

Curriculum Vitae

Olgun Akbulut

ORCID : 0000-0001-5323-5143

E-mail: olgun.akbulut@khas.edu.tr

Web : <http://khas.academia.edu/OlgunAkbulut>

Phone : 0212.5336532-1477, **Fax:** 0212.5340965

Address: Full time faculty, Kadir Has University Faculty of Law
Cibali/Fatih/Istanbul
TR-34083 Turkey

Education

2002-2007: PhD in Public Law, Faculty of Law, University of Istanbul.

Thesis title: “The Evolution of Minority Rights in International Law and Current Legal Problems” prepared at Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, Faculty of Law, Lund University

2001-2002: LLM, Mediterranean Master’s in Human Rights and Democratisation, University of Malta-Lund, with a dissertation on “Humanitarian Intervention for Human Rights Protection: Kosovo Case” prepared at Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, Faculty of Law, Lund University

1998-2001: LLM, Department of Public Law, Social Sciences Institute, University of Istanbul, with a thesis on “Direct Democracy”

1993-1997: LLB, Faculty of Law, University of Istanbul

Others with diploma or certificate:

2023: “Freedom of the Press – Challenges in the Digital Age” conducted by the International Academy for Leadership (IAF) of the Friedrich Naumann Foundation, 30 April-12 May 2023, Gummersbach/Germany

2020: “Liberalism vs. Populism: Recreating the Story of Freedom” conducted by the International Academy for Leadership (IAF) of the Friedrich Naumann Foundation, 26 January-07 February 2020, Gummersbach/Germany

2018: “Human Rights Defenders”, 49th Summer School on International Human Rights Law, conducted by the Fondation René Cassin, Institut International des Droits de l'Homme, 02-22 July 2018, Strasbourg/France

2008: Nordic Research Training Course on “Human Rights and Evidence” conducted by the Nordic School on Human Rights Research in co-operation with the Saaremaa University Centre, 01-06 June 2008, Saaremaa/Estonia. Presentation topic: “Parental rights to religious education”

2006: Nordic Research Training Course on “Human Rights, Democracy and Constitutionalism”, conducted by the Nordic School on Human Rights Research in co-operation with the Danish Institute for Human Rights and University of Copenhagen, 28 May-2 June 2006, Copenhagen/Denmark

2005: Advanced Course on “International Protection of Human Rights”, conducted by the Institute for Human Rights, Åbo Akademi University, 15–26 August 2005, Åbo/Turku, Finland

2005: Nordic Research Training Course on “Human Rights, Collective Rights, Indigenous Peoples’ Law and Environmental Law”, conducted by the Nordic School on Human Rights Research, 5-10 June 2005, Tromsø/Sommarøya, Norway

2005: Course on “Challenges to International Humanitarian Law”, conducted by the Institute for Human Rights, Åbo Akademi University, in co-operation with the Finnish Red Cross, 9–13 May 2005, Åbo/Turku, Finland

2001: Basic course on “International Protection of Human Rights”, conducted by the Institute for Human Rights, Åbo Akademi University, 19 February – 2 March 2001, Åbo/Turku, Finland

1998: Lawyer apprenticeship program of the Istanbul Bar Association, Lawyer Training Center. Six months of study with elected courses on national and international protection of human rights. Graduate paper: “References to the International Instruments on Human Rights in the Judgments of Turkish Constitutional Court”

Work Experience and Fellowships

2009-: Prof.Dr, Kadir Has University, Faculty of Law (full-time faculty), Istanbul/Turkey (*on leave for the academic year 2024-2025*)

2024-2025: Research fellow, European Centre for Minority Issues (ECMI), Flensburg/Germany

2018-2020: Assoc.Prof.Dr, Bogazici University, Department of Political Science and International Relations (part-time faculty), Istanbul/Turkey

2012-2013: Visiting Fellow, Harvard Law School, Boston/USA

2010-2012: Assist.Prof.Dr, Bogazici University, Department of Political Science and International Relations (part-time faculty), Istanbul/Turkey

2011: Short term research visit, University of Toronto, Faculty of Law, Canada, July-September 2011

2008-2009: Assist.Prof.Dr, Sabanci University, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, (part-time faculty), Istanbul/Turkey

2007-2010: Post-doctoral researcher at Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and

Humanitarian Law, Faculty of Law, Lund University, Sweden (February-March 2007 & April-May 2008 & August-September 2009 & August-September 2010)

2006: Guest researcher at the Institute for Human Rights, Åbo Akademi University, Åbo/Turku, Finland (February - April 2006)

2004-2006: Guest researcher at Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, Faculty of Law, Lund University, Sweden (August 2004 – February 2006, and May-June 2006)

1998-2004: Research and teaching assistant, Department of Public Law, Law Faculty, University of Istanbul.

