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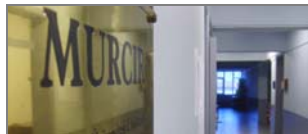
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INTRODUCING THE CENTER

MURCIR, Marmara University Research Center for International Relations was established in 1994 by the academic members of the Department of Political Science and International Relations of the same university with the initiative of its first Director, Prof. Kemal Saybaşı.

He was in turn succeeded by Prof. İsmail Kut, Assoc. Prof. Esra Çayhan, Prof. Günay Göksu Özdoğan and Prof. Sema Erder. The current Director is Prof. Günay Göksu Özdoğan, who was appointed again in October 2007.



MURCIR aims to provide an academic and intellectual forum and carry research in recent developments in the field of International Relations. With an aim to initiate and contribute to platforms of discussions, MURCIR has so far taken a keen interest in post-1990 Balkan issues, Greco-Turkish relations, conflict resolution in the Middle East, Turkey's relations with the EU, foreign policy analysis of Turkish governments, global politicization of ethnicity, re-evaluation of international relations paradigms, and finally international migration.

FROM THE DIRECTOR



Welcome!

I am glad to introduce to you the first issue of the bi-annual MURCIR electronic newsletter, which is launched to convey information about the activities and research endeavors accomplished within MURCIR and by the colleagues, assistants and Ph.D. students in the Department of Political Science and International Relations.

As we all witness the interdisciplinary approach in social sciences of our times nourishes on research conducted in various fields and on interrelated topics. The novelty of transnational scope and medium of research, academic and policy studies, at the same time, has fast become a norm observed by many pertinent parties at the global level.

To that end, we hope to contribute to international circulation of information among individual academics and researchers, centers of studies and research, and institutions and foundations that take an interest in and support research.

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WEDNESDAY TALKS

April 30, 2008

Lect. dil Tunçer-Kılavuz

Understanding Violent Conflict: A Comparative Study of Tajikistan and Uzbekistan



The factors cited in the literature on violent conflict in general and on the Tajikistan civil war in particular as the causes of violent conflict were present both in Uzbekistan and

Tajikistan, nevertheless only the latter experienced civil war. The fact that the same variables did not produce the same outcome presents an empirical puzzle. The study makes a balance of power argument. Unlike classical balance of power theories, this study argues that it is the even balance of power between adversaries which leads to war.

This study also analyzes the various factors which produce these balances. It argues that structure, process and network-related factors all influence the balance of power. Emerged under the influence of differently developed structure, process and network-related variables in both countries, balance of power between adversaries in Tajikistan led to war, whereas imbalance in Uzbekistan prevented eruption of similar violent conflict there.

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April 2, 2008

Assoc. Prof. Gün Kut

Strategies for Combating Racism in Europe



Assoc. Professor Gün Kut from Bogazici University talked on the institutional structure established by European Union in combating racism. Kut as a member of ECRI (European Commission Against Racism and Intolerance) representing Turkey, and former member of the European Monitoring Centre on Racism and Xenophobia (EUMC), which was replaced by Fundamental Rights Agency in 2007, shared his experience in this field with the audience. Prof. Kut devoted the first part of his speech to the institutional evolution in Europe regarding the new perspectives and policies developed for combating racism. In the second part of his speech, he analyzed the problem of racism in the context of Turkey and the differences between racism in European and Turkish cases.

March 19, 2008

Assist. Prof. Nur Bilge Criss

The Anatomy of Turkey-US Relations during the Cold War

The major theme of this lecture was Turkey's relations with the U.S.A. with an emphasis on the Cold War period (1946-1991).

THURSDAY SCREENINGS

Chernobyl: The Invisible Thief (April 24, 2008)

Director: Christoph Boekel

Runtime: 59 '

Release Date: April 2006

26 April 1986... The day when the unbelievable and terrible scenario came into effect: The day of explosion of 4th block of the Chernobyl nuclear power plant. During efforts to manage the disaster Russian fire fighters were exposed to multiple fatal doses of radioactivity. Three weeks later almost all of them were dead.

