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Biography

Mehmet Arisan completed his primary, secondary and high school education at TED Ankara College and took his BSc from Bilkent University, Department of Political Science. He continued his education at the University of Essex, Department of Government and took his MA in Ideology and Discourse Analysis. Before starting his PhD studies he carried out a research on Turkish political culture and perception of political power at the Department of Near Eastern Language and Civilization at the University of Chicago. He took his PhD from the University of Essex, Department of Government, where he wrote a dissertation under the supervision of Prof. Ernesto Laclau on Turkish political modernization and democratic culture.

Between 2005 and 2007, he gave lectures at Bilkent University and Middle East Technical University (METU) on Political Science, Media, Semiology, Psychoanalysis, Political Culture, Modernization and Political Psychology. Between 2008 and 2012 he lectured at the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences at Istanbul Technical University on political science, world politics, modern Turkish politics and on the concept of modern state both on the undergraduate and graduate levels. From 2012 to 2014 he worked at TED University as an Assistant Professor and taught World Politics, Political History of the World and Introduction to Political Science. Currently he is a full time Associate Professor at Istanbul University, Faculty of Political Science, Department of International Relations. His current research interests are Political Discourse Analysis, Formation of Political Subjectivities, Collapse of the Ottoman Empire and Turkish Political Modernization, Post-Colonial Theory and Nationalism, Theories of Democracy.

Education Information

Doctorate, University of Essex, Faculty Of Social Sciences, Department Of Government, United Kingdom 1999 - 2006

Postgraduate, University of Essex, Faculty Of Social Sciences, Department Of Government, United Kingdom 1993 - 1995

Undergraduate, Ihsan Dogramaci Bilkent University, İktisadi İdari Ve Sosyal Bilimler Fakültesi, Siyaset Bilimi Ve Kamu Yönetimi, Turkey 1988 - 1993

Foreign Languages

English, C1 Advanced

Certificates, Courses and Trainings

Dissertations

Doctorate, The Significance of the Notions of 'Lack' and 'Disavowal' in Understanding the Construction of Modern Political Legitimacy in Turkey, University of Essex, Faculty Of Social Sciences, Department Of Government, 2006

Postgraduate, The Possibility of Alternative Identities: The Case of Jean Genet, University of Essex, Faculty Of Social Sciences, Department Of Government, 1995

Research Areas

Social Sciences and Humanities, History, History of Turkish Republic, Psychology, Political Psychology, Sociology, Political Sociology, Social Stratification and Mobility, Anthropology, Political Anthropology, Behavioural Sciences, Political Science

Academic Titles / Tasks

Associate Professor, Istanbul University, Faculty of Political Sciences, Department of Political Sciences and International Relations, 2017 - Continues

Assistant Professor, Istanbul University, Faculty of Political Sciences, Department of Political Sciences and International Relations, 2014 - 2017

Assistant Professor, Ted University, Faculty Of Economics And Administrative Sciences, Uluslararası İlişkiler Bölümü, 2012 - 2014

Assistant Professor, Istanbul Technical University, İnsan Ve Toplum Bilimleri Bölümü, 2008 - 2012

Lecturer PhD, Middle East Technical University, Faculty Of Economic And Administrative Sciences, Department Of Political Science And Public Administration, 2006 - 2007

Lecturer PhD, Ihsan Dogramaci Bilkent University, Güzel Sanatlar, Tasarım Ve Mimarlık Fakültesi, İletişim Ve Tasarım, 2005 - 2006

Lecturer PhD, Ihsan Dogramaci Bilkent University, Faculty Of Economics, Administrative And Social Sciences, Siyaset Bilimi Ve Kamu Yönetimi, 2005 - 2006

Research Assistant, Ihsan Dogramaci Bilkent University, Faculty Of Economics, Administrative And Social Sciences, Department Of Political Science And Public Administration, 1997 - 1999

