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## **EDUCATION**

**New York University**  
Postdoc, History, 2024

**Middle East Technical University**  
PHD, International Relations, 2019

**The University of Warwick**  
Master of Arts, International Politics and East Asia, 2014

**Ankara University**  
Master of Arts, International Relations, 2010

**Ankara University**  
Bachelor's Degree, Economics, 2007

## **EMPLOYMENT**

**Assistant Professor**  
TED University  
Department of Political Science and International Relations, December 2019 – Present

**Head of Department**  
TED University  
Graduate School, Political Science and International Relations, September 2024 – Present

**Research Assistant**  
TED University  
Department of Political Science and International Relations, February 2012 – December 2019

**Research Associate**  
Economic Policy Research Foundation of Turkey (TEPAV)  
Department of Governance Studies, December 2009 – February 2012

## **VISITING ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

**Visiting Researcher**  
Peking University  
Department of World History, 2017 – 2018 Academic Year

## PUBLICATIONS

### Books

*Contemporary China in Anglo-American and Chinese Perspectives: Making Sense of a Rising China*, Routledge, 2023.

*Covid-19 Salgını: Ülke Deneyimleri, Bölgesel Etkiler ve Küresel Yansımalar (Covid-19 Pandemic: Country Experiences, Regional Impacts and Global Reflections)*, Nika Yayınevi, February 2021 (Edited with Hatice Çelik) (Published in Turkish).

### International Refereed Journal Articles

“China’s Green Energy Engagement in the MENA Region: Mapping the scale, modalities and motivations”, *Asian Perspective*, 50:1, Winter 2026 (With Sırma Altun and Veysel Tekdal) (Forthcoming).

“The belt, the corridor, and roadblocks: locating the persisting trade deficit in Turkey-China economic relations”, *Turkish Studies*, 2025. (With Veysel Tekdal).

“Kuruluşundan Bugüne Kuzey Kore’nin Dış Politikasında Değişim: Tarihsel Bir İnceleme” (Change in North Korea’s Foreign Policy since Its Foundation: A Historical Review), *Eskişehir Osmangazi Üniversitesi İktisadi ve İdari Bilimler Dergisi*, 18:2, 2023, pp. 479-499 (With Kerem Kılıçdaroğlu) (Published in Turkish).

“Contrasting Models of Covid-19 Pandemic Management and Their International Reception”, *Pamukkale Social Sciences Institute Journal*, 56, 2023, pp. 101-122 (With Hatice Çelik).

“The Role of Democracy Discourse in the Emerging ‘New Cold War’”, *Transatlantic Policy Quarterly*, 21:4, 2023, pp. 107-116 (With Sırma Altun).

“Chinese Intellectual’s Perspectives on Russia’s Invasion of Ukraine”, *Journal of Economics and Administrative Sciences*, 24:1, 2023, pp. 72-84.

“소프트 파워 비교 연구: 튀르키예와 대한민국의 사례를 중심으로” (Comparative Research on Soft Power: Cases of Turkey and South Korea), *Turkic-Altai Economic Belt*, August 2022, 40, 69-79 (With Kerem Kılıçdaroğlu) (Published in Korean).

“1990’lardan Günümüze Çin’de Meşruiyet ve Demokrasi Tartışmaları” (Discussions on Legitimacy and Democracy in China since the 1990s), *Mülkiye Dergisi*, 45:4, 2021, pp. 848-877 (Published in Turkish).

“ABD’nin Biden Dönemi Çin Politikası: Asya’ya Dönüş 2.0?” (US’s Biden Era China Policy: Pivot to Asia 2.0?), *Cappadocia Journal of Area Studies*, 2:2, 2020, pp. 232-248 (Published in Turkish).

“Heartland, Contender and Periphery: A Critical Analysis of Chinese Foreign Policy”, *The Turkish Yearbook of International Relations*, 51, 2020, pp. 27-54.

