

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ahmet Sözen's
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PERSONAL DATA

Birthplace: Nicosia, Cyprus
Birth date: 1968
Citizenship: TRN Cyprus

PRESENT POSITION

Director, Cyprus Policy Center, Eastern Mediterranean University, TRNC (2004 -).

Faculty Member, Eastern Mediterranean University, TRNC (2004 -).

EDUCATIONAL TRAINING

Ph.D. (1999): Department of Political Science, University of Missouri-Columbia.

Dissertation Title: *Cyprus Conflict: Continuing Challenge and Prospects for Resolution in the Post-Cold War Era*

Dissertation Advisor: Prof. Birol A. Yesilada

Fields of Specialization:

International Relations	(Primary Field)
Comparative Politics	(Secondary Field)
Public Administration/Policy	(Tertiary Field)
International Law/Conflict Resolution	(Outside Field)
Methodological Skills	(Game Theory, Content Analysis, Interviewing)

M.A. (1993). Master of Arts in International Relations, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University.

Masters Thesis Title: Democracy in Turkey

Masters Thesis Advisor: Prof. James Bennett

Fields of Specialization:

War, Foreign Policy and Conflict Resolution
Western Europe (European Union)
Middle East

B. A. (1991). Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Language Education (English), Bogazici (Bosphorus) University, Istanbul, Turkey.

Honor Student List

Ranked second in both the Faculty of Education and the Department of Foreign Language Education

Foreign Language Training

Knowledge of *Turkish* (native), *English* (fluent) and *German* (intermediate).

Additional Training

Trained as a “*Peace-building Leader*” by the Washington D.C. Institute of Multi-Track Diplomacy (Cyprus, 1994).

Trained as a “*Trainer in Conflict Resolution Workshops*” by the Conflict Management Group of Harvard Negotiation Project (Cambridge, Massachusetts, 1993).

Trained as “*Campus Mediator*” through Mediator Training Program at Syracuse University (1993).

HONORS, AWARDS, AND RECOGNITIONS

Excellence in Graduate Research Award (1999): Awarded by the Department of Political Science, University of Missouri Columbia for 1998-99 academic year.

International Rotary Foundation (1997): Granted one of the fifty 1997 Paul Harris Ambassadorial Scholarships on International Conflict Resolution given on a world-wide competition by International Rotary Foundation. The Scholarship covered travel and living expenses (\$ 22,000) for the 1997-98 academic year. The scholarship consisted of research and interviews in Turkey, Greece, Cyprus, and other European countries (UK and Belgium).

Project Title: “*The Cyprus Conflict: The Negotiations for a Peaceful Settlement?*”

Superior Graduate Student Achievement Award (1997): Awarded by the Graduate School, University of Missouri Columbia for 1996-97 academic year.

K. Donald Anderson Outstanding Teaching Award (1996): Awarded by the Graduate School, University of Missouri Columbia for 1995-96 academic year.

USAID CASP (Cyprus-America Scholarship Program) Full Graduate Scholarship (1991): The scholarship included tuition and fees, and room and board for Master of Arts degree in Syracuse University. The CASP is administered by AMIDEAST (America-Mideast Education and Training Services, Inc.)

