies, Princeton, April 6, 2015: “The Decline of Democracy in Turkey: Popular Support, Institutional Decay”.

Middle East Technical University, panel on, “Otoriterleşen Devlet ve Toplumsal Cinsiyet Eşitliği Politikaları”, Ankara, February 9, 2015: “Eşitsiz Politikalar ve Kadınların Direnişi”.

Stanford University, Center for Democracy, Development and the Rule of Law, October 21, 2014: “Justice and Democracy Party in Turkey: Electoral Success and Democratic Deficit”.

Stanford University, Stanford Humanities Center, October 14, 2014: “Political Change and Women’s Predicament in Turkey”.

Bilkent University Seminar Series, Polity, Society and the World, Ankara, February 19, 2014: “Is the Flood Tide over? Considerations on the Impact and Predicament of the Women’s Movement in Turkey”.

Swedish Institute, Istanbul, November 5, 2013: “The Contemporary Dilemmas of Turkish Feminism”.

Oberlin College, Lecture Series, April 5, 2013: “Feminism in Turkey since 1980”.

The Ohio State University, Public Lecture, April 4, 2013: “Women’s Rights and Feminism in Turkey since 1980”.

Conference “Grounding Cosmopolitanism: Theory and Practice through the prism of women’s rights”, Bahçeşehir University, March 18-19, 2013: “Kamer in Turkey and cosmopolitanism”.

No Peace Without Justice, “Liberty is development-the female contribution”, Roundtable, November 10, 2012, Catania: “Liberty is development- the female contribution in Turkey”.

Heinrich Böll-Shirkat Gah International Conference on Women, Religion and Politics, 17-18 March, 2011, Lahore, Guest speaker: “ Women, Religion and Politics in Turkey: Implications for Collaboration”.

8th Graduate Student Conference of Turkish Political Science Association, Okan University, Istanbul, December 4, 2010, Keynote Speaker: “Democratic Paradox: Politics, Religion and Gender Relations in Turkey”.

Beyond the Glass Ceiling: Women Rectors across Europe, Women and Leadership in Higher Education, Istanbul Technical University, Istanbul, April 12-14, 2010, Keynote Speaker: “The question of numbers and power: women in top university administration”.

International Symposium on the role of Equal Opportunity Committee of Grand National Assembly of Turkey on Gender Equality, Istanbul, December 4-5, 2009: “Gender Equality and how the Turkish Grand National Assembly can expand it”.

EU Framework 6 Project FEMCIT, “Gendered Citizenship in Multicultural Europe: The Impact of Contemporary Women’s Movements” Annual Meeting, Istanbul, September 16-18, 2009, Keynote Speaker,: “Feminist Activism and its Challenge to Citizenship in Turkey”.

United Nations Research Institute for Social Development Workshop, Berlin, June, 4-5, 2009: “Religion, Politics and Gender Equality in Turkey: Implications of a Democratic Paradox”.

“Democracy and Development in the Middle East Conference” in honor of John Waterbury, Princeton University, April 3-4, 2009: Women’s Movement in Turkey: The Transformative Implications for Turkish Democracy.

London School of Economics conference, London, “State, Society and Democracy in Turkey in the Era of Globalization since 1980”, November 28, 2008: “Post 1980 democratization in Turkey and some of its implications for political liberalism”.

University of London, School of Oriental and African Studies, London, October 31, 2008, lecture: “Intertwining of Religion and Politics and its Implications for Women”.

The Middle East Technical University, for the EU Project “Values, Equality and Differences in Liberal Democracies: Debates about Female Muslim Headscarves in Europe, October 17, 2008: “Liberal Democracy and the Headscarves in Turkey”.

American Political Science Association meeting, Boston, August 28-31, 2008: “Religion, Politics and Gender Equality in Turkey: Confrontation, Coexistence or Transformation”.

Istanbul Seminars, Reset Dialogues on Civilizations, Istanbul, Bilgi University, June 2-6, 2008 : “Women in Turkey: Cosmopolitan Aspirations and Religious Identities”.

United Nations Research Institute for Social Development Methodologies Workshop, Istanbul, 14-15 May 2008: “Religion, Politics and Gender Equality: The Turkish Case”.