Academic and Administrative Experience

Courses

Çağdaş Siyasal Teoriler, Undergraduate, 2019 - 2020

Political Actors and Institutions, Undergraduate, 2019 - 2020

Kriz ve Siyaset, Undergraduate, 2018 - 2019, 2017 - 2018, 2016 - 2017

İdeoloji ve Söylem Analizi, Doctorate, 2018 - 2019

Siyasal Kültür'de Seçme Metinler, Undergraduate, 2018 - 2019, 2017 - 2018

İktidar Özne ve Siyaset, Postgraduate, 2018 - 2019

İmparatorluk: Tarih ve Teori, Undergraduate, 2017 - 2018, 2016 - 2017, 2015 - 2016, 2014 - 2015

Kriz ve Siyaset, Undergraduate, 2014 - 2015

World History-2, Undergraduate, 2012 - 2013

World History-1, Undergraduate, 2013 - 2014

World History-1, Undergraduate, 2012 - 2013

Formation of Modern Turkey, Undergraduate, 2011 - 2012, 2009 - 2010
Formation of Modern State, Postgraduate, 2010 - 2011, 2008 - 2009, 2007 - 2008
Politics, Undergraduate, 2011 - 2012, 2010 - 2011, 2009 - 2010, 2008 - 2009, 2007 - 2008
Formation of Modern State, Postgraduate, 2009 - 2010
Media and Society, Undergraduate, 2010 - 2011
Psychology, Undergraduate, 2010 - 2011
Issues in World Politics, Undergraduate, 2010 - 2011
Issues in World Politics, Undergraduate, 2008 - 2009
Art, Culture and Society, Undergraduate, 2008 - 2009
Political Psychology, Undergraduate, 2006 - 2007
Political Culture and Modernization, Undergraduate, 2006 - 2007
Introduction to Political Science, Undergraduate, 2005 - 2006
Media and Society, Undergraduate, 2005 - 2006

Advising Theses

ARISAN M., Being A Worker in a Small Scaled Industry Zone: A Perspective on the Workers' Experiences Around the Problematic of Class Making In Terazidere, Postgraduate, E.Kovankaya(Student), 2009

Jury Memberships

Post Graduate, Tez Savunma, İstanbul Üniversitesi, Siyasal Bilgiler Fakültesi, July, 2019
Post Graduate, Tez Savunma, İstanbul Teknik Üniversitesi, Fen-Edebiyat Fakültesi, June, 2019
Post Graduate, Tez Savunma, İstanbul Teknik Üniversitesi, Fen-Edebiyat Fakültesi, June, 2011
Post Graduate, Tez Savunma, İstanbul Teknik Üniversitesi, Fen-Edebiyat Fakültesi, June, 2011

Published journal articles indexed by SCI, SSCI, and AHCI

- I. **Populism, victimhood and Turkish foreign policy under AKP rule**
Arisan M.
TURKISH STUDIES, vol.23, no.5, pp.681-700, 2022 (SSCI)
- II. **From 'clients' to 'magnates': the (not so) curious case of Islamic authoritarianism in Turkey**
Arisan M.
SOUTHEAST EUROPEAN AND BLACK SEA STUDIES, vol.19, no.1, pp.11-30, 2019 (SSCI)
- III. **What Color Is Your Shame? Orientalizing 'Crime Against Humanity' and Guilt**
Arisan M.
Middle East Critique, vol.23, pp.209-223, 2014 (SSCI)

Articles Published in Other Journals

- I. **"Republic Between Two Deaths": Kemalism as the Silent Partner of Ottomanist Nostalgia**
Arisan M.
Sociology of Islam, vol.9, no.1, pp.60-75, 2021 (Peer-Reviewed Journal)
- II. **Violence as a Means of Nation-Building: The Case of the Balkans (1890-1913)**
Arisan M.
JOURNAL OF MUSLIM MINORITY AFFAIRS, vol.39, no.3, pp.395-410, 2019 (ESCI)
- III. **Kayıp, İnkâr ve Fantezi: Türk ve Ermeni Milliyetçilikleri Üzerine Mukayeseli Bir Deneme**
ARISAN M.

TÜRKİYE GÜNLÜĞÜ, no.121, pp.48-60, 2015 (Peer-Reviewed Journal)

IV. Jean Genet ve Alternatif Kimlik

ARİSAN M.

