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Education

Munich University, Germany, Ph.D. (2008), Oriental Studies and Turkic Languages (*magna cum laude*)

Vienna University, Austria, Master of Science in Economics (1999)

Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey, Bachelor of Science in Economics (1995)

Research Project

Principal Investigator of a 3-year, (2012-2015), research project funded by the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (Project Nr. 112K271) *An Introduction to the Occupational History of Turkey via New Methods and New Approaches (1840 - 1940)*

Academic Awards, Prizes and Fellowships

The Ottoman Bank Archives and Research Centre's Prize for Research on History of Banking and Finance 2004–2005, in the category of Best Scientific Article

British Council, Researcher Links, Travel Grant, 2014, a 3-month research stay at the Cambridge Group for History of Population and Social Structure

Fellow, SIAS Summer Institute 2005-2006: Hierarchy, Marginality and Ethnicity in Muslim Societies (7th century to the Second World War), 8–19 August 2005, Berlin – Alexander Humboldt Stiftung; 31 July–11 August 2006, Princeton – Andrew W. Mellon Foundation

Fellow, Research Training Group on Slavery, Serfdom and Forced Labor (*DFG Graduiertenkolleg 846*), Trier University, 2003–2006

Fellow, American Research Institute in Turkey, Aegean Exchange, Summer 2004

German Academic Exchange Service (*DAAD*), Graduate Scholarship 2000–2002
Austrian Hammer-Purgstall Oriental Society, Vienna, Graduate Scholarship 1999–2000
Afro-Asian Institute, Vienna, One-World Scholarship, 1995–1999

Areas of Specialization

Labour History, Economic and Social History, Ottoman Economic History

Languages

Turkish (native) / *English* (fluent) / *German* (fluent) / *Ottoman* (advanced reading)

Publications

Edited Volumes

Eleni Gara, M. Erdem Kabadayı, Christoph K. Neumann eds. *Popular Protest and Political Participation in the Ottoman Empire. Studies in Honor of Suraiya Faroqhi*, Istanbul: İstanbul Bilgi University Press, 2011.

M. Erdem Kabadayı and Tobias Reichardt, eds. *Unfreie Arbeit. Ökonomische und kulturgeschichtliche Perspektiven*, Hildesheim: Olms Verlag, 2007.

Articles

“Working from Home: Division of Labor among Female Workers of Feshane in late Nineteenth-century Istanbul.” In *A Social History of Late Ottoman Women. New Perspectives*, edited by Duygu Köksal and Anastasia Falierou. Leiden: Brill, 2013

together with Kate Elizabeth Creasey, “Working in the Ottoman Empire and in Turkey: Ottoman and Turkish Labor History within a Global Perspective, a Conference Report,” *International Labor and Working-Class History* vol. 82 (2012): 187-200.

“Petitioning as Political Action: Petitioning Practices of Workers in Ottoman Factories.” In *Popular Protest and Political Participation in the Ottoman Empire. Studies in Honor of Suraiya Faroqhi*, edited by Eleni Gara, M. Erdem Kabadayı, Christoph K. Neumann, Istanbul: İstanbul Bilgi University Press, 2011.

“Introduction of Merino Sheep Breeding in the Ottoman Empire, its Success and Failures in Implementation.” In *Animals and People in the Ottoman Empire*, edited by Suraiya Faroqhi. Istanbul: Eren, 2010.

“Working in a Fez Factory in Istanbul in the Late Nineteenth Century: Division of Labour and Networks of Migration Formed along Ethno-Religious lines,” *International Review of Social History* vol. 54, supplement 17: Ottoman and Republican Turkish Labour History (2009): 69-90.

“The Sharp Rise and the Sudden Fall of an Ottoman Entrepreneur: The Case of Mkrdich Cezayirliyan.” In *Merchants in the Ottoman Realm*, edited by Suraiya Faroqhi and Gilles Veinstein, Peeters: Leuven, 2008.

“Unfreie Arbeit in den staatlichen Fabriken im Istanbul des 19. Jh.” In *Unfreie Arbeit. Ökonomische und kulturgeschichtliche Perspektiven*, edited by M. Erdem Kabadayı and Tobias Reichardt, Hildesheim: Olms Verlag, 2007.

“Mobility and Resistance in the Light of Ottoman Settlement Policies in the Second Half of the Nineteenth Century: The Transfer of Agricultural Labourers from Syria to Dobrudja.” In *Ottoman Rural Societies*, edited by Mohammad Afifi, Rachida Chih, Brigitte Marino, Nicolas Michel, Işık Tamdoğan, Cairo: IFAO, 2005.

Conferences Organized

The Working World: A Mini Symposium on Work, Occupations, and Labour Relations in Eurasia between 1500 and 2000. Istanbul, 30, November 2012. International conference organized by the History Department of the Istanbul Bilgi University.

Working in the Ottoman Empire and Turkey: Ottoman and Turkish Labour History within a Global Perspective. Istanbul, 18-20 November 2011. International conference organized by the History Department of the Istanbul Bilgi University with academic and financial support by Orient-Institut Istanbul, Re:work International Research Center *Work and Human Lifecycle in Global History* Humboldt University Berlin and TÜSTAV (Social History Research Foundation of Turkey) in cooperation with Kate E. Creasey.