“Understanding the Transformation in Chinese Foreign Policy: A Historical Evaluation from 1949 to 2019”, *Cappadocia Journal of Area Studies*, 1:1, 2019, pp. 6-24.

“Fragmented or Integrated Asia: Competing Regional Visions of the US and China”, *Rising Powers Quarterly*, 3:2, August 2018, pp. 45-65.

“The Chinese School of International Relations: Myth or Reality?” *All Azimuth*, 6:2, July 2017, pp. 95-104.

### Book Chapters

“Saudi Arabia and BRICS+: To join or not to join, that’s the question”, in Ferhat Çağrı Aras and Monojit Das (Eds.), *Routledge Handbook of BRICS+: Redefining Global Power Dynamics and Cooperation*, Routledge (Forthcoming).

“China in the Middle East”, in Özlem Tür and Mustafa Aydın (Eds.), *Middle East in a Changing World: Interplay of Politics and Economics*, Palgrave Macmillan (Forthcoming) (With Sırma Altun and Ceren Ergenç).

“Debating Change and Continuity in the Xi Jinping Era: A Review of China’s South China Sea Policy”, in Merve Suna Özel Özcan (Ed.), *International Relations Dynamics in the 21st Century: Security, Conflicts, and Wars*, IGI Global, 2025, pp. 155-171. (With Veysel Tekdal).

- “Çin’in Neoliberal Dönüşümü ve Kapitalist Dünya-Ekonomiye Eklemlenmesi” (China’s Neoliberal Transformation and Integration to the World-Economy), in Faruk Yalvaç and Yelda Erçandırılı (Eds.), *Eleştirel Uluslararası Ekonomi Politik-2 (Critical International Political Economy)*, Nika Yayınevi, December 2021, pp. 173-205 (Published in Turkish).
- “Giriş” (Introduction), in Hatice Çelik and Emre Demir (Eds.), *Covid-19 Salgını: Ülke Deneyimleri, Bölgesel Etkiler ve Küresel Yansımalar (Covid-19 Pandemic: Country Experiences, Regional Impacts and Global Reflections)*, Nika Yayınevi, February 2021, pp. 7-22 (Published in Turkish with Hatice Çelik).
- “Çin Rüyası Korona Kâbusu: Çin Komünist Partisi’nin Covid-19 ile Mücadelesi” (Chinese Dream, Corona Nightmare: The Communist Party of China’s Struggle with Covid-19), in Hatice Çelik and Emre Demir (Eds.), *Covid-19 Salgını: Ülke Deneyimleri, Bölgesel Etkiler ve Küresel Yansımalar (Covid-19 Pandemic: Country Experiences, Regional Effects and Global Reflections)*, Nika Yayınevi, February 2021, pp. 25-60 (Published in Turkish).
- “Sonuç” (Conclusion), in Hatice Çelik and Emre Demir (Eds.), *Covid-19 Salgını: Ülke Deneyimleri, Bölgesel Etkiler ve Küresel Yansımalar (Covid-19 Pandemic: Country Experiences, Regional Effects and Global Reflections)*, Nika Yayınevi, February 2021, pp. 393-395 (Published in Turkish with Hatice Çelik).
- “Xi Jinping Dönemi Çin Dış Politikası ve Kuşak ve Yol Girişimi” (Xi Jinping Era Chinese Foreign Policy and the Belt and Road Initiative), in Fulya Köksoy (Ed.), *Küresel Politikalar ve Bölgesel Dönüşümler (Global Politics and Regional Transformations)*, Nobel, 2020, pp. 47-68 (Published in Turkish).
- “The Belt and Road Initiative vs. the Indo-Pacific Partnership: Competing Regional Visions of China and the United States”, in Ash Rossiter and Brendon Cannon (Eds.), *The Indo-Pacific: Competition and Cooperation in a Contested Zone*, Routledge, 2020, pp. 94-114.
- “Sino-Japanese Relations: Great Power Rivalry or Peaceful Interdependence?”, in Fulya Köksoy (Ed.), *Global and Regional Powers: Relations, Problems and Issues in the 21st Century*, Peter Lang, 2020, pp. 53-72.
- “Immanuel Wallerstein: Dünya Sistemleri Analizi” (Immanuel Wallerstein: World Systems Analysis), in Faruk Yalvaç (Ed.), *Tarihsel Sosyoloji ve Uluslararası İlişkiler (Historical Sociology and International Relations)*, İstanbul, Nika Yayınevi, 2018, pp. 61-94 (Published in Turkish).
- “Robert W. Cox: Yeni Gramscici Eleştirel Uluslararası İlişkiler Kuramı” (Robert W. Cox: New Gramscian Critical International Relations Theory), in Faruk Yalvaç (Ed.), *Tarihsel Sosyoloji ve Uluslararası İlişkiler (Historical Sociology and International Relations)*, İstanbul, Nika Yayınevi, 2018, pp. 227-256 (Published in Turkish).
- “Dünya Sistemleri Analizi” (World Systems Analysis), in Mehmet Şahin ve Osman Şen (Eds.), *Uluslararası İlişkiler Teorileri Temel Kavramlar*, Ankara, Kripto, 2014, pp. 125-156 (Published in Turkish).

