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EDUCATION

M.A., Postgraduate Certificate in Academic and Professional Practice (PG-Cert), Higher Education Academy, (Level 7, 30 credits), Learning Institute, University of Leicester, 2019

PhD, International Relations & Middle East Studies, University of Exeter, Institute of Arab& Islamic Studies, (UK) 2009

M.A., International Relations, University of Sussex (UK), 2005

B.A., International and European Studies, Panteion University of Political and Social Sciences of Athens (Greece), 2004

AWARDS& HONOURS

BISA, Conference Grant, 2019

Honorarium, Uppsala University, 2018

The British Institute for the Study of Iraq (BISI), Conference Grant, 2018

LSE, Travel Mobility Grant, 2018

MBI Al Jaber Foundation, Mobility Grant, 2014

Honorarium, RAND Institute, USA, 2013

International Initiatives Fund (IIF), University of Reading, 2013

CBRL Academic Arabic Award Programme, Council for British Research in the Levant, 2013

Governmental Scholarship for Arabic language, Government of Jordan, University of Jordan (Amman), 2009-2010

Ecpr (European Consortium for political research) travel grant, 2007

Al Waleed Scholarship for field work in Iraq, Exeter University, IAIS, May 2006

The Greek State Scholarship Foundation (IKY), Scholarship for PhD studies, 2005

MEMBERSHIP

BISA (Convenor, Foreign Policy Working Group)

BRISMES (Trustee)

Non-Resident Fellow, EIIR (The European Institute for International Law& International Relations)

HEA (and indicative Training Courses)

Fellow recognition with Advance HE, (formerly the HEA), University of Leicester, 2018-2019

Associate Fellow recognition with Advance HE, (formerly the HEA), University of Leicester, 2017-2018

Mandatory Courses (Lincoln, 2019-2023); Annual FDL Forum (28 November 2017); Good Practice in DL supervision (21 September 2018); Supervising Research Degree Candidates (25 September 2018); Personal Tutor Workshop (26 September 2018); Research Grant Development Workshop (21 February 2018).

EMPLOYMENT

Senior Lecturer in International Politics, School of Social and Political Sciences, University of Lincoln, 2019 to present

Lecturer in Kurdish Politics and International Relations, School of History, Politics & IR, University of Leicester, 2016-2019

Post-Doctoral Fellow and Sessional Lecturer (Assistant Professor) in International Relations, Department of Politics & IR, University of Reading, 2012-2016

Consultant, Embassy of the Republic of Iraq in Athens, 2011-2012

Researcher and Teaching Fellow, Panteion University of Athens, 2010-2011

ADMIN ROLES

Outreach and Marketing Officer, University of Lincoln, 2023 to present

Deputy Programme Leader for Politics and International Relations, University of Lincoln, 2019-2022

Director of KISU (Kurdistan International Studies Unit), University of Leicester, 2016-2018

RESEARCH

THESIS

‘The Kurds and US foreign policy in the Middle East since 1945’ – passed with no corrections, Internal Examiner: Prof Tim Niblock, External Examiner: Anoush Ehteshami, 2009.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Iran and Turkey: International and Regional Engagement in the Middle East. I.B. Tauris. 2018. Translated in Arabic by Al Farabi (Lebanese Publishing House). 2022.

The Kurds and US foreign policy: International Relations in the Middle East since 1945. Routledge. 2010. Translated in Kurdish (Sorani) by Aras Publishing House. Erbil, 23 July 2011. In Arabi by Al Farabi (Lebanese Publishing House). 2012.

Edited Volumes

Mapping Non-State Actors in International Relations (co-editor and co-author). Springer. 26 February 2022.

Book Chapters

Chapter1 Conceptualising Non-State Actors in International Relations, *Mapping Non-State Actors in International Relations* (Springer, 26 February 2022), pp.1-16.

Chapter6 States-to-Be as Foreign Policy Actors, *Mapping Non-State Actors in International Relations* (Springer, 26 February 2022), pp. 95-110.

Chapter1 Non-State Actors as Agents of Foreign Policy: The case of Kurdistan, *Kurdish Autonomy and US foreign policy: Continuity and Change*, (Peter Lang, December 2019), pp.13-32.

Chapter 14 The Kurdish factor in Turkish politics: impediment or facilitator to Turkey's European prospects? Part Five: Politics and International Relations in *Perspectives on Kurdistan's Economy and Society in Transition*, Nova Science Publishers, (New York, September 2012), pp.163-192. Translated in Kurdish (Sorani), *Wata Journal*, No 29, (April 2013).

