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Eastern Mediterranean University



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EDUCATION & DEGREES

Ph.D. International Relations, Security Studies, Bilkent University, 2012

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Advanced English, Advanced Swedish, Intermediate French, Intermediate German, Intermediate Russian.

DOCTORAL DISSERTATION

The “Nunn-Lugar” Cooperative Threat Reduction Program: An Effective Regime to Stem Weapons of Mass Destruction Proliferation Department of International Relations, Bilkent University, Ankara.

MASTER THESIS

Greece’s Accession to the EU and Its Integration Process, Department of International Relations, Bilkent University, Ankara, September 2004.

PUBLICATIONS

Book Chapters

1. Aylin G. Gürzel Aka, From Regionalism to Realpolitik: The Rise and Fall of Turkey as a Middle Power in the Middle East in *Middle Powers in the 21st Century*, Rowman and Littlefield (forthcoming).
2. Müge Kınacıoğlu and Aylin G. Gürzel Aka, Turkish Perceptions of Turkey –US Relations during Obama Presidency, *The World Views of the Obama Era, 2018*, Springer.
3. Mustafa Kibaroglu with Aylin Gurzel, Future Concepts in Defence Against Nuclear/Radiological Terrorism, in Dan-Radu Voica, Mustafa Kibaroglu (eds.) Response to Nuclear and Radiological Terrorism, *NATO Science for Peace and Security Series*, Volume 82, 2011, p. 11-22.

4. Mustafa Kibaroglu and Aylin Gurzel, An Overview of Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) Proliferation, in Dan-Radu Voica, Mustafa Kibaroglu (eds.) Response to Nuclear and Radiological Terrorism, *NATO Science for Peace and Security Series*, Volume 82, 2011, pp. 113-121.

Articles in SSCI Journals

1. Aylin G. Gürzel and Aslihan Engin Bozoğlu, Afet Pulhan and Isbandiyar Hashimov “The Revival of Geopolitics in the Eastern Mediterranean: ‘New Great Game’ and the ‘New Great Gamers?’”, *Israeli Affairs* (forthcoming).
2. Aylin G. Gürzel, “Turkey’s Role as a Regional and Global Player and its Power Capacity: Turkey’s Engagement with other Emerging States,” *Revista de Sociologia e Política*, Vol.22 No.50, summer 2014, pp. 95-105.
3. Müge Kınacıoğlu and Aylin Gürzel, “Turkey's Contribution to NATO's Role in Post–Cold War Security Governance: The Use of Force and Security Identity Formation,” *Global Governance: A Review of Multilateralism and International Organizations*, Vol. 19, winter 2013, pp.589-610.
4. Aylin G. Gürzel, “Turkey’s role in defusing the Iranian nuclear issue,” *The Washington Quarterly*, Vol.35, No. 3, summer 2012, pp.141-152.
5. Aylin G. Gürzel and Eyüp Ersoy, “Turkey and Iranian Nuclear Program,” *Middle East Policy*, Vol. XIX, No 1, spring 2012, pp.125-141.
6. Mustafa Kibaroglu and Aylin Gürzel, “U.S. Nuclear Weapons in Turkey: Yankee Go Home?,” *Security Index*, Moscow: PIR Center, Vol. 83, No. 1, spring 2008, pp. 77-82.

Op-ed on the Internet

Aylin Gürzel, *Between Iran and a Hard Place*, Project Syndicate, 2012.

Newsletter Article

Mustafa Kibaroglu and Aylin Gürzel, “Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction in the Eurasian Landscape,” *COE-DAT Newsletter*, Volume 2, Issue 6, May 2008.