DEFTER, no.30, pp.39-58, 1997 (Peer-Reviewed Journal)

Books & Book Chapters

I. Faces of Republican Turkey: Beyond the Modernization Hypothesis

Yıldırım S., Öztan G. G., Arısan M., Suda E. Z. (Editor), Uslu A. (Editor)

IU Press, Bloomington (IN), USA , İstanbul, 2020

II. Yakup Kadri Karaosmanoğlu and The Republican Imagination: The Novels 'Yaban' and 'Ankara'

Arısan M.

in: Faces of Republican Turkey: Beyond the Modernization Hypothesis, Zeynep Suda, Ateş Uslu, Eren Korkmaz, Editor, İstanbul Üniversitesi Yayınevi, İstanbul, pp.1-168, 2020

III. Osmanlı İmparatorluğunun Son Döneminde Tedhiş Hareketleri ve Milliyetçilik

ARİSAN M.

in: Ermeni Sorununa Disiplinler Arası Bakış: Tarih - Siyaset - Hukuk, Güzel, H. C., Çiçek, K., Bilgiç, B. S., Editor, Yeni Türkiye Stratejik Araştırma Merkezi, Ankara, pp.211-220, 2017

IV. "Eternal Sunshine of an Obscure Mind": World War I, The Imperial Collapse and Trauma Management in the New Turkish Republic

ARİSAN M.

in: "War and Collapse": The End of the Empires and the Ottoman State (1914-1918), Ahmad F., Yavuz M. H., Editor, University Of Utah Press, Salt Lake City, pp.1217-1239, 2016

V. The Loss of the Lost: The Effects of the Balkan Wars on the Construction of Modern Turkish Nationalism

ARİSAN M.

in: War and Nationalism: The Balkan Wars, 1912-13 and Their Sociopolitical Implications, Isa Blumi, M. Hakan Yavuz, Edward J Erickson, Editor, University Of Utah Catholic University Of America Press, Salt Lake City, pp.704-726, 2013

Refereed Congress / Symposium Publications in Proceedings

I. Between 'Revolution' and 'Counter-Revolution': Contemporary Reflections of Turkish Republican Revolution

Arısan M.

War and Independence: Trauma, Memory, and Modernity in the Young Turkish Republic (1908-1950), Utah, United States Of America, 23 - 25 January 2020, pp.36-38

II. The Rise and Fall of Liberal Islamist Discourse: An Analysis of a Controversial Populist Moment in Turkish Politics

ARİSAN M.

Populism and Constructing A People, Ideology and Discourse Analysis International Conference 2017, Colchester, United Kingdom, 2 - 03 June 2017, pp.8

III. Nationalism as a New Means of Imperial Control: The Origins of Modern Genocides and Ex-Western Nationalism in the Case of Balkans (1890-1913)

ARİSAN M.

The Nation-Building Process in the Balkans: Ethnic Cleansing and Massacres of the Ottoman Muslim and Turkish Population, Brüksel, Belgium, 24 - 25 March 2016, pp.33

IV. Komitadjilik: A Basis or an Obstacle For Nation-State Building?

ARİSAN M.

The Age of the Komitadji: Entangled Histories and Political Sociology of Insurgencies in the Ottoman World (1870s – 1920s), Basel, Switzerland, 22 - 25 January 2015, pp.24