Courses Taught within Last Three Years

2023-2024: Comparative Constitutional Law (*in English*), International Human Rights Law (*in English*), Minority Rights (*in English*), Basic Concepts of Law (*in English*), Introduction to European Convention on Human Rights (*Master's level, in Turkish*)

2022-2023: General Principles of Constitutional Law (*in Turkish*), International Human Rights Law (*in English*), Turkish Constitutional Law (*in Turkish*), Introduction to European Convention on Human Rights (*Master's level, in Turkish*)

2021-2022: Human Rights Law (*in English*), Comparative Constitutional Law (*in English*), Political Participation and Political Party Freedoms (*in Turkish*)

Administrative Positions at Kadir Has University

2024-: Director of the Human Rights Centre

2018-2022: Coordinator of the Public Law and Human Rights Law master's programme

2010-2015: Deputy Dean, Faculty of Law

Research Projects, Funds, Grants and Awards

2025-: Legal expert in COST Action CA23105 on Language plurality in Europe's Changing Media Sphere

2024-: Consultant in Council of Europe Project on "Fostering societal cohesion by reinforcing minority rights and minority languages".

2022-2026: Research in the Horizon Europe Widera Program (HORIZON-WIDERA-2022-ERA-01). Research Topic: "BUDGET IT – Building Gender+ Equality through Gender+ Budgeting for Institutional Transformation".

2016-19: Researcher in the European Union Horizon 2020 GERI program
Research Topic: "Systemic Action for Gender Equality in Academia and Research Institutions"

2012-13: Research fund allocated by the Harvard Law School for post-doctoral research, Boston/USA

2011: Individual Research Fund awarded by the Kadir Has University for research studies at Toronto Law School, July-September 2011, Toronto/USA.

2007: Scholarship from Swedish Institute for post-doctoral research at Raoul Wallenberg Institute for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, University of Lund, (January-February 2007), Lund/Sweden)

2006: NORFA mobility scholarship for doctoral research at the Institute for Human Rights, Åbo Akademi University, (February - April 2006), Åbo/Turku, Finland

2004-2005: Scholarship from Swedish Institute for doctoral research for 16 months at Raoul Wallenberg Institute for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, University of Lund, (September 2004-December 2005), Lund/Sweden

2001-2002: Scholarship from European Commission to follow the Mediterranean Master's program in Human Rights and Democratisation

1998: The first prize in Human Rights Competition of the Aybay Foundation of Legal Studies, with an article on "Right to a Fair Trial".

Academic Publications in English

Forthcoming: "Evaluation of Gender Equality Plans in Higher Education in Türkiye from a Human Rights Perspective", co-authored with Mary Lou O'Neil, in Dragica Vujadinovic, Ivana Krstic (Eds.), *Path Towards Gender-Sensitive Policy: From Gender Equality Plans to Gender Responsive Budgets*, Springer, *forthcoming in March 2026*.

Forthcoming: "Some Reflections on the Future of European Human Rights Protection", in Juozas Valciukas (Ed.), *The Drones Above Me and the Moral Law Within Me: (In)Security and Freedom in the XXI Century*, Springer, *forthcoming in March 2026*.

2026: "Between Private Faith and Public Power: Reflections on European Human Rights Approaches on Religious Diversity", 33(1) *International Journal on Minority and Group Rights* 840-855.

2025: "Shifting Standards? The ECtHR's Evolving Approach to Minority Rights", 24(2) *Journal on Ethnopolitics and Minority Issues in Europe* 1-12.

2024: "Turkey's Relationship with International Law: Reflections on the Equal Sovereign Partner Bid", co-authored with Isil Karakas, in Anne van Aken and others (Eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of International Law in Europe*, Oxford University Press, 2024, p. 801-823.

2023: "For Centenary of the Lausanne Treaty: Re-interpretation and Re-implementation of Linguistic Minority Rights of Lausanne", 31(4) *International Journal on Minority and Group Rights* 603-626.

2022: "Values of the Charter", (with Bige Açımız) in Stefano Angeleri, Carole Nivard (Eds.) *The European Social Charter: A Commentary*, Brill Publishers, 2022, pp. 264-293.