### Book Reviews

- Forging Leninism in China. Mao and the Remaking of the Chinese Communist Party, 1927–1934*, by Joseph Fewsmith (Cambridge University Press, 2022). *Europe-Asia Studies*, Vol. 76, No. 5, 2024, pp. 820–822.
- China’s Presence in the Middle East: The Implications of the One Belt, One Road Initiative*, by Anoushiravan Ehteshami and Niv Horesh (Eds.) (Routledge, 2018). *Türkiye Siyaset Bilimi Dergisi (Turkish Journal of Political Science)*, Vol. 3, No. 2, 2020, pp. 239-246 (Published in Turkish).

### Policy Notes

- “Yolsuzlukla Mücadele ve Sivil Toplum İlişkisi: Bir Perspektif Denemesi” (The relationship between fight against corruption and civil society: A perspective essay), with Emin Dedeoğlu, TEPAV Policy Note. [http://www.tepav.org.tr/upload/files/1295426395-1.Yolsuzlukla\\_Mucadele\\_ve\\_Sivil\\_Toplum\\_Iliskisi\\_Bir\\_Perspektif\\_Denemesi.pdf](http://www.tepav.org.tr/upload/files/1295426395-1.Yolsuzlukla_Mucadele_ve_Sivil_Toplum_Iliskisi_Bir_Perspektif_Denemesi.pdf)

