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Panel 1

Local Level and the Role of Municipalities

Round of Panels I

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İbrahim EFE *Kilis University, Kilis* _____

İbrahim EFE is a Lecturer at the Department of Public Administration and Political Science, Kilis 7 Aralık University (Turkey). He has recently been working on the representation of refugees in media and political discourses. His research focuses on the use of critical discourse analysis and corpus linguistics in the fields of media, politics, and education. Recent publications include A corpus-driven analysis of representations of Syrian asylum seekers in the Turkish press 2011-2016 (in *Discourse and Communication*, 2019) and A corpus-based discourse analysis of the vision and mission statements of universities in Turkey (with Ö. Özer in *Higher Education Research & Development*, 2015). _____

Sonja REINHOLD *FAU Erlangen-Nürnberg*

Sonja Reinhold (project staff of the Match'In project) Sonja Reinhold is a member of the Research Group on Migration, Displacement and Integration, led by Prof. Dr. Petra Bendel, at Friedrich-Alexander University Erlangen-Nuremberg where she works as a research assistant in two scientific projects regarding the placement of refugees and asylum seekers and the situation of municipalities regarding the integration of migrants and asylum seekers in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic. Previously, she worked with the German Federal Agency of Migration and Refugees in Nuremberg. She holds a LL.M. degree in European Law from Utrecht University (Netherlands) and a B.A. in Political Science and Public Law from Friedrich-Alexander University Erlangen-Nuremberg.

Elif TOPAL DEMIROĞLU *Marmara University, Istanbul*

Elif Topal Demiroğlu, PhD, is a research assistant at Marmara University, Department of Political Science and Public Administration. After graduating from METU Department of Political Science and Public Administration, she completed her master's degree in the field of urban politics at Marmara University and received her doctorate degree by the dissertation titled "The Role of Local Governments in Urban Diversity Governance". The researcher, who currently teaches at the same university in the fields of international migration, urbanization policy and public administration and has publications on local democracy, social movements, urban politics and migration governance.

Panel 2

Urban Perspectives

Mahmut KAYA *Harran University, Sanliurfa* _____

Mahmut Kaya was born in Sanliurfa in 1977. He completed his bachelor's degree in Sociology at Firat University. In 2004 he graduated from the Department of Sociology at Harran University with a master's degree in Sociology. He completed his Ph.D. at the Social Sciences Institute at Selcuk University in 2013. In 2014 he started teaching at the Department of Sociology at Harran University. Up to this day, he published three books, namely "Polygamy from Past to Present" (Çıra Publications-2008), "Tribal Modernization" (Çıra Publications-2015) and "Syrians in Turkey: Crossings and Encounters" (Hiperyayin-2017). He has also written various academic book chapters, articles and papers. Currently, he continues his academic work at the Department of Sociology, Faculty of Arts and Science at Harran University. Continuing his academic studies, he is also doing research concerning social change, modernization with a special focus on Turkey, marriage and polygamy, tribal sociology, migration and Syrian refugees.

Paladia ZISS *Institute for Research Into Superdiversity & University of Birmingham*

Paladia Ziss is a PhD candidate in Social Policy/Sociology at the Institute for Research into Superdiversity at the University of Birmingham, UK. She looks at how the politics of time shape refugee-host relations in communities in Turkey and Germany. Before returning to academia, she worked in development and humanitarian assistance in Turkey, Palestine and Germany for several years. She holds an MPhil in Development Studies from the University of Oxford, and a BSc in Human Sciences from University College London. _____

Lidwina GUNDACKER *Institute for Employment Research (IAB), Migration and International Labour Studies, Nuremberg*

Lidwina Gundacker, MA, is a researcher at the Migration and International Labour Studies department at the Institute for Employment Research (IAB), Nuremberg, Germany. She received her degree "Economy, State and Society" at University College London (UCL) and Charles University, Prague. With an interdisciplinary approach to social sciences her research focuses on migration and integration processes, social inequalities and life course analyses. Her papers have been inter alia published in academic journals such as *Empirica* and the *European Journal of Political Economy*.