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In the Shadow of the Palms - Iraq (March 28, 2008)

Director: Wayne Coles-Janess

Language: Arabic and English,
Runtime: 90'

Release Date: December 2006

"In the Shadow of the Palms - Iraq" is the only documentary filmed in Iraq prior to during and after "liberation". The film documents the changes in Iraqi society and the lives of ordinary Iraqis by focusing on a cross-section individuals. With audiences skeptical of stereotypical and embedded reports, "In the Shadow of the Palms - Iraq" presents audiences with a window into the everyday realities for the diverse individuals living through this controversial war.

Wednesday Talks (cont'd.)

Based on her own research, publications and forthcoming publications, Nur Bilge Criss chronologically highlighted the nature of relations since World War I; between the interwar periods, mutual diplomatic reciprocity by 1937 when a U.S. ambassador took up full time residence in Ankara. Discussion centered around the American military presence in Turkey and cultivation of dependency on the U.S.A., which culminated in the deployment of IRBMs (Jupiters) in Turkey, an extremely risky venture in the late 1950s. Reasons for this decision-making were explored on Turkey's part as well as the spillover effects of the Cuban missile crisis of 1962 on the relations.



A survey of political/diplomatic issues such as the Cyprus crises, Soviet approaches to the Cyprus issue, the U.S. arms embargo (1975-1978) on Turkey and its aftermath were discussed.

Discussion stretched to the crisis right before the 2003 Iraqi war in bilateral relations, when Turkey's then prospective prime minister promised the U.S. President that between 60,000-80,000 American soldiers could be deployed in Turkey for an incursion into Iraq from the north. Turkey's prime minister ended up misleading the U.S. because the Parliament voted down the resolution for deployment. This diplomatic scandal damaged the relations for some time to come.

March 12, 2008

Lect. Nur en Gürbo a

Compulsory Labor Regime in the Zonguldak Coal Field: The RPP Paternalism and Petitions of the Zonguldak People, 1940-1947



The Second World War marks a specific sub-period of history for the Zonguldak coalfield. The nationalization of coal mining under state full ownership and the establishment of the compulsory labor regime and Soil Product Tax intensified coercive presence of the state in each and every part of daily life in the basin. The compulsory labor was one of the most coercive instruments by means of which the state disciplined the mine labor and ensured an adequate labor supply to the coal pits. The strategic importance of coal in wartime compelled the state to impose compulsory rotational labor in the mines, based largely on men residing in villages of Zonguldak province. This practice resulted in endangerment of the agriculture-based subsistence economy of the villagers and increased the burden on women and children as well.

Along side coercive practices, the state appealed to practices aiming at creating consent among the people of the basin. The Republican People's Party established an intense communication

Thursday Screenings (cont'd.)

Born Out of Ashes (January 17, 2008)

Director: Enis Rıza

Runtime: 57'

Release Date: 2007

The documentary film tells the story of Circassians forced to emigrate in 1864 after the long wars resulted from the Russian invasion of North Caucasia. Inhabiting different locations in Anatolia, the second, third and fourth generations of Circassians tell the stories of the migration, how they built their new lives and their traditions that make Circassians exceptional. The documentary depicts them in their daily lives and their rituals, both in Turkish and in their own language which is an inseparable part of their culture.

A Bridge at the Age of the World (January 10, 2008)

Director: Bahriye Kabadayı

Runtime: 84'

Release Date: 2007

In 1968, preparations were under way to build the first bridge in Istanbul, "the biggest village." A group of university students opposed the building of a bridge in Istanbul demanding that the eastern and western parts of the country receive equal investment opportunities. With a national campaign that they initiated, a suspension bridge was built on Zap River, which was named the "Revolutionary Youth Bridge".

Wednesday Talks (cont'd.)

with the basin people through its central and local branches. As a part of ruling strategy, these channels performed various functions such as surveillance, social control and legitimacy construction. The villagers and laborers turned this ruling strategy to opportunity to negotiate their living and working conditions.