2019: Olgun Akbulut and Elcin Aktoprak (Eds.), *Minority Self-government in Europe and the Middle East: From Theory to Practice*, Brill Publications, 2019.

2019: “Legal Background of Autonomy Arrangements in Turkey from Historical Perspectives” in Olgun Akbulut and Elcin Aktoprak (Eds.), *Minority Self-government in Europe and the Middle East: From Theory to Practice*, Brill Publications, 2019, pp. 228-245.

2016: “Turkey: The European Convention on Human Rights as a Tool for Modernisation” Chapter 16 in Patricia Popelier, Koen Lemmens, Sarah Lambrecht (Eds.), *Criticism on the European Court of Human Rights. Shifting the Convention System: Counter- Dynamics at the National and EU-Level*, Intersentia, 2016, pp. 413-446.

2016: “Press and Media Freedom Country Report-Turkey” in Jörg Ukrow, Gianno Iaino (Eds.), *Comparative Study on Investigative Journalism*, Saarbrücker Verlag für Rechtswissenschaften, 2016, pp. 531-546.

2016: “Freedom of Expression” Or “Political Support For Violence”? The Survival Test for Political Parties in Pluralist Democracies”, *5 Humanities and Social Sciences Review* 131-140.

2010: “Criteria Developed by the European Court of Human Rights on the Dissolution of Political Parties”, *34 Fordham International Law Journal* 46-77.

2010: “A Critical Analysis of Current Legal Developments on the Political Participation of Minorities in Turkey”, *17 International Journal on Minority and Group Rights* 551-560.

2008: “Parental Religious Rights vs. Compulsory Religious Education”, co-authored with Z.O. Usal, *15 International Journal on Minority and Group Rights* 433-455.

2005: “The State of Political Participation of Minorities in Turkey – An Analysis under the ECHR and the ICCPR”, *12 International Journal on Minority and Group Rights* 375-395.

Academic Publications in Turkish

2022: “TBMM Tarihinde Özerklik Düzenlemeleri” [“Autonomy Discussions in the Historical Documents of the TGNA”], in *In Memory of the Centennial of the Turkish Grand National Assembly*, Tekin Publications, Istanbul, 2022, pp. 593-627.

2021: Azınlık Haklarının Tarihsel Gelişimi [Historical Developments of Minority Rights], On İki Levha publications, Istanbul, 2021, 289 pages.

2021: “Covid 19 Aşısı ve Hukuk” [“Covid 19 Vaccination and Law”], *19 Law of Medicine Review*, April 2021, pp. 33-119.

2021: “Dilsel Hakları Düzenleyen Uluslararası Hukuk Metinleri”, [“International Instruments on Linguistic Rights”], in Bulent Bilmez (Ed.), *Türkiye’de Dil Hakları ve Dilsel Çoğulluk* [Linguistic Rights and Linguistic Pluralism in Turkey], Bilgi University publications, Istanbul 2021, pp. 145-155.

2019: “AİHS ve MSHS’nin Seçim Hükümlerinin Karşılaştırmalı İncelemesi” [Comparative Analysis of Electoral Provisions of the ECHR and ICCPR], in Havva Karagöz, Mert Kejanlıoğlu (Eds.), Seçim, Demokrasi ve Seçim Sistemleri [*Elections, Democracy and Electoral Systems*], On İki Levha publications, İstanbul, 2019, pp. 89-99.

2016: Anayasal Dinsel Çoğulculuk [Religious Pluralism from Constitutional Perspectives], On İki Levha publications, İstanbul, 2016, 442 pages.

2016: “Neden Yeni Anayasa” [“Why Do We Need a New Constitution”], *Güncel Hukuk*, No. 146, February 2016, pp. 14-16.

2015: “AİHS ile AIHM Kararlarının İç Hukuka Etkisi” [“The Impact of the ECHR and the Judgments of the ECtHR in Turkish Law”], Section 1 in Ali Guzel, Deniz Ugan, Hande Heper (Eds.), İş Hukukunda Güncel Sorunlar 5 [*Current Problems in Labour Law 5*], Yetkin Publications, Ankara, pp. 21-52.

2014: “Cumhurbaşkanlığı Seçimleri Bireysel Başvuru Konusu Olabilir Mi?” [“Can Presidential Elections be Submitted to Constitutional Complaint Procedure”], *Legal Hukuk Dergisi* [*Legal Law Review*], İstanbul, December 2014, pp. 245-265.