Book Review

Blood and Belief by Aliza Marcus, Book Review, *Political Studies Review Journal*, University of Sheffield. Vol.6. Issue 2, pp.143-275.May 2008.

Articles

Discontinuities in Greece's Middle Eastern foreign policy practice. *International Politics Journal*. Online publication - 4.02.23. <https://doi.org/10.1057/s41311-022-00426-4>

Non-State Actors and Change in foreign policy: the case of a self-determination referendum in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. *The Cambridge Review of International Affairs*. Vol.33. No3., pp.385-431. June 2020.

From Resistance to Military Institutionalisation: The case of the Peshmerga versus Islamic State, *Third World Quarterly*. Vol.39. No 8, pp.1583-1603. August 2018. Translated in Kurdish (Sorani) by Kurdistan Conflict and Crisis Research Center (KCCRC) May 2015.

State and Non-State Interactions in IR: An alternative theoretical outlook, *British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies* (in Special Issue - The Kurdish Case in the Middle East and Beyond: An interdisciplinary approach). Vol45. No4, pp.528-542. October 2018.

The GCC in Kurdish politics, *Journal of Arabian Studies: Arabia, the Gulf, and the Red Sea*, Vol.6, Issue 2, pp.201-215. December 2016.

Kurdish policies in Syria under the Arab Uprisings: A revisiting of IR in the New Middle Eastern Order, *Third World Quarterly*. Vol.36. Issue 2, pp. 337-356. 27 March 2015.

US foreign policy in theory and practice: from Soviet-era containment to the era of the Arab Uprisings(s), *Journal of American Foreign Policy Interests: The Journal of the National Committee on American Foreign Policy*. Vol.36. Issue 4, pp.255-267. September 2014.

Turkish foreign policy and the Kurdistan Regional Government, *Perceptions: Journal of International Affairs*, (published by the Turkish Ministry of FA) Volume XVII. No 4, pp. 185-208. Center for Strategic Research. Winter 2012.

TEACHING

Modules (POL3002M: Independent Study)

University of Lincoln

(IST 2006M: Researching Politics and International Relations)

(IST1100M: Global Conflicts and Contexts)

(IST 2004M: Thinking International Relations)

(IST 2014M: International Relations of the Middle East)

(PL 7076: US foreign policy, MA module) University of Leicester

(PL2022: Foreign policy Analysis)

(PO1IRS: International Relations and Strategic Studies) University of Reading

(PO2MIR: Modern International Relations)

Turkey: social structure and political system Panteion University

Turkish foreign policy

SUPERVISION (examination and reviews)

PhD

PhD thesis (supervision, 2021) Soran University/ Iraq-KRI

PhD thesis (supervision, 2021) Virginia Tec University/ US

PhD thesis (supervision, 2016-2019) University of Leicester

University of Leeds, External Examiner (2020)

University of Kent, External Examiner (2022)

University of Loughborough, External Examiner (2022)

MA

Australian National University (Centre for Arab & Islamic Studies), External examiner

Distance Learning MA dissertations (University of Leicester)

BA

BA dissertations (University of Leicester)

Reviewer, Publishing Houses (i.e. Routledge) and Journals (e.g. The European Journal of Development Research, Cambridge Review of International Affairs, Defence Studies Journal, Journal of Contemporary European Studies, Journal of Intervention and State Building, British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies and others)

ESRC grant applications

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Article Towards a Holistic Foreign Policy? Another dimension. The *HuffPost* blog. (Greek Edition). 12.10.2022 in https://www.huffingtonpost.gr/entry/pros-mia-olistike-exoterike-politike-mia-alle-diastase-gr-6343c015e4b08e0e607a34fc?fbclid=IwAR019WZZd_wb9Er_WpEoA90k1zx78BW2TCksVZ59iyIdKCGhYu0wIvZ9YU

TV Interview, Iran and Turkey. *Rudaw*. 15.04.2022.