Olaf KLEIST *DeZIM, Berlin*

Dr. J. Olaf Kleist is Political Scientist and Co-head of the Expert Group "Democracy, Transfer and Policy Advice" at the German Centre for Integration and Migration Research, Berlin. He is also chairperson of the German Network of Forced Migration Studies.

Panel 3

Role of Civil Society

Hilal BARIN *Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University, Ankara* _____

Graduated from Hacettepe University, Department of Sociology, and completed her master's degree with the thesis of "Political and Social Sciences Islamophobia: A Type of Racism and Hate Crime" at Gazi University. She received her Ph.D. degree at Gazi University with dissertation titled "The role of civil society organizations in the integration of disciplines in Turkey: Ankara Example" Between 2008 and 2015 she worked as a researcher at the Foundation for Political Economy and Society Research then joined Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University, Faculty of Political Sciences, Department of Politics and Public Administration in 2015. She worked with the director of "Institute for Immigration Research" and "Center for Social Science Research Center" James Witte, at the 2017-18 academic year as a visiting researcher at George Mason University in the US. She published two books on her research area and is still working as an assistant professor at Yıldırım Beyazıt University, Political Science department and is also the Deputy Director of European Research at Yıldırım Beyazıt University. _____

Sandra GOTTSCHÉ

Helmut Schmidt University, Hamburg _____

Sandra Götttsche is a researcher and PhD-Student at the Helmut Schmidt University/Hamburg. In her dissertation she is working on refugees' vulnerability and their potential impacts. Sandra is focusing on interactions between socio-economic marginalization, (religious) discrimination and Islamist radicalization of refugees. She has an interdisciplinary Background and has studied Peace and Security Studies, Middle Eastern Studies and Politics at the University of Hamburg and in Alexandria/Egypt. _____

Zeynep SAHIN MENCUTEK *Bonn International Center for Conversion (BICC), Bonn*

Zeynep S. Mencutek is the Senior Researcher at the Bonn International Center for Conflict Studies, leading a comparative project on return and reintegration. She is also research affiliate with the Canadian Excellence Research Chair in Migration and Integration at Ryerson University to conduct a joint research on transnational governance of migration. She held prestigious Alexander von Humboldt Research Fellowship for Experienced Researchers (June 2020-May 2021) and international fellowship at the Centre for Global Cooperation Research in Duisburg (2019-2020). She also served as Senior Researcher for the Horizon2020 project titled RESPOND: Multilevel Governance of Mass Migration in Europe and Beyond. She received her PhD in Politics and International Relations from the University of Southern California in 2011. Previously, she served as an assistant professor in Turkey and achieved the rank of Docent in the field of International Relations in 2018. Her research examines the governance of migration, return migration, diaspora politics and the Middle East politics. Besides her monograph, *Refugee Governance, State and Politics in the Middle East* (Routledge, 2018), she has published dozens of articles in internationally refereed journals, chapters in international collected volumes, encyclopaedia entries, book reviews and policy reports. _____

Seyran BOSTANCI *DeZIM, Berlin*

Dr. Seyran Bostancı is currently working as a research assistant on Democracy, Transfer and Policy Advice at the German Center for Integration and Migration Research (DeZIM). She did her PhD on "Education - Discrimination - Inclusion. Transformation Processes in Postmigrant Societies" at the Humboldt University in Berlin. Before she was a research assistant at the Institute for Social Sciences at the department of Diversity and Social Conflict at the Humboldt University of Berlin. She is currently researching the topic of "Institutional Racism in Daycare Centers" (pilot study of the Racism Monitor at DeZIM). In addition, she has been a teacher for diversity and inclusion processes in educational institutions since 2010. Her main research interests and teaching include the following topics: migration, educational inequality, diversity, racism, inclusion, early childhood and civil society. _____