2014: “Anayasa Mahkemesinin Cumhurbaşkanı Seçimi Kanunu Kararı Üzerine Gözlemler” [“Comments on the Judgment of the Turkish Constitutional Court on the Law Concerning the Presidential Elections”], *Anayasa Hukuku Dergisi* [*Journal of Constitutional Law*], Vol. 3, No. 5, 2014, pp. 329-343.

2014: “Güncel Gelişmeler Işığında İnsan Hakları Sözleşmelerinin Türkiye Anayasal Sisteminde Normlar Hiyerarşisindeki Yeri” [“The Place of Human Rights Conventions under the Hierarchy of Norms in Turkish Constitutional System”], *Bahçeşehir Üniversitesi Hukuk Fakültesi Dergisi* [*Bahçeşehir University Law Review*], March-April 2014, Vol. 9, No. 115-116, pp. 7-47.

2013: “Eğitim Hakkı” [“Right to Education”], Section 15 in Sibel Inceoglu (Ed.), Avrupa İnsan Hakları Sözleşmesi ve Anayasa [*European Convention on Human Rights and the Constitution*], COE Publications, Ankara, 2013, pp. 533-542.

2013: “Seçme ve Seçilme Hakkı” [“Electoral Rights”], Section 16 in Sibel Inceoglu (Ed.), Avrupa İnsan Hakları Sözleşmesi ve Anayasa [*European Convention on Human Rights and the Constitution*], COE Publications, Ankara, 2013, pp. 543-555.

2013: “Toplantı ve Örgütlenme Özgürlükleri” [“Right to Assembly and Association”], Section 10 in Sibel Inceoglu (Ed.), Avrupa İnsan Hakları Sözleşmesi ve Anayasa [*European Convention on Human Rights and the Constitution*], COE Publications, Ankara, 2013, pp. 381-424.

2013: “Dini İnanç ve Felsefi Kanaate Göre Çocuk Yetiştirme Hakkı” [“Right to Raise Children According to Political and Philosophical Convictions”], *Güncel Hukuk*, No. 132, December 2014, pp. 12-14.

2012: “Resmi Dil ve Anayasalarda Düzenlenişi” [“Official Language and Its Codification in Constitutions”], *Türkiye Barolar Birliği Dergisi* [*Union of Turkish Bar Associations Review*], Vol. 25, No. 102, September-October 2012, pp. 115-148.

2012: “Cumhurbaşkanının Seçimine Dair Anayasa Değişikliklerinin Siyasal Sisteme Etkileri” [“The Constitutional Amendments Regarding the Presidential Elections and Their Influences on the Political System in Turkey”], Prof.Dr. Mehmet Akad’a Armağan [*Essays for the Memory of Prof.Dr. Mehmet Akad*], University of Marmara, Faculty of Law Publications, Istanbul, 2012, pp. 1-23.

2011: “Cumhurbaşkanının Görev Süresi: 7 Yıl mı, 5 Yıl Mı?” [“The Term of Office of the President: 7 Years or 5 Years?”], *Guncel Hukuk*, No. 90, June 2011, pp. 28-30.

2010: “İsviçre’de Halk Girişimi Uygulamaları ve Minare Referandumu” [“Popular Initiatives in Switzerland and Minaret Referendum”], Prof.Dr. Rona Serozan’a Armağan [*Essays for the Memory of Prof.Dr. Rona Serozan*], On İki Levha Publications, Istanbul, 2010, pp. 1855-1875.

2010: “Bir Doğrudan Demokrasi Aracı Olarak Referandum” [“Referendum as a Tool of Direct Democracy”], Prof.Dr. Ali Guzel’e Armağan [*Essays for the Memory of Prof.Dr. Ali Guzel*], Marmara University Faculty of Law Publications, Istanbul, 2010, pp. 1544-1564.

2008: Barış İçinde Birlikte Yaşamının Hukuk Zemini [Legal Basis of Living Together in Peace], XII Levha Publications, Istanbul, 2008, 402 pages.

2004: “Modernleşmede Türkiye Modeli” [“The State of Turkish Model in Modernisation Process”] in Bulent Tanor Armağanı [*Essays in Honour of Bulent Tanor*], Legal Publishers, Istanbul, 2004, pp. 1-30.

