

# Dr. Oguzhan Goksel

## PERSONAL DATA

**Current Positions:** Assistant Professor, Istanbul 29 Mayıs University, Istanbul, Turkey  
Editor-in-Chief, *New Middle Eastern Studies* journal, UK

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## EDUCATION

**2011 – 2015** **Ph.D.** in Political Science, School of Government and International Affairs, Durham University, Durham, United Kingdom. Thesis Title: “Assessing the Turkish Model: The Modernisation Trajectory of Turkey through the Lens of the Multiple Modernities Paradigm”. Supervisors: Prof. Emma C. Murphy and Dr. Colin Turner.

**2010 – 2011** **M.A.** in International Relations (Middle East), Durham University, Durham, United Kingdom. Thesis Title: “Turkey’s Search for a New Role in the Middle East: The Radical Change in Turkish Foreign Policy and Its Impact on Turkish-Israeli Relations” (Awarded with Merit). Supervisor: Dr. Yukiko Miyagi.

**2006 – 2010** **B.A.** in International Relations, Istanbul University, Istanbul, Turkey.  
GPA: 3.56/4.00.

**Research Interests:** Modernisation and non-Western modernities; comparative politics; historical sociology; political economy of development and foreign policy analysis.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

**Nov. 2017 – Present** **Vice Dean**, Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences, Istanbul 29 Mayıs University, Turkey.

**Oct. 2017 – Present** **Director of International Office**, Istanbul 29 Mayıs University, Turkey.

**Oct. 2015 – Present** **Assistant Professor**, Department of Political Science and International Relations, Istanbul 29 Mayıs University, Turkey.

**May 2012 – Dec. 2017** **Book Reviews Editor**, *New Middle Eastern Studies* journal, UK.

**Sept. 2014 – Sept. 2015** **Teaching Associate**, Istanbul 29 Mayıs University, Turkey.

**Oct. 2012 – May 2014** **Teaching Assistant**, Durham University, UK.

## COURSES CURRENTLY TAUGHT

- POLS 541 – Political Economy of the Middle East (MA)
- POLS 546 – International Relations and Non-Western Thought (MA)
- POLS 401 – Comparative Politics (BA, 4<sup>th</sup> Year)
- POLS 303 – Politics in Developing Countries (BA, 3<sup>rd</sup> Year)
- POLS 204 – Foreign Policy Analysis (BA, 2<sup>nd</sup> Year)
- POLS 102 – Introduction to International Relations (BA, 1<sup>st</sup> Year)

## **PUBLICATIONS (All in English unless stated otherwise)**

### **Books:**

**2018.** [Co-edited with Hüseyin Işıksal] *Turkey's Relations with the Middle East: Political Encounters after the Arab Spring* (New York and Heidelberg: Springer).

### **Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles:**

**2018.** [with Omer Tekdemir] 'Questioning the "Immortal State": The Gezi Protests and the Short-Lived Human Security Moment in Turkey', *British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies*, Vol. 45, No. 3, pp. 376-393. **[Indexed in SSCI]**

**2017.** 'Revolutionary and Libertarian Islam: A Divergent Islamic Perspective on Modernity', *ASOS: The Journal of Academic Social Science*, Vol. 5, No. 48, pp. 144-162.

**2016.** 'In Search of a Non-Eurocentric Understanding of Modernization: Turkey as a Case of Multiple Modernities', *Mediterranean Politics*, Vol. 21, No. 2, pp. 246-267. **[Indexed in SSCI]**

**2015.** 'Beyond Countering Iran: A Political Economy of Azerbaijan-Israel Relations', *British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies*, Vol. 42, No. 4, pp. 655-675. **[Indexed in SSCI]**

**2014.** 'Perceptions of the Turkish Model in Post-Revolutionary Tunisia', *Turkish Studies*, Vol. 15, No. 3, pp. 476-495. **[Indexed in SSCI]**

**2013.** 'Deconstructing the Discourse of Models: The "Battle of Ideas" over the Post-Revolutionary Middle East', *Insight Turkey*, Vol. 15, No. 3, pp. 157-170.