Interview, KurdistanIn, Radio Podcast, *Non-State Actors in IR*. 11.04.2022 in <https://kurdistanin.net/english-podcast>

Article The Kurdish case in Turkish politics: A return. *The New Arab*. 03.12.2021 in <https://english.alaraby.co.uk/opinion/turkey-must-reopen-political-dialogue-kurds?fbclid=IwAR2y11aJcZmXbCX0Z6hZ-cJQmcAVnQb8Ah5vL3xf5PgfCIDIWALSzFPUZg>

Article The Trump phenomenon and the exercise of (foreign) policy. The *HuffPost* blog. (Greek Edition). 11.01.2021 in https://www.huffingtonpost.gr/entry/to-fainomeno-tramp-kai-e-askese-exoterikes-politikes-gr-5ffbfd24c5b63642b6fd1123?utm_hp_ref=gr-homepage&fbclid=IwAR29GVadkcnIALKfeFYOFATtpF8iIjnNstDuV4ndvs9qi3vgssN7Gi_1lIs

Article The US- Kurdish problematique. *Russian International Affairs Council*. 20.05.2020 in <https://russiancouncil.ru/en/analytics-and-comments/columns/middle-east-policy/the-us-kurdish-problematique/?fbclid=IwAR2i4vttdy0jYveX9MwVQqt4mWZEan4YRVBn3w1LSE95uX1MrEBndW91UQ>

Article On a knife Edge. The *HuffPost* blog. (Greek Edition). 14.10.2019 in <https://www.huffingtonpost.gr/entry/epi-xeroe-akmes-gr-5da4377ee4b02c9da04d6c3e?72o>.

Article The evolution of the peshmerga vs. the Case of Islamic State in Iraq. *Russian International Affairs Council*. 17.04.2018 in <http://russiancouncil.ru/en/analytics-and-comments/analytics/the-evolution-of-the-peshmerga-vs-the-case-of-islamic-state-in-iraq/>

Article The Washington-Erbil-Moscow triangle through the prism of the 25 September Referendum. *LSE blog*. 16.04.2018 in <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/mec/2018/04/16/the-washington-erbil-moscow-triangle-through-the-prism-of-the-25-september-referendum/>

Interview Ankara- Washington Relations: Turkey is part of the picture. *Sputnik*. 16.02.2018 in <https://soundcloud.com/radiosputnik/turkey-is-part-of-the-picture-rather-than-the-picture-itself-academic>

Article The Aftermath of the Kurdish Referendum and Its Historic Connotations. *Harvard International Review*. January 2018,.Vol.39, No1: 37-38 in <http://hir.harvard.edu/article/?a=14567>

Commentary. The Kurdish dialogue between Baghdad and Erbil. (Greek newspaper) *Η εφημερίδα των συντακτών* [The newspaper of the Authors]. 2.10.2017. p.16.

Zerin Efe. *Peyamakurd*. Röportaj ‘Kürdistan Referandumu’. 22.08.2017 in <http://www.peyamakurd.com/tr/2017/08/23/dr-charountaki-abdnin-referanduma-karsi-kati-olumsuz-bir-yaklasimi-yok> (in Turkish) republished in English *Bas News*. Interview. ‘Kurdistan Referendum’. 24.08.2017, <http://www.basnews.com/index.php/en/interviews/373417>

Article The 25th September Kurdish Referendum and its rationales. *The Armenian Interest*. 08.07.2017 in <http://armenian-interest.com/sozdat-i-uderzhat/?lang=en>

Article *Astana Summit: Kurdish Unity Determines External Behaviour*. BasNews (*Kurdish Newspaper*). English version <http://www.basnews.com/index.php/en/interviews/327436> 31.01.2017, Kurmaji Version, BasNews, 30.01.2017. p.3.

Article Will the battle for Mosul change the power of the Kurds in Iraq? *E-International Relations*. 14.11.2016 in <http://www.e-ir.info/2016/11/14/will-the-battle-for-mosul-change-the-power-of-the-kurds-in-iraq/>.

Article The unresolved internal struggle beyond the Turkish coup. *E-International Relations*. 09.08.2016 in <http://www.e-ir.info/2016/08/09/the-unresolved-internal-struggle-beyond-the-turkish-coup/>, translated into Kurdish (Sorani) *Bas Newspaper*. Issue 297. 09.08.2016. p.8.

Article US foreign policy vis-à-vis the Kurdish Independence Referendum. *KPRC* Kurdish Policy Research Center. 10.07.2016. translated into Kurdish (Sorani) *Bas Newspaper*. Issue 294. 19.07.2016. p.22.

Article The Syrian Crisis: Aleppo and the Kurds in international geopolitics. *The Washington Review of Middle Eastern and Eurasian Affairs*. 4.04.2016.