Undergraduate Honor Student List (1991): Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- * Conflict Resolution (theory and practice of international and ethnic conflict resolution)
 - Negotiation/Bargaining (theory and practice of international and ethnic bargaining, positions vs interests and belief systems of the disputed parties, role of intermediaries, third party intervention, mediation)
 - Greco-Turkish Problems (pathological-psychological problems, history, belief systems, global considerations)
 - Cyprus Conflict (negotiation process, third party involvement, global considerations, issue linkage)
- * Decision-Making (rationality and bounded rationality, game theory, belief systems)
- * European Union (conflict resolution mechanisms or lack of it, enlargement, integration theory)
- * Middle Eastern Politics (foreign policy, political and economic development, modernization, orientalism)
 - Turkish Politics (foreign policy, political and economic development, reform policy, democratization, modernization)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Assoc. Prof. Dr. (2006-):** Department of International Relations, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus.
- Asst. Prof. Dr. (2004-2006):** Department of International Relations, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus.
- Part-Time Instructor (2001-2002):** Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Sabancı University, Istanbul, Turkey.
- Asst. Prof. Dr. (1999-2004):** Department of Political Science and International Relations, University of Bahcesehir, Istanbul, Turkey.
- Instructor (1998-1999):** Department of Political Science, University of Missouri, USA.
- Visiting Instructor (1997-1998):** Department of International Relations in Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey.
- Instructor (Summer 1996 and 1997):** Department of Political Science, University of Missouri, USA.
- Teaching Assistant (Fall 1994-Spring 1996):** Department of Political Science, University of Missouri, USA.
- Visiting Instructor (Spring-Summer 1994):** Department of International Relations, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus.

Teaching Fields

- International Relations*** (International Relations Theories, International Conflict Resolution, Foreign Policy Analysis, Decision Making)
- Comparative Politics*** (European Union, Western European Politics, Politics of the Middle East, Turkish Politics, Democratization)

Courses Taught

Graduate Courses

- IR 514 International relations of Turkey** (Spring 2007)
- IR 522 Globalization** (Fall 2005)
- IR 551 Independent Readings in IR: External Relations of the European Union** (Spring 2001, Fall 2001).
- IR 456 International Negotiations: Theory and Practice** (Spring 1998).
- IR 429 Conflict and Conflict Resolution** (Fall 1997).

Undergraduate Courses

- INTL 101 Globalization** (Fall 2006, Spring 2007)
- IR 403 Politics of Cyprus** (Fall 2004, Spring 2005, Fall, 2005, Spring 2006, Summer 2007).
- IR 404 World Politics** (Spring 2005)
- INT 4411 Theory and Practice of Conflict Resolution** (Fall 2002, Fall 2003).
- INT 4412 Current Issues and Problems in World Politics** (Spring 2003, Spring 2004).
- IR 201 Conceptual Foundations of International Relations Theory** (Fall 2001).
- POLS 315/INT 3412 Turkish Foreign Policy** (Fall 2001, Spring 2003).

INT 232 Introduction to International Relations (Spring 2001, Spring 2002, Fall 2002, Fall 2003).

INT 221 Introduction to Political Science (Fall 2000).

INT 224 Diplomatic History II (Spring 2001).

INT 223 Diplomatic History I (Fall 2000).

INT 134/INT 1412 Globalization of World Politics II (Spring 2000, Spring 2001, Spring 2002, Spring 2003 < Spring 2004).

INT 133/INT 1411 Globalization of World Politics I (Fall 1999, Fall 2000, Fall 2001, Fall 2002, Fall 2003).

Pol. Sc 384 Contemporary Problems in the Middle East (Spring 1999).

Pol.Sc 11 Introduction to Political Science for Honor students (Fall 1998).

Pol. Sc 55 International Relations (Summer 1999, Summer 1997 and Summer 1996).

IR 104 Introduction to Politics (Spring 1994, Summer 1994).

IR 105 Sociology (Spring 1994).