Urban Landscapes of Modernity. Istanbul and the Ruhr Area 2010. Istanbul, 15-18 December 2010. International conference organized by the History Department of the Istanbul Bilgi University, Orient-Institut Istanbul and the Library of the Ruhr Foundation, in cooperation with Malte Fuhrmann and Jürgen Mittag.

Unfree Labor: Perspectives in Economics, Law and Humanities. Trier, 20–22 October 2005. International and Interdisciplinary Conference of the Research Training Group “Slavery, Serfdom and Forced Labor,” at the University of Trier, in cooperation with Tobias Reichardt.

Selected Recent Presentations

“Changing Neighbors and Neighborhoods in Ankara, Bursa and Salonika from the Ottoman Empire to Nation States: Urban Fabrics Compared Across Time and Space, 1845-1945,” *Visible and Invisible Urban Boundaries in the Ottoman and post-Ottoman World from a Comparative Perspective*, Zentrum Moderner Orient, Berlin, 22-23 May 2014

“Occupational Structures of Ottoman Cities in Mid-Nineteenth Century: Regional Differentiation or Cohesion?” Quantitative History Seminar, Faculty of History, University of Cambridge, 5 May 2014

together with Berkay Küçükbaşlar, “Occupational and Structural Change from the Ottoman Empire to the Turkish Republic,” presented at the double panel A Comparative Historical Analysis of Occupational Change Across Eurasia, 1840–1940 organized by M. Erdem Kabadayı, at the 10th *European Social Science History Conference*, Vienna, 23-26 April 2014

“Economic transformation from the late Ottoman Empire to the early Turkish Republic: de-industrialisation or urban economic growth?,” presented at the panel Occupational Structure at the *Economic History Society Annual Conference*, Warwick, 28-30 March 2014

“Working in urban economies for the state from the multi-national Ottoman Empire in the 1840s to Greek and Turkish national states in the 1940s,” *Political Change as a Determinant of Shifting Labour Relations*, a workshop of the Global Collaboratory on the History of Labour Relations International Institute of Social History (IISH), Amsterdam 7-8 February 2014

“Urban Economic Change and Transformation of Occupational Structures in Turkish Cities from a Multi-ethnic, Multi-religious Empire to a National State (1840 – 1940),” 38th *Annual Meeting of Social Science History Association*, Chicago, 21-24 November 2013

together with Hülya Canbakal, “Labour Relations in the Ottoman Empire,” presented at the panel Transitions in Labour Relations Worldwide 1500 – 2000: Preliminary Results of the

Global Collaboratory on the History of Labour Relations 1500 - 2000, at the 9th *European Social Science History Conference*, Glasgow, 11-14 April 2012

“Working in Ottoman Cities in the Mid-Nineteenth Century: Did artisanal production survive? Did religion matter?” 9th *International Conference on Labour History - Work and Non-Work: Histories in the Long Term*, Delhi, 22-24 March 2012

“Demise of Urban Crafts and Ethno-Religious Division of Labour in Ottoman Cities in Mid-Nineteenth Century,” 45th *Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association of North America* Washington DC, 1 – 4 December 2011

“Occupations in Ottoman Cities in Mid-Nineteenth Century,” *Working in the Ottoman Empire and Turkey: Ottoman and Turkish Labour History within a Global Perspective*. Istanbul, 18-20 November 2011

“Transitions in labour relations in the Ottoman Empire (1500-1845), West Anatolia and the Balkans.” (co-presented with Hülya Canbakal) *Third European Congress on World and Global History*, London, 14-17 April 2011

“Factory inspections and labour control in the Ottoman Empire in the late nineteenth century.” presented at the co-organized panel with Andrei Volodin, *Factory Regulations de jura and de facto: labour laws and factory inspections in the long nineteenth century*, at the 8th *European Social Science History Conference*, Ghent 13-16 April 2010

“Gender segregation and spatial organization of fez production in late nineteenth-century Istanbul.” 8th *International Conference of Labour History*, Delhi, 18-20 March 2010

Courses Taught at the History Department of Istanbul Bilgi University since 2006

HIST 561 Middle Eastern Labour History (graduate course) also taught as a block seminar at the Global and European Studies Institute, Leipzig University, Summer 2012

HIST 501/502 Sources of Ottoman Cultural and Intellectual History I/II (graduate course)

HIST 431/2 Ottoman Institutions I/II

HIST 422 Special Topics in History – Labor History of the Ottoman Middle East

HIST 461/2 Selected Readings in Ottoman Turkish I/II

HIST 311/2 Methodology and Philosophy of History I/II

HIST 321 European Social History

HIST 271/2 The Making of the Modern World I/II: A Global Narrative, 16th - 20th Centuries

HIST 202 Late Ottoman History

HIST 212 Ottoman Economic History

HIST 161/2 Global History I/II: Cultural Encounters from Antiquity to the 20th Century

HIST 105 Mediterranean World from Antiquity to the Middle Ages

HIST 101 Introduction to Historiography I

Memberships

Economic History Society, UK

Social Science History Association, US

Middle East Studies Association of North America, MESA

Turkish Platform for Economic History Studies, TITAP

European Network in Universal and Global History, ENUIGH