Interview. Iranian Tasnim News Agency. ‘Greek elections and Iran’. Interview with Mehdi Del Roshan. No 5, 05.10.2015.

Article A European Union without Greece would be a much diminished force. *The London School of Economics EUROPP- European Politics and Policy blog*. 30.07.2015.

Interview Sharq (East). Iranian newspaper. « سپراس » باید انگیزه نیروی کار را تقویت کند (An Overview of the Greek Crisis: a one way alternative). Interview with Mehdi Del Roshan. Issue 2354. 26.07.2015. p.5.

Article Middle Eastern Politics through the prism of IS: A brief assessment. *The London School of Economics’ Middle East Centre Blog*. 11.02.2015.

Article Kurdistan: Why International Support is Crucial. *Bianet* (Turkish electronic newspaper). 28.12.2014 in <http://www.bianet.org/english/world/161143-kurdistan-why-international-support-is-crucial>

Article Why Turkey continues to hold back from full involvement in the conflict in Kobane. *The London School of Economics' EUROPP- European Politics and Policy blog*. 22.10.2014 translated into Bosnian. Preporod newspaper. No.21/ 1031. p.24.

Article The conflict in Iraq has highlighted the benefits for Turkey in accepting a stable Kurdistan/ *The London School of Economics' EUROPP- European Politics and Policy blog*. 19.08.2014.

TV Interview Iraq, Refugees and Oil. *BBC Newsnight*. 12.08.2014.

Article Turkish- KRG relations in a changing Middle East. *World Bulletin*. 4.06.2014.

Article The increasing importance of Iran. *Your Middle East*. online newspaper. 12.12.2013.

Interview *Bas* (Kurdish newspaper). interview with Hawar Abdulrazaq Ali. Issue 164. 5.11.2013. p.6 published both in English and Kurdish.

Article A battle that should not be lost. *Today's Zaman*. 4.11.2013.

Article Syria: a considerable factor in a regional crisis. *Today's Zaman*. Turkish newspaper 09.09.2013.

Article Peace talks: the die has been cast. *Today's Zaman*. Turkish newspaper. 11.06.2013.

Article Road to autonomy and the Kurdish factor: Help or hurdle for Turkey's EU bid? published in English, *Sunday's Zaman*. Turkish newspaper. 31.03.2013. p. 14.

Article Conceptualizing US foreign policy towards the Kurds. published in English. *Today's Zaman*. Turkish newspaper. 29.05.2012. p. 14 and republished in Arabic, Asharq Alawsat newspaper.

Article Understanding the Kurdish Issue. online journal. *The Journal of Turkish Weekly*. 23.03.2012.

Article The US policy of 'containment': Iraq versus Iran'. *Today's Zaman*. Turkish newspaper. 24.01.2012. p. 14.

Interview *Yeni Özgür Politika* newspaper (Kurdish/Turkish newspaper published in Germany). interview in Turkish 'Kürt-ABD ilişkilerine bakış' (View of the Kurdish-US relations) with Suna Alân, 16.12.2011. p.2.

Interview *Awena* newspaper (published in North Iraq/Kurdistan). Issue 296. interview in Kurdish with Ako Hamedrabe. 11.10.2011. p.5.

Article, e-journal: *Open Democracy*, The role of the Kurds in the Middle East democratization process. 15.06. 2011, republished in Kurdish (Sorani), by *Rudaw* newspaper, Issue 164. 30.05.2011. p.18.

Interview *Telgraf* newspaper (published in London), Issue 262, interview in Turkish with Hasan, Uşak, 26.04.2011, p.23, republished in English *Rudaw* newspaper.

Interview *Lvin* magazine (published in North Iraq/Kurdistan), Issue 157, interview in Kurdish with Kamal Chomani, 1.04.2011, pp.34-37.

Interview The Kurdish Globe newspaper. No285. interview in English with Wiryra Rehmany, 19.12.2010. p.14.

Interview AK News& Bizaw newspapers (Kurdistan Region, Erbil), interview in Kurdish with Raber Y. Aziz, 13.10.2010.

CONFERENCES (indicative)

ISA, Panel Organiser and Presenter, Non-State Actors and Foreign Policy Making: A Change in Progress, Nashville (USA). 28/03-2/04.2022.

