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EDUCATION

University of Bonn Master of Science in Economics Thesis Title: <i>Global Real Interest Rate Dynamics and Monetary Policy Announcements</i>	2022 - 2024 GPA: 1.3
Koç University Bachelor of Arts in Economics & Sociology (Double Majors) Specialization: <i>Macroeconomic Policies and Financial Markets, Finance</i>	2017 - 2022 GPA: 3.69

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Monetary Policy, International Finance, Empirical Banking

RESEARCH POSITIONS

Bank for International Settlements (BIS) <i>Associate, Monetary and Economic Department</i>	Basel Oct 2025–Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Contribute empirical briefs and visualizations that track global economic developments, informing the Annual Economic Report and the Emerging Market Governors' Meeting.Build cross-country asset-market datasets, e.g., high-frequency monetary policy surprises, with reproducible pipelines; assembled historical central bank balance sheets.RA on a research project examining contingent convertible bonds (CoCos), including dataset construction, empirical analysis, and robustness checks.	
Central Bank of the Republic of Türkiye <i>Junior Researcher, Structural Economic Research Department</i>	Istanbul Dec 2024–Sep 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Conducted empirical research using administrative firm-, household-, and survey micro data, e.g., Business Tendency Survey, on firm expectations, productivity spillovers and inflation dynamics.Prepared policy briefs for senior management, delivering data-driven findings that inform MPC decisions.	
Institute of Finance and Statistics <i>Research Assistant, Finance Group</i>	Bonn Mar 2023–Oct 2024
<ul style="list-style-type: none">RA on “Heterogeneous Expectations and Stock Market Cycles” and related projects of Dr. Janko Heineken.Implemented econometric models to study heterogeneous extrapolation in beliefs using Python.Cleaned and merged household survey data, constructed household wealth measures, collected data via ECB Data Portal API.	
SnA Consulting <i>Associate Analytics Consultant</i>	Istanbul Sep 2021–Jan 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Contributed to a team that built a credit risk scoring model for an energy-sector subsidiary.Engineered features using SQL and MS Excel and communicated results to senior stakeholders.	

RESEARCH

Work-in-Progress

Superstar Spillovers: Productivity Gains and Reallocation (with Okan Akarsu and Barbaros Eriş).

Extracting Household Inflation Expectations from Online Text: Evidence from Twitter (with Taha Bilgiç).

Policy Publications

Monetary Tightening and Consumption Expenditures by Income Level (with Altan Aldan and Barbaros Eriş), CBRT Blog, February 2025.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

Vehbi Koç Honor Award	2019
Peacemakers Project (Erasmus+ Key Action 2 funded project)	2018
Istanbul Erkek High School Foundation Academic Scholarship	2018-2019
Koç University Financial Support Scholarship Program	2017-2022
Cahit Arf Scholarship	2017-2021
Koç University Full Merit Scholarship	2017-2022
60th Place in University Entrance Examination Among 1 Million Student	2017

PROGRAMMING SKILLS

Python, MATLAB, Stata, SQL, R, L^AT_EX, Git & GitHub, Gephi

LANGUAGES

Turkish (Native), English (Advanced), German (Intermediate)

REFERENCES

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