

## **Assist. Prof. Dr. Umut Bozkurt**

### **Curriculum Vitae**

#### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Critical Political Economy, State Theory, Modern Turkish Politics, Contemporary Cyprus Politics

#### **EDUCATION**

**2004- 09** PhD Department of Politics, University of York

Thesis Title: Making Sense of the Turkish State's Transformations Since 1980: Bringing

Class Back In

Supervisors: Prof. Werner Bonefeld and Prof. Alp Özerdem

Awarded the University of York Department of Politics University Research Studentship for 2004-2007.

**1998- 2001** MS in Politics, Department of Politics and Public Administration, Middle East

Technical University, Ankara, Turkey

**1993-98** BA in Politics, Department of Politics and Public Administration, Bilkent

University, Ankara, Turkey

**1987-1993** Bayraktar Türk Maarif Koleji, Nicosia, Cyprus

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

2004-2008 Teaching Assistant (tutor) at the University of York

Since 2010, Lecturer at the Department of Politics and International Relations, Eastern Mediterranean University, North Cyprus

**Courses taught:** Introduction to Global Politics, Politics of Development, International Political Economy (undergrad and postgrad courses), Normative Theory in International Relations, International Organizations, International Relations Theory, Contemporary Issues in Turkish Politics

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

## **March 2009- March 2011**

International Center for Transitional Justice Cyprus Program, Program Co-coordinator

**Project Description:** The overall objective of the project was to help pave the way for the revision of the divisive historical narratives held by each side in Cyprus and promote mutually respectful understandings of the past, and so contribute to reconciliation among the two communities. The ICTJ worked in collaboration with local organizations which served as advisors and partners throughout the project. The project aimed to support civil society organizations, community leaders, and politicians in their efforts to promote public debate on issues of how to deal with the past.

**Acquired skills:** Project planning, project management, organizational skills, team work

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Co-Authored Book**

Bozkurt U and Koldaş U, *Pragmatic Encounters with Islamism: Constituting Neoliberal Hegemony in Turkey and the Middle East*, Rowman and Littlefield International, London, 2020 (forthcoming)

### **Articles in Refereed Journals**

Bozkurt U. and Trimikliniotis N, “Incorporating a Class Analysis within the National Question: Rethinking Ethnicity, Class, and Nationalism in Cyprus”, *Nationalism and Ethnic Politics*, 2014, 20:2, 244-265

Bozkurt, U, “Turkey: From the Motherland to the IMF of Northern Cyprus”, *Cyprus Review*, Vol. 26, No: 2, 2014, pp 63-105.

Bozkurt, U., “Neoliberalism with a human face: Making sense of Justice and Development Party’s neoliberal populism in Turkey”, *Science and Society*, July, 2013, Volume 77 (SSCI)

Trimikliniotis N and Bozkurt U., ‘Rethinking Cypriot State Formations’, *Cyprus Review*, Vol. 22, No:2, 2010, pp. 87 – 110

### **Edited Book**

Trimikliniotis N. and Bozkurt U. (eds), *Beyond a Divided Cyprus: A State and Society in Transformation*, Palgrave Macmillan, November 2012

### **Book Chapters**

Bozkurt, U. "Northern Cyprus", in *The Elgar Companion to Post-Conflict Transition*, ed. by Hans-Joachim Giessmann and Roger Mac Ginty, Edward Elgar Publishing, Massachusetts, 2018

Bozkurt, U. "The Paris 2015 Attacks and The Eclipse Of Senses Of Belonging In Europe" in *Do I Belong?* ed. by Antony Lerman, Polity Press, London, 2017

Bozkurt, U. "Promoting Neoliberalism through Islam? The Case of the AKP in Turkey", in *Religious Activism in the Global Economy Promoting, Reforming or Resisting Neoliberal Globalization*, ed. by Sabine Dreher and Peter J. Smith, Rowman and Littlefield International, London, 2016

Bozkurt, U. "AKP Rule in the Aftermath of the Gezi Protests: from Expanded to Limited Hegemony?" in *Everywhere Taksim': Sowing the Seeds for a New Turkey at Gezi*, ed. by Isabel David and Kumru F. Toktamış, Amsterdam University Press, Amsterdam, 2015

Bozkurt U and Trimikliniotis N. "Rethinking the postcolonial Cypriot statehood: the Cyprus problem, Class Struggle and Ethnic conflict", in *Beyond a Divided Cyprus: A State and Society in Transformation*, Palgrave Macmillan, 2012

### **Encyclopaedia Entry**

"Westernization", *The Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Globalization*, Ritzer G. (ed.), Blackwell Publishing, New Jersey, 2012

### **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

Bozkurt U. and Yakinthou C., "Legacies of violence and overcoming conflict in Cyprus: the transitional justice landscape", PRIO Report, 2012

Bozkurt, U. "Making Sense of the Turkish Cypriots' Winter of Discontent", *The Cyprus Dossier*, Issue 01, 2011

