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AREAS OF INTEREST

- **Research Methods:** Mixed-Effects Models, Categorical Dependent Variable Analysis, Structural Equation Modeling, and Experimental Analysis
- **Comparative Politics:** Voting Behavior, Political Psychology (Personality and Politics), Electoral and Party Systems

EDUCATION

Koc University, Sariyer, Istanbul, Turkey

- Political Science and International Relations, Ph.D. Candidate 09.15.2015 – 2020
 - **Thesis Subject:** Online Survey Experiment to Test Big Five Traits' Moderation Effects between Death Reminders and Conservatism
 - **Thesis Advisor:** Ali Carkoglu, Prof.
 - **GPA:** 3.9 / 4.0

Bilkent University, Cankaya, Ankara, Turkey

- International Relations, Master of Arts 09.15.2013 – 07.15.2015
 - **Thesis Subject:** Comparative Study of Foreign Policy Behavior for American, Canadian and Turkish Congressional/Parliamentary Parties' Legislative Voting Behavior
 - **Thesis Link:** <http://repository.bilkent.edu.tr/handle/11693/29163>
 - **Thesis Advisor:** Ozgur Ozdamar, Asst. Prof.
 - **GPA:** 3.85 / 4.0

Bogazici University, Besiktas, Istanbul, Turkey

- Political Science and International Relations, Undergraduate 09.15.2008 – 06.15.2013
 - **GPA:** 3.6 / 4.0

RESEARCH AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Political Science

- Pre-Doctoral Visiting Student Researcher 10.15.2019 – 06.15.2020
 - **Research Advisor:** Aleksander Ksiazkiewicz, Asst. Prof.
 - **Research Topic:** Big Five Traits' Moderation Effects between Death Reminders and Conservatism

Koc University, Political Science and International Relations

- Research and Teaching Assistantship 09.15.2015 – 2020
 - **Research Advisor:** Ali Carkoglu, Prof.
 - **Research Experience:**
 - (1) Turkish Election Manifestos' Hand-Coding for Manifesto Project Database (MARPOR) [June 7, 2015 General Elections; November 1, 2015 General Elections; June 24, 2018 General Elections; and Nationalist Action Party (MHP) 1954, 1961, 1965, 1969, 1995, 2002] (Acknowledgement by the Courtesy of MARPOR: <https://manifesto-project.wzb.eu/information/acknowledgements>)
 - (2) Comparative Study of Electoral Systems (CSES) Module 4 Turkey Dataset's Coding into Stata
 - (3) Comparative Study of Electoral Systems (CSES) Module 5 Turkey Dataset's Coding into Stata
 - (4) International Social Survey Programme (ISSP) 2014 Citizenship II Module Turkey Dataset's Coding into Stata
 - (5) Selected 15 Turkish Newspapers' Front and Second Page News' Hand-Coding on Qualtrics between October 6-10, 2015 (before the November 1, 2015 General Elections) [Press-Party Parallelism in Turkey Project]
 - (6) Grant Application to the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK) to Start a Nation-Wide Survey Experiment on Personality Traits, Candidate Traits, and Political Participation
 - (7) Assistance to the Questionnaire Design and Scaling of the Turkish Voting Advice Application oypusulasi.org for the March 31, 2019 Local Elections in Istanbul, Turkey
 - (8) Research Assistant to the TÜBİTAK Project *Populist Attitudes and Values Research in Turkey*

- **Teaching Assistanships for the Faculty:**
 - (1) INTL 101 Introduction to Political Science (for Selim Erdem Aytac, Asst. Prof.) [Research Assistanship for Data Collection and Management in R]
 - (2) INTL 201 Research Methods (for Belgin San-Akca, Assoc. Prof., and for Gunes Ertan, Asst. Prof.) [SPSS Tutoring]
 - (3) INTL 501 Research Methods (for Selim Erdem Aytac, Asst. Prof.) [STATA Tutoring]
 - (4) INTL 601 Quantitative Research Methods (for Belgin San-Akca, Assoc. Prof.) [STATA Tutoring and Problem Sessions on Multivariate Regression Models]
 - (5) SOCI 301 Research Methods in Sociology (for Asli Mert, Asst. Prof.) [STATA Tutoring and Lab Sessions]
 - (6) SOSC 116 Challenges Facing Young Democracies (for Selim Erdem Aytac, Asst. Prof.) [Tutoring Weekly Class Presentations over Cross-Country Parliamentary and Presidential Elections]