M.A. THESIS SUPERVISED in EASTERN MEDITERANEAN UNIVERSITY and also in Partnership with WARWICK UNIVERSITY, UK

1. Jessica Eberechukuwu Nlebemuo (M.A./ Joint program with Warwick University) Achieving Supply Chain Resilience: A Literature Review, 2019.
2. Kemal Haşim (M.A./Joint program with Warwick University) The Consequences of Supply Chain Uncertainty in Eastern Mediterranean Hydrocarbon Negotiations: Gas as a Game Changer? , 2017.
3. Safiye Kocadayı (M.A.) State Security vs Human Security: Turkish Foreign Policy towards Syrian Refugees, 2017.
4. Canan Uluçınar (M.A.) Nunn-Lugar Cooperative Threat Reduction Program (CTR) Global Partnership against weapons of mass destruction (WMD): Possibilities for Better International Cooperation on WMD, 2017.
5. Ruqayyah Muhammad Ladan, (M.A.) Food Insecurity in the Horn of Africa, 2017.
6. Dilek Kalaycı (M.A.) JDP’s Foreign Policy Regarding the Cyprus Issue: Perceptions of Turkish Cypriots, 2017.

7. Gürhan Güler (M.A.) Rethinking Cyprus Conflict and Security: North Atlantic Treaty Organization's (NATO) Role, 2016.
8. Bessing Ibhobe Aidelomon (M.A.) Corruption and Insecurity: The Impetus on the Development in Nigeria, 2016.
9. Tim Kenechukwu Enerem (M.A.) Challenges to Human Security and Development: Terrorism and Environmental Conflict in Nigeria, 2016.
10. Hilmi Tekoğlu (M.A.) Turkey's Nuclear Program: Challenges and Prospects for Future, 2016.
11. Oluwasei Emmanuel Bakare (M.A.) International Capacity in Building Post-Conflict Peace in Sudan: Applying Peacebuilding Triangle, 2015.
12. Ali Abo Rezeg, (M.A.) Turkish and Malaysian Experiences: Lessons for Egypt, 2013.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE (LECTURER 2012- present Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, Cyprus)

PSIR 101 Global Politics

INTL 535 Security Issues in World Politics

INTL 556 Natural Resources and Political Economy of Energy Policy

INTL 201 International Relations

INTL 303 Politics of the Middle East

PSIR 305 Foreign Policy Analysis

PSIR 306 Turkish Foreign Policy

PSIR 412 Topics in World Politics

POLS 315 Selected Issues in Turkish Politics

PART-TIME LECTURER 2008-2010 Bilkent University, Ankara, Turkey

IR 204 International Relations

Man 474 EU-Turkey: Trade and Policies

HIST 201 History of Turkish Republic

Teaching Assistant 2007-2008 Bilkent University, Ankara

HIST 201 History of Turkish Republic

HIST 202 History of Turkish Republic

Visiting Professor Summer 2004 Pristine University, Kosovo

European Union: Deepening and Enlargement Process

LECTURES

NATO CEO-DAT Advanced Workshop

Nunn-Lugar Cooperative Threat Reduction Program (CTR) Program and Global Partnership, 06 December 2012

NATO CEO-DAT Advanced Workshop

Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) and Terrorism, 31 January 2012

ORGANIZATION ACTIVITIES- DIRECTOR OF THE COURSES

International School on Disarmament and Research on Conflicts (ISODARCO) Course on: "GLOBAL SECURITY & REGIONAL DISORDER: EVOLVING CHALLENGES, ELUSIVE SOLUTIONS?" KYRENIA - NORTH CYPRUS , 7 - 12 April 2019

Directors of the Course: Aylin Gürzel *Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus*

Steven Miller *(Belfer Center, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA)*

<http://www.isodarco.it/courses/kyrenia19/kyrenia19.html>

**ISODARCO Summer Course at Famagusta (Cyprus) 10 - 15 July 2017
"INTERNATIONAL SECURITY IN THE EVOLVING POLITICAL & TECHNOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENT"**

Director of the Course: Aylin Gürzel (*Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus*)

<http://www.isodarco.it/courses/famagusta17/famagusta17.html>

CONFERENCES ATTENDED and PAPERS PRESENTED

International Political Science Association (IPSA) 2018 in Brisbane, Australia.

