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Research Interests

Agricultural Economics, Economic History, Applied Econometrics, Impact Evaluation

Academic Experience

Assistant Professor, Economics, Kadir Has University, 2020–present

Impact Evaluation Consultant, 2022–present

Assistant Professor, Economics, TOBB ETU, 2020

Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Economics, Humboldt University Berlin, 2017–2019

Marie Curie Fellow, Economics, Humboldt University Berlin, 2014–2015

Education

PhD in Economic History, London School of Economics and Political Science, 2015

MA in Economics, Boğaziçi University, Turkey, 2007

BA in Mathematics, Boğaziçi University, Turkey, 2004

Publications

Journal Articles

"Concentration with Convergence: Regional Productivity Patterns in Türkiye, 1950-2020", forthcoming in *Economic History Review*.

"Macroeconomics of Greening Turkish Agriculture: A General Equilibrium Analysis of Input Rationalization Policies" (with Erinc Yeldan), *Southeast European and Black Sea Studies*, 2025

"Regional income inequalities and the West-East Divide in Turkey, 1880–2010" (with Şevket Pamuk and Güneş Aşık), *Economic History Review*, 2023

"A reassessment of industrial growth in interwar Turkey in the light of the first-generation sectoral estimates," *Historical Methods: A Journal of Quantitative and Interdisciplinary History*, 2023

"Overcoming the Egyptian cotton crisis in the interwar period: the role of irrigation, drainage, new seeds and access to credit" (with Laura Panza), *Economic History Review*, 74(1), 60–86, 2021

"Industrial expansion in interwar Egypt: First estimates, new insights," *European Review of Economic History*, 22(1), 53–72, 2018

Edited Books

Toprak Atlası 2025 (eds. Defne Orhun, Ayten Namlı, and Ulaş Karakoç), Heinrich Böll Yayınları, 2025

İktisat Tarihinin Dönüşü: Türkiye'de ve Dünyada Yeni Yaklaşımlar ve Araştırmalar (eds. Ulaş Karakoç and Alp Yücel Kaya), İletişim Yayınları, 2021

Book Chapters

"Dünyada ve Türkiye'de Geç Sanayileşme," in *İktisat Tarihinin Dönüşü: Türkiye'de ve Dünyada Yeni Yaklaşımlar ve Araştırmalar*, İletişim Yayınları, 2021

"Industrialization in Egypt and Turkey, 1880–2010" (with Şevket Pamuk and Laura Panza), in *Spread of Industry to the Poor Periphery since 1870* (eds. Jeffrey Williamson and Kevin O'Rourke), Oxford University Press, 2017

Works in Progress

"Estimating climate sensitivity of the crop yields in Türkiye, 1954-2024"

"Long-run crop yield trends in Türkiye since 1930: Testing yield stagnation thesis"

"Between state and market: Agricultural intensification in Türkiye's Konya Basin, 1950–2020" with Seven Agir (METU)

"Crisis, subsistence and markets: Agricultural supply response to the Great Depression in Türkiye", (with Marvin Suesse, Trinity College Dublin)

Teaching

Kadir Has University (2020–present): Econometrics I and II, Graduate Econometrics, Agricultural Economics and Policy, Applied Economics, Mathematics for Economists, Introduction to Economics

TOBB-ETU (2020): Mathematics for Economists, Introduction to Economics, Microeconometrics

Humboldt University Berlin (2017–2019): Economic History of the Middle East, Political Economy of Inequality

Grants, Scholarships, and Recognition

TÜBİTAK 1001 Grant, Principal Investigator, "Predicting the crop yields in Turkey using long-run agronomic and climate data" (2024–2026)

TÜBİTAK Eşik Üstü Ödülü (for Marie Curie Individual Fellowship application), 2021

Fritz Thyssen Stiftung Research Grant, Co-Investigator with Professor Nikolaus Wolf, "Regional Economic Inequality, Ethnicity and Conflicts in Turkey," 2017–2019

European Historical Economics Society, Finalist for Gino Luzzatto Dissertation Prize, 2015

LSE Middle East Centre, Emirates PhD Support for Middle East Studies, 2012–2013

LSE Economic History Department, Graduate Research Studentship, 2009–2013

European Commission Delegation to Turkey, Jean Monnet Scholarship, 2007–2008

Service

Refereeing: *Annals of Regional Science, Economic History Review, Economic History of Developing Regions, Economics of Transition and Institutional Change, Emerging Markets Review, European Review of Economic History, Financial History Review, New Perspectives on Turkey, Review of Income and Wealth, Rivista di Storia Economica, Turkish Studies*

Conferences, Workshops, Seminar Talks

Long-run crop yields and climate sensitivity in Turkey

Middle East Technical University, Symposium on Agricultural Economics, October 2026

Bogazici University Environmental Sciences Institute Seminar, May 2026

Agricultural Economics Society Centennial Conference, Oxford, March 2026

Agricultural growth in Turkey in the 1930s (with Marvin Suesse)

Trinity College Dublin, Economics Department Seminar, May 2026

Economic History Society Annual Conference, LSE, April 2026

Türkiye Sosyal Bilimler Derneği 18. Ulusal Sosyal Bilimler Kongresi, ODTÜ, September 2025

European Historical Economics Society Conference, University of Hohenheim, September 2025

Macroeconomic effects of greening agriculture in Turkey (with Erinç Yeldan)

Agricultural Economics Society Annual Conference, Bordeaux, April 2025

UNCTAD Workshop on Regional Cooperation on Sustainable Development, TEPAV, Ankara, January 2025

Farmer adoption of sustainable agriculture in Turkey (with Pinar Ceylan)

Agriculture, Environment and Resource Management Conference, Galatasaray University, July 2025

LANDSCAPE, ZALF-Humboldt University Berlin, September 2024

Historical Materialism Istanbul 2022, Kadir Has University, March 2022

Regional productivity differentials in Turkey since 1950

Istanbul University, Economics Department, December 2025

TUSIAD Food and Agricultural Research Group Meeting, January 2025

Agglomeration economies in Turkey (with Cem Ozguzel and Güneş Aşık)

Türkiye Ekonomisi Yapısal Sorunlar ve Çözümler Çalıştayı, Ege Üniversitesi, May 2024

Regional income inequalities in Turkey since 1913 (with Şevket Pamuk and Güneş Aşık)

Economic History of Developing Regions Virtual Seminar, April 2021

European Historical Economics Society 2019 Conference, Paris School of Economics, August 2019

1st Political Economy of Turkey Workshop, LSE, March 2019

ERF 25th Annual Conference, Kuwait, March 2019

3rd Workshop of Research Initiative on the Economics of the Middle East (RIEME), Pantheon Sorbonne, November 2018

World Economic History Congress, MIT, Boston, August 2018

Crisis of Egyptian cotton between 1900–1940 (with Laura Panza)

Berlin Colloquium on Economic and Social History, Humboldt University, Berlin, July 2018

European Economic History Congress, Pisa, September 2015

World Economic History Congress, Kyoto, Japan, August 2015

Industrialization and growth in interwar Egypt and Turkey

Workshop on the Economic History of the Middle East, Australian National University, June 2018

Conference on History of Business Organisation and Law, 9 Eylül University, Izmir, June 2016

Economic History Seminar, Middle East Technical University, Ankara, April 2016

MACROHIST Workshop, Université Libre de Bruxelles, January 2015

European Economic History Conference, LSE London, 2013

Conference on Trade, Poverty and Growth in History, Carlos III, Madrid, 2012

Economic History Society Annual Conference, Oxford, 2012

Skills

Software: R, Stata, Python, LaTeX

Languages: Turkish (native), English (fluent)