PUBLICATIONS

- “The Cyprus Impasse: And the Way Out?” in *Thinking Outside the Box* (Eds: Kalipso Nikolaides et al.), Oxford University Press, Oxford (Forthcoming 2007).
- “The Annan Plan: State Succession or Continuity” *Middle Eastern Studies*, Vol. 43: 125-141, Issue 1 (January 2007) (with Kudret Özersay).
- “Terrorism and the Politics of Anti-Terrorism in Turkey” in *National Counter-Terrorism Strategies - Legal, Institutional, and Public Policy Dimensions in the US, UK, France, Turkey and Russia* (Eds: Robert W. Orttung, Andrey Makarychev), IOS Press, Washington DC 2006, pp. 155-164.
- “A Review article of VanderLippe, John M., *The Politics of Turkish Democracy: İsmet İnönü and the Formation of the Multi-Party System, 1938-1950*, (State University of New York Press, Albany, 2005).” *Middle East Studies Association Bulletin*, (Forthcoming 2006).
- “Turkish Democratization in Light of its EU Candidate Status” in *The Constitution for Europe and an Enlarging Union: Union in Diversity?* (Eds: Kirstyn Inglis and Andrea Ott), Europa Law Publishing, Amsterdam, 2005, pp. 279-305.
- “Turkish Cypriot Early General Elections of February 2005: The Rise of CTP/BG” *South European Society & Politics*, Vol. 10: 465-475, Issue 3 (Autumn 2005).
- “Türkiye’de Kopenhag Kriterleri Çerçevesinde Demokratikleşme ve Türk Dış Politikasına Yansımaları” in Öger Öktem Tanör (ed) *Bülent Tanör Armağanı* (İstanbul: Legal Yayıncılık, 2004).
- “A Review article of *Disaccord on Cyprus: the UN Plan and After*, (Eotheon Press, 2003).” *Turkish Studies*, Vol.5: 112-114, Issue 3 (2004).

- “Turkish Cypriot General Elections of December 2003: An Appraisal” *South European Society & Politics*, Vol. 9: 122-136, Issue 3 (2004) (with Ali Çarkoğlu).
- “A Review article of *Storm Clouds Over Cyprus*, 2nd edition, (Eotheon Press, 2002).” *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, Vol. 36: 147-148, Issue 2 (2004).
- “A Model of Power Sharing in Cyprus: From the 1959 London-Zurich Agreements to the Annan Plan” *Turkish Studies*, Vol.5: 61-77, Issue 1 (2004).
- “A Review article of *Dangerous Neighborhood: Contemporary Issues in Turkey’s Foreign Relations*, (Transaction Publishers, 2004).” *Middle East Studies Association Bulletin*, Vol. 37: 285-7, Issue 2 (2003).
- “Is International Political Economy (IPE) A Fad?” *Ekonomi ve Yönetim Bilgileri Dergisi*, (Bahçeşehir Üniversitesi) Vol. 2: 58-64, Issue 1 (2003).
- “The Fall of the Consociational Democracy and the Rise of a New State in Cyprus.” 5th International Seminar on Democracy and Human Rights in Multiethnic Societies, Institute for Strengthening Democracy in Bosnia, Democracy Papers, pp. 45-84, Konjic, Bosnia and Herzegovina, (2003).
- “Emergence of Nation States and Problematic Political Concepts in Four 'Waves': From the French Revolution to the End of the Cold War” *METU Studies in Development*, Vol. 29: 159-173, Issue 1-2 (2002).
- “AB Sürecinde Kıbrıs Uyuşmazlığı: Tünelin Ucundaki Işık [Cyprus in the EU Process: The Light at the End of the Tunnel]” *Foreign Policy* (Turkish), May-June/July-August 2002.
- “Negotiating a Resolution to the Cyprus Problem: Is Potential EU Membership a Blessing or a Curse?” *Journal of International Negotiation*, Vol. 7: 261-285, Issue 2 (2002) (with Birol Yeşilada).
- “Küreselleşme ve Amerika’nın İkilemi [Globalization and the American Dilemma: Globalization and the American Dilemma: Contributions and Setbacks of Globalization]” *Karizma*, Vol. 9, 2002.
- “Cyprus Conflict: Continuing Challenge and Prospects for Resolution” *Third International Congress for Cyprus Studies*, Vol. 3: 89-119 (2000).
- The Cyprus Conflict and the Negotiations: A Political and International Law Perspective* (Can Reklam, Ankara - Turkey, 1998).
- The Cyprus Problem and the European Union* (A booklet published and distributed to the foreign offices and embassies around the world by the World Council of Turkish Cypriot Associations) (Ankara - Turkey, 1998).
- “Advertisement in Turkish and Cyprus Turkish Newspapers,” *Journal for Cypriot Studies*, Vol. 3: 183-196, Issue 2 (1997).
- “Cyprus Conflict and the Distorted Facts: A Post-Modern Approach,” *Söylem* [Discourse], Fall 1996 (Cyprus).
- “Careerism in the North Cyprus Parliament,” *Journal for Cypriot Studies*, Vol. 2: 191-208, Issue 3 (1996).