Panel 4

Family, Children, Education

Talip KUCUKCAN *Marmara University, Istanbul* _____

Talip Kucukcan is Professor of Sociology at the Marmara University in Istanbul. He received an MA from the School of Oriental and African Studies, completed his PhD in Ethnic Relations at the University of Warwick and worked as a Research Fellow at the Centre for Research in Ethnic Relations at the same University between 1997 and 1999. He served as a Senior Advisor to the President of Higher Education Council of Turkey between 2009 and 2013. Kucukcan was the Director of Middle East Research Institute at Marmara University between 2011 and 2014. He served as the Editor in Chief of Insight Turkey, a policy journal, until 2015. He was the Representative of the OSCE Chairperson-in-Office on Combating Intolerance and Discrimination against Muslims for 2014 and 2015. Kucukcan specializes in state-religion relations, transnational migration, Turkey-EU relations and Muslim minorities in Europe. _____

Ellen KOLLENDER *Helmut Schmidt University, Hamburg*

Ellen Kollender is a post-doctoral researcher at the Faculty for Humanities and Social Sciences of Helmut Schmidt University in Hamburg. She is a member of the German Network for Forced Migration Studies (Netzwerk Fluchtforschung e.V.) and a 2019/20 Mercator-Fellow at Istanbul Policy Center of Sabanci University. Her research deals with educational inequalities in migration societies. In her last publications she focused on the role of civil society actors in shaping processes of inclusive education in Germany and Turkey, the EU-Turkey Statement and its impacts on the education of 'refugee students', as well as on exclusionary effects of COVID-19 for 'refugee children' in the German and Turkish education systems. Besides her academic work, she provides training and counseling on diversity and anti-discrimination strategies for civil society actors and state authorities such as the Federal Office for Migration and Refugees. (ellen.kollender@hsu-hh.de) _____

Mehmet FANSA *Hatay Provincial Directorate of National Education, Hatay* _____

Dr. Mehmet FANSA was born in Hatay in 1984. He completed his primary, secondary, undergraduate and graduate education in Hatay province. In 2006, he graduated from Mustafa Kemal University's Department of Classroom Teaching. In 2012, he received his master's degree in Classroom Teaching from Mustafa Kemal University. During these years, he served as a teacher and manager in Erzurum and Sirnak provinces. Following the influx of Syrian refugees, Fansa, who speaks fluent Arabic and English, participated voluntarily in humanitarian activities in Hatay city and worked in the field as a coordinator in charge of training affairs. Fansa obtained his PhD in 2021 from Anadolu University Graduate School of Educational Sciences Doctorate Program in Classroom Teaching with his work "The Life of Syrian Children in a Temporary Accommodation Center in Turkey: On Primary School Education: An Ethnographic Study". Dr. Fansa's publications in the field of migration and education are part of the teacher trainings of Ministry of National Education and UNICEF. _____

Hilal ALKAN *Leibniz Zentrum Moderner Orient, Berlin* _____

Dr. Hilal Alkan is Research Fellow at Leibniz Zentrum Moderner Orient, Berlin. She works on migration, care ethics and informal welfare provision, with a particular focus on gender. Her most recent publications include 'The Gift of Hospitality: (Un) welcoming Syrian Migrants in Turkey' (American Ethnologist 2021), 'Temporal intersections of mobility and informality: Simsars as (im)moral agents in the trajectories of Syrian Refugees in Turkey and Germany' (Migration Letters 2021) and 'Sıkışıklıktan belirsizliğe: Almanya'ya göç eden Suriyelilerin gözünden Türkiye' (Beyond Istanbul 2019). She has co- edited Urban Neighbourhood Formations: Boundaries, Narrations, Intimacies (Routledge, 2020) and The Politics of the Female Body in Contemporary Turkey: Reproduction, Maternity, Sexuality (IB Tauris 2021). _____

