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### **Research Interests**

International financial institutions (IFIs); international development; development finance and global governance; as well as state-building, democratization and certain political economy issues in the context of Middle East and North Africa.

### **Education**

PhD., *Boston University*, Department of Political Science, Boston, USA, 2016-Ongoing

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

Thesis topic: Regional Development Banks and Neo-liberal Policies in Global Development

Advisor: Professor M. Fatih Tayfur

B.A., *Boğaziçi University*, Political Science and International Relations, Istanbul, Turkey, 2013.

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

### **Work & Research Experience**

International Strategic Research Organization (USAK), Ankara, Turkey

Research Assistant at Center for Middle Eastern and North African Studies

February 2013 -July 2016

Independent Higher Electoral Committee-Turkish Minister of Foreign Affairs & USAK, in Baghdad, Iraq

Election Observer

April 19-21, 2013

Summer Research Program at Koç University, Department of International Relations, İstanbul, Turkey

Research Assistant

July-August 2012

Project Title: Reşat Bayer," Intra-state and Interstate Peace System"

International Strategic Research Organization (USAK), Ankara, Turkey

Intern at Center for Middle Eastern and North African Studies at USAK

February 2012

## **Publications**

### ***Articles***

Hecan, Mehmet. "Dynamics of Institutional Proliferation in Financing for Development: The Birth of the AIIB" *Development. (Under Review)*

Colakoglu, Selcuk and Mehmet Hecan. "Turkey in Global Governance: An Evaluation of Turkey's G20 Presidency and the Antalya Summit 2015," *Global Summitry (Under Review)*.

Hecan, Mehmet. "Comparative Political Economy of the IMF Arrangements after the Arab Uprisings: Egypt and Tunisia." *The Journal of North African Studies* (2016): 1-29.

### ***Book chapter***

Dincer, Osman Bahadir and Mehmet Hecan. "Turkey's Changing Syria Policy: From Desired Proactivism to Reactivism" forthcoming in 2016. A book commissioned by *Centre for East European Policy Studies*, Riga, Latvia.

### ***Papers***

Dincer, Osman Bahadir and Mehmet Hecan. "The Changing Geo-strategy 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. 1-14.

Hecan, Mehmet. "Comparative Political Economy of IMF Packages; Egypt and Tunisia," *İktisat 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).

## **Languages**

Turkish (mother tongue), English (proficient), Arabic (intermediate)

## **Programs**

Microsoft Office, Stata (*basics*)