“EU Enlargement into the Mediterranean Countries: Prospects for Cyprus, Malta, and Turkey,”
Söylem [Discourse], Summer 1996 (Cyprus).

CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

Paper Presentations

“The Cyprus Negotiations and the Basic Parameters” Paper presented at the conference “The Cyprus Conflict: Looking Ahead”, in Eastern Mediterranean University (Famagusta, North Cyprus, 7-8 May 2007).

“Clash of Civilizations or Consensus of Civilizations: The Case of the Turkish membership of the EU” Paper presented at the International Studies Association Conference (Chicago, USA, 28 February-4 March 2007).

“Terrorism and the Politics of Anti-Terrorism in Turkey.” Paper presented at the Advanced NATO Workshop (Washington DC, USA, 4-6 May 2006).

“Peacekeeping Operation in Cyprus” Paper delivered at the 2nd International Conference on Security Challenges to Peace Operations in the 21st Century (İzmir, TURKEY, 5-7 April 2006).

“Changing Fundamental Principles in Turkish Foreign Policy making.” Paper presented at the International Studies Association Conference (San Diego, USA, 22-25 March 2006).

“Assessing the Cyprus Bargaining Space Following EU Membership” (with Birol Yeşilada, Brian Eford, Jacek Kugler and Harry Anastasiou) Paper presented at the conference CEEISA/International Studies Association Conference (Istanbul, Turkey, 20-23 July 2005).

“Turkish-EU Relations at a Crossroad: Turkey’s Democratization Attempts in Light of Its Candidate Status” Paper presented at the conference Enlargement and the Future of the European Union: Parallel Paths or Crossroads? (Warsaw, Poland, 1-4 July, 2004).

“The Cyprus Negotiations: From the 1963 Inter-communal Negotiations to the Annan Plan” Paper presented at the conference Sixth Global Leadership Forum (Istanbul, 24-27 June, 2004).

“The US Hegemony in US-Turkish Relations Towards Iraq.” Paper presented at the International Studies Association Conference (Montreal, Canada, 17-20 March 2004).

“Analysis of the Bargaining Space in the Cyprus Negotiations: Prospect for Peace in 2004?” (with Birol Yeşilada, Jacek Kugler, Harry Anastasiou and Brian Eford) Paper presented at the International Studies Association Conference (Montreal, Canada, 17-20 March 2004).

“The Role of the European Union as a Third Party in Resolution of External Conflicts: Lessons from Cyprus.” Paper will be presented at the 16th Nordic and 4th Baltic Peace Research Conference under common title “New Security Challenges as Challenges to Peace Research” (St. Petersburg, Russia, 11 – 13 September 2003).

“Governance in Multi-Ethnic Societies: The Case of Annan Plan for Cyprus.” Paper presented at the CEEISA/International Studies Association Conference (Budapest, Hungary, 26-28 June 2003).

“Expected Utility Analysis of the Cyprus Problem.” (with Birol Yeşilada and Jacek Kugler) Paper presented at the CEEISA/International Studies Association Conference (Budapest, Hungary, 26-28 June 2003).

