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## Education

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- 2022–Present      Ph.D. in Law and Economics at the EDLE Program at University of Hamburg, Germany & Erasmus University Rotterdam, The Netherlands & University of Bologna, Italy  
Thesis: *Essays on Institutions, Markets, and Society*  
Supervisors: Prof. Stefan Voigt, Prof. Pieter Desmet, Dr. Aylin Aydin-Cakir
- 2019–2022      M.Sc. in Economics, Marmara University, Istanbul, Turkey  
Thesis: *Examining Geopolitical Risks and Crime Relationship: Insights from Europe*  
Supervisor: Prof. Yasemin Ozerkek
- 2010–2017      B.Sc. in Economics, Marmara University, Istanbul, Turkey

## Professional Experience and Activities

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- 2023–Present**      Co-Founder & Conference Secretary, Global Banking and Finance Association (GLOBFAFA)
- 2023–2024**      Visiting Student, Rotterdam Institute of Law and Economics, Erasmus School of Law, The Netherlands.
- 2022–2023**      Visiting Student, Department of Economics, University of Bologna, Italy
- 2020–2025**      Officer, Eurasia Business and Economics Society (EBES)
- 2016–2019**      Journalist (Global Affairs), Gazete Karınca, Turkey

## Publications

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“Financial market reaction to the end of the right-wing populist government: The case of Poland” (with Jaroslaw Kantorowicz). *Finance Research Letters*, 76, p.106906, 2025. [Link](#)

“Climate vulnerability and capital investments in tourism” (with Conrado Diego Garcia-Gomez and Ender Demir). *Current Issues in Tourism*, 28:2, pp.176-181, 2025. [Link](#)

“Suicide and economic uncertainty: new findings in a global setting” (with Emre Sari and Ender Demir), *SSM Population Health*, 22, p.101387, 2023. [Link](#)

“Suicide as globalization’s Black Swan: global evidence” (with Emre Sari and Ender Demir), *Public Health*, 217(April): p.74-80, 2023. [Link](#)

“A matter of life or non-life: the role of economic uncertainty on insurance consumption” (with Ender Demir), *Economics Bulletin*, 42:3, pp.1305-1313, 2022. [Link](#)

## Working Papers

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“When disaster hits, governance splits: unequal effects on domestic and inbound tourism” (with Ender Demir), *Revise and Resubmit*.

“The relationship between perceived parental knowledge and adolescent gambling” (with Alice Guerra, Rodolfo Cotichini, Sabrina Molinaro, and Elisa Benedetti), *Under Review*.

“Unseating mayors: voting under the prospect of electoral noncompliance” (with Aylin Aydin-Cakir and Pieter Desmet), *Under Review*.

“Stock market shocks and suicide risks: Evidence from real-time ambulance calls in Istanbul, 2017–2024” (with Emre Sari, Ender Demir, and M. Fevzi Esen), *Working Paper*.

## Awards & Grants

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| 2026      | Competitive award for research stay at the Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN), Sweden. International Scholarship of the Übersee-Club in Germany (€ 3,345).  |
| 2024      | Competitive award for the Online Experiment Project “Unseating Democracy: The effect of signaling non-compliance on voting behavior”. Small Grant Scheme, Sector Plan of the Erasmus School of Law, Erasmus University Rotterdam, The Netherlands (€ 1,000) |
| 2022-2026 | Graduate School Full Scholarship. German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)   |

## Mentions

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| 2023 | “U.S. Suicide Deaths Rose in 2022, C.D.C. Estimates Say”, The New York Times.<br><a href="#">Link</a> |
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## Presentations

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EALE Conference (2025), RUCAM Political Economy Workshop (2025), GLEA Conference (2025), GLOBABA Conference (2025); Local Party Politics Conference (2025); Future of Law and Economics Conference (2024 & 2025); Modern Finance Conference (2024); SIDE Conference (2022).

## Teaching & Supervision

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**Tutorial**, “Advanced Research Designs and Methods of Causal Inference”. *PhD-Level, Erasmus University Rotterdam, The Netherlands, Fall Semester 2025.*

**Tutorial**, “The Economic Analysis of the Judicial System”. *Bachelors Program of Law, University of Hamburg, Germany, Fall Semester 2025.*

**Tutorial**, “Introduction to Synthetic Control Method (SCM): A Causal Inference Approach”. *Corporate Finance Master’s Program, Reykjavik University, Iceland, Spring Semester 2025.*

**Thesis Advisor** for *Mostafa Ali Helmy Benawy*, Master’s Thesis in Law and Economics of the Arab Region, University of Hamburg & Cairo University, 2025.

**Thesis Advisor** for *Mohamed Gebril*, Master’s Thesis in Law and Economics of the Arab Region, University of Hamburg & Cairo University, 2025.

## Workshops

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| 2025        | RUCAM Political Economy Workshop, Radboud University, The Netherlands |
| 2024        | Web Data Collection with Python and R, GESIS Fall Seminar, Germany    |
| 2023 & 2024 | Summer School in Law and Economics, UHH, Germany                      |

## Peer Review

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BMC Public Health (1), Constitutional Political Economy (1), Discover Mental Health (1), Economics & Human Biology (1), Epidemiology and Psychiatric Sciences (1), Humanities and Social Sciences Communications (3), International Journal of Public Health (1), PLoS ONE (1), SSM - Population Health (1).

## Languages

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Turkish (Native), English (Proficient), German (Working proficiency)

## References

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| Prof. Stefan Voigt    | University of Hamburg, Germany<br>Email: <a href="mailto:stefan.voigt@uni-hamburg.de">stefan.voigt@uni-hamburg.de</a>    |
| Prof. Ender Demir     | Reykjavik University, Iceland<br>Email: <a href="mailto:enderd@ru.is">enderd@ru.is</a>                                   |
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