- V. **"The Enemy as the 'Mirror Image': Literary Representations of World War One"**
ARISAN M.
The Great War, Regional Approaches and Global Contexts: International Conference on the Occasion of the First Centennial of the Beginning of World War One, Saraybosna, Bosnia And Herzegovina, 18 - 21 June 2014, pp.72
- VI. **The Manifestation(s) of Loss: The Case of Modern Armenian and Turkish Nationalisms**
ARISAN M.
The Clash of Empires: WWI and the Middle East, University of Cambridge, Centre for the Study of the International Relations of the Middle East and North Africa (CIRMENA), Cambridge, United Kingdom, 13 - 14 June 2014, pp.7
- VII. **Yakup Kadri Karaosmanoglu and the Republican Manifestation of the Imperial Loss: The Emergence of an Elusive National Subjectivity**
ARISAN M.
The Collapse of Ottoman and Austria-Hungarian Empires: Patterns and Legacies, Viyana, Austria, 16 - 17 January 2014, pp.12-13
- VIII. **Disavowing Family Resemblances: The Formation of Azerbaijani and Armenian National Identities**
ARISAN M.
The Caucasus at Imperial Twilight: Nationalism, Ethnicity and Nation Building, Tiflis, Georgia, 5 - 08 June 2013, pp.12
- IX. **The World War One and the Emergence of a Troubled Modernity**
ARISAN M.
The Ottoman Empire and World War One, Saraybosna, Bosnia And Herzegovina, 16 - 19 May 2012, pp.9
- X. **"The Politics of Loss and the Theological Parameters of Turkish Secular Nationalism"**
ARISAN M.
Ethno-Confessional Mobilizations and Secular Nationalisms in the Balkans and the Middle East: The Myth of Religious and Secular Nationalisms as Antipodes - 13th Mediterranean Research Meeting, European University Institute, Montecatini Terme, Italy, 21 - 24 March 2012, pp.18
- XI. **Turkish Military and Political Culture: Reproducing Tutelage or Genuine Democracy?**
ARISAN M.
IPSA Research Committee on Armed Forces and Society Triennial Conference, Ankara, Turkey, 17 - 19 June 2011, pp.17
- XII. **Abide-i Hürriyet: A Monument of Forgetting and the Republican Symptom**
ARISAN M.
International Conference on Materiality, Memory and Cultural Heritage, Istanbul Technical University, Istanbul, Turkey, 25 - 29 May 2011, pp.19
- XIII. **"The Impact of Balkan Wars on the Young Turk Subjectivity"**
ARISAN M.
Lasting Socio-Political Impacts of the Balkan Wars, University of Utah, Middle East Center, Salt Lake City, United States Of America, 4 - 07 May 2011, pp.21
- XIV. **The Re-Production of Cold War Political Culture in Turkey: Conspiracy Theories**
ARISAN M.
Cold War Cultures: Transnational and Interdisciplinary Perspectives, Austin, United States Of America, 30 - 03 September 2010, pp.21
- XV. **The Popular Basis of Aggressive Nationalism in Turkey: A Psychoanalytical Approach**
ARISAN M.
Interrogating Terror Conference, Brighton, United Kingdom, 12 - 14 September 2007, pp.16
- XVI. **Ambivalent Identifications, Aggressive Nationalisms: The Case of Turkey**
ARISAN M.
The Construction of "Us" and "Them": Discourses of Populism and Nationalism, Helsinki, Finland, 7 - 08 September 2007, pp.5
- XVII. **A Political Culture of Melancholy: The Turkish Route to Modernization**

ARİSAN M.

Cultural Studies Now: An International Conference, Londra, United Kingdom, 19 - 22 July 2007, pp.30

XVIII. A Psychoanalytical Approach to Regime Sustenance and Political Legitimacy in Turkey

ARİSAN M.

Reconnecting Critical Management, The Fifth International Critical Management Studies Conference, Manchester, United Kingdom, 11 - 13 July 2007, pp.19

XIX. The Construction of Modern Political Legitimacy in Turkey

ARİSAN M.

Sixth Essex Graduate Conference in Political Theory, Colchester, United Kingdom, 13 - 14 May 2005, pp.28

XX. The Role of the Lacking Myth in the Representation of Turkish Republican Revolution and its Reflections on Modern Turkish Political Practise

ARİSAN M.

The Second Tampere Conference on Narrative; "Narrative, Ideology and Myth", University of Tampere, Tampere, Finland, 26 - 28 June 2003, pp.21-22

Episodes in the Encyclopedia

I. Oxford Encyclopedia of Modern World

ARİSAN M.

Oxford University Press, pp.351-353, 2008

Other Publications

I. Asia Minor: Trying to Pick Up the Pieces

ARİSAN M.

Other, 1996

II. Music That Stands Between East and West: Beyond the Borders of the Oriental

ARİSAN M.

Other, 1996

III. A General History of The Politicization of Islam In Turkey

ARİSAN M.

Other, 1996

IV. Modernization and Islam: Said-i Nursi and the Nur movement

ARİSAN M.