- “The Opportunity Cost of Customs Union: The Case of Turkey Establishing Customs Union with the European Union.” (with Veysel Ulusoy) Paper presented at the International Studies Association Conference (Portland, OR, USA, 25 February-1 March 2003).
- “The Copenhagen Criteria and the Challenge of Democratization in Turkey.” (with Prof. Birol Yeşilada) Paper presented at the International Studies Association Conference (Portland, OR, USA, 25 February-1 March 2003).
- “Legal System of Cyprus: The Fall and the Rise of Consociational Democracy in Cyprus.” Paper presented at the Democracy and Human Rights in Multiethnic Societies Conference (Konjic, Bosnia-Herzegovina, 8-12 July, 2002).
- “Democratization in Turkey: Copenhagen Criteria and Reflections on the Turkish Foreign Policy.” Paper presented at the International Studies Association Conference (New Orleans, LA, USA, 24-27 March 2002).
- “Settling Protracted Ethnic Conflicts in the Post-Cold War Era: The Case of the Cyprus Conflict.” Paper presented at the 14th Annual Meeting of the International Association for Conflict Management (IACM), Cergy (Paris), France, 24-27 June 2001.
- “The Fourth Wave: The Problematic State Sovereignty.” Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference (Chicago, IL, USA, April 2001).
- “A Game Theoretic Analysis of the Cyprus Negotiations: Implications for Cyprus's Membership in the EU.” (with Prof. Birol Yeşilada) Paper presented at the International Studies Association Conference (Chicago, IL, USA, February 2001).
- “Cyprus Conflict: Continuing Challenge and Prospects for Resolution.” Paper presented at the Third International Congress on Cyprus Studies, Eastern Mediterranean University (TRNC, 13-17 November 2000).
- “Cyprus Negotiations: A Survey of the Elite (Decision Makers) Attitudes Through Game Theory.” Paper presented at the conference “Confederal Structure: A Time for a New Look for Cyprus” organized by Foreign Policy Institute of Turkey (Kyrenia, TRNC, March 2000).
- “Elite Views on the Cyprus Conflict.” Paper presented at the conference “Peacemaking in Cyprus: Two Peoples, Two States” at the Federation of Turkish Canadian Associations (Toronto, Canada, May 1999).
- “The EU and Conflict Resolution: The Case of Cyprus Conflict.” Paper presented at the Conference on The Current European Union Agenda (The European Union Center, University of Missouri, April 1999).
- “The Current Impasse in the Cyprus Negotiations: Are We at the End of the Road?” (with Birol A. Yesilada). Paper presented at the 1999 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago. (Chicago, IL, April 1999).
- “Integration with Global Financial Markets and Domestic Political Reform: Comparing Poland and Turkey” (with Birol A. yesilada and Janusz Puzniak). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago. (Chicago, IL, USA, April 1997).
- “Cooperation on Economic Sanctions: A Case Study on the Cooperation of Turkey and the US in Sanctioning Iraq.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, Midwest (St. Louis, MO, USA, October 1996).

Other Conference Activities

“A Re-diagnosis of the Cyprus Conflict: Looking Ahead” Speech delivered at the 6th International Relations Conference, Middle East Technical University (Ankara, Turkey, 14 June 2007).

“The Fundamental Principles of Turkish Foreign Policy Making: A Case of Breaking the Clash of Civilizations” Speech delivered at the Conference “Turkish Foreign Policy and the Frontiers of Europe” in the Italian Senate (Rome, Italy, 6 June 2007).

As the Director of Cyprus Policy Center (CPC), organized the international conference “The Cyprus Conflict: Looking Ahead”, in Eastern Mediterranean University, where 18 academicians and experts from 8 different countries participated (Famagusta, North Cyprus, 7-8 May 2007).

“The Cyprus Stalemate: Looking Ahead” Speech delivered at the Conference “Cyprus: In Search for Peace” in the Foreign Journalists Association (Rome, Italy, 20 April 2007).

Participated in the Greek-Turkish Forum” sponsored jointly by the Turkish and Greek Foreign Ministries. Nicosia, Cyprus, 19-20 March 2007. This is a high level Forum that includes such participants as former foreign ministers, ambassadors and high-caliber academics.

Participated in the Greek-Turkish Forum” sponsored jointly by the Turkish and Greek Foreign Ministries. Istanbul, Turkey, 18-19 December 2006. This is a high level Forum that includes such participants as former foreign ministers, ambassadors and high-caliber academics.