"Tarihin Sonundan İşkencenin Gerekliliğine: Amerika'yı Nasıl Meşrulaştırmalı?" (From the End of History to Necessity of Torture: How should one legitimize US?), *Kıbrıs Yazıları*, No 5-6, Winter-Spring 2007

"AKP ve 1 Mayıs: Yeni Bir Siyaset Çerçevesinin Gerekliği" (JDP (Justice and Development Party and May 1 Protests: The Necessity of a New Political Framework), *Kıbrıs Yazıları*, No 10-11-12, Winter-Summer- Autumn 2008

"Kent Yoksullarının Çığılığı", (The Cry of the City Poor: Bolivarian Revolution) *Gaile*, No.1,

March 2008

“Başkalarının Acılarına Bakmamak” (The Inability of Regarding the Pain of Others), *Gaile*, No. 8, January 2009

## **CONFERENCES and PAPERS**

Bozkurt, U. was invited to speak in the book panel “Iosif Kovras Grassroots Activism and the Evolution of Transitional Justice” at the *International Political Science Association (IPSA) Colloquium entitled Democratization and Constitutional Design in Divided Societies* at the University of Cyprus, Nicosia June 24-27 2017

Bozkurt, U. “Going Beyond A Neoliberal Solution: Envisaging Alternative Economic Strategies in a Post-Settlement Cyprus”, *The Cyprus Problem, Its Solution and the Broader Implications Conference*, The Center for European and International Affairs, The University of Nicosia, Nicosia, 11-12 March 2016

Bozkurt, U. “Weathering one crisis after another: Explaining the hegemony of the AKP”, *Crisis, Resistance and Rights: Critical Political Economy Perspectives*, *Critical Political Economy Research Network of the European Sociological Association Mid-Term Conference*, University of Vienna, 12-13 September 2014

Bozkurt, U. , “AKP’s hegemony in the aftermath of the Gezi Park protests”, paper presented at the conference; *Gezi Protests and Beyond. Contesting AKP rule*, Lisbon, Portugal, 20-21 February 2014

Bozkurt, U, “AKP rule in the aftermath of the Gezi protests:from expanded to limited hegemony?”, paper presented at the *International Studies Association Annual Convention*, Toronto, Canada, 2014

Bozkurt, U. “Neoliberalism with a human face: Making sense of Justice and Development Party’s hegemony in Turkey”, paper presented at the *14th Mediterranean Research Meeting*, organised by the Mediterranean Program of the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies at the European University Institute, Mersin-Turkey, 20-23 March 2013

Bozkurt, U. “Making Sense of the Turkish Cypriot Social Discontent”, *Through the roadblocks: realities in raw motion conference*, co-organised by the Department of Multimedia and Graphic Arts (Art History and Theory Research Lab) of the Cyprus University of Technology, the non governmental organisation NeMe, and the Cyprus Ministry of Education and Culture, Limassol, 23-25 November 2012

Bozkurt U. and Trimikliniotis N, “Jeopolitik ve Etno-Milliyetçi Çatışma Modelinden Öteye Gitmek: Kıbrıs’ta Alternatif bir Devlet Kavramsallaştırması Üzerine Düşünmek”, paper presented at the *National Social Science Congress* organized by Turkish Social Science Association, Ankara, Turkey, December 2011

Bozkurt U. and Trimikliniotis N., “Beyond Exceptionalism: Re-conceptualizing the Cypriot State Formation(s)”, paper presented at the *Historical Materialism Annual Conference*, London, UK, November 2010.

Trimikliniotis N. and Bozkurt U., “Rethinking the Cyprus Question: Beyond the Liberal and Global Geopolitical Models”, paper presented at the *Ninth METU conference in International Relations*, Middle East Technical University, North Cyprus Campus, May 2010

Bozkurt U, “We Are in the Same Boat: Making Sense of Labour's Politics of Consensus in Turkey in the Context of the Global Crisis”, paper presented at the *International Initiative for Promoting Political Economy*, 3rd International Research Workshop in Political Economy, The Crisis, Interdisciplinarity and Alternatives, Ankara, Turkey, 14-1 September 2009

Bozkurt U, “The transformation of state-class relations and capitalism since the 1970s”, *Capitalism, State and Classes* panel organized at the Middle East Technical University North Cyprus Campus, 23 May 2009

Bozkurt U “Bringing Class Back In: Making Sense of Turkish State's Transformation in the 1980s”, paper presented at the *Departmental Seminar*, Department of Politics, University of York, UK, 10 June 2008

Bozkurt U “The Case of Susurluk: How to Make Sense of State- Civil Society Relations in Turkey”, paper presented at the *National Social Science Congress* organized by Turkish Social Science Association, Ankara, Turkey, 3-5 December 2003

## **MEMBERSHIPS**

Board member of the Gender Advisory Team.

## **SKILLS**

Language: Turkish: Mother Tongue, English: Fluent ( in speaking, reading and writing).

Computer: PC; Microsoft Office - Word, Internet Explorer

## **REFERENCES ON REQUEST.**