IstanPol, 'What Next for the US Foreign Policy Towards Turkey and the Middle East?', *Foreign Policy Talks* (7) Closed roundtable. *Online*. 13.11.2020.

Programme committee member. BRISMES 2020 conference. 'Knowledge, power and Middle East Studies', University of Kent. 29.06-1.07.2020.

Co-Organiser. The International Workshop: Kurdistan in International and Regional Affairs. Lebanese French University. Erbil/ Iraq. 19.09.2019.

Panel Organiser. Council for European Studies Conference. 26th International Conference of Europeanists. 'Sovereignities in Contention: Nations, Regions and Citizens in Europe'. Universidad Carlos III de Madrid. Spain. 20-22.06.2019.

Organiser. BISI Conference. One Day event. 'A century of State making in Iraq: the Middle East in transition'. University of Leicester. 24.04.2019.

Panel Organiser . EISA 12th Pan-European Conference on IR. 'Non State Actors as Factors of Change'. paper presentation. Prague. 12-15.09.2018.

International Studies Association (Interdisciplinary Studies Section, CISS/IDSS), paper presentation, Conference 'Cooperation and Contestation in World Politics', The Role of State and Non-State Actors, (University of Bologna 28-30.06.2017)

University of Kurdistan (Erbil), paper presentation, 'Current Issues of Domestic and Middle Eastern Politics', 24-25.05.2017)

Keynote Speech& Organiser, Annual, Symposium, 'The role of the Kurds in the Middle East and beyond: Regional and International Interactions', (University of Leicester, 16.03.2017).

Organiser, 'The Middle East and the Arab Spring: Change, (in) stability and (dis)order', (University of Reading, 6.06.2013)

'The Kurds in the Changing Middle East'. University of London: SOAS, 17 - 18.11.2012. Kurdish Academic Forum. SOAS and the Kurdish Society.

Second Scientific World Kurdish Congress (WKC2012), paper presentation, (Erbil, 11-15.10.2012).

The '16th Roundtable with the Government of Greece: transforming uncertainty into stability, wisdom and growth' Economist Conference, (Athens, 2-3.07.2012).

10th Annual International Conference on Politics and International Affairs, (Athens, 18-19.06.2012).

CHP Conference, 'Seasons in change: the Arab people's march toward democracy and freedom', (Istanbul, 28-29.04.2012).

First Scientific World Kurdish Congress (WKC2011), paper presentation, (Rotterdam, 7-9.10.2011).

Middle East Studies Association (MESA), paper presentation, (Boston, 21-24.11.2009).

Second World Congress for Middle Eastern Studies (WOCMES 2), paper presentation, (Amman, 11-16.05.2006).

European Consortium for political research (ecpr), paper presentation, (Pisa, 6-8.09.2007).

'The Kurds in International Affairs', Chatham House, (London, 19.12.2007).

WORKSHOPS/ SEMINARS (indicative)

Co-Organiser, International Workshop, LFU- Rojava Universities and BRISMES (15.09.2022).

Workshop Convenor and Organiser. BISA FPWG virtual series. (Networking Event - 26.02.2021; Navigating post-pandemic geopolitics: Greek and Cypriot foreign policies after Covid-19 - 30.03.2021; Critical Approaches to Foreign Policy - 18.05.21; Health Diplomacy in Times of Pandemic - 07.07.2021; Foreign policy and genocide - 07.06.2021). (Leadership and Foreign Policy: Nuanced Approaches - 30.09.2021; Foreign policy analysis in the Middle East: Leadership, threat perception and intervention, 7.10.21 - Women in Foreign Policy Research and Beyond, 08.03.22). (International and Regional Foreign Policies in Action: Armenia and the EU - 03.11.2022; Foreign policy in times of conflict: Research without field work - 1.12.2022'Understanding Emerging World (Dis)Orders: Research networks and new paradigms in Foreign Policy research - 24.02.2023; Women in Foreign Policy Making - 08.03.2023; Dis(information) as a foreign policy tool - 26.04.23; Foreign Policy Aspects of International Law - 05.05.23).

Organiser and Convenor. Foreign Affairs Institute in Greece. Kurdish Series. (Syria under revision: The Kurdish Perspective, 27.09.21; Non-Arab Foreign Policies towards the KRI, 06.10.21; The Kurdish role in A Changing Region: Considerations, Challenges and Opportunities, 25.10.2021; The effect of US-Kurdish relations on regional politics, 28.02.2022).

