

Curriculum Vitae (CV)

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EDUCATION

- 01/08/2010 – 27/04/2015 **Ph.D.**
Faculty of Literature and Philosophy, Department of History, Ghent University
- 01/10/1998 – 01/07/2001 **Bachelor and Master**
Faculty of Literature and Philosophy, Department of History, Ghent University
- 2003-2005 **Bachelor**
Ud & Tanbur, Turkish Music Conservatory İstanbul Teknik Üniversitesi
- 1984-1989 **Primary School**
Kıbrıs İlkokulu - Eskişehir

FELLOWSHIPS

- 01/08/2010 – 07/09/2014
BOF Scholarship of Ghent University, Belgium
- 01/08/2015 -30/06/2016
Post-doctoral Teaching Fellow, funded by Yunus Emre Institute and Ghent University

CAREER BREAKS IN RESEARCH

After my Master-degree in History (2001), I have been working in various other jobs, such as:

01/2002 – 07/2002 : journalist at Belga Press Agency (Brussels)

09/2003 – 04/2004 : heritage consultant at Ghent City Museum, STAM (Ghent)

10/2004 – 07/2007 : Bachelor study in Turkish Music at the Conservatory of Istanbul Technical University (Turkey)

11/2008 – 06/2009 : teacher at various secondary schools, on the subjects of Dutch, Geography and History.

SUPERVISION OF GRADUATE STUDENTS AND POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWS

2013-2016: 36 Bachelor students; 5 Master students

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

13/03/2014: Guest Lecture in MA Class. Topic: 'Ottoman History in Global Dynamics and Perspectives', Ghent University/ Department of History

7/12/2015: Guest lecture in BA Class: 'Southeast Europe under the Ottoman Rule', Ghent University/Centre for Balkan Studies

04/02/2016-30/05/2016 : A series of 14 courses on Seljuk and Ottoman History, Ghent University

20/04/2016: Guest lecture on Ottoman History, Department of Islamic Studies, Ghent University

15/05/2016: Guest lecture on Islamic Political Thought and Modernity in the Late Ottoman Empire, Department of History/Ghent University

01/10/2016-30/01/2017: Course on early Ottoman sources and historiography, Historical Practice Medieval Period, Department of History, Ghent University

ORGANISATION OF SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS

12/12/2011 : an **expert seminar** in honour of the 400th anniversary of the birth of Evliya Çelebi (1611-1685), Ottoman traveller and writer and UNESCO Man of the Year 2011, in cooperation with Brussels Yunus Emre Institute.

Keynote Speaker:

Christos Makridis – Deputy Head of Unit, Turkey Unit, Directorate General Enlargement, European Commission

Speakers:

Prof. Dr. Suraiya Faroqhi, Istanbul Bilgi University, Department of History - 'Evliya as a visitor to exotic places'

Prof. Dr. Gerald MacLean, University of Exeter, Department of English Literature - 'Writing the World: Evliya Celebi and William Shakespeare'

Dr. Yeliz Özay, University of Gazi and Bilkent (Turkey), Department of Literature - 'Evliya Çelebi's Strange and Wondrous World'

Dr. Güneş Işıksel, Collège de France, Library of Arabic and Turkish Studies - 'Sahara and Sub-Saharan according to Evliya Celebi'

Venue: Yunus Emre Institute, Conference Hall, Kunstlaan 46, 1000 Brussels.

12/12/2011 : guest lecture by prof. Suraiya Faroqhi in the MA-class on Economic History: 'The Ottoman Economy in Early Modern World Economy', Ghent University/ Department of History.

04/06/2012 : Seminar – in honour of the 400th anniversary of Turkish-Dutch trade treaty of 1612, about the mutual cultural influences. Speakers: Prof. Dr. Hans Theunissen, University of Leiden and Prof. Dr. Nurhan Atasoy, Istanbul University.

16/10/2012 : Literary interview with the Turkish novel writer, Ayşe Kulin, by Prof. Dr. Jurgen Pieters, Department of Literature, Ghent University.

02/05/2013 – 2015: UGent Turkish Studies Monthly Seminar Series.

INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

founding member of the Centre for Turkish Studies (2011) at Ghent University.

since 2016: Director of the Centre for Turkish Studies at Ghent University.

MEMBERSHIPS OF SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES

2010 –2016:

Member, *Department of History*, Ghent University.

Member, Interdisciplinary Research Group *Communities Comparisons Connections*, Ghent University.

Member, Research Group *Henri Pirenne Institute for Medieval Studies*, Ghent University.

Director of *Centre for Turkish Studies*, Ghent University.

PUBLICATIONS

Book

Book proposal accepted by Brill Publications: 'State Ideology in the Early Ottoman Chronicles, 1410-1512'.

Articles - A1

1. Hilmi Kaçar and Jan Dumolyn, 'The Battle of Nicopolis (1396), Burgundian Catastrophe and Ottoman Fait Divers: The Relevance of the 'other' in State Ideologies', *Revue Belge de Philologie et d'Histoire* 91/4 (2013): 905-934.
2. Hilmi Kaçar, 'Moedige krijgers of het zwaard van God? Een conceptuele herevaluatie van Paul Wittek's gaza-thesis over de Osmaanse staatsvorming', *Tijdschrift voor Geschiedenis* 127/2 (2014): 245-267.
3. Wim Declercq, Jan Dumolyn, Hilmi Kaçar, Jonas Braekevelt, 'Aragonese Tiles in a Flemish Castle: A Chivalric Gift-Exchange Network in Fifteenth-Century Europe', *Al-Masaq - Islam and the Medieval Mediterranean* 27/2 (2015): 153-171.

Conference proceedings– P1

1. 'The Battle of Nicopolis (1396). A Comparison of Ottoman and Franco-Burgundian Sources. State Formation and Discourses on the Other', Conference name: *Eighteenth International Medieval Congress (IMC - 2011)*, 11/07/2011 – 14/07/2011, Leeds (UK).
2. 'Kostantiniyye/Istanbul: Constructing An Empire On A City', Conference name: *Islamic and European Medieval Urban History*, University of Antwerp. Date: 12/12/2012.
3. 'The Early Ottoman State Formation: Turkish Nomadic and Islamic Symbiosis: Gazis, Alps and Dervishes'. Conference name: *UGent Turkish Studies Seminar Series*. Date: 19/12/2013.
4. 'De Osmaanse Culturele Mozaïek. Het Millet-systeem en Het Beleid van *İstimâlet* volgens de Bronnen'. Conference name: *Lezingenreeks het Centrum voor de Studie van Christelijke Tradities (CSCT) en de Vakgroep Wijsbegeerte en Moraalwetenschappen, Universiteit Gent*. KANTL Koningstraat 18, Gent. Date: 25/11/2014.
5. 'La bataille de Varna (1444) selon les chroniques bourguignonnes et ottomanes : que disent les sources sur l'idéologie de l'État'. Conference name: 56e Rencontres du Centre européen d'études bourguignonnes, 24-26/09/2015.

Book Chapter:

1. Hilmi Kaçar en Jo Vansteenberge, 'Over Beys, Sultans, Pashas, Nieuwe Romeinen, en Tulpen. De Lotgevallen van het Osmaanse Wereldrijk (ca. 1300-1923)' ed. Mieke Van Raemdonck, *In Harmonie : Kunst uit de islamitische wereld in het Jubelparkmuseum* (2015): 270-274.

Artikels / Articles – A3

1. Hilmi Kaçar, 'De West-Europese beeldvorming over Turkije', *Samenleving en Politiek* 17/2 (2010): 59-69
2. Hilmi Kaçar, 'Economie en samenleving in Turkije', *Vlaams Marxistisch Tijdschrift* 37/1 (2003): 59-68.

Publications in newspaper and magazines:

'Turkije moderniseert zijn democratie', MO Magazine (2010).

'Turkse en Koerdische diaspora zouden geweld moeten veroordelen', MO (2011).

'Laten we toe dat de Islam in Vlaanderen de nieuwe zondebok wordt?', De Standaard (7/11/2013).

Radio Talk/Interview:

'Turkey's internal politics and foreign policy' – VRT (Flemish radio broadcasting), Klara Trio Werner