Other, 1996

Supported Projects

ARİSAN M., Project Supported by Other Official Institutions, Türk Çalışmaları Projesi III - Osmanlı İmparatorluğu ve Birinci Dünya Savaşı, 2012 - 2016

ARİSAN M., Project Supported by Other Official Institutions, Türk Çalışmaları Projesi II-Balkan Savaşlarının Sebepleri ve Osmanlı İmparatorluğunun Rolü, 2011 - 2013

Memberships / Tasks in Scientific Organizations

British Political Science Association, Member, 2003 - Continues

Middle East Studies Association, Member, 2001 - Continues

European Consortium for Political Research, Member, 2000 - Continues

Metrics

Publication: 37

Citation (WoS): 6

Citation (Scopus): 7

H-Index (WoS): 2

H-Index (Scopus): 1

Congress and Symposium Activities

War and Independence: Trauma, Memory and Modernity in the Young Turkish Republic (1908-1950), Attendee, Utah, United States Of America, 2020

Populism and Constructing A People, Ideology and Discourse Analysis International Conference 2017, University of Essex, Colchester, İNGİLTERE / The Rise and Fall of Liberal Islamist Discourse: An Analysis of a Controversial Populist Moment in Turkish Politics, Attendee, London, United Kingdom, 2017

The Nation-Building Process in the Balkans: Ethnic Cleansing and Massacres of the Ottoman Muslim and Turkish Population, Conference Organized by the Collège Belgique (Académie Royale de Belgique), BRÜKSEL, BELÇİKA / Nationalism as a New Means of Imperial Control: The Origins of Modern Genocides and Ex-Western Nationalism in the Case of Balkans (1890-1913), Attendee, Brussels, Belgium, 2016

The Age of the Komitadji: Entangled Histories and Political Sociology of Insurgencies in the Ottoman World (1870s – 1920s), University of Basel, İSVİÇRE, / Komitadjilik: A Basis or an Obstacle For Nation-State Building?, Attendee, Basel, Switzerland, 2015

The Great War Regional Approaches and Global Contexts: International Conference on the Occasion of the First Centennial of the Beginning of World War One, Institute for History of the University of Sarajevo, SARAYBOSA, BOSNA-HERSEK / The Enemy as the 'Mirror Image': Literary Representations of World War One, Attendee, Sarajevo, Bosnia And Herzegovina, 2014

"The Manifestation(s) of Loss: The Case of Armenian and Turkish Nationalisms", The Clash of Empires: WWI and the Middle East, University of Cambridge, Centre for the Study of the International Relations of the Middle East and North Africa (CIRMENA), CAMBRIDGE, İNGİLTERE, Attendee, London, United Kingdom, 2014

The Collapse of Ottoman and Austria-Hungarian Empires: Patterns and Legacies, Ludwig Boltzmann-Institute for Social Science History, University of Vienna, VİYANA, AVUSTURYA / Yakup Kadri Karaosmanoglu and the Republican Manifestation of the Imperial Loss: The Emergence of an Elusive National Subjectivity, Attendee, Vienna, Austria, 2014

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: The Caucasus At Imperial Twilight: Nationalism, Ethnicity and Nation-Building (1870s-1920s) Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Tiflis, GÜRCİSTAN / Disavowing Family Resemblances: The Formation of Azerbaijani and Armenian National Identities, Invited Speaker, Tbilisi, Georgia, 2013

The Ottoman Empire and World War I, Turkish Studies Project Conference III, Sarajevo University, SARAYBOSNA, BOSNA-HERSEK / The World War I and the Emergence of a Troubled Modernity, Attendee, Sarajevo, Bosnia And Herzegovina, 2012

Ethno-Confessional Mobilizations and Secular Nationalisms in the Balkans and the Middle East: The Myth of Religious and Secular Nationalisms as Antipodes in the 13th Mediterranean Research Meeting, Montecatini, Terme, European University Institute, İTALYA / The Politics of Loss and the Theological Parameters of Turkish Secular Nationalism, Attendee, Florence, Italy, 2012