Workshop Convenor. Understanding Foreign Policy Making within Area Studies. BISA. Queen Mary.17.12.2019.

Chair. Soft Power Perspective. (Leicester Global Links & British Foreign Policy Group & Midlands Economic Forum). University of Leicester. 13.02.2019.

Institute of International Economic Relations. 3rd Workshop: Security and Stability in the Mediterranean and the Middle East. Paper presentation: Iran and Turkey in the Middle East. Athens. 5-7.11.2018.

Organiser, Annual Symposium I (University of Leicester & University of Kurdistan): The Role of the Kurds in the Middle East and beyond: Region and International Interactions, 16.03.2017.

Organiser, International Seminar & Public Lecture Series (University of Leicester): Kurdish Independence and EU Aspects, Guest Speaker: Mr Dellawar Ajgeiy, (the KRG Head of Mission to European Union), 1.11.2016; The role of the Kurds in Syria: The Model of Self Governance, Guest Speaker: Mr Salih Muslim, (Co-chair of the Democratic Union Party, PYD/ Kurdish party in Syria) 19.11.2016; The struggle of Yazidis against IS, Guest Speaker: Nadia Murad (Yazidi activist, Nobel Prize Nominee), 25.11.2016; Iraq Casualties of the War against Islamic State: Treatment and Prevention, Guest Speaker: Dr Saleh Husain (Ambassador of the Republic of Iraq in London), 24.02.2017; Commemorating Anfal: Genocide and Reconciliation, Guest Speaker: Nadhim Zahawi (British Minister of Education), 2.03.2017.

Fact-Finding Mission to the Kurdistan Region of Iraq, 23-28 September 2017.

The Henry Jackson Society, Iran's Ambitions in Iraq, Mithul Al Alusi, leader of the Iraqi Ummah Party, *Talk*, House of Commons, 25.01.2016.

Public Forum, Iran's Kurds at a Crossroads? UNPO & Centre for Kurdish Progress, 25.01.2016, Portcullis House, British Parliament.

Royal United Services Institute (RUSI), *Roundtable*, 'New Turkey in light of recent upheavals in the Middle East', with Prof. Dr. Yasin Aktay (Vice Chairman of Turkey's ruling Justice and Development Party (AK Party) in charge of Foreign Affairs), London, 7/11/2014.

The British Institute in Amman, *Workshop*, 'The Arab Uprising: Researching the Revolutions', Speaker, (Amman, 22-23/09/2014).

IFPO, Beirut, Arabic Course in association with the University of Paris- Sorbonne.

Organiser, *Seminar* 'Discussing Iran after Ahmadinejad: a New Leaf?' by Dr. Ata'ollah Mohajerani (University of Reading, 12/03/2014).

Centre for Turkey Studies, 'Ergenekon and the other side of the story', Portcullis House, Westminster, 16/12/2013.

ELIAMEP *Annual Lecture* 2013, Speaker Dr. Bassma Kodmani, 'Revolutionary processes in Syria and [the rest of] the Arab World. The Quest for New Deals amidst Turmoil', Athens, 5/11/2013.

Iraq's Foreign Policy in a Changing Middle East, Chatham House, 20-21/02/2013.

Centre for Turkey Studies, Turkey's new constitution: possibilities, obstacles, House of Commons, Palace of Westminster, 10/12/2012.

Meeting 'Syria, the Kurds and the New Middle East', chaired by MP Jeremy Corbyn, Houses of Commons, Palace of Westminster, 3/12/2012.

Centre for Turkey Studies, Syria and Turkey's foreign policy, House of Commons, Palace of Westminster, 26/11/2012.

Russia: After the Presidential Elections what?, Institute of International Economic Relations, Athens, 5/03/2012.

Greece and NATO: Present and Future Prospects, 60th Anniversary of Greece's accession to NATO, Athens, 16/02/2012, organized by the Hellenic Foundation for European & Foreign Policy (ELIAMEP) under the auspices of the Hellenic Ministry of Foreign Affairs with the support of NATO's Public Diplomacy Division.

Transatlantic Security and Financial Crisis, 20th Annual International Symposium in cooperation with the NATO Public Diplomacy Division, Athens, Greece, 2-3/12/2011, organized by the Greek Association for Atlantic & European Cooperation.

The importance of the US mid-term elections (November 2nd), Centre for Euro-Atlantic Studies (K.E.A.M.), Athens, 4/11/2010.