Panel 5

Alternative Approaches and Concepts

Round of Panels II

Saime OZCÜRUMEZ *Bilkent University, Ankara*

Saime Özçürümez (PhD, McGill) is an Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science and Public Administration at Bilkent University. She conducts research and publishes on migration and asylum governance in the European Union, Turkey, and Canada; health and immigration; GBV and forced migration; irregular migration; Europeanisation research agenda and social cohesion. She has been lead researcher and partner in many international and national collaborative research projects. She has co-authored "Zorunlu Göç Deneyimi ve Toplumsal Bütünleşme: Uygulamalar, Kavramlar ve Modeller ile Türkiye" (in Turkish), and co-edited "Forced Migration and Social Trauma: Interdisciplinary Perspectives from Psychoanalysis, Psychology, Sociology and Politics", and "Of States Rights and Social Closure: Governing Migration and Citizenship". Her work has appeared in journals such as *Global Networks*, *Violence Against Women*, *International Migration*, *Democratization*, *Journal of Common Market Studies*, *Turkish Studies* and *Migration Studies*. She currently works on the role of education in social inclusion of refugee school girls, the entrepreneurial role of municipalities in forced migration contexts and the impact of COVID 19 on refugee populations around the world. _____

Annette KORNTHEUER

KU Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, Ingolstadt _____

ANNETTE KORNTHEUER, PhD holds a professorship for Social Work Theory at the Catholic University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt in Germany. Her work history includes an assistant professorship for Inclusion and Disability at the University of Kassel and working as educational consultant for the City of Munich, analysing integration pathways and settlement services for newcomer migrant women, LGBTIQ* and migrants with disabilities. Annette has a Degree in Social work and international experience working with youths and refugee population in Germany, Spain, Philippines and Canada. She was Principal Investigator for a Canadian-German research project on family education programs for refugee population funded by IRCC (Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada). Currently she investigates participation in vocational education of refugee youths in a co-constructive research project (LaeneAs) funded by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research. Her interests include inequality and inclusion in education and diverse societies, Social Work with forced migrants and qualitative, co-constructive and participatory research methodologies. _____

HAKKI ONUR ARINER *Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)*

Dr. Hakkı Onur Ariner has worked as a consultant of the UNHCR and the IOM to the Asylum and Migration Bureau of the Ministry of Interior of Turkey throughout the drafting process of the Law on Foreigners and International Protection, and was responsible for harmonizing the law with international human rights standards, the EU Acquis and requirements resulting from ECtHR decisions and case law. He later worked as a National Programme Officer on judicial reform in Turkey for the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency, as cluster lead for Human Rights and Rule of Law at the UNDP, and as the Project Manager of the project entitled "Supporting Migration Policy Development in Turkey" for ICMPD. Following the completion of the said project he worked as a consultant for the Swedish Migration Agency, the Council of Europe and PEP, and taught a migration course for senior students at Bilkent University. Dr. Ariner currently holds the position of Senior Advisor - Social Cohesion Mainstreaming for the GIZ PEP Programme. He holds a doctoral degree in Political Science and Public Administration from the Middle East Technical University (METU). _____

Arafat SHOUKRI *Al Jazeera Centre for Studies, Qatar*

Dr. Arafat Shoukri is a senior researcher at Al Jazeera Centre for Studies (AJCS) in Qatar. He received his MA and PhD in oriental studies from the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London in 2008. He joined Al Jazeera Media Network in 2014 to head the corporate relations and communications department. Prior to that, he worked in different European institutions, studying and highlighting different issues of the Middle East, especially refugees. During his work, he visited many countries in the region and met refugees in their camps in Syria, Lebanon, Iraq, Jordan and Palestine. The findings of the field visits were presented to European politicians, members of parliaments and Arab officials. As an expert on migration, EU-Middle East relations and Arab Israeli conflict, Dr. Shoukri has participated in many international conferences, seminars and workshops in Europe and the Middle East. He has also appeared in many international media outlets and participated in talk shows, interviews and news bulletins. His academic work includes articles and books about the refugees in the Middle East. The first book, *Refugee Status in Islam: Concepts of Protection in Islamic Tradition and International Law*, was published by I.B. Tauris in 2011. The second, *Refugee in the Islamic, International and Arab Legislations*, was published in Arabic by Al Jazeera Centre for Studies in 2018. _____