## Selected Op-Ed Articles

- “Batı gerilerken diğerleri yükselebiliyor mu? Canavarlar zamanında parçalanmış bir dünya doğuyor” (As the West declines, can others rise? A fractured world emerges in the time of monsters), Yeni Arayış, May 25, 2024, <https://www.yeniaryis.com/yazi/bati-gerilerken-digerleri-yukselebiliyor-mu-canavarlar-zamaninda-parcalanmis-bir-dunya-doguyor-4989>.
- “Tayvan: Soğuk Savaşların İleri Karakolu” (Taiwan: Outpost of Cold Wars), Global Panorama, October 28, 2022, <https://www.uikpanorama.com/blog/2022/10/28/ed/>.
- “Çin, Rusya’nın Ukrayna’yı İşgali Hakkında Ne Düşünüyor?” (What Does China Think about Russia’s Invasion of Ukraine?), Politik Yol, March 27, 2022: <https://www.politikyol.com/cin-rusyanin-ukraynaya-ısgali-hakkinda-ne-dusunuyor/>
- “Demokrasiyi Kim Tanımlayacak: Çin Modeli, Çin Demokrasisi” (Who Will Define Democracy: China Model, Chinese Democracy), Politik Yol, June 9, 2022: <https://www.politikyol.com/demokrasiyi-kim-tanimlayacak-cin-modeli-cin-demokrasisi/>
- “Turkey and China in the eastern Mediterranean: Partners or competitors?”, Global Voices, September 10, 2021: <https://globalvoices.org/2021/09/10/turkey-and-china-in-the-eastern-mediterranean-partners-or-competitors/>
- “Kanal İstanbul, Turkey’s Middle Corridor, and the Belt and Road Initiative”, Global Voices, August 23, 2021: <https://globalvoices.org/2021/08/23/kanal-istanbul-turkeys-middle-corridor-and-the-belt-and-road-initiative/>
- “China’s wavering Covid-19 vaccine diplomacy in Turkey”, Global Voices, August 13, 2021: <https://globalvoices.org/2021/08/13/chinas-wavering-covid-19-vaccine-diplomacy-in-turkey/>
- “Korona virüsü, Çin Rüyası ve ÇKP’nin geleceği”, (Corona virus, Chinese Dream and the future of the CPC), Gazete Duvar, April 25, 2021: <https://www.gazeteduvar.com.tr/forum/2020/04/25/korona-virusu-cin-ruyasi-ve-ckpnin-gelecegi/>
- “Çin rüyası: 2049’da müreffeh Çin ve mavi gökyüzü” (The Chinese Dream: Creating a prosperous China and a blue sky in 2049), Gazete Duvar, November 16, 2017: <https://www.gazeteduvar.com.tr/forum/2017/11/16/cin-ruyasi-2049da-mureffeh-cin-ve-mavi-gokyuzu/>
- “Çan, Çin, Çon’un ötesine geçmek” (Transcending ‘çan, çin, çon’), Gazete Duvar, October 17, 2017: <https://www.gazeteduvar.com.tr/forum/2017/10/17/can-cin-conun-otesine-gecmek/>

## Translations

*People and Participation: How to put citizens at the hearth of decision-making (İnsanlar ve Katılım: Yurttaşları karar alma süreçlerinin merkezine nasıl oturturuz)*, Translated by Emre Demir, Ankara, March 2011.

## FUNDED PROJECTS

Researcher for the project “Middle Power Soft Power Strategies: Comparative Analysis on Turkey and South Korea” (Managed by Dr. Kerem Kılıçdaroğlu) funded by The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK) and National Research Foundation of Korea (NRF), 221N103, 2022-2024.

Project Assistant for Prof. Dr. Aylin Özman and Prof. Dr. Berrin Koyuncu Lorasdağı, for the research project of “Patterns of State-Civil Society Interactions in Turkey: Retrospect and Prospects” funded by Oxfam Novib and collaboration between Oxfam Novib, Peace, Training and Research Organization (PTRO), and Afghanistan Public Policy Research Organization (APPRO), 11/2014-01/2015.

## RESEARCH FUNDING AND AWARDS

2023: Fulbright Postdoctoral Programme

2019: PSA Conference ECN Access Grant

2018: CEEISA Conference and Travel Grant

2017: The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK) Overseas Doctoral Research Scholarship Programme