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February 20, 2008

Liaisan ahin

The Nationalism and Space Linkage in the Case of Kazan Kremlin (Tatarstan)

Liaisan ahin, the PhD candidate at the Department of Political Science and International Relations of Marmara University, delivered a speech on space and nationalism taking "the Kremlin" of Kazan city of Tatarstan as a case. After giving a brief summary of Tatar history and historical symbols of Tatar nationalism, ahin explained how these symbols have been transformed in post-Cold War years. ahin particularly mentioned the historical meaning of the monument of Sumbike Hatun who was the queen of Tatars and captured by the Russians centuries ago. This interesting meeting continued with the comments and questions of the participants.

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January 16, 2008

Zuhal Mert

Reflexion of Greco-Italian War of 1940 in the Turkish Press, *Tasviri Efkâr* and *Tan*



Zuhal Mert presented her M.A. thesis she has written at Democritus University of Thrace, Greece. Her study analyses the reactions of Turkish public opinion to 1940 Greco-Italian war in two Turkish newspapers, *Tasviri Efkâr* (of Velid Ebuzziya) and *Tan* (of Zekeriya Sertel), which are from different ideological backgrounds.

Some interesting examples from writings of the prominent journalists on these newspapers are interpreted with reference to dominant international system of war and domestic atmosphere of Turkey towards the year 1940.

In addition, visual materials, such as caricatures and photographs, are examined in reference to historical accumulation of Turkish intellectual memory. Unanimous empathy with Greeks that is created by Turkish journalists and opinion leaders is presented in detail.

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MURCIR WORKSHOPS

IMILCO Workshop on Migration and Xenophobia, İstanbul

December 13-14, 2007

IMILCO initiative (International Migration, Informal Labour and Community in Europe: Swedish-Turkish Initiative for Research and Policy) (please see, <http://murcir.marmara.edu.tr/imilco.html>) was taken in 2001 by the decision of the NIWL (National Institute for Working Life, Norrköping) and MURCIR to collaborate in order to conduct a joint study on migration and labour market. This initial cooperation paved the way to other collaboration efforts. Its latest result was the second IMILCO workshop on December 13-14, 2007 convened by MURCIR and Linköping University in cooperation with SALTSA, Uppsala University. The workshop focused on issues related to migration and xenophobia in various contexts and reflections of these themes in different countries of Europe. The programme of the workshop is below.

December 13, 2007:

Opening Speeches

Günay Göksu ÖZDOĞAN (MURCIR)

Bo JOHANSSON (Uppsala University, SALTSA)

Presentation of NewMigra Collaborative Project - Carl-Ulrik SCHIERUP

Presentation of Collaborative and Associated Partners: Country Studies

Chairs: Bo JOHANSSON and Aleksandra ÅLUND

Turkey - Gülay TOKSÖZ

Spain - Ubaldo Martinez VEIGA

Poland - Krystyna IGLICKA

Germany - Norbert CYRUS

Sweden - Carl-Ulrik SCHIERUP

Lithuania - Charles WOOLFSON

Cyprus - Nicos TRIMIKLINIOTIS

Thematic Discussions:

Branka LIKIC-BRBORIC - Irregular Migration, Human Rights and 'Decent Work': Global Governance Regimes and EU Responses

Charles WOOLFSON - European Social Agenda, Workers Rights and OHS in an Enlarged EU: Irregular Migrants in the Informal Economy

Mats ESSEMYR - Trade Unions' Responses: ETUC and Sweden

Norbert CYRUS - Irregular Migration and Informalization of Domestic and Informal Economy: Theoretical Framework for Comparative Analysis and Methodological Considerations

Discussion & Critical Comments on NewMigra Project

Critical Comments - Ronaldo MUNCK and Mats ESSEMYR

Discussion

General Presentation of Euromix Project - Ronaldo MUNCK

Country Presentations of Project Partners

Chair: Günay Göksu ÖZDOĞAN

Italy - Giovanna CAMPANI

Turkey - Erhan DOĞAN

Cyprus - Nikos TRIMIKLINIOTIS



Thematic Discussions:

Barbara O'CONNOR - Mapping the Field: Research Possibilities for the Media and Xenophobia Module

Deniz VARDAR - Racism(s), Xenophobia and 'Populist Reason': European Case

Yüksel TA KIN - "Europeanization" of the Extreme Right-Wing Agenda: The Comparative Approach to the Bulgarian and Turkish Experience

Discussion & Critical Comments - Chair: Gloria MACRI

Critical Comments: Charles WOOLFSON and Ali E ref TURAN

December 14, 2007:

Parallel Sessions on Respective Projects

Euromix Chair: Erhan DO AN

NewMigra Chair: Bo JOHANSSON

Closing Session: Prospects for NewMigra, Euromix and IMILCO

Chairs: Erhan DO AN (Euromix) and Bo JOHANSSON (NewMigra)

NewMigra Discussion



International Conference on "Political Representation and Participation of Minorities in the Balkan Democratization Process", Sofia

November 30 - December 1, 2007



The international conference on "Political Representation and Participation of Minorities in the Balkan Democratization Process" organized in collaboration with New Bulgarian University (NBU) under the sponsorship of Turkish International Cooperation and Development Agency (TIKA) was held in Sophia on November 30 - December 1, 2007.

The two-day conference was composed of four sessions where the participants from Bulgaria and Turkey presented their papers. Regarding the framework of the conference, the topic whether legal equality is enough for minorities was discussed. The main concluding remarks were that the concepts of political participation and representation should be re-examined, the "politics of identity" and the "politics of idea" should be differentiated, and the local democracies should be strengthened for the improvement of the political representation and participation of minorities. The program of the conference is below:

November 30, 2007:

Opening Speeches

Chair: Antony TODOROV, NBU

Ludmil GEORGIEV, Deputy Rector, NBU

Bü ra ERSANLI, Marmara University, stanbul

Ethnic Politics in the Balkans

Chair: Antony TODOROV, NBU

Discussant: Mehmet HACISAL HO LU, Yıldız Technical University, stanbul

Antony GALABOV, Institute of Sociology and NBU: The Problem of Quota Participation: Risk Analysis on the False Representation of Ethno-Religious Groups in the Balkans

Nonka BOGOMILOVA, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences: The Legal Status of Religious Minorities in Three Balkan Countries: Bulgaria, Serbia, Macedonia

Blagovest NJAGULOV, Institute of History: The Parliamentary Representation of Minorities in Romania in a Comparative Context



Anna KRASTEVA, NBU: Thirteen Paradoxes of the Bulgarian Ethnic Model

Momchil BADJAKOV, NBU: Political Representation and Minority Rights

Sema ERDER, Bahçeşehir University, İstanbul: Contemporary Population Movements and the Relative Standing of Migration from Bulgaria to Turkey

Muslim Minorities in Bulgaria

Chair: Bü ra ERSANLI, Marmara University, İstanbul

Discussant: Vemund AARBAKKE, University of Aristoteles, Thessaloniki

Mihail IVANOV, BAS and NBU: Foundations of the Democratic Bulgarian Minority Policy (1990- 1996)

Evgenia IVANOVA, NBU: "Renaming Process" Among the Pomaks: Thirty Years Later

Ali DAYIO LU, Near East University, Nicosia: Muslim Turkish Minority in post-1989 Pluralist Parliamentary Period in Bulgaria

Antony TODOROV, NBU: From Regional to National Representation: Electoral Evolution of the Movement for Rights and Freedoms

Mehmet HACISAL HO LU, Yıldız Technical University, İstanbul: Minorities in Bulgaria and the Problem of Geographical Names



December 1, 2007:

Europeanization Perspective

Chair: Ali DAYIO LU, Near East University, Nicosia

Discussant: Mila MANCHEVA

Yüksel TA KIN, Marmara University, İstanbul: "Europeanization" of the Extreme Right-Wing Agenda: A Comparative Approach to Bulgarian and Turkish Experiences

