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Research  
Interests

Environmental and natural resource economics, applied  
microeconometrics, behavioral economics

## Education

Since 2020

**Ph.D. Candidate in Economics & Finance**  
**University of St. Gallen (HSG), Switzerland**

- Ph.D. dissertation:  
Demand for carbon-neutral products and services
- Funded by:  
Eawag, Swiss Federal Institute of Aquatic Science & Technology
- Supervisors: Dr. Ivana Logar, Dr. Stefano Carattini,  
Prof.Dr. Sabrina Eisenbarth

2018-2020

**M.Sc. in Economics & Minor in Mathematics**  
**University of North Texas, United States**

2016-2018

**MA in Economics**  
**Bilkent University, Turkey**

- Master's thesis:  
Fiscal Decentralization in Turkey: An Empirical Assessment  
of the Transfer Rule
- Supervisor: Assoc.Prof.Dr. Bilin Neyapti

2011-2016

**B.Sc. in Management with a Specialized Focus on Finance**  
**Bilkent University, Turkey**

## Working Papers

**Carbon Neutrality and Transparency: Evidence from a Choice  
Experiment** (Job market paper)

**Demand for Carbon-Neutral Products** (joint with Dr. Carattini,  
Dr. Dvorak, and Dr. Logar)

## Pre-Dissertation Publications

Neyapti, B. Özdemir Oluk, B. (2021). Fiscal transfers in Turkey: Do  
politics matter?. *Economic Systems*, 45(3), 100909.

## Research Experience

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- Since 2020      **Doctoral Researcher**  
**Eawag**, Swiss Federal Institute of Aquatic Science & Technology,  
Department of Environmental Social Sciences (ESS),  
Environmental Economics (EnvEco), Dübendorf, Switzerland
- SIAW-HSG**, Swiss Institute for International Economics and Applied  
Economic Research, University of St.Gallen, Switzerland
- 2018-2020      **Research Assistant**  
**University of North Texas**, United States
- Supervisor: Assoc.Prof.Dr. Jeffrey Rous
- 2015-2016      **Research Assistant**  
**Bilkent University**, Turkey
- Supervisor: Assoc.Prof.Dr. Ayse Basak Tanyeri
- 2015-2016      **CFA Institute Research Challenge**, Turkey
- Stock valuation of TUPRAS
- 2015-2016      **Volunteer Research**  
**Bilkent University**, Turkey
- Supervisor: Assoc.Prof.Dr. Fehmi Tanrisever

## Presentations

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- 2024              **Workshop on Empirical Methods in Energy Economics (EMEE)**,  
ETH Zurich, Switzerland
- Choice Experiment (CE) Clinic** (seminar series), Institute for  
Environmental Studies (IVM), VU Amsterdam, Netherlands
- 2023              **Graduate Programme in Economics and Finance (GPEF)**  
**PhD Day**, University of St.Gallen, Switzerland
- 2021 & 2022      **Eawag Symposium 2021 & 2022**, Dübendorf, Switzerland

## Teaching Experience

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- 2019-2020      **Teaching Assistant at University of North Texas**
- Advanced Microeconomic Theory (ECON 5340)
  - Intermediate Microeconomics (ECON 3550)
- 2018-2020      **Teaching Assistant at Bilkent University**
- Macroeconomic Theory II (ECON 206)
  - Monetary Economics (ECON 322)
  - History of Economic Thought (ECON 363)
  - Econometrics (ECON 301)

## Workshops

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| 2021 | <b>Economics For Net Zero Emissions (ENZE) Workshop 2021</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Focus: Transformations, Resilience, and Social Tipping Points</li><li>• Organized by Eawag, ETH Zurich, and WSL</li><li>• Participated in interactive discussion groups</li></ul> |
| 2020 | <b>Economics For Net Zero Emissions (ENZE) Workshop 2020</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Focus: Research gaps on the way to net zero 2050</li><li>• Organized by Eawag, ETH Zurich, and WSL</li><li>• Participated in interactive discussion groups</li></ul>              |

## Relevant Coursework

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| 2021      | <b>University of Zurich</b><br>Topics in Experimental and Behavioral Economics  |
| June 2021 | <b>Statistical Horizons</b><br>Meta-Analysis  |
| 2020-2021 | <b>University of St.Gallen</b><br>Topics in Advanced Microeconometrics, Causal Machine Learning, Econometric Methods for Social Spillovers and Networks, Regression Analysis for Spatial Data |

## Working Experience

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| Aug 2015  | <b>Audit Intern</b><br><b>Ernst &amp; Young</b> , Istanbul, Turkey                               |
| July 2015 | <b>Accounting Intern</b><br><b>Ford Otosan</b> , Eskişehir, Turkey                               |
| July 2014 | <b>Accounting Intern</b><br><b>Salim Arabaci Certified Public Accountant</b> , Eskişehir, Turkey |

## Honors & Awards

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| Aug 2019  | <b>Texas Public Education Grant (TPEG)</b>  |
| Apr 2019  | <b>Department of Economics Chair's Award</b><br>University of North Texas Department of Economics         |
| 2018-2020 | <b>Toulouse Graduate School Tuition Benefit Program</b><br>University of North Texas                      |
| 2016-2018 | <b>Scholarship for M.A in Economics, Bilkent University</b><br>Full tuition coverage with monthly stipend |
| 2015-2016 | <b>Bilkent University Merit Scholarship</b><br>Full tuition coverage                                      |

2011-2016

**Bilkent University Scholarship**  
50% of Tuition Coverage

## **Technical & Language Skills**

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- **Software & Tools**

R, Stata, Ngene, LaTeX

- **Languages**

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

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