2017: Chinese Government Scholarship Visiting Senior Researcher

## NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

- “Çin’in Teknolojik Atılımında Yeşil Enerjinin Rolü ve Küresel Jeoekonomik Parçalanma” (The Role of Green Energy in China’s Technological Breakthrough and Global Geoeconomic Fragmentation), paper presented at Mülkiye International Relations Congress VIII: Construction of the Future: New World, Old Order (?), Ankara, October 17-18, 2024.
- “Discursive Transformation of Environmental and Digitalization Policies in the Speeches of the General Secretaries of the Communist Party of China in the 21st Century”, paper presented at CEEISA-ISA Joint International Conference 2024: Knowing the global-local: Imagining pasts, debating futures, June 18-21, 2024.
- “South Korean Soft Power in Turkey: The Case of Pop Culture”, 2022 International Conference of the Korean Association for Middle Eastern Studies, December 3, 2022.
- “Trading State Moment in Turkey-China Relations”, 9th Annual Conference on Eurasian Politics and Society, July 13-16, 2022.
- “Çin Komünist Partisi Merkez Komitesi’nin 6. Genel Kurullarının Parti Tarihi Açısından Önemi” (The Importance of the 6th Plenary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China), 1st Hitit International Congress on Security Studies, December 24-27, 2021.
- “Turkey-China Relations in the 21st Century”, paper presented at First International Artuklu Congress on Economic Administrative & Political Sciences, November 20-21, 2021.
- “Çin Komünist Partisi’nin Covid-19 ile Mücadelesi ve Covid-19 Diplomasisi” (The Communist Party of China’s Struggle with Covid-19 and Covid-19 Diplomacy), paper presented at Mülkiye International Relations Congress V: The New Crisis of International System: COVID-19 Pandemic”, October 14-16, 2021.
- “Making Sense of a Rising China: Perspectives from China and North-America”, paper presented at the 14th Pan-European Conference on International Relations, Virtual Conference, September 13-17, 2021.
- “1989’un Çin İçin Önemi ve Soğuk Savaş’ın Ardından Dönüşen Çin Dış Politikası”, (The Importance of 1989 for China and the Transforming Chinese Foreign Policy After the Cold War), paper presented at 16th National Social Sciences Congress, November 26-28, 2019.
- “Birinci Dünya Savaşı’nın Çin Sosyalist Devrimine Etkisi” (The Impact of the First World War on the Chinese Socialist Revolution), paper presented at Mülkiye International Relations Congress III: The First World War and Its Impact on the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, Ankara, October 17-18, 2019.
- “1990’lardan Günümüze Çin’de Meşruiyet ve Demokrasi Tartışmaları” (Legitimacy and Democracy Debates in China From the 1990’s to Present), paper presented at Çin Çalışmaları ve Araştırmaları Konferansı (Conference on Chinese Studies and Research), Mustafaapaşa, Ürgüp, June 14, 2019.
- “Fragmented or Integrated Asia: Competing Regional Visions of the China and the United States”, paper presented at the 69th PSA Annual International Conference 2019, Nottingham, April 15-17, 2019.
- “Bridging the Neighbourhoods: A Critical Analysis of China’s Policies towards Central and Southeast Asia”, paper presented at the 69th PSA Annual International Conference 2019, Nottingham, April 15-17, 2019.
- “Sino-Japanese Relations: Great Power Rivalry or Peaceful Interdependence?”, paper presented at VI. International Blue Black Sea Congress, İstanbul, September 27-28, 2018.
- “Devlet ve Kendisi: Çin’e Bakmak” (The State and Itself: Looking at China), paper presented at I. Gazi Akademi Genç Sosyal Bilimciler Sempozyumu (Gazi Academy Young Social Scientists Symposium) 2017, Ankara, March 9-10, 2017.
- “Heartland, Contender and Periphery: a Critical Analysis of Chinese Foreign Policy”, paper presented at ISA Asia-Pacific Conference 2016, Hong Kong, June 25-27, 2016.

“The Rise of China: a New Challenger or a Status Quo Power?”, paper presented at 14<sup>th</sup> Annual METU Conference on International Relations: Area Studies and International Relations: Intersecting Dimensions, Ankara, June 17-19, 2015.

### INVITED TALKS

“China’s green energy and digital engagement in Saudi Arabia: The Case of Saudi Arabia”, Middle East Technical University IR Research Seminars, Ankara, April 16, 2025.

Panelist in “China in Springtime: Sharing Opportunities with the World Global Dialogue”, Ankara, March 12, 2025.

“Yükselen Asya Ülkeleri: Güney Kore ve Çin” (Rising Asian Countries: South Korea and China), Bi Piyasa Konuşma (A Market Conversation) at TED University, Ankara, December 13, 2024.

“Contemporary China in Anglo-America and Chinese Perspectives: Making Sense of a Rising China Book Talk” at TED University, Ankara, June 7, 2023.

“Contemporary China in Anglo-America and Chinese Perspectives: Making Sense of a Rising China Book Talk” at Koç University Asian Studies Center, January 18, 2023.

“Çin’in Doğu Asya Siyaseti: Pax-Sinica Mümkün Mü?”, In *Her Ay Bir Ülke Söyleşileri: Çin Halk Cumhuriyeti*, Kapadokya Üniversitesi Politika Araştırmaları Topluluğu, April, 26, 2021.

“Covid-19 Salgını: Çin, Güney Kore ve Rusya Örnekleri”, Kapadokya Üniversitesi Politika Araştırmaları Topluluğu, May 19, 2021.

### INVITED LECTURES

“US-China Relations: A New Cold War Emerging?”, In *Contemporary Global Issues* undergraduate course, Ankara University Department of Politics and Economics, Ankara, March 15, 2022.

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### TED University

#### Undergraduate Teaching

PSIR 394: Diplomatic History	Fall 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022; Spring 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2025
PSIR 395: International Political Economy	Fall 2019, 2020, 2022, 2024
PSIR 422: Current Issues in World Politics	Fall 2019; Spring 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025
PSIR 423: East Asian Politics	Fall 2024
PSIR 476: Post-colonial Studies	Fall 2020
PSIR 491: Foreign Policy Analysis	Spring 2020, 2021, 2022, 2024, 2025
ECON 362: Economic History	Spring 2023

### UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE, AND DEPARTMENT SERVICE

#### TED University

Head of Department, Graduate School  
Scholarship Committee

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## THESIS ADVISING AND COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

### Thesis Monitoring Committee

Muhammet Vanlıođlu, *The Belt and Road Initiative and Chinese Foreign Policy Role Performance: The Case of Maritime Investments* (ongoing).

### Master's Thesis Co-Advisor

Kübra Merve Topgöl, *China's Soft Power in Southeast Asia: Hu Jintao and Xi Jinping Eras*, 2021.

### Specialist Thesis Advisor (Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources)

Volkan Yaramış, *Uluslararası Hukuk Tartışmaları Bağlamında Fırat ve Dicle Sularının Statüsü (The Status of the Euphrates and Tigris Waters in the Context of International Law Debates)*, 2020.

## JOURNAL BOARD MEMBERSHIP

*Cappadocia Journal of Area Studies* (Editorial Board)

## GUEST EDITOR

Asian Perspective Special Session "Soft Power and Public Diplomacy in Turkish and South Korean Perspectives: Debating the Korean and Turkish Waves" (In progress).

## ACADEMIC PEER REVIEW

UI Dergisi (IR Journal); All Azimuth; Cappadocia Journal of Area Studies; Marmara University Journal of Political Science; Turkish Journal of Political Science; Turkish Journal of Middle Eastern Studies; TYB Akademi Dergisi; Uluslararası İlişkiler ve Diplomasi; Journal of Economics and Administrative Sciences; Journal of Political Science; Üsküdar Üniversitesi Sosyal Bilimler Dergisi; Mülkiye Dergisi; Online Journal of Communication and Media Technologies; Journal OASIS.

## SHORT TERM TRAININGS

### Chinese Language Education

Beijing Language and Culture University  
College of Intensive Chinese Training, 2017-2018

### Summer School

The University of Bologna  
"Diversity Management, Governance and the Role of CSO", 2011

## MEMBERSHIPS

Beijing International Society  
Central and East European International Studies Association (CEEISA)  
European International Studies Association (EISA)  
Political Studies Association (PSA)

## LANGUAGES

Turkish (Native), English (Fluent), Mandarin Chinese (HSK 3)

## REFERENCES

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