Participated in the Greek-Turkish Forum” sponsored jointly by the Turkish and Greek Foreign Ministries. Athens, Greece, 14-15 June 2006. This is a high level Forum that includes such participants as former foreign ministers, ambassadors and high-caliber academics.

Participated in the “Cyprus after Accession: Thinking Outside the Box” organized by South East European Studies (SEESOX), Oxford University, UK, 9-10 March 2006. This high-level participated conference is producing a report to be published by the Oxford University.

Participated in the Turkish-Greek Forum sponsored jointly by the Turkish and Greek Foreign Ministries. Istanbul, Turkey, 16-17 March 2006. This is a high level Forum that includes such participants as former foreign ministers, ambassadors and high-caliber academics. The Forum decided to establish a “Cyprus Chapter” under the Turkish-Greek Forum that can play a role in producing new ideas that can contribute to the Cyprus conflict.

“Where We are in the Cyprus Conflict and the Way Out.” Speech delivered at the Conference *EU Border Conflicts* organized by EUBorderConf (Brussels., Belgium, 25 November 2005).

“The Current Cyprus Impasse and Prospects for a Comprehensive Solution.” Speech delivered at the Conference *Conflict Resolution in Cyprus and Israel-Palestine Comparative Perspectives* organized by Tel Aviv University (Tel Aviv., Israel, 6-7 November 2005).

“A Snapshot of the Current Cyprus Impasse and the Way Out.” Speech delivered at the Conference organized jointly by TUSIAD-US, Institute of Turkish Studies and the Cyprus Policy Center (Washington DC., USA, 2 November 2005).

“Where We are in the Cyprus Conflict” Speech delivered at the European Weekend School 2005: Turkey’s Pre-Accession to the European Union organized by Boğaziçi University (Istanbul, Turkey, 19-22 May 2005).

- “The Current Impasse in the Cyprus Conflict and the Prospects for the Way Out.” Lecture delivered at the Swedish Institute of International Affairs (Stockholm, Sweden, 4 March 2005).
- “The Cyprus Conflict and the Necessity to Lift the Isolation on the Turkish Cypriots.” Lecture delivered at the Foreign Relations Committee in the Swedish Parliament (Stockholm, Sweden, 3 March 2005).
- “Turkey’s Cyprus Policy and the European Union” Speech delivered at the conference Turkey-EU Relations organized by the Danish Institute of International Studies (Copenhagen, Denmark, 2 April 2004).
- “Border Crossings in Cyprus” Presentation delivered at the Crossing the Border Conference in Södertörn University (Stockholm, Sweden, 23-25 October 2003).
- “What Will Happen in Cyprus Now?” Speech delivered as part of the Jean Monnet Speech Series at Boğaziçi University (Istanbul, Turkey, 28 March 2003).
- “Turkey, the EU and the 2004 Milestone: Is this Time for Real?” Participant and contributor at the conference organized by St. Antony’s College, University of Oxford (Oxford, UK, 14 -15 March 2003).
- “Tackling the Cyprus Problem: Chances for a Mediated Solution” Roundtable discussant at the International Studies Association Conference (Portland, OR, USA, 25 February-1 March 2003).
- “New Arenas and Challenges in Turkish Foreign Policy Decision-Making” Chaired the panel at the International Studies Association Conference (Portland, OR, USA, 25 February-1 March 2003).
- “Intra-State Conflict” Chaired the panel at the International Studies Association Conference (Portland, OR, USA, 25 February-1 March 2003).
- “The Cyprus Question. Will it be Solved.” Lecture delivered at the Swedish Institute of International Affairs. (Stockholm, Sweden, 26 August 2002).
- “Positions of the Disputed Parties in the Cyprus Negotiations: Prospect for a Compromised Solution.” Presentation made at the First International METU Conference on International Relations.” (Ankara, Turkey, 3-5 July, 2002).
- “Co-operation in Divided Cities: The Case of Nicosia.” Presentation made at the conference organized by the Swedish Institute on “Practical Co-operation in Divided Cities.” (Mostar, Bosnia-Herzegovina, 6-8 April, 2002).
- “A Critical Analysis of the Turkish Thesis within the Framework of the European Union” Speech delivered at the conference “Cyprus Issue within the Framework of Turkey’s Full Membership to the European Union” organized by the Istanbul Bar Association and the Conrad Adanuer Foundation (Istanbul, Turkey, 30 June 2001).
- “The EU-Turkey Relations in the New Millennium” Organized and chaired the panel as the director of ISTAM (Istanbul Strategic Research Center) (University of Bahcesehir, Istanbul, Turkey, 1 May 2001).
- “The Current Phase of the Cyprus Problem” Organized and chaired the panel as the director of ISTAM (Istanbul Strategic Research Center) (University of Bahcesehir, Istanbul, Turkey, 20 March 2001).