Panel 6

Issues of Access: Statuses and Public Services

Arda AKCICEK *Medipol University, Istanbul* _____

Arda Akcicek- is an experienced political analyst and policy advisor with a demonstrated history of working in çivil society, politics, diplomacy, private sector and academy. He holds B. A. and Ph.D. in political science and Works as an assistant professor at Istanbul Medipol University. He has proven expertise on performing political analysis and providing policy advises through working within different institutions, including several NGOs and academic institutions. As a long-term consultant to private sector, on especially designing of field studies, data analysis and reporting of European Union (EU) funded projects. Akcicek has long-term experience in working with disadvantaged groups, including women and refugees; contributing several academic studies on migration issues by focusing on international protection and social cohesion of vulnerable groups. He has been conducting field studies by using qualitative and quantitative methods in international migration since 2011, which are more focused on cross-border practices, registrations, legal status and labour market accession and social integration of refugees. Along with his experience in research, academy and private sector, he also built a career path in policy advisory, based on proof-based information. He contributed into several policy proposals and strategy papers at organizational and national level, during his career in positions as advisor to the Minister for EU Affairs of Turkey, advisor to the Chair of Foreign Affairs Committee of Parliament of Turkey and special advisor to the President of the UN General Assembly. _____

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PhD of International Relations and Public Administration/Social and Political Science Completing his undergraduate education at Bolu Abant İzzet Baysal University, from the Department of International Relations, Erdem Ayçiçek graduated from the master program at the same University. He graduated with a high-honors degree in International Relations at Bolu Abant İzzet Baysal University. Then, completed his PhD program in the Department of Political and Social Sciences at Gazi University, Ayçiçek also worked as a field researcher, mobilizer, (senior) monitoring and evaluation officer in IMPR since 2012, and has currently worked as head of programs in MSYD in the humanitarian field in Turkey. As well as in the field of Turkish modernization, Ayçiçek has various field studies and academic articles in the forced migration studies. Ayçiçek has articles in the book, entitled 'Nationalism', edited by Prof. Dr. Tevfik ERDEM, and the book, named 'Bureaucracy'. _____

Zeynep YANASMAYAN *DeZIM, Berlin*

Zeynep Yanasmayan is the head of Migration Department at the German Centre for Integration and Migration Research (DeZIM). She is an interdisciplinary scholar working at the intersection of political science, sociology, and socio-legal studies with research interests on citizenship, migration and mobility studies, governance of religious diversity, transnationalism and diaspora politics. She is the author of *The Migration of Highly Educated Turkish Citizens to Europe: From Guestworker to Global Talent* (Routledge) and co-editor of *The Failure of Popular Constitution-Making in Turkey: Regressing to Autocracy* (CUP). Her work has previously been published in *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, *Citizenship Studies*, *Political Geography* and *Law and Social Inquiry*.

