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CONTACT INFORMATION

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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Citizenship: Turkey

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Bogazici University, Istanbul
Assistant Professor of Economics

Sep 2018 - Present

AFFILIATIONS

The World Bank, Chief Economist Office for the Infrastructure VP
Consultant

Sep 2022 - Present

The ERC Consolidator Project (PI: Janne Tukiainen)
Co-investigator

Sep 2022 - Present

EDUCATION

University of Virginia, Charlottesville VA
Ph.D. in Economics

2018

Dissertation: Party Formation in Parliamentary Democracies

Committee: Steven Stern, John McLaren, Leora Friedberg, Peter Debaere

University of Virginia, Charlottesville VA
M.A. in Economics

2012

Koc University, Istanbul
M.A. in Economics

2011

TOBB University of Economics and Technology, Ankara
B.A. in Economics

2008

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Primary: Political Economy, Labor Economics, Industrial Organization

Secondary: Digital Platforms, Economics of Cybersecurity, Structural Estimation

RESEARCH PAPERS

Publications

1. The Impact of Syrian Refugees on School Enrollment and Employment of Native Youth in Turkey (with Murat Guray Kirdar and Elif Erbay) (forthcoming at the Journal of Human Capital)

Working Papers

1. Choosing Your Pond: A Structural Model of Political Power-Sharing
2. Delegation and Recruitment in Organizations: The Slippery Slope to Bad Leadership (with Konstantinos Matakos and Janne Tukiainen) (reject and resubmit at the Journal of European Economic Association)
3. Political Entry Barriers and the Quality of Democracy
4. All the ‘Missing’ Ladies: Competition Intensity and Political Selection (with Elif Erbay and Konstantinos Matakos)
5. Assessing the Costs of Cybersecurity Incidents: A review (with Estefania Vergara-Cobos)
6. The Economic Effects of Cybersecurity Incidents (with Estefania Vergara-Cobos, Baran Berkay Barakcin, and Hagai Mei Zahav)

Ongoing Projects (titles are suggestive)

1. Intra-party Organization, Information and Optimal Delegation of the Candidate Selection Process: Theory, Evidence, and a Field Experiment (with Florian Foos, Konstantinos Matakos, and Janne Tukiainen)
2. The Effect of Party Proliferation on Composition of Government Budget
3. Wage Rigidity in Online Vacancy Postings (with Steven Stern and Baran Berkay Barakcin)
4. Directed Search or Random Search? An Analysis of the Applications to Online Vacancies in Turkey
5. Gender Differences in Job Application Behavior (with Koralp Kabal)
6. Women’s Political Representation in Turkey (with Elif Erbay and Konstantinos Matakos)

Other manuscripts

Politik Rekabetin Bütçe Harcamalarına Etkisi (kitap bölümü), İktisadi ve İdari Bilimlerde Güncel Araştırmalar-Haziran 2022, Gece KitaplığıYayınevi

Water Wars? Tension in the Nile River Basin, Darden Business Publishing, Case No. UVA-GEM0162, 2018. (with Peter Debaere)

AWARDS

Co-investigator, ERC Consolidator Project (PI: Janne Tukiainen)	<i>Sep 2022</i>
Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey, 3501 Research Grant	<i>June 2022</i>
Start-Up fund, Bogazici University	<i>May 2019</i>
Snively Prize for the Best Economics Dissertation, University of Virginia	<i>May 2018</i>
Bynum Funds for Quantitative Research, University of Virginia	<i>2015, 2016, 2017</i>
Bankard Fund for Political Economy, University of Virginia	<i>2015</i>
Certificate of Excellence in Graduate Teaching, University of Virginia	<i>2014</i>
Fellowship, University of Virginia	<i>2011-2017</i>
Fellowship, Koc University	<i>2008-2010</i>
Fellowship, Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK)	<i>2008-2010</i>
Fellowship, TOBB ETU	<i>2004-2008</i>

TEACHING

Instructor, Bogazici University

EC 531- Econometrics 1 (graduate)	<i>Sep 2018-current</i>
EC 58C- Selected Topics in Econometrics (graduate)	<i>Fall 2018, 2021, 2023</i>
EC 331- Econometrics	<i>Spring 2020, 2021, Fall 2023</i>
EC 332- Advanced Econometrics	<i>Fall 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021</i>
EC 407- Labor Economics	<i>Spring 2022, 2023</i>
EC 102- Introduction to Macroeconomics	<i>Spring 2019-2023, Fall 2023</i>
FA 48A- Women's Labor Force Participation (guest lecturer)	<i>Spring 2019</i>
	<i>Spring 2020</i>