“Turkey at the Crossroads of Europe: Turkey’s Membership in the European Union” Speech delivered twice at the Department of Political Science and to the general University audience in Eastern Illinois University (Charlston, IL, USA, 18 and 19 February 2001).

“Cyprus Issue” Chaired the panel at the Third International Congress on Cyprus Studies, Eastern Mediterranean University (TRNC, 13-17 November 2000).

“Negotiation Simulation” Organized and conducted for 120 university students from European countries at the AEGEE (Association Des Etats de L’Europe) Peace Summit (Kusadasi, Turkey, August 2000).

“Cyprus Conflict” Lecture at the AEGEE (Association Des Etats de L’Europe) Peace Summit (Kusadasi, Turkey, August 2000).

“Cyprus Negotiations: Elite Positions” Lecture at the AEGEE (Association Des Etats de L’Europe) Peace Summit (Kusadasi, Turkey, August 2000).

“Cyprus Conflict: Long Road to Solution” Chaired the panel at the conference “Confederal Structure: A Time for a New Look for Cyprus” organized by Foreign Policy Institute of Turkey (Kyrenia, TRNC, March 2000).

“European Union and Turkey” Discussant of the panel at the European Union Conferences organized by Bahcesehir University (Istanbul, Turkey, December 1999).

“International Organizations” Chaired the panel at the Sixth Annual Political Science Senior Student Development Conference (University of Missouri-Columbia, November 1995).

“Cyprus Conflict and Its Resolution.” Speech delivered at the panel organized by the Turkish Club of the American University (Washington, D.C., USA, Spring 1995).

“Cyprus Conflict and the UN Mediation.” Speech delivered at the bi-communal panel “UN Mediation Efforts” (Southern Cyprus, Spring 1994).

“Use of Conflict Resolution Methods in the Cyprus Conflict.” Speech delivered at the bi-communal panel “Conflict Resolution and the Cyprus Conflict” (TRNC, Spring 1994).

ACADEMIC SERVICES

Founding Chairman of the Department of Political Science and International Relations, University of Bahcesehir, Istanbul (1999- 2002).

Director of ISTAM (Istanbul Strategic Research Center, University of Bahcesehir, Istanbul (1999-2004).

Advisor of the International Relations Club at the University of Bahcesehir, Istanbul (1999-2004).

Graduate student representative on three International Relations Faculty Search Committees at the department of Political Science, University of Missouri (1995, 1996, 1998).

Worked as an expert for the Political and Legal Aspects Sub-Committee (Eastern Mediterranean University) for providing recommendation for the President of North Cyprus on the Confidence Building Measures between the Turkish and Greek Cypriot sides (Cyprus, 1994).

Advisor of the International Relations Club at the Eastern Mediterranean University, Cyprus (1994).

