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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

International Political Economy, Comparative Political Economy, International Development, International Organizations, Democratization, State-building, Europe, Middle East and North Africa

## EDUCATION

PhD., Boston University, Political Science, Boston, MA, USA, 2016 - Present

M.S., Middle East Technical University, International Relations, Ankara, Turkey, January 2017.

B.A., Bogazici University, Political Science and International Relations, Istanbul, Turkey, January 2013.

-Transfer from Department of Foreign Language Education, 2010

Exchange Student, George Washington University, Political Science, Washington D.C., USA, Fall 2011

## WORK

Department of Political Science, Boston University, Boston, MA, USA  
 Teaching Fellow

September 2017 - May 2020

*Introduction to International Relations, Introduction to Comparative Politics*

Department of Business Administration, Boston University, MA, USA  
 Strategy and Innovation - Professor Matt Marx

Research Assistant

July - August 2018

Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies, Boston University, Boston, MA, USA  
 The Global Development Center (GEGI)

Research Assistant

March - December 2017

International Strategic Research Organization (USAK), Ankara, Turkey  
 Center for Middle Eastern and North African Studies

Research Assistant

February 2013 - July 2016

## PUBLICATIONS

### *In Progress*

Dincer, Osman Bahadir and Mehmet Hecan. "Democratization in Ambiguous environments: A perspective into the post-uprising MENA" (2. *Revise and Resubmit*)

Hecan, Mehmet and Fouad Ferhaoui. "What does the state tell about democratization in the Middle East" (*Under Review*)

Hecan, Mehmet. "Changing dynamics between regional development banks and Bretton Woods Institutions" (*Underway*)

### **Articles**

Hecan, Mehmet. 2016. "Dynamics of Institutional Proliferation in Financing for Development: The Birth of the AIIB" *Development*, 59:1-2, pp 158166.

Colakoglu, Selcuk and Mehmet Hecan. 2016. "Turkey in Global Governance: An Evaluation of Turkey's G20 Presidency and the Antalya Summit 2015", *Global Summitry*, 2:2, 143-160.

Hecan, Mehmet. 2016. "Comparative Political Economy of the IMF Arrangements after the Arab Uprisings: Egypt and Tunisia." *The Journal of North African Studies*, 21 (5): 765-793.

### **Book Chapter**

Dincer, Osman Bahadir and Mehmet Hecan. 2016. "Turkey's Changing Syria Policy: From Desired Proactivism to Reactivism" in Andis Kudors and Artis Pabriks (Eds.), *The War in Syria: Lessons for the West*, 147-168. Riga: University of Latvia Press.

### **Papers**

Dincer, Osman Bahadir and Mehmet Hecan. "The Changing Geostrategy of Turkey's Foreign Policy Along its Southern Border: From Aspirations for Regional Integration to the need for Crisis Management", *Institute for Strategic Dialogue*, (2016).

Dincer, Osman Bahadir and Mehmet Hecan, (2015). "The Legacy of Statehood and its Looming Challenges in the Middle East and North Africa", *Valdai Club, Valdai Papers* 36, November 30, 2015. 114.

Hecan, Mehmet. "Comparative Political Economy of IMF Packages; Egypt and Tunisia," *Iktisat ve Toplum* (2014), 4:4. 97-104. (This is a half academic journal in Turkish)

### **Book Reviews**

Hecan, Mehmet. Review of *The Economic Development Process in the Middle East and North Africa* by Alessandro Romagnoli and Luisa Mengoni. *Review of Middle East Economics and Finance*, (2014), 10(3): 317-321.

Hecan, Mehmet. Review of *Strategic Vision* by Zbigniew Brzezinski. *International Law and Politics*, (2012), 4(3): 149-153. (In Turkish).

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

Institute for the Study of Economic and Social Development, University of Paris I Panthou Sorbonne  
Researcher  
May - June 2018

Research designed to conduct elite interviews (funded by USAK), Cairo, Egypt  
Researcher  
May 29 - Jun 6, 2016

Religion, Failed States Violence, Launching event for The Centre on Religion and Global Affairs, Beirut, Lebanon  
Invited Delegate on behalf of USAK  
February 10-12, 2016

Independent Higher Electoral Committee, Turkish Minister of Foreign Affairs, in Baghdad, Iraq Election  
Observer  
April 19-21, 2013

Summer Research Program at KoC University, Department of International Relations, Istanbul, Turkey

Research Assistant

July-August 2012

Project Title: Intrastate and Interstate Peace System (with Professor Resat Bayer)

International Strategic Research Organization (USAK), Ankara, Turkey

Intern at Center for Middle Eastern and North African Studies

February 2012

#### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, University of Syracuse, Syracuse, NY, USA

Participant

June 17 June 30, 2018

#### LANGUAGES

Turkish (mother tongue), English (proficient), Arabic (intermediate), French (basic), German (basic)

#### METHODOLOGY

Comparative Case Study, Historical Institutionalism, Mixed Methods, Longitudinal Analysis

#### PROGRAMS

R, Latex

June 6, 2020