Teaching Assistant, University of Virginia

Aug 2011-May 2018

EC 3720 Econometrics, EC 4720 Econometric Methods, EC 301 Intermediate Microeconomics, EC 101-102 Introduction to Microeconomics and Macroeconomics, EC 3540 International Trade

SEMINAR AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Turku University Department of Economics Workshop, Turku	<i>Jan 2024</i>
2nd Istanbul Workshop (Ozyegin University), Istanbul	<i>Jan 2024</i>
2023 Conference of European Economic Association, EEA-ESEM, Barcelona	<i>Aug 2023</i>
2023 European Political Science Association Conference, Glasgow	<i>June 2023</i>
EUI Political Economy of Polarization and Policymaking Workshop, Firenze	<i>May 2023</i>
Bilkent University Microeconomics Workshop, Ankara	<i>May 2023</i>
European Public Choice Society Conference (Leibniz University), Hannover	<i>Mar 2023</i>
King's College London, Department of Political Economy, London	<i>Jan 2023</i>
Association of Southern-European Economic Theorists (Crete University), Heraklion	<i>Oct 2022</i>
Applied Microeconomics Workshop (MEF University), Istanbul	<i>June 2022</i>
Political Economy Research Group Annual Workshop 2002 (IE University), Madrid	<i>May 2022</i>
Auburn University Department of Economics workshop, virtual	<i>Mar 2021</i>
EUI Political Economy Colloquium, virtual	<i>Oct 2020</i>
2020 Conference of European Economic Association, EEA-ESEM , virtual	<i>Aug 2020</i>
2020 Conference for the Society of Institutional and Organizational Economics, virtual	<i>June 2020</i>
Yildiz Technical University, Istanbul	<i>Nov 2019</i>
Human Capital Conference (U Bahcesehir), Istanbul	<i>Oct 2019</i>
Royal Economic Society Annual Conference (U Warwick), Coventry	<i>Apr 2019</i>
Sabanci University, Istanbul	<i>Apr 2019</i>
1st LSE Workshop on Political Economy of Turkey (LSE), London	<i>Mar 2019</i>
TOBB ETU, Ankara	<i>Feb 2019</i>
Istanbul Technical University, Istanbul	<i>Nov 2018</i>
Koc University, Istanbul	<i>Oct 2018</i>
Trans-Atlantic Doctoral Conference (LBS), London	<i>May 2018</i>
TED University, Ankara	<i>Feb 2018</i>
Bogazici University, Istanbul	<i>Jan 2018</i>
Stony Brook University, Stony Brook	<i>Nov 2017</i>
University of Virginia, Charlottesville	<i>Nov 2017</i>
UVA-Richmond FED Research Jamboree (poster), Charlottesville	<i>May 2016</i>

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Referee

European Economic Review, European Journal of Political Economy, Journal of European Economic Association, Plos One, Economia Politica, Political Science Research Methods, Scientific and Research

Council of Turkey, Bogazici Journal

Discussant

4th EBRD Workshop on the Economics and Politics of Immigration (Kadir Has U), Istanbul *Mar 2023*
European Public Choice Society Conference (Leibniz University), Hannover *Mar 2023*
Human Capital Conference (U Bahcesehir), Istanbul *Oct 2022*
Political Economy Research Group (PERG) Annual Workshop 2002 (IE University), Madrid *May 2022*
Trans-Atlantic Doctoral Conference (LBS) *May 2018*
Graduate Economics Research Colloquium (UVA) *May 2018*

Department service

Erasmus Exchange Program Co-coordinator, Bogazici University *Sep 2019-present*

ADVISING

Main advisor

Korcan Karagöz, M.A. Thesis, Boğazici University *Sep 2022*
Title: Markups, Endogenous Market Power and Misallocation in Turkey

Committee member

6 M.A. students and 1 PhD student, Boğazici University *Sep 2018-Ongoing*

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Computing: MATLAB, Stata, R, Python
Languages: English (fluent), Turkish (native), French (intermediate, learning w/DuoLingo)

REFERENCES

Steven Stern

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