Yale University, Çagatay Colloquia, March 25, 2008: “Intertwining of Religion and Politics in Turkey: Implications for Women”.

Roberta Buffett Center for International and Comparative Studies, Northwestern University, November 14, 2007: “Politics of Hope and Small Numbers: KAMER, A Women’s Center”.

Women in the Middle East: A Contemporary Assessment, Rice University, James Baker III Institute for Public Policy, Texas, May 22, 2007 : “Moving with a Vengeance? : Turkish Women Excluded from the State, Organizing in Society”.

Middle East Studies Association annual meeting, Boston, November 18-21, 2006 with Ayşe Gül Altınay: “Powers of Pain, Powers of Resistance: Gender-Based Violence and the Struggle Against It in Turkey”.

The Danish Center for Information on Women and Gender (KVINFO), New Images of the Middle East- Gender and Change, Copenhagen, Denmark, September, 2, 2006: “KA-MER, the Women’s Center: A Fight against Violence and the Power of ‘Independence’”.

International Political Science Association World Congress, Fukuoka, Japan, July 9-13, 2006: “Muslim Headscarves in Turkey: A Treat to Democracy or a Dictate of Civil Rights”.

Middle East Studies Association annual meeting, San Francisco, November 19-22, 2005: “Afetinan and Feminist Nation Building in Early Republican Turkey”.

Princeton University, Institute for the Transregional Study of the Contemporary Middle East, North Africa, and Central Asia, Veiling in the Muslim world, April 25, 2005: “Women with Headscarves: The Turkish Case”.

Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of California, Berkeley, April 21, 2005: “Women, Islam and Politics in Turkey”.

Middle East Studies Association annual meeting, San Francisco, November 20-23, 2004: “Play it again Sam: Civil Code Amendment in Turkey”.

Oxford University, conference on “Turkey’s Engagement with Modernity: The Twentieth Century”, 22-26 September 2004, St Anthony’s College,: “Nation Building and Feminism in Early Republican Turkey”.

“Women and Islam” series, Northwestern University, Center for International and Comparative Studies, Lecture, May 4, 2004: “Worldviews of Islamist Women Activists in Turkey”.

Tel Aviv University Conference on “Turkey in the Aftermath of the War in Iraq”, December 8, 2003: “Islamist Women in Turkish Politics”.

10th Biennial Conference of the International Society for Theoretical Psychology, Istanbul, June 22-27, 2003: “Considerations on the Headscarf Issue in Turkey”.

Middle East Studies Association annual meeting, Washington DC, November 23-26, 2002: “Redefining the political: the feminist journal Pazartesi”.

Fulbright conference “Women in the Global Community”, Boğazici University, September 18-21, 2002: “The International Context and Women’s Rights in Turkey”.

Yale University, Pierson College and the The Yale Center for the Study of Globalization, November 29, 2001 Lecture: “Islamist Women in Turkish Politics: The Reality of Secularism and the Lure of Religion”.

Princeton University, Program in Near Eastern Studies, November 26, 2001: “Dictates of Liberalism and the Headscarf Controversy in Turkey”.

Middle East Studies Association, Annual Meeting, San Francisco, November, 17-20, 2001 in the panel “Author Meets Critics: A Look at Stephen Kinzer’s Crescent and Star: Turkey between Two Worlds”.

Middle East Studies Association, Annual Meeting, San Francisco, November, 17-20, 2001 in the Thematic Conversations, “Insiders- Outsiders: New Questions in Research on Women and Gender of the Middle East in the New Millennium”.

University of California, Berkeley, Symposium on “Women in Islamic Societies: New Questions in an Era of Globalization”, Center of Middle Eastern Studies, , November 16, 2001: “Crossing Boundaries: Islamist Women in Turkish Politics”.

The Rockefeller Foundation Bellagio Study and Conference Center, conference on, “Women and Gender in the Middle East: A Multidisciplinary Assessment of Theory and Research”, August 27-31, 2001: “Women in Turkish Politics: The Islamist Alternative”.

Tel Aviv University, conference on “The Female Difference: The Creation of Female Identities in Middle Eastern and African Cultures”, Israel, April 1-3, 2001: “Religious Identity in a Secular Context: Islamist women in Turkey”.

International Institute, University of Michigan: “The Political Success of Islamist Women: Welfare Party Activists in Turkey”, November 6, 2000.