**2012.** 'Assessing the Turkish Model as a Guide to the Emerging Democracies in the Middle East', *Ortadoğu Etutleri* [Middle Eastern Studies], Vol. 4, No. 1, pp. 99-120.

### **Book Chapters:**

**2018.** 'The Turkish Economic Model Revisited, or: How We Have Missed Human Development', in Özgür Ünal Eriş and Ahmet Salih İkiz (eds.) *The Political Economy of Muslim Countries* (Newcastle upon Tyne: Cambridge Scholars Publishing), pp. 121-150.

**2018.** [with Michelangelo Guida] 'Re-evaluating the Sources and Fragility of Turkey's Soft Power after the Arab Uprisings', in Hüseyin Işıksal and Oğuzhan Göksel (eds.) *Turkey's Relations with the Middle East: Political Encounters after the Arab Spring* (New York and Heidelberg: Springer), pp. 151-168.

**2018.** 'Eurocentrism Awakened: The Arab Uprisings and the Search for a "Modern" Middle East', in Hüseyin Işıksal and Oğuzhan Göksel (eds.) *Turkey's Relations with the Middle East: Political Encounters after the Arab Spring* (New York and Heidelberg: Springer), pp. 33-51.

**2018.** 'Introduction: The Politics of Power amidst the Uprisings of Hope', in Hüseyin Işıksal and Oğuzhan Göksel (eds.) *Turkey's Relations with the Middle East: Political Encounters after the Arab Spring* (New York and Heidelberg: Springer), pp. 1-9.

**2016. [in Turkish]** 'Avrupa Birliđi Triumvirası'nın Gözünden "Yeni Türkiye": Post-Yapısalcı Bir Medya Analizi' [The New Turkey through the Eyes of the European Union Triumvirate: A Post-Structuralist Media Analysis], in Ozan Örmeci and Hüseyin Işıksal (eds.) *Mavi Elma: Türkiye-Avrupa İlişkileri [The Blue Apple: Turkey-EU Relations]* (Ankara: Gazi Kitabevi), pp. 467-505.

**2016.** 'The End of Military Tutelage in Turkey and the Re-Making of Turkish Foreign Policy by the AKP', in Yakub Halabi (ed.) *Democratic Peace across the Middle East: Islam and Political Modernisation* (London and New York: I.B. Tauris), pp. 46-73.

**2015.** 'From Progress to Order: The "Kurdish Openings" and the Limits to Contentious Politics in Turkey', in Fawaz Gerges (ed.) *Contentious Politics in the Middle East: Popular Resistance and Marginalized Activism beyond the Arab Uprisings* (Basingstoke and New York: Palgrave Macmillan), pp. 281-303.

**2015.** 'The Impact of the Arab Spring on Turkey's Role and Relations in the Middle East', in Hüseyin Işıksal and Ozan Örmeci (eds.) *Turkish Foreign Policy in the New Millennium* (Frankfurt am Main, New York and Oxford: Peter Lang Publishing), pp. 47-73.

### **Commentaries:**

**2016. [in Turkish]** 'Trump'ın Zaferi ve Amerika'nın "Demir Ökçesi"' [The Victory of Trump and the "Iron Heel" of America], *Uluslararası Politika Akademisi*, 14 November (Available at: <http://politikaakademisi.org/2016/11/14/trumpin-zaferi-ve-amerikanin-demir-okcesi/>).

**2016.** 'A Cynical Report Card on the Turkish Game of Thrones: The 15<sup>th</sup> July Coup Attempt and the Double Standards of the West', *E-International Relations*, 13 August (Available at: <http://www.e-ir.info/2016/08/13/a-cynical-report-card-on-the-turkish-game-of-thrones/>).

**2015.** [with Omer Tekdemir] 'Turkey's Year of Violence and Elections', *Open Democracy*, 30 October (Available at: <https://www.opendemocracy.net/o-uzhan-g-ksel-omer-tekdemir/turkeys-year-of-violence-and-elections>).