IPSA Research Committee on Armed Forces and Society Triennial Conference, Bilkent University Ankara, Turkey / Turkish Military and Political Culture: Reproducing Tutelage or Genuine Democracy, Attendee, Ankara, Turkey, 2011
International Conference on Materiality, Memory and Cultural Heritage, Istanbul Teknik Üniversitesi ve Yeditepe Üniversitesi, Istanbul / Abide-i Hurriyet: A Monument of Forgetting and the Republican Symptom, Attendee, İstanbul, Turkey, 2011

Lasting Socio-Political Impacts of the Balkan Wars (1912-13), University of Utah, Middle East Center, Salt Lake City, AMERİKA BİRLEŞİK DEVLETLERİ / The Impact of the Balkan Wars on the Young Turk Subjectivity, Attendee, Utah, United States Of America, 2011

Cold War Cultures: Transnational and Interdisciplinary Perspectives, University of Texas at Austin, AMERİKA BİRLEŞİK DEVLETLERİ / The Re-Production of Cold War Political Culture in Turkey: Conspiracy Theories, Attendee, Texas, United States Of America, 2010

Interrogating Terror Conference, Centre for Applied Philosophy, Politics and Ethics, University of Brighton, BRIGHTON, İNGİLTERE / The Popular Basis of Aggressive Nationalism in Turkey: A Psychoanalytical Approach, Attendee, Brighton, United Kingdom, 2007

The Construction of "Us" and "Them": Discourses of Populism and Nationalism, University of Helsinki, HELSİNKİ, FİNLANDIYA / Ambivalent Identifications, Aggressive Nationalisms: The Case of Turkey, Attendee, Helsinki, Finland, 2007

Cultural Studies Now: An International Conference, University of East London, LONDRA, İNGİLTERE / A Political Culture of Melancholy: The Turkish Route to Modernization, Attendee, London, United Kingdom, 2007

Reconnecting Critical Management, The Fifth International Critical Management Studies Conference, Manchester Business School, The University of Manchester, MANCHESTER, İNGİLTERE / A Psychoanalytical Approach to Regime Sustenance and Political Legitimacy in Turkey, Attendee, Manchester, United Kingdom, 2007

Bahçeşehir Üniversitesi, İletişim Fakültesi, "Ortayer Konuşmaları", Beşiktaş, İstanbul / The Construction of Meaning and the Ethics of Representation, Invited Speaker, İstanbul, Turkey, 2005

The 6th Essex Political Theory Conference, University of Essex, COLCHESTER, İNGİLTERE / The Construction of Modern Political Legitimacy in Turkey, Attendee, London, United Kingdom, 2005

Mimar Sinan Üniversitesi, Sosyoloji Bölümü Semineri, Invited Speaker, İstanbul, Turkey, 2005

The First Culture and the Unconscious Conference: Psychoanalysts, Artists and Academics in Dialogue. Jointly organised by the British Psychoanalytical Society, the Tavistock Clinic and University of East London, South Oriental and African Studies, University of London, LONDRA, İNGİLTERE / Positing the Lack Through Fantasy: Psychoanalytical Approaches to Turkish Political Modernisation, Attendee, London, United Kingdom, 2003

The Second Tampere Conference on Narrative; "Narrative, Ideology and Myth", University of Tampere, TAMPERE, FİNLANDIYA / The Role of the Lacking Myth in the Representation of Turkish Republican Revolution and its Reflections on Modern Turkish Political Practise, Attendee, Tampere, Finland, 2003

18th Annual Middle East History and Theory Conference, Centre for Middle Eastern Studies, University of Chicago , Attendee, Illinois, United States Of America, 2003

Annual Conference of the British Political Science Association, Attendee, Manchester, United Kingdom, 2001

Bilkent Üniversitesi, İktisadi ve İdari Bilimler Fakültesi, Uluslararası İlişkiler Bölümü Semineri, Invited Speaker, Ankara, Turkey, 1997

Hacettepe Üniversitesi, Edebiyat Fakültesi, Amerikan Dili ve Edebiyatı Bölümü Semineri, Invited Speaker, Ankara, Turkey, 1996

Bilkent Üniversitesi, Güzel Sanatlar Fakültesi, Grafik Tasarım Bölümü Semineri, Invited Speaker, Ankara, Turkey, 1995

Non Academic Experience

DIŞİŞLERİ BAKANLIĞI

Turkish Daily News