Fatih AYNA *Gaziantep Provincial Directorate of Migration Management, Gaziantep*

Fatih Ayna completed his undergraduate and graduate studies at Çukurova University. He started his life as a bureaucrat at the Ministry of National Education in 2006. He passed the Ministry Assistant Specialist exam opened by the Ministry of Interior in 2013 and started to work as an Assistant Migration Specialist in the Directorate General of Migration Management in 2014. In 2018, he was appointed as a Migration Specialist with his thesis on "Psychosocial Factors Affecting the Radicalization Process of Foreign Terrorist Fighters". He worked as Assistant Specialist, Specialist and Group Head in different units of the Directorate General of Migration Management. Between 2017 and 2019, he served as the Coordinator of Return Centres, Reception and Accommodation Centres, and Shelters for Victims of Human Trafficking. He was appointed as the Deputy Director of Gaziantep Provincial Migration Administration with the consent of the Minister of Interior dated 25.10.2019. His doctoral study on Foreign Terrorist Fighters (YTS) at Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University continues at the thesis stage. He continues his academic studies on YTS, radicalization, violent extremism, mental health and psychosocial support services for immigrants, irregular migration, administrative detention and Return Centers.

Panel 7

Economics, Labour Market

Christian HUNKLER

Berlin Institute for Integration and Migration Research (BIM), Berlin _____

Dr. Christian Hunkler studied social sciences and marketing in Mannheim, Utrecht, and Bloomington. He earned his doctoral degree in sociology from Mannheim University with a thesis on ethnic inequality in access to dual vocational education. After his dissertation he worked for the Max Planck Institute for Social Law and Social Policy in Munich, Konstanz University, and DeZIM-Institute. Since October 2019 he is senior researcher in the units "Labor Market, Migration, and Integration" and "Education and Integration" at BIM. His current research focuses on integration, especially the integration of refugees in Germany, ethnic and gender inequality on the labor market and the use of process generated ("Big Data") for social scientific research, e.g., the relationship of age and productivity. _____

Semih TUMEN *TED University, Ankara* _____

Semih Tumen is a Professor of Economics at TED University. He is also a Research Fellow at IZA and ERF. Previously, he served as a Deputy Governor, Monetary Policy Committee Member, and Head of Economic Research at the Central Bank of the Republic of Turkey. He received his PhD in Economics from the University of Chicago and MSc in Econometrics and Mathematical Economics from the London School of Economics & Political Science. His research concentrates on Labor Economics with a special focus on job search, human capital, migration/refugees, and social networks. His current interest is mainly on investigating the education and labor market consequences of the refugee problem. His research has been published in leading academic journals including the American Economic Review, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Population Economics, Economics of Education Review, Regional Science and Urban Economics, and Review of Income and Wealth. _____

Ulrike SCHULZ *City of Munich Department of Labor & Economic Development, Munich*

Since 2003 I work for the City of Munich in the Department of Labor and Economic Development, division 3 Employment Policy and Qualification. My areas of activity include labor market segregation of people with a migration or refugee background as well as measures to support structural change. From 2016 to 2019, I was involved in the Munich Comprehensive Plan for the Integration of Refugees and was responsible for the topic qualification and labor market as part of this project. I have a PhD in Economics and Social Sciences from the Faculty of Spatial Planning at the University of Dortmund in Germany, and I also have a degree in Social Geography. I was born and raised in Germany and have lived in Munich since 1997. _____

Aysegül KAYAOĞLU *Istanbul Technical University, Istanbul* _____

Dr. Kayaoğlu is an Associate Professor of Economics at Istanbul Technical University (ITU), Turkey, and a research associate at Economic Research Forum (ERF), Egypt. She studied business administration at Bogazici University in Istanbul and MSc in Economics at the Birkbeck College in London with Chevening Scholarship. She earned her PhD in Economics degree as part of the European Doctoral Program in Quantitative Economics during which she studied both at the Catholic University of Louvain (UCL), Belgium, and London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE), United Kingdom. Her main research interests are impact evaluation, applied development economics, migration economics, labor economics, economics of crime and informal institutions. She is married with two kids. _____

Panel 8

How to Talk About Controversies?