**2015.** [with Omer Tekdemir] 'As Another Election Looms, Can Turkey Be Saved from Itself?', *The Conversation*, 30 October (Available at: <https://theconversation.com/as-another-election-looms-can-turkey-be-saved-from-itself-49619>).

**2015.** [with Omer Tekdemir] 'A Turbulent Turkey in a Region in Turmoil: The Rise and Fall of the Human Security Moment', *Open Democracy*, 17 September (Available at: <https://www.opendemocracy.net/arab-awakening/omer-tekdemir-o%C4%9Fuzhan-g%C3%B6ksel/turbulent-turkey-in-region-in-turmoil>).

**2014.** 'The Silent Revolution in Turkey and the Endgame for Power', *Turkish Area Studies Review*, No.23, pp. 18-23 (ISSN: 1474-0125).

**2012.** 'The Arab Spring: A "Blessing in Disguise" for Turkish-British Relations?', *Turkish Area Studies Review*, No.20, pp. 15-19 (ISSN: 1474-0125).

### **Book Reviews:**

**2013.** 'The New Authoritarianism in the Middle East and North Africa by Stephen J. King', *New Middle Eastern Studies*, Vol. 3 (Available at: <https://journals.le.ac.uk/ojs1/index.php/nmes/article/view/2650/2473>).

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

**2018.** *“Foreign Policy Making under Illiberal Populism: The Uses of Anti-Westernism in Turkish Politics”*, BRISMES Conference 2018: New Approaches to Studying the Middle East, 25-28 June 2018, King’s College London, London, UK.

**2017.** *“Debating Azerbaijani Modernity: An Experience of Uneven and Combined Development in the Post-Soviet Space”*, IEPAS 2017: 4<sup>th</sup> International Annual Conference on Eurasian Politics and Society, 1-2 July 2017, Bahariye Mevlevihanesi, Istanbul, Turkey.

**2017.** *“The Gezi Protests and the Radical Democratic ‘Peace Moment’ in Turkey: The Rise and Decline of the HDP”*, First Annual Symposium 2017: The Role of the Kurds in the Middle East and Beyond: Regional and International Interactions, 16 March 2017, University of Leicester, Leicester, UK.

**2016.** *“Uneven Development and Unexpected Outcomes: A Historical Sociology Guide to the New Turkey”*, BRAIS Conference 2016: The Third Annual Conference of the British Association for Islamic Studies, 11-12 April 2016, Senate House, University of London, London, UK.

**2015.** *“Liberation, Revolution and the Anti-Capitalist Muslims: A Divergent Islamic Perspective from Turkey”*, EURAMES/BRISMES Joint Annual Conference: ‘Liberation?’, 24-26 June 2015, London School of Economics, London, UK.

**2015.** *“The Demise of the Turkish Model: The Gezi Park Protests and the Formation of a ‘New Turkey’”*, Conference: In Search of a Model for the Middle East – A Comparison of Turkish and Nordic Experiences, 16-17 April 2015, Lund University (Center for Middle Eastern Studies), Lund, Sweden.

**2014.** *“The Turkish Economic Development Experience and the Post-Revolutionary Middle East in Comparative Perspective,”* Fourth World Congress for Middle East Studies (WOCMES), 18-22 August 2014, Middle East Technical University (METU), Ankara, Turkey.

**2014.** *“The Evolution of the Turkish Islamist Movement: Insights from a Trajectory of Ideological Transformation”*, BRISMES Annual Conference - The Middle East in Global Perspective: Interactions Across Time and Space, 16-18 June 2014, University of Sussex, Brighton, UK.

**2014.** *“The Moderation of the Turkish Islamist Movement: Insights from a Case of Ideological Transformation”*, Post-Graduate Conference: New Research in Language-Based Area Studies, 13-14 March 2014, The University of Manchester, Manchester, UK.

**2013.** *“Turkish Model as a Guide of Modernisation for Post-Revolutionary Middle East,”* POLITISCI '13 Conference - Political Science in the 21st Century: New Opportunities and Impasses', 31 October-2 November 2013, Istanbul University, Istanbul, Turkey.

