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Research Interests

Economic Development, Labour Economics, Regional Development, Applied Econometrics, Impact Analysis, Economic History

Education

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

Supervisor: Chris Pissarides

MRes in Economics, School of Economics and Political Science, 2008

MPA in International Development (MPA-ID), Harvard Kennedy School, 2006

BSc in Economics, Hacettepe University (with highest honor), 2000

Employment

2016-Present Assistant Professor of Economics

TOBB Economics and Technology University, Ankara

2017 Nov-Dec Visiting Professor, Institut d'Étude du Développement Économique et Social
Université 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, Paris

2012-2016 Economist

Economic Policy Research Foundation of Turkey (TEPAV), Ankara

2013-2015 Part-time Lecturer

TOBB Economics and Technology University, Ankara

2010 Graduate Intern, Africa Department

International Monetary Fund (IMF), Washington DC

Affiliations

2017- Present Research Associate

Institut d'Étude du Développement Économique et Social
Université 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, Paris

2017- Present Research Associate

Economic Research Forum (ERF), Cairo

2016- Present Research Associate

Development Analytics, Istanbul

Book Chapters

Using Regression Discontinuity Design to Evaluate the Effect of Early Retirement Incentives in Turkey. 2017. In M. Aran (ed.) *Impact Evaluation Methods Measuring Program Results and Applications in Turkey.* Optimist Press, İstanbul. ISBN : 978-605-322-367-2

The Promise of Big Data: Next generation Social Policy Development. 2017. In M. Aran (ed.) *Impact Evaluation Methods Measuring Program Results and Applications in Turkey.* Optimist Press, İstanbul. ISBN : 978-605-322-367-2

Works in Progress

“Structural change, productivity and skills dynamics in Egypt, Tunisia and Turkey”
(with Mohamed Ali Marouani, Michelle Marshallian and Ulaş Karakoç)

“Overlooked Benefits of Consumer Financial Services: Impact on Formal Employment”.

“Impact of Terrorism and Migration Crisis on Female Employment: Evidence from Turkish Regional Data”.

“Measuring and Accounting for the Long-term Regional Income Differences in Turkey,1880-2010”
(with Şevket Pamuk and Ulaş Karakoç)

“Gender Wage Gap: Theory and Evidence” (with Hakan Yetkiner and Eda Kahraman)

“The Impact of Early Retirement Incentives on Labour Supply: Evidence from Turkey”.

“Effectiveness of Stabilization Funds in Managing Volatility in Oil-Rich Countries”.

Refereeing

Applied Economics, Energy Economics, European Journal of Development Research

Columns, Reports and Research Briefs

1. “Turkey Badly Needs a Long-Term Plan for Syrian Refugees”, April 13, 2017 [Harvard Business Review](#)
2. “Can Syrian Refugees Become a Boon for Turkish Economy?”, May 10, 2017 [Al-Monitor](#)
3. “Making Economies Work for Women: Female Labour Force Participation in Turkey” (with Feride Inan). 2015. [Tepav-Oxfam Joint Report](#)
4. “The G20 Forum As an Opportunity to Improve the Cooperation Between Emerging and Advanced Economies”, Funded by the British Prosperity Fund (with Feride Inan). 2015. [Tepav Report](#)
5. “Can Women Boost Turkey’s Growth?” February 2014. [Tepav Policy Note](#)

Honors, Scholarships and Fellowships

2009-2012 LSE Tutorial Fellowship

2007-2010 LSE, Research Studentship (Covering all tuition fees)

2006 Honorable Mention for Outstanding Performance on Graduation Thesis for the MPA-ID Program, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University

- 2004-2006 Joint Japan-World Bank Graduate Full Scholarship (JJ/WBGSP) Harvard University (Covering all tuition fees and living expenses)
- 2000 Ihsan Doğramacı Supreme Success Award for graduating with the highest GPA, Hacettepe University

Other Academic Positions

- 2007-2008 Research Assistant for Prof. Francesco Caselli and Dr. Guy Michaels, London School of Economics, UK
- 2005-2006 Research Assistant for Prof. Jeffrey Frankel, Harvard University, USA
- 2009-2012 Teaching Fellow, London School of Economics, UK
Courses taught: EC413: Macroeconomics for MSc. Students
- 2012 Teaching Assistant, Beijing University, China
Courses taught: LPS-EC204: The Global Economy
- 2011 Lecturer at Summer School, Sabancı University, Istanbul
Courses taught: EC202: Macroeconomics
- 2007-2009 Teaching Assistant, London School of Economics, UK
Courses taught: EC319: Mathematical Economics for BSc. Students
- 2005-2006 Teaching Assistant, Harvard University, USA
Courses taught: API 121: Macroeconomic Theory and Policy

Skills

Software: Stata, LaTeX, R, Matlab, GIS, EViews, Microsoft Office Applications

Language: Turkish (native), English (fluent), French (reading), Ottoman Turkish (intermediate)