2003: “İnsan Haklarının Uluslararasılaşması” [“Internationalisation of Human Rights”], Section III of the book İnsan Haklarının Tarihsel Gelişimi [*The Historical Developments of Human Rights*], published with the support of the EU by the Social Participation and Development Foundation, Istanbul, 2003, pp. 53-80.

2002: “Adil Yargılanma Hakkı (AIHS m. 6)” [“Right to a Fair Trial – (ECHR A. 6)”] 1 *Revue de Faculté de Droit de l’Université de Galatasaray* 175-208.

2001: “Çevre Hakkının Yargı Yolu ile Korunması” [“Judicial Protection of Environmental Rights”] in Adalet Yüksekokulu 20. Yıl Armağanı [*Essays Dedicated to 20th Anniversary of School of Justice*], Beta Publishers, Istanbul, 2001, pp. 1-21.

2000: “Eski Doğu Bloku Ülkelerinde İnsan Hakları Sözleşmelerine Taraf Olma ve Uygunluk” [“Ex-Eastern Block Countries- Becoming a Party to Human Rights Conventions Compliance”] 17-18 *Public and Private International Law Bulletin* 1-35.

Anonymous Peer Reviews

Journals: International Journal on Minority and Group Rights, Nordic Journal of International Law, European Journal of Comparative Law and Governance, Journal on Ethno-politics and Minority Issues in Europe, European Yearbook of Minority Issues, Journal of International

Relations, Journal of the Faculty of Law of the Istanbul University, Galatasaray University Faculty of Law Review, Kadir Has University Faculty of Law Review, Dokuz Eylül University Faculty of Law Review, Hacettepe University Faculty of Law Review, Inonu University Faculty of Law Review, Business and Economics Research Journal, Essays in Honour of Prof.Dr. Ali Güzel (published by the Marmara University, Faculty of Law).

Books: - “The International Human Rights Courts as a Pathway to Impunity for International Crimes: The European Court of Human Rights and Roma Victims”, submitted to Routledge in 2009.

- “The International Human Rights Movement – A History”, published by Princeton University Press, 2013.

Selected Presentations

2026: “Indivisibility and Interdependence of Human Rights in Recent ECtHR Judgments”, Völkerrechtlichen Tagesthemen, 28 January 2026, Walther Schücking Institute of International Law, Kiel/Germany

2026: “Tracing the Citizenship Rule in Minority Definitions: From Capotorti to De Varennnes”, ECMI Research Seminars, 22 January 2026, European Center for Minority Issues, Flensburg/Germany

2025: “The Conundrum Between Minority Rights and Human Rights”, *Congress on Minorities: National and Ethnic Minorities in Poland and Europe- Society, Politics, State*, 23-24 September 2025, Opolski University, Opole/Poland.

2025: “Intersectionality in Socio-Economic Human Rights: Challenges and Possibilities”, *International Workshop on the Intersectional Perspectives on the Socio-Economic Participation of Minorities*, 06 June 2025, European Center for Minority Issues, Flensburg/Germany

2024: “Intersecting International Human Rights and Domestic Law: Today and Tomorrow”, *Human Rights Day Conference*, 10 December 2024, Åbo akademi University, Faculty of Law, Åbo/Turku/Finland.

2024: “Human Rights Approaches on Religious Diversity Laws”, *International Workshop on the Law of Diversity: New Theoretical and Practical Perspectives on Diversity Accommodation for Minority Groups*, 30 September -01 October 2024, European Center for Minority Issues, Flensburg/Germany

2024: “Evaluation of Last Two Elections in Turkey Under Electoral Rights”, 05 June 2024, Friedrich Naumann Foundation, Istanbul/Turkey

2024: “Some reflections on the future of European human rights protection”, 18 April 2024, Mykolas Romeris University, Vilnius/Lithuania

2023: “The conceptual evolution of minority rights”, *International Conference on Minority Rights in the Centennial of the Republic*, 17-18 November 2023, Hrant Dink Foundation, Istanbul/Turkey

2023: “For Centenary of the Lausanne Treaty: Re-interpretation and re-implementation of linguistic minority rights of Lausanne”, *12th Annual Conference of Cambridge International Law Journal*, 24-25 April 2023, Cambridge University, Cambridge/UK.

2022: “Extra-territorial Human Rights Responsibilities During Foreign Military Operations on the Territory of Syrian Arab Republic”, *Yeditepe University Law School Conference on International Crimes Committed in Syria*, 7 May 2022, Istanbul/Turkey.