University of Washington, Seattle , II. Workshop “Boundaries and Belonging”, September 19-13, 2000: “ Turkish State and the Lure of the Islamic Community”.

II. Humphrey Center International Symposium: Democratic Challenges from the Periphery, Ben Gurion University, Israel, May 17-21: “Islamist Women, Their Headscarves and Democracy in Turkey”.

Boğaziçi University, “Türkiye’de Kadının Yüzyılı”, April, 12-14, 2000, Guest Speaker : “Katılım ve Demokrasi arasında Köprü: Türkiye’de Demokrat Kadınlar”.

Boğaziçi University, “Türkiye’de Kadının Yüzyılı”, Boğaziçi University, April, 12-14, 2000: “İslamist Women on Women and Islam”.

Bilkent University, Ankara, March 31-April 1, 2000 ,workshop on “Political Leaders of Turkey”: “Süleyman Demirel”.

World Academy for Local Government and Democracy Conference “Women and Local Democracy”, Istanbul, October 21-22, 1999: “Challenge of Feminist Citizenship in Turkey”.

American Sociological Association Annual Meeting Plenary session, Chicago, August 6-10, 1999: “Islamist Women in Turkey: Communal Norms and the Pursuit of Private Interests”.

University of Washington, Seattle, Workshop on, “Boundaries and Belonging”, July 21-23, 1999: “Islamists in Turkey: Between the State and the Lure of the Islamic Community”.

SAIS, Johns Hopkins University, Washington DC, February 4, 1999, Seminar: “Women Between Kemalism and Islamism in Contemporary Turkey”.

Boğaziçi University, conference on, “Nation-State Formation and the idea of Citizenship in Greece and Turkey”, Istanbul: “Gender and Citizenship in the Republic”, January 8-9, 1999.

Middle East Technical University, conference, on “Bilanço 1923-1998: Türkiye Cumhuriyeti’nin 75 Yılına Toplu Bakış”, Ankara: “Refah Partisi Hanımlar Teşkilatı”, December 10-12, 1998.

Offene Akademie, Guest speaker in the Panel “Inter-Islamic Dialogue: A Chance for Women”, Munich 17 October, 1998.

Goteborg University , conference on “European Union, Turkey and Sweden”, Sweden: “Gender and Ethnicity as Local Culture in Turkey”, August 19-21, 1998.

Deutsche Vereinigung für Politische Wissenschaft Convention, Bamberg October 16-20, 1997: “Democracy and Women in Turkey: In Defense of Liberalism” .

International Society for Political Psychology Congress, Krakow, July 21-24, 1997: "Feminists, Islamists and Political Change in Turkey".

Third National Social Science Congress of the Turkish Social Science Association, Ankara, November 1-3, 1995: "Vatandaşlık Kavramı ve Türkiye'de Kadın Vatandaşlık" (Concept of Citizenship and Women's Citizenship in Turkey).

The School of Oriental and African Studies, London University, conference on, "Turkey between Two Civilizations", London, , October 20-21, 1995: "Women in Politics: Continuities and Changes in post 1980s' Turkey".

Gesamthochschule Kassel Universitat , conference on "Women's Movements in Muslim Countries", 1-7 July, 1995: "Republican Feminism in Turkey from a Feminist Perspective".

Middle East Technical University and Gesamthochschule Kassel, conference on, "Akademik Yaşamda Kadın", Ankara, 22-24 September, 1994,: "Kemalizm, Feminizm, Kadın Akademisyenler ve Değişen Değerler" (Kemalism, Feminism, Women Academics and Changing Values).

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, conference on "Rethinking the Project of Modernity in Turkey", Boston, March 10-13, 1995: "Project of Modernity and Women in Turkey".

Harvard University, December, 1993, lecture: "Feminism in Contemporary Turkey: Toward a Democratic State?".

Cornell University, lecture, November, 1993: "Feminists in Contemporary Turkey: Treacherous Daughters of Atatürk?"

Third National Social Science Congress of the Turkish Social Science Association, Ankara, Turkey, October 21-23, 1992: "Kemalizm'den Feminizme Türkiye'de Kadın Araştırmaları" (From Kemalism to Feminism: Women's Studies in Turkey).