**2013.** *“The Conundrum of ‘Kurdish Opening’ in Turkish Politics: The AKP and Its Shifting Policies”*, LSE Middle East Centre PhD Conference 2013: Contentious Politics in the Middle East, 30 September 2013, London School of Economics, London, UK.

**2013.** *“From Progress to Order: The Shift in the AKP’s Ideology and the Case of ‘Kurdish Question’ in Turkey,”* BRISMES Annual Graduate Conference: Rethinking Minorities and Majorities: ‘Marginality and Participation in the Middle East’, 8-9 May 2013, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK.

**2013.** *"Defying the System: Origins of Anti-Westernism in Iran"*, Politics in Crisis? - 2013 Conference in School of Politics and International Relations, University of Nottingham, 26 April 2013, Nottingham, UK.

**2013.** *"Deconstructing the Discourse of Models: The 'Battle of Ideas' over the Post-Revolutionary Middle East"*, 6th Annual International Conference on Mediterranean Studies, 26-29 March 2013, Athens, Greece.

**2012.** *"The Turkish Modernization Model and the Democratization and Economic Development Process in the Post-Revolutionary Middle East"*, 11th METU Conference on International Relations, 13-15 June 2012, Middle East Technical University (METU), Ankara, Turkey.

**2012.** *"Assessing the Turkish Model as a Guide to the Emerging Democracies in the Middle East"*, BRISMES Annual Graduate Conference: 'Change and Continuity in the Middle East: Rethinking West Asia, North Africa and the Gulf after 2011', 11 June 2012, London School of Economics, London, UK.

## **RESEARCH PROJECTS**

**2012** **Research Project [funded by Durham University]**, titled "Perceptions of the Turkish Model and the State of Civil Society in Post-Revolutionary Tunisia," (Tunis, Tunisia).

**2011** **Research Project [funded by Durham University]**, titled "The New Turkish Foreign Policy towards the Middle East and North Africa," (Istanbul and Ankara, Turkey).

## **SELECTED MEDIA APPEARANCES**

**2016** **The World Weekly Newspaper**, Interview on the so-called Mosul Question and Turkey's role in the politics of northern Iraq (Published on 3 November 2016).

**2015** **Levant TV Channel, Based in London, UK**, Live interview on the results of 7 June 2015 parliamentary elections in Turkey (15 June 2015).

**2014** **Mediterranean Affairs Journal**, Interview on the results of 2014 municipal elections and its meaning for the upcoming presidential elections in Turkey (Published on 2 May 2014).

**2014** **Levant TV Channel, Based in London, UK**, Interview on Turkish foreign policy towards Syria and the latest developments in Turkish politics on the eve of municipal and presidential elections of 2014 (20 January 2014).

**2013** **Radio Voice of Russia, English World Service**, Live interview on the Syrian Civil War in regards to the agreement of the destruction of chemical weapons, reaction of regional power such as Turkey and Saudi Arabia and the potential trajectory of armed conflict in the country (16 November 2013).

## **INDICATORS OF ESTEEM**

- **Editorial Board Member** of *New Middle Eastern Studies* (2012 – Present).
- **Peer Reviewer** of several distinguished journals, namely *Mediterranean Politics; Middle East Critique; British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies; Insight Turkey; Turkish Studies; South European Society and Politics; Global Policy* and *Journal of Medeniyet Politics*.
- **Member of BRISMES** (British Society of Middle Eastern Studies) based in the UK (2012 – Present).
- **Member of EISA** (European International Studies Association) based in Belgium (2015 – Present).
- **Member of BATAS** (British Association for Turkish Area Studies) based in the UK (2012 – Present).
- **Vice President of BRISMES Postgraduate Section** (November 2012 – January 2014).
- **Obtained DULTA (Durham University Learning and Teaching Award) in 2014;** successfully completed this pedagogical training program after passing the innovative teaching portfolio review. As well being a Durham University award, DULTA is accredited by the *Higher Education Academy* (HEA) of the UK.