



Research Group

Art Production and Art Theory in the Age of Global Migration

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From 2017 until 2019 she has been living in Istanbul, where she completed her Master thesis *Manufacturing Culture. Cultural Agents from Turkey arriving in Berlin* (published 2019) at the European University Viadrina in Frankfurt/ Oder. She extended her stay to work as a media advisor for the German Orient-Institute Istanbul, which undertakes research in turcology and regional studies within the Max Weber Foundation and supports the scholarly exchange between Turkey and Germany.

Her research focus is in the field of art and migration, which she approaches with an interdisciplinary perspective. Particular interests lie in topics as visual culture, contemporary art and aesthetics in the context of migration (especially in Turkey and Germany), cultural policy and institutional structures, questions of power and identity, exhibition and curatorial strategies, to which she dedicates her academic work as well as publications as a freelance journalist for various online media.

Among her recent publications is "Women in Leadership positions in Germany and Turkey – a comparison" (2018), for which she received the Student Paper Award "Gender Equality in the Labour Market in Europe and Turkey" in 2018, and the book *Manufacturing Culture. Cultural Agents from Turkey arriving in Berlin* (2019).

Selected Publications

Manufacturing Culture. Cultural Agents from Turkey arriving in Berlin / Die Produktion von Kultur. Künstler aus der Türkei kommen nach Berlin, Frankfurt/ Oder: MESPerspektiven, 2019.

"Women in Leadership positions in Germany and Turkey – a comparison," in Istanbul Bilgi University, European Institute: Jean Monnet Center of Excellence, <https://eu.bilgi.edu.tr/en/news/duyuru-ogrenci-makale-yarasmasonuclar-gender>.