Bilkent University, International Relations

- **Research and Teaching Assistantship** 09.15.2013 – 07.15.2015
 - **Research Advisor:** Ozgur Ozdamar, Asst. Prof.
 - **Research Experience:**
 - (1) Grant Application to the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey to Start the Project “Public Opinion on Turkish Foreign Policy: Global, Regional and Local Preferences.” Preparation of the Project Proposal’s Literature Review, Methodology (Logit), and Budget Details
 - **Teaching Assistanships for the Faculty:**
 - (1) IR 227 Research Methods in International Relations (for Pinar Ipek, Asst. Prof.)
 - (2) IR 333 Foreign Policy Analysis (Ozgur Ozdamar, Asst. Prof.)
 - (3) IR 338 Politics of International Economy (for Pinar Ipek, Asst. Prof.)
 - (4) IR 349 International Relations in Movies (Ozgur Ozdamar, Asst. Prof.)
 - (5) IR 4109 Issues for Turkey in Global Political Economy (for Pinar Ipek, Asst. Prof.)

PUBLICATIONS

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- [1] Carkoglu, Ali, and Erol, Fatih. 2019. “Openness and Threat Politics: Diagnosing Moderation Effects”, *Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) 77th Annual Conference*, Chicago, IL, United States.
- [2] Erol, Fatih. 2019. “Openness and Threat Politics: Diagnosing Moderation Effects”, *Empirical Studies in Political Analysis (ESPA)*, Adana, Turkey.
- [3] Carkoglu, Ali, and Erol, Fatih. 2018. “Personality Traits, Ideology and Vote Choice”, *12th European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) General Conference*, Hamburg, Germany.
- [4] Erol, Fatih. 2018. “Micro-foundations of Resource Commitment at Times of Inter-State Conflicts”, *International Studies Association (ISA)*, San Francisco, California, USA.
- [5] Erol, Fatih. 2017. “Neo-Classical Realist Foreign Policy Behavior Modeling in a Bipolar System Between 1959 and 1968”, *International Studies Association (ISA)*, Baltimore, Washington, USA.
- [6] Erol, Fatih. 2016. “Turkish – Israeli Impasse Since 2011: Case Study of Stalling Negotiation for Two-Level Game Analysis”, *International Studies Association (ISA)*, Atlanta, Georgia, USA.

WORKING PAPERS

- [1] “Personality Traits and Religiosity” (with Carkoglu, Ali, Prof.)
- [2] “Openness and Threat Politics: Diagnosing Moderation Effects” (with Carkoglu, Ali, Prof.)
- [3] “Regression Discontinuity Application into Turkish Local Administrations’ Quarterly Budget Dataset between 2007 and 2017”
- [4] “Micro-foundations of Resource Commitment at Times of Inter-State Conflicts”
- [5] “Dynamics and Statics of Turkish Election Programs between 1945 and 2018” (with Carkoglu, Ali, Prof.)
- [6] “Text Mining of the 2018 Turkish Election Documents” (with Carkoglu, Ali, Prof.)
- [7] “Robust Re-Estimation of Political Party Families in Comparative Manifesto Project Dataset” (with Carkoglu, Ali, Prof.)

EXTRA CURRICULAR EDUCATION

Koc University, Department of Psychology, Sariyer, Istanbul, Turkey

- **PSYCH 556: Selected Topics in Psychology** 09.15.2017 – 01.15.2018
 - **Structural Equation Modeling:** Elective Course Graded A with 4 ECTS Points

Central European University - European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR), Budapest, Hungary

- Summer School in Methods and Techniques 07.27.2016 – 08.12.2016
 - **Introduction to R**
 - **Applied Multilevel Regression Modelling:** Elective Course Graded A with 4 ECTS Points

University of Bamberg - European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR), Bamberg, Germany