Ahmet İCDUYGU *MireKoç / Koc University, Istanbul*

Ahmet İçduygu is Dean of the College of Social Sciences and Humanities at Koç University, Istanbul Turkey. He currently holds a dual appointment as a full professor at Koç, one is in the Department of International Relations and the other is in the Department of Sociology. He is also the Director of the Migration Research Center at Koç University (MiReKoc). Prof. İçduygu holds a PhD in Demography from the Australian National University. He held visiting fellow positions at Stockholm University, the University of Warwick, the University of Manchester, and the European University Institute in Florence. He is an elected member of the Science Academy in Turkey. _____

Hidayet SİDDIKOĞLU

Bilim Organization for Research & Social Studies, Ankara _____

Dr Hidayet SİDDIKOĞLU works as a Director at BİLİM, Organization for Research and Social Studies, a non-profit organization based in Kabul, Afghanistan. His main research concerns Migration studies with a particular focus on conflict-induced displacements in Afghanistan. Previously, he worked as a Director of the Department of Research and Training Need Assessment at the Afghanistan Civil Service Institute. He has also worked as a Deputy for the Research Department at the Dunya University of Afghanistan. Additionally, Dr SİDDIKOĞLU has worked in a number of development and humanitarian projects funded by different UN agencies including UNICEF, WFP, and World Bank in Afghanistan. Dr SİDDIKOĞLU completed his PhD from Hiroshima University. He has received his first master's degree in Development Science from Hiroshima University and a second degree in international security from the University of Leicester, United Kingdom.

Murat ERDOĞAN *Turkish German University, Istanbul*

Prof. Dr. M. Murat Erdoğan is Faculty Member of Economic and Administrative Sciences, Department Political Science & International Relations at Turkish-German University (Istanbul-Turkey) He was also the founder and director of Hacettepe University Migration and Politics Research Center (HUGO). He carried out the research of his PhD dissertation from Ankara University -titled "The Relationship between Turkey and European Union after the Cold War: Geo-Strategic Perspective: 1990-2005"- as a Konrad Adenauer Foundation fellow at Bonn and Freiburg universities in Germany in 1994-1999. In 2000-2003, Erdoğan worked at the Press Section of the Turkish Embassy in Berlin, and later as an advisor at the Turkish Grand National Assembly's Commission on EU Integration (2004), also as an advisor to the president of Turkish Higher Education Council, and to the Rector of Hacettepe University (2012-2016). Prof. Erdoğan carried out studies as a visiting researcher with different fellowships at universities of Duisburg-Essen (2007), Berlin-Humboldt (2010), Oxford University (2012), Johns Hopkins University-AICGS (2014), and Humboldt University (2019). His academic research interests include voluntary and forced migration, refugees, people of Turkish origin living abroad, EU, political cartoons, political behaviour, Islamophobia, and Germany and Turkish foreign policy. He conducts comprehensive public opinion research on a regular basis and publishes particularly the "Euro-Turks-Barometre" on Turkish diaspora in Europe, and the "Syrians Barometer" on Syrians in Turkey. Prof. Erdoğan is a member of UNESCO-Turkey, board member of ISC of Metropolis International and the President of IGAM-Academy.

Gizem KOLBASİ MUYAN *Independent Researcher*

Gizem Kolbaşı-Muyan, PhD, is an independent researcher focusing on migration studies with an interdisciplinary perspective (international relations, political science, law and sociology). In her PhD (Middle East Technical University, 2017) which is mainly based on ethnographic field research in the Netherlands, she studied the interactions between family reunification and integration in the Netherlands by focusing on the marriages of second-generation Turkish Dutch from Turkey. Kolbaşı-Muyan focuses on the rights of Turkish citizens derived from EU-Turkey association law and its implementation in European countries. She has publications on family reunification, integration, social policy, citizenship studies and diaspora politics. Her main areas of interest are immigrant integration, family reunification, transnationalism, citizenship studies, diaspora politics, Turkey-EU Association Law, human rights law and qualitative research methods. Besides her academic research, she has been working at the Presidency for Turks Abroad and Related Communities as an expert since 2011.