European Feminist Research Conference, "Women in a Changing Europe", Aalborg, Denmark, August 18-22, 1991: "The Women's Movement in Turkey in the 1980s".

International Society for Political Psychology Annual Meeting, Helsinki, Finland, 1-5 July, 1991: "Women's Movement and the Turkish State in the 1980-1990 Decade".

The Directorate General of the Status and Problems of Women, Conference, "Women and Socio-economic Progress", Ankara, May 20-21, 1991: "Women and Politics in Turkey".

Istanbul University Women's Research and Education Center, lecture, "Women's Research" Conference Series, December 12, 1990: "1980'ler Kadın Hareketi ve Devlet" (1980s' Women's Movement and the State).

Foundation for Mediterranean Studies, "International Symposium on Modern Turkey", Athens, Greece, September 26-28, 1990: "Between Scylla and Charybdis: Turkish Women and the State in the 1980s".

Middle East Studies Association annual meeting, Toronto, Canada, November 15-18, 1989: "Big Business and the State in Turkey: Post 1980 Developments".

Gesamthochschule Kassel, conference on "Women in Turkey during the 1980's", organized by the Kassel, Federal Republic of Germany, April 17-21, 1989: "Feminism and Islam in Turkey during the 1980's".

Middle East Center, University of Pennsylvania, February 9, 1989: "In Pursuit of Influence: Politics and Big Business in Turkey".

International Political Science Association -International Sociological Association Joint Seminar on "Women, Religion, Politics", New Delhi, India, August 14-17, 1986: "The Journal, Kadın ve Aile: A Case Study of Islamic Revival and Women in Turkey".

Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, November 28-December 1, 1984: "Politics, Problems and Turkish Women: Male and Female Politicians' Perspectives".

International Political Science Association Research Committee on Sex Roles and Politics, symposium, Sofia, Bulgaria, October 1984: "Obstacles in Political Careers: Perceptions of Turkish Women".

University of Pennsylvania, International Conference on Women, "After the Second Sex: New Directions, April 1984: "Turkish Women and Political Power".

Harvard University, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, April 1984: "Recruitment Patterns of Turkish Women Parliamentarians".

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

Member of the Women's Library and Information Center, Executive Committee, 2021.

ALLEA, All European Academies, Working Group, "Truth, Trust and Expertise", Sounding Board Member, Fall 2017.

Jury member for Şirin Tekeli Research Award, 2017-2020.

Advisory Board Member, Sabancı University Gender Center, 2016-2020.

Jury member for Dicle Koğacıoğlu Article Award (Essay Competition on women's issues organized by Sabancı University Gender and Women's Studies Forum) 2011-2012.

Jury member for the Milliyet Newspaper Örsan Öymen award, for the best essay on "Violence Toward Women in Turkey", 2010.

European Parliament, Public Hearing on "The role of women in Turkey in social, economic and political life", April 30, 2009, guest speaker: "Women and Politics in Contemporary Turkey".

Project Coordinator for TESEV (The Turkish Economic and Social Studies Foundation) conference, "Empowerment of Women in the Middle East", June 19-22, 2005, Istanbul.

2001 Middle East Studies Association Nominating Committee member.

Council of Europe, Strasbourg, member of the "Group of experts on balanced participation of women and men in political and public decision making", July 2000- July 2002.

Guest lecturer, seminar on Contemporary Middle East at SAIS, Johns Hopkins University, Washington, DC, 2-12 February, 1999.

Member of the Turkish Delegation preparing and presenting the second and third periodic report of Turkey under article 18 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, New York, January 1997.

Member of the Women's Library and Information Center, General Council, Fall 1997- .

Founding member of KADER (Association for the Support and Education of Women Candidates) March 1997.

Expert Consultant for the Council of Europe, International Workshop on National Machinery to promote Equality between Women and Men in Central and East European countries, Ljubljana, 30 November- 2 December 1994.

Member of the Turkish Delegation to the Mediterranean and European Women's Conference, Women and Peace, Marrakech, 27-29 May 1994.

Member of the pre-election survey mission to Yemen organized by the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs, Washington, D.C., March 30- April 7, 1993.

Non-Governmental Organizations Resource Person at the Forum'85, organized to celebrate the United Nation's Decade for Women, Nairobi, Kenya, July 1985.