Ebru O URLU, Marmara University, İstanbul: Minority Policies of the EU and the Europeanization of South Eastern Europe

Erhan DO AN, Marmara University, İstanbul: EU Accession Process and Locating Xenophobia in Turkey

Ekaterina ANASTASOVA, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences: Russian Old Believers and the EU Integration Process

Case Studies

Chair: Mihail IVANOV, NBU

Discussant: Ali DAYIO LU, Near East University, Nicosia

Vemund AARBAKKE, University of Aristoteles, Thessaloniki: Minority Participation in Greece: The Case of Western Thrace

Bü ra ERSANLI, Marmara University, İstanbul: The Problems of Kurdish Representation in Turkey (2007 Elections)

Irena TODOROVA, NBU: Youth Movement for Rights and Freedoms: The Transformation of an Ethnic Party

Ildiko OTOVA, NBU: From Forced to Voluntary Migration: The Case of Bulgarian Turk Students in İstanbul

NEWS

Annual Erasmus Network Meeting, İstanbul

May 22-25, 2008



The Department of Political Science and International Relations hosted the Annual Meeting of Erasmus Coordinators' Network which was held on 22-25 May 2008 at Marmara University. The Network brings together Erasmus coordinators of political science departments of European universities and holds annual meetings at one of the member universities. This year's meeting, attended by 40 coordinators, addressed the issues regarding the implementation of the new Lifelong Learning Program spanning the years 2007-2013.

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- Bü ra Ersanlı & Günay Göksu Özdo an, translation of Ernest Gellner, *Uluslar ve Ulusçuluk (Nations and Nationalism)*, 2nd ed., İstanbul: Hil Yayın, 2008.
- Bü ra Ersanlı & brahim Mazlum, *Türkiye'de Siyasal Kültür, Siyasal Sistem ve Kadın (Political Culture, Political System and Women in Turkey)*, İstanbul: KA.DER, 2008.
- Gül den Ayman (ed.) *Irak Açmazı: Türkiye Açısından Temel Parametreler (Iraqi Dilemma, Basic Parameters from Turkish Perspective)*, İstanbul: Bigart, 2008.
- Günay Göksu Özdo an, Füsün Üstel, Ferhat Kentel & Karin Karaka lı, *Türkiye'de Ermeni Olmak: Cemaat, Birey, Yurttaş (Being Armenian in Turkey: Community, Individual, Citizen)*, İstanbul: Bilgi Üniversitesi Yayınevi, 2008, forthcoming.
- Nur en Gürbo a, *Mine Workers, the State and War: Ereğli-Zonguldak Coal Basin as the Site of Contest, 1920-1947*, İstanbul: Osmanlı Bankası Müzesi Yayınları, 2008, forthcoming.
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- Bü ra Ersanlı, "La Imagen de Europa: fragmentada y estática en los libros de texto reciente de historia en Turquia" (The Image of Europe: Fractured and Frozen in Recent History Textbooks),

- Luigi Cajani (ed.), *The Importance of Textbooks on the Knowledge of Other Cultures*, (trans. Paloma Gomez Crespo), Spain, 2008.
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- ___, “Türk Dış Politikasında Çok Yönlü Bir Etmen Olarak ‘Irak’ Problemi” (Iraq - A Multidimensional Factor in Turkish Foreign Policy), *TÜSIAD Foreign Policy Forum*, İstanbul, November 2008.
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- ___, “The Coverage of Central Asia in Turkey: Political, Cultural, Educational”, *Workshop on Central Asian History - Vision and Revision*, Stockholm, Department of South and Central Asian Studies, Stockholm University, October 1-2, 2008.
- ___, Moderator of the Panel on “Türkiye’de Alevilik” (Alawiism in Turkey), *Munzur Festival*, Tunceli, August 2, 2008.
- ___, Chair of the Session on “Yerel Yönetimlerde Kadın Katılımı ve Temsil Modelleri” (Women’s Participation and Representation Models in Local Governments), *Geleceği Yeniden Yazıyoruz