2021: “Future of Politics and Democracy”, *Friedrich Naumann Foundation Re-Start Freedom Journey*, 23 Ekim 2021, online.

2021: “Minority Rights from Human Rights Perspectives”, *Friedrich Naumann Foundation Human Rights Academy*, 27 September 2021, Istanbul/Turkey.

2021: “Covid-19 Vaccinations from a Human Rights Perspectives”, *Kadir Has University Human Rights Centre Spring Seminars 2*, 21 May 2021, online.

2019: “It’s Time for Structural Change, Sister”, *18th Annual STS Conference*, 06-07 May 2019, Graz University, Graz/Austria.

2019: “The Future of Human Rights in Europe”, *Conference on Recent Problems in International Law*, 21-22 February 2019, MEF University Faculty of Law, Istanbul/Turkey.

2018: “The Future of Human Rights in Europe”, 16 October 2018, *Swedish Research Institute Autumun Lecture*, Istanbul/Turkey.

2018: “Politically Motivated Restrictions of Human Rights: What Does A. 18 ECHR Provide?”, *IJAS International Conference for Academic Disciplines*, 26-29 June 2018, Florence/Italy.

2018: “How the Constitutional Engagement with the European Convention on Human Rights Involves Social Rights”, 02 June 2018, Galatasaray University, Faculty of Law, Istanbul/Turkey.

2018: “Comparative Analysis of Electoral Provisions of the ECHR and ICCPR”, Symposium on Elections, Democracy and Electoral systems, 01-02 March 2018, MEF University, Istanbul/Turkey.

2017: “Identity Transfer from the Ottoman Empire to League of Nations”, *Polar Law Symposium 2017*, 13-14 November 2017, Rovaniemi/Finland

2017: “Equality at Home and Equality at Work: The Effect of European Court of Human Rights Jurisprudence on Turkish Gender Policy”, *International Conference on Social Science and Humanities*, 25-29 June 2017, Vienna/Austria

2017: “Turkey’s Accession to the EU: New Challenges Ahead”, *Conferências Temáticas União Europeia: Alguns desafios para os próximos 60 anos*, Coimbra Law School, 07 April 2017, Coimbra/Portugal

2016: “Legal Perspectives for Autonomy Arrangements”, *Seminar on Minority Rights, Self-Government and Law*, 15-16 September 2016, Liverpool Law School, Liverpool/UK

2016: “Freedom Of Expression” Or “Political Support For Violence”? The Survival Test for Political Parties In Pluralist Democracies”, *IJAS International Conference for Academic Disciplines*, Harvard University, 23-28 May 2016, Boston/USA

2015: “The Possibility an Impossibility of Autonomy Arrangements under Turkish Constitutional System”, *Autonomy Workshop*, Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law -Beijing Conference Room, 14 September 2015, Lund/Sweden

2015: “Turkey’s Reaction to the Judgements of the European Court of Human Rights”, *International Conference for Social Sciences and Humanities*, Sant Antoni Maria Claret 171, 23 June 2015, Barcelona/Spain

2015: “Implementation of ECtHR Judgements Concerning Right to Property in Turkey”, *Foreign Investment Law Conference*, Kadir Has University Faculty of Law, 15-16 April 2015, Istanbul/Turkey

2014: “Right to a Mother Tongue Education”, *International Mother Tongue Conference*, Bahcesehir University Faculty of Law, 21-22 November 2014, Istanbul/Turkey

2014: “Mother Tongue Education: Challenges and Opportunities Ahead”, *Public Discussion on Mother Tongue Education*, Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law -Beijing Conference Room, 09 September 2014, Lund/Sweden

2014: “Modalities of change: From international norms to national implementation and Development”, (discussant), *ISA Human Rights Joint Conference 2014: Human Rights and Change*, Kadir Has University, 16-18 June 2014, Istanbul/Turkey

2013: “Interaction Between International Human Rights Law and Turkish Domestic Law”, *IJAS International Conference for Academic Disciplines*, Harvard University, 26-30 May 2013, Boston/USA

2013: “Turkish Constitutional Model on Harmonization of Islamic Religious Rights with Secular Laws”, The Law and Society Association, 2013 International Meeting, *Session on Challenges in Incorporating Aspects of Islamic Law in Secular Legal Landscape*, 30 May 2013, Boston Sheraton Hotel, Room 08