- Winter School in Methods and Techniques 02.22.2019 – 03.01.2019
 - **Maths Refresher**
 - **Automated Web Data Collection with R**
 - **Methods of Modern Causal Analysis Based on Observational Data**

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- Koc University, Political Science and International Relations, Ph.D. Program 2015 – 2019
Graduate Scholarship
- Bilkent University, International Relations, M.A. Program 2013 – 2015
Graduate Scholarship
- Turkish Prime Ministry 2008 – 2013
Undergraduate Scholarship
- The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK) 10.15.2019 – 06.15.2020
Pre-Doctoral Fellowship for Dissertation Research (14400 USD)
- Koc University, Graduate School of Social Sciences and Humanities 2019
Travel Grant to Present Research Paper co-authored with Ali CARKOGLU, Prof., in Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) 77th Annual Conference 2019 (Chicago, Illinois, US) (3500 TRY)
- Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) 2019
The Fee Waiver Scholarship [Complimentary Conference Registration] (110 USD)
- Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) 2019
Developing Nations Scholarship [Complimentary 2 Years Graduate Student MPSA Membership] (80 USD)
- Koc University, Graduate School of Social Sciences and Humanities 2018
Extra Training Support to Participate in European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) Winter School in Methods and Techniques at the University of Bamberg (Bamberg, Germany) (6500 TRY)
- Koc University, Graduate School of Social Sciences and Humanities 2018
Travel Grant to Present Research Paper in Empirical Studies in Political Analysis (ESPA) 2019 Adana (Turkey) Workshop (1000 TRY)
- Koc University, Graduate School of Social Sciences and Humanities 2018
Travel Grant to Present Research Paper co-authored with Ali CARKOGLU, Prof., in European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) 2018 General Conference (Hamburg, Germany) (2500 TRY)
- Koc University, Graduate School of Social Sciences and Humanities 2018
Thesis Project Grant to Conduct Online Survey Experiment to Test Big Five Traits' Moderation Effects between Death Reminders and Conservatism (1500 TRY)
- International Studies Association (ISA), San Francisco Convention 2018
Travel Grant (500 USD)
- International Studies Association (ISA), Baltimore Convention 2017
Travel Grant (500 USD)
- Koc University, Graduate School of Social Sciences and Humanities 2017
Travel Grant to Present Research Paper in International Studies Association (ISA) 2017 Convention (Baltimore, Maryland, US) (2500 TRY)
- International Studies Association (ISA), Atlanta Convention 2016
Travel Grant (500 USD)
- Koc University, Graduate School of Social Sciences and Humanities 2016
Extra Training Support to Participate in European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) Summer School in Methods and Techniques at Central European University (Budapest, Hungary) (4000 TRY)

MEMBERSHIPS	American Political Science Association (APSA) Washington, USA	
	European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) Colchester, United Kingdom	
	International Studies Association (ISA) Storrs, Connecticut, USA	
	Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Bloomington, Indiana, USA	
OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE	Fortuna Consulting , Bilkent Cyberpark, Cankaya, Ankara, Turkey	
	▪ Paid Internship	09.2014 – 07.2015
LANGUAGES	▪ English: Fluent [TOEFL IBT - Total 110/120 = Reading 30/30, Listening 30/30, Speaking 23/30, Writing 27/30]	09.08.2018
SOFTWARE	QGIS (Beginner), AMOS (Medium), L ^A T _E X (Medium), Mplus (Medium), SPSS (Medium), Microsoft Office (Advanced), Qualtrics Survey Design (Advanced), R (Advanced, Preferred), STATA (Advanced)	
WEBSITE	Online Platform for <i>Personality Traits (Kisilik Ozellikleri)</i> Survey: http://kisilikozezellikleri.com	
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	Belgin San-Akca, Associate Professor Department of International Relations, Koc University, CASE 152, Rumeli Feneri Yolu, 34450 / Sariyer, Istanbul, Turkey E-mail: bakca@ku.edu.tr	
	Selim Erdem Aytac, Assistant Professor Department of International Relations, Koc University, CASE 215A, Rumeli Feneri Yolu, 34450 / Sariyer, Istanbul, Turkey E-mail: saytac@ku.edu.tr	