The Balkan Documentation Program of the Foundation of Mediterranean Studies of Athens, 2004.

Greek- Turkish Relations Negotiations simulation game, participant, Panteion University- Bogazici University- Galatasaray University, Bilgi University, Athens -Nafplion, 2003.

Sustainable Development and Environment- European and National perspective, Hellenic society of International Law and International Relations, Levadia- Thebes, 2003.

The role of the Environmental NGO's in the formulation of policy: the case of GreenPeace, European Centre of Environmental Research & Education of the Panteion University of Athens -Greece in cooperation with GreenPeace in Greece, 2003.

INVITED TALKS (indicative)

Sapienza University, Rome. Invited Talk. Rethinking the Roles of NSAs in IR. 09.11.2022.

American University, Washington D.C. Book Launch. 18.05.2022.

BISA. Critical Approaches to Foreign Policy. Online Event. 18.05.2021.

Center for Foreign Policy Cooperation, E.M. Primakov, and the Russian International Affairs Council (RIAC). Expert meeting The Kurdish issue and new regional dynamics in the Middle East. 9.04.2021.

Tuesday Club Series. The Future of the Middle East. London [online event]. 16.02.2021.

Leiden University. Diplomacy and Global Affairs (DGA) Research Seminar Series. Netherlands [online event]. 9.02.2021.

Soran University. International Workshop. 'How to publish your work in High-Impact Journals'. Faculty of Law and International Relations. Soran, Iraq. 07.08.2019.

The Evgeny Primakov Centre for International Cooperation, Russia- The Middle East. 02-04.08.2019.

Foreign and Commonwealth Office. Briefing. 16.05.2019.

Uppsala University. Book Launch. 12.06.2018.

University of Leicester, ISSS Student Workshop Series, A Year of Trump, 21.03.2018.

LSE, Middle East Centre, The future of the KRI's international relations, 16.03.2018

Nottingham Trent University, Determinants of Foreign policy: the cases of Iran and Turkey, 14.03.2018.

Institute of International Economic Relations, The Kurdistan Region of Iraq and Regional Dynamics: Interactions and Prospects with Greece, Athens, 29.10.2015.

Bilgi University, Kurds and Kurdistan in 2000's (2000 lerde Kürtler ve Kürdistan)', Kurdish Studies Unit, 9-10.05.2015.

SOAS, Kurdistan: Why international support is crucial, 15.11.2014.

Gulf Research Centre Cambridge, 5th Annual Research Meeting, 'The GCC State's Foreign and Security Policies after the Arab Spring', Cambridge, 25-28.08.2014.

LSE, Turkey's regional policy at a crossroads, 28.04.2014.

RAND Institute, The future of the Kurds: independence, autonomy and interconnectedness', Washington D.C., 28.06.2013.

Dohuk University, KRG, 28.02.2012.

Soran University, KRG, 19.09.2011.

Aras Publishing House, Book Launch, Erbil, 15.09.2011.

SOAS, Seminar 'The Kurds and US foreign policy', 17.03.2011.

FIELD WORK RESEARCH (*indicative*)

Erbil (Iraq), 2007- present

Ankara –Turkish Parliament, March 2013

Salahaddin Univeristy (Department of Law& Political Science, Iraq) –official invitation for research, 2010

Diyarbakir, 2009

Washington D.C., 2008

American University, (Washington D.C., International Peace and Conflict Resolution Division), 2007

KRG –Official invitation for Research, 2007

CERTIFICATES

Certificate: Webinar Series *'Teaching Politics and IR Online: Design Matters'* co-organised by the PSA's Teaching and Learning Network and BISA (August, 2020)

Associate Fellow, (HEA, 2018)

EISA (Prague, 2018)

Certificate in 'Learning and Teaching in Higher Education', British Royal Academy of Education (Exeter University, 2007)

French Diploma (Delf I, 2003)

Spanish Diploma (Bàsico/advanced, 2003)

English Teaching Certificate, Greek Ministry of Education, 2002

English Language Proficiency Certificate Cambridge University, 2001

English Language Proficiency Certificate Michigan University, 2001

INTERESTS

Born Athens, Greece

Languages: Greek; English; Arabic (intermediate)

Research Interests: International Relations (of the Middle East), Non-State Actors, Foreign Policy, EU-Kurdish relations, US foreign policy, Kurdish politics, Turkish-Iranian foreign policies, GCC- Kurdish relations.