RESEARCH and FIELD EXPERIENCE

Worked as a Research Fellow on the project “The Analysis of the Annan Plan for the Cyprus Solution.” Here, a team of researchers are analyzing the Cyprus peace plan to identify the threats to the Turkish side and the weaknesses in front of a stable and long lasting solution in Cyprus. The team has already submitted a preliminary report to the Turkish Foreign Ministry (January 2004) regarding proposals as to how to overcome the threats and weaknesses in the peace plan (November 2003 – February 2004).

Worked as a Research Fellow at the Swedish Institute of International Affairs (Stockholm, Sweden). The topic of the research was the “role of the European Union in mediating external conflicts” (July-August 2002).

Held the position of Director of ISTAM, 2000-2004 (Istanbul Strategic Research Center). ISTAM is a research center founded within the Bahcesehir University system. The mission of ISTAM is to contribute to the regional and global peace by means of promoting democratic societies at home, in the region and in the world.

As a first step of its mission, ISTAM is dedicated to contribute to the enhancement of Turkish foreign policy, the enrichment of open and democratic society in Turkey, and the establishment of permanent peace in the region. ISTAM’ motto comes from Kemal Atatürk’s dictum: “Peace at home, peace in the world.” For that purpose, ISTAM conducts research, prepares educational programs, seminars, and conferences, recalls the voice of experience, and produces publications.

The vision of ISTAM, through its activities, is to advance the Turkish-European Union, Turkish-US and Turkish-Russian relations and the establishment of an atmosphere of peace in the volatile regions of the Balkans, the Aegean, Cyprus, the Middle East, the Caucasus and Central Asia that surround Turkey. ISTAM supports the role that Turkey can play as a cultural “bridge” in resolving regional conflicts (1999-).

Traveled and researched on the Cyprus conflict as a Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholar to Ankara and Istanbul - Turkey, Athens - Greece, North and South Cyprus, London - UK, and Brussels – Belgium. Interviewed about 60 people ranging from politicians (including presidents, deputy-prime ministers, ministers, MPs, in national parliaments and in the European Parliament), ambassadors of several countries (including US, Russian Federation, UK, Germany, Greece, Turkey), high-ranking bureaucrats in foreign ministries and EU institutions, to journalists and academicians (1997-98).

Worked as the Research Assistant of Prof. Birol A. Yesilada (Chair of Department of Political Science, University of Missouri-Columbia) and traveled to Turkey for research on economic reforms and democratization under an IMF (International Monetary Fund) grant (August 1996 - June 1997).

Worked as an intern on the project “*Iraqgate*” which consists of once classified government documents obtained by FOIA - Freedom of Information Act at the National Security Archive (Washington, DC., Summer 1993). Basic duties include (1) writing letters to several government institutions, such as the DOS, Pentagon, DOE, CIA, etc. in order to obtain once classified documents; (2) reading and summarizing the disclosed de-classified documents; (3) archiving the de-classified documents into a computer database (Summer 1993).

COMPUTER SKILLS

Mac, PC, Windows, Word, Power-point, Web-site creation (html).

OTHER EXPERIENCES and SERVICES

Attends to many live and non-live TV and radio programs both in Turkey and abroad. (1998 -).

Occasionally writes to daily Turkish newspapers on foreign affairs (Turkey, 1999 -).

Invited as an *“honorary guest”* to give briefings on Cyprus conflict in some embassies (Turkey, 1997-1998).

Invited as the *“guest speaker”* to deliver several speeches in Rotary Clubs and attended to several panels on Cyprus Conflict and international politics in Turkey (1997-1998).

Attended as an *Honorary Guest* to the think-tank group of the President of North Cyprus (Cyprus, January 1996).

Contracted by the consortium of the Institute for Multi-Track Diplomacy (Washington, DC) and the Conflict Management Group (Cambridge, MA) as a *Trainer of Conflict Resolution* for the

Second CASP (Cyprus-America Scholarship Program) Students Conflict Resolution Workshop (Cambridge, Massachusetts, 1994).

Served as the member of the Steering Committee of the Bi-Communal Conflict Resolution Group (Cyprus, 1994).

REFERENCES

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