2013: “Resolving the Conflict Between International Human Rights Law and Turkish Domestic Law”, Harvard University, *Center for Middle Eastern Studies Turkey in the Modern World Series*, 03 April 2013, Boston/USA

2012: “Turkish Debate on the Accommodation of Religious Identities in the Process of Forming a New Constitution”, *Harvard Law School*, WCC Milstein East C, 27 November 2012, Boston/USA

2012: “The Position of the ECHR in the Hierarchy of Norms in Turkish Constitutional Law”, *Human Rights Symposium*, Malaga University, 29 March 2012, Malaga/Spain

2011: “The Debate on Recognition of Minorities in the Process of Preparing a New Constitution in Turkey”, *RWI Human Rights Seminars*, Raoul Wallenberg Institute for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, 11 November 2011, Lund/Sweden

2010: “The Harmonization of National Laws with the European Human Rights Law: The Problem of Dissolution of Political Parties”, research paper presented at *Nordic Research Training Course on Should States Ratify Human Rights Conventions?*, organized by the Nordic School in Human Rights Research, 6-10 September 2010, Reykjavik/Iceland

2009: “Strasbourg Jurisprudence on the Limitations of Political Parties in European Democracies”, *RWI Human Rights Seminars*, Raoul Wallenberg Institute for Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, 11 September 2009, Lund/Sweden

2008: “A Human Rights-Based Approach to Dissolution of Political Parties”, *SPS Seminar Series*, Sabanci University, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, 03 September 2008, Istanbul/Turkey

International Events Organised

2026: Education in Minority Context, in cooperation with Minority Competence Network, 01-06 June 2026, Sankelmark/Germany.

2025: Education in Minority Context, in cooperation with Minority Competence Network, 05-09 May 2025, Sankelmark/Germany.

2024: Summer School on Security and Human Rights, in cooperation with Friedrich Naumann Foundation – Turkey, 26-30 June 2024, Mardin/Turkey.

2023: Summer School on Security and Human Rights, in cooperation with Friedrich Naumann Foundation – Turkey, 17-22 September 2023, Izmir/Turkey.

2022: Summer School on International Protection and Refugees, in cooperation with Friedrich Naumann Foundation – Turkey, 24-28 July 2022, Izmir/Turkey.

2020-2022: Webinars on “Covid 19 and Human Rights, Minority Rights, Rights of Women and Rights of Asylum Seekers and Refugees”, in cooperation with Friedrich Naumann Foundation – Turkey, online.

2016: Seminar on “Minority Rights, Self-Government and Law”, 15-16 September 2016, Liverpool Law School, Liverpool/UK

2015: Workshop on “Autonomy and Self-Government: Nordic Models”, Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law -Beijing Conference Room, 14-15 September 2015, Lund/Sweden

2014: “International Mother Tongue Conference”, Bahcesehir University Faculty of Law, 21-22 November 2014, Istanbul/Turkey

Other Activities

2024-: Board member of the HII (Heritage International Institute)

2021-: Board member of the OCEAN (Open Council of Europe Academic Networks)

2017-: Member of the research team of the Gender and Women Studies Center of Kadir Has University.

2015-: Member of the academic network on the European Social Charter and Social Rights (ANESC-RACSE), Strasbourg/France

2015-: Member of the legal experts' network of the Institut Für Europaisches Medienrecht (EMR) [European Media Law Institute], Saarbrücken/Germany

Languages

Turkish (Mother Tongue), English (Excellent), German (Intermediate), Azerbaijani (Intermediate), French (Intermediate), Swedish (Lower Intermediate)

Referees

1. Prof. Sia Spiliopoulou Åkermark

Current post: Professor at the Åbo Akademi University, Faculty of Law

Relationship: Colleague and mentor familiar with my academic works

Address: Åbo Akademi University, Juridicum

Tuomiokirkontori 3, FI-20500 Åbo/Turku, Finland

E-mail: sia.spiliopoulouakermark@abo.fi

Telephone number: +358405040571

2. Prof. Gudmundur Alfredsson

Current post: Professor at the University of Akureyri and the China University of Political Science and Law

Relationship: Doctoral supervisor, mentor and colleague familiar with my academic works

E-mail: alfredsson@orange.fr

Telephone number: +371 20010853

3. Onder Bakircioglu

Current post: Associate Professor at the Leicester Law School, UK

Relationship: Human rights scholar familiar with my academic works

E-mail: ob51@leicester.ac.uk

Telephone number: +44 7902434215