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EDUCATION

Boğaziçi University, İstanbul — 2019 - Present
Master in Modern Turkish History — GPA: 3.88/4.00
The Ataturk Institute for Modern Turkish History
Thesis Stage

Boğaziçi University, İstanbul — 2016 - 2019
Master in Economics — GPA: 3.00/4.00
The Institute for Graduate Studies in Social Sciences
Thesis: The Employment Growth in Turkey and the Creative Destruction during Great Recession[1]
Advisor: Ozan Bakış

İstanbul Technical University — 2010 - 2015
Bachelor of Management Engineering. — GPA: 3.08/4.00
Faculty of Management

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Bahçeşehir University, Center for Economic and Social Research (BETAM)
Research Assistant, October 2021 - Present

Research Project, TÜBİTAK[2] 1001
The Effects of the Minimum Wage on the Labor Market in Turkey, 2005-2018
Executive: İnsan Tunalı, Koç University
Research Assistant, June 2020 - May 2021

Bahçeşehir University, Center for Economic and Social Research (BETAM)
Research Assistant, July 2017 - February 2020

Research Project, TÜBİTAK 3501
Enterprise Level Analysis of Relationship Between Exchange Rates and Productivity
Executive: Nazlı Toraganlı Karamollaoğlu, MEF University
Research Assistant, April 2017 - June 2017

Research Project, TÜBİTAK 1001
The Determinants of Happiness in Turkish Cities
Executive: Ahmet Atıl Aşıcı, Istanbul Technical University
Research Assistant, September 2015 - March 2017

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[1]For the working paper version of my thesis study, please see.

[2]TÜBİTAK is The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey which funds research projects in different disciplines, including economics.

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

Acar, U., Aşıcı, A. A. Eren, K. A. (2017). *Türkiye Mutluluk Atlası*. İTÜ Vakfı Yayınları.
Happiness Atlas of Turkey. A report-book version of the outputs of the research project funded by the TÜBİTAK. It is a province-based analysis of the life satisfaction survey of the TurkStat. The book was published by Istanbul Technical University Foundation Publication.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Acar, U., Bakış, O. (2021). Türkiye ekonomisinde toplam faktör verimliliği: 1980-2019. *İktisat Araştırmaları Dergisi, 5*(1). 1-27. DOI: 10.29228/JORE.1
Total Factor Productivity in Turkey: 1980-2019. This study analyzes forty-year total factor productivity in the Turkish economy using the growth accounting method.

Acar, U., Bakış, O. (2019). Tanzim satış enflasyonu düşürdü. *İktisat ve Toplum, 102*. 31-37.
Inflation has decreased by discount stores. This study examines the effect of the discount stores put into effect by the Turkish government after high-level inflation in 2019 using the difference of differences method.

WORKING PAPERS

Acar, U., Bakış, O. (2020). *Türkiye Ekonomisinde Toplam Faktör Verimliliğinin Seyri: Sektörel Bakış, 1980-2018.* (Betam Working Paper Series 19).
https://betam.bahcesehir.edu.tr/2020/07/turkiye-ekonomisinde-toplam-faktor-verimliliginin-seyri-sektorel-bakis-1980-2018/
Total Factor Productivity in Turkey: Industry-Specific Outlook. This working paper comprehensively analyzes how total factor productivity (TFP) has changed in 4 main sectors (agriculture, industry, construction, and services) in the Turkish economy after the transition to a free-market economy began in 1980.

SELECTED RESEARCH NOTES[3]

Amazing Revisions in Growth Rates, joint with Seyfettin Gürsel and Ozan Bakış
BETAM Research Brief, January 2018
https://betam.bahcesehir.edu.tr/en/2018/02/amazing-revizions-in-growth-rates/

15-19 Yaş Aralığındaki 1,3 Milyon Genç Ne Eğitimde Ne İstihdamda, joint with Gökçe Uysal
BETAM Research Brief, May 2019
https://betam.bahcesehir.edu.tr/2019/05/15-19-yas-araligindaki-13-milyon-genc-ne-egitimde-ne-istihdamda/
1.3 million young aged 15-19 years are neither in education nor in employment. This study is based on a descriptive analysis of microdata of labor statistics produced by TurkStat.

Economic Growth and Forecasts: December 2019, joint with Ozan Bakış
BETAM Research Brief, December 2019
https://betam.bahcesehir.edu.tr/en/2020/01/economic-growth-and-forecasts-december-2019/

Labor Market Outlook: August 2018, joint with Seyfettin Gürsel
BETAM Research Brief, August 2018

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[3]To reach all my work at BETAM, please see.

https://betam.bahcesehir.edu.tr/en/2018/08/labor-market-outlook-august-2018/

Growth Evaluation: 2019 3rd Quarter, joint with Ozan Bakış
BETAM Research Brief, December 2019
https://betam.bahcesehir.edu.tr/en/2019/12/growth-evaluation-2019-3rd-quarter/

OTHERS

Quo Vadis? Speculation on possible directions of discipline of economics after the coronavirus pandemic
Term Paper of EC411 (History of Economic Thought)
https://www.academia.edu/65000533/Quo_Vadis_Speculation_on_possible_directions_of_discipline_of_economics_after_the_coronavirus_pandemic

A Review of "The Climate of Rebellion in the Early Modern Ottoman Empire", by Sam White
Term paper of ATA501 (Historiography)
https://www.academia.edu/46738209/A_Review_of_The_Climate_of_Rebellion_in_the_Early_Modern_Ottoman_Empire_by_Sam_White

A Review of Two Dissertations on Tanzimat-era Land Reforms in Palu and Hebron Districts
Term paper of ATA681 (History of Late Ottoman)
https://www.academia.edu/46740020/A_Review_of_Two_Dissertations_on_Tanzimat_era_Land_Reforms_in_Palu_and_Hebron_Districts

SKILLS

LANGUAGES

Turkish (Native), English (Advanced), Ottoman Turkish[4] (Elementary)

SOFTWARE

STATA, LaTeX, Microsoft Office

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[4]Ottoman Turkish is the written language in which Arabic and Persian letters and elements were used before the language revolution in 1928.