The British Society for Middle Eastern Studies (BRISMES) 2018 in London, U.K.

International Studies Association (ISA) 2018 in San Francisco, United States

ISA 2017 in Baltimore, United States

ISA 2015 Annual Convention in New Orleans, United States

ISA 2014 Annual Convention in Toronto, Canada

ISA 2013 Annual Convention in San Francisco, United States

MPSA 2009 Midwestern Political Science Association in Chicago

I was a presenter and a discussant in two different sessions at the MPSA

ISA 2008 the Annual Convention in San Francisco

CERTIFICATES and LANGUAGE COURSES

International School on Disarmament and Research on Conflicts (ISADARCO): University of Rome 6-13 January 2019.

International School on Disarmament and Research on Conflicts (ISADARCO): University of Rome 7-14 January 2018.

International School on Disarmament and Research on Conflicts (ISADARCO): University of Rome 8-15 January 2017.

International School on Disarmament and Research on Conflicts (ISADARCO): University of Rome 7-14 January 2016.

International School on Disarmament and Research on Conflicts (ISADARCO): University of Rome 7-14 January 2015.

International School on Disarmament and Research on Conflicts (ISADARCO): University of Rome 8-15 January 2014.

International School on Disarmament and Research on Conflicts (ISADARCO): University of Rome 9-16 January 2013.

International School on Disarmament and Research on Conflicts (ISODARCO): University of Rome 11-18 January 2009.

Language Course- Pushkin Institute, Moscow, Russian Language School, Certificate Program (Grant received from the Russian Government) 2007 summer

Summer Course- St. Petersburg University, Russian Foreign Policy and History Certificate Program (Grant received from the Turkish Government (TIKA) 2006 summer

Language Course- German course, Zurich University & Benedict Schule, (Zurich) 2001-2002

Language Course- Alliance Française, French course (Paris) 1995-1997

Language Course- Stockholm University, Swedish for Foreign Students Passed National Diploma in Swedish Language (RIKSTEST Diploma)

WORKSHOPS AND COURSES

COE-DAT THE COURSE OF WMD TERRORISM 26-30 March, 2012.

NATO ADVANCED RESEARCH WORKSHOP, “WMD Terrorism,” 31 January-1 February 2012.

NATO ADVANCED RESEARCH WORKSHOP, ‘Intelligence Sharing and Terrorism,’ 07-08 December, 2011.

NATO ADVANCED RESEARCH WORKSHOP, ‘Technological Aspects of Combating Terrorism,’ 02-03 November, 2011.

NIH Ankara-Netherlands Institute for Higher Education, ‘Negotiations Techniques Workshop,’ 13 March, 2011.

NATO ADVANCED RESEARCH WORKSHOP (ARW), ‘Responses to Nuclear and Radiological Terrorism’, Ankara-Turkey, 14-15 January, 2010.

NIH Ankara-Netherlands Institute for Higher Education, ‘Developing Foreign Policy on Energy Issues,’ 28 September-1 October, 2009.

NATO ADVANCED RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM, ‘Global Terrorism and International Cooperation,’ Ankara-Turkey 10-11 March, 2008.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

- I founded the PUGWASH club at the Eastern Mediterranean University in Cyprus.
- I volunteered for the *Global Zero* in order to eliminate nuclear weapons globally.
- I am a member of *Young Professionals in Foreign Policy (YFPF)*.
- I am a member of *Women in International Studies (WIIS)*
- I was also the ambassador of the *YFPF Global Operations Department (GlobalOps)* in Ankara, Turkey.
- Volunteered for anti apartheid movement of *SIDA* Stockholm Sweden.
- We published a journal entitled “*International Relations Strategists*,” with my students in International Relations Theory class at Bilkent University.
- I taught English as a volunteer at Bilkent University’s Volunteer Teaching Project that is intended to help primary school students living in rural areas of Ankara, Turkey to improve their language skills