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Education

Ph.D. in Economics, University of Pennsylvania, 2012 to present.

M.Sc. in Economics, Middle East Technical University, 2009.

B.Sc. in Economics, Middle East Technical University, 2007.

Research

Research Interests: Macroeconomics, Firm Dynamics, Economic Growth, Innovation.

Papers

Innovation, Reallocation and Growth (w/ Daron Acemoglu, Ufuk Akcigit, Nicholas Bloom and William R. Kerr), American Economic Review, forthcoming

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Lack of Selection and Limits to Delegation: Firm Dynamics in Developing Countries (w/ Ufuk Akcigit and Michael Peters), 2016, NBER Working Papers 21905.

Technology Adoption and the Latin American TFP Gap (w/ Ufuk Akcigit, Maya Eden and Ha Nguyen), 2014, mimeo.

Stylized Facts for Business Cycles in Turkey (w/ Soner Baskaya, Mustafa Kilinc and Canan Yuksel), 2012, Working Papers 1202, Research and Monetary Policy Department, Central Bank of Turkey.

Did Korean Monetary Policy Help Soften the Impact of the Global Financial Crisis of 2008-2009? (w/Selim Elekdag and Subir Lall), 2012, IMF Working Papers 12/5, International Monetary Fund.

Monetary Policy and Output Gap: Mind the Composition (w/ Fethi Ogunc and Cagri Sarikaya), 2012, CBT Research Notes in Economics 1207, Research and Monetary Policy Department, Central Bank of Turkey.

An Assessment of Malaysian Monetary Policy During the Global Financial Crisis of 2008-09 (w/ Selim Elekdag and Subir Lall), 2012, IMF Working Papers 12/35, International Monetary Fund.

Shock Therapy! What Role for Thai Monetary Policy? (w/ Selim Elekdag), 2012, IMF Working Papers 12/269, International Monetary Fund.

The Role of Monetary Policy in Turkey During the Global Financial Crisis (w/ Selim Elekdag), 2011, IMF Working Papers 11/150, International Monetary Fund.

Estimating Optimal Hodrick-Prescott Filter Smoothing Parameter for Turkey (w/ Soner Baskaya, Mustafa Kilinc and Canan Yuksel), 2011, Iktisat, Isletme ve Finans, Volume 26, Issue 306, pages 9 - 23.

Measuring Market Based Monetary Policy Expectations in Turkey (w/ Refet Gurkaynak, Hakan Kara, Gursu Keles and Musa Orak), 2010, Iktisat, Isletme ve Finans, Volume 25, Issue 295, pages 21 - 45.

Monetary Policy Transmission Mechanism in Turkey: The Effect of Monetary Policy on Financial Markets (w/ Zelal Aktas, Refet Gurkaynak, Mehtap Kesriyeli and Musa Orak), 2009, Iktisat, Isletme ve Finans, Volume 24, Issue 278, pages 9 - 24.

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Past Employment

Researcher, Research and Monetary Policy Department, Central Bank of Turkey, 2006-2012.

Teaching Experience

Fall 2013 and 2014, Introduction to Microeconomics, T.A. for Prof. Rebecca Stein.

Spring 2014 and 2015, Econometrics II (Graduate), T.A. for Prof. F.X. Diebold.

Summer 2016 and Spring 2018, Introduction to Microeconomics, Instructor.

Fall 2017, Law and Economics, T.A. for Prof. Camilo Garcia Jimeno.

Fall 2017, Foundations of Market Economies, T.A. Prof. Jesus Fernandez-Villaverde.

Honors, Scholarships and Fellowships

Lawrence Robbins Prize, 2013 (best student in the first year graduate class, shared with Yiran Chen).

Graduate Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania, 2012-2017.

Royal Economic Society Grant for Easter School at University of Birmingham, 2010.

M.Sc. Scholarship of The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey, 2006-2008.

Referee Service

Journal of Monetary Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Economic Journal, Macroeconomic Dynamics, The Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Iktisat, Isletme ve Finans, Central Bank Review.

Languages

Turkish (native), English (fluent).

Computational Skills

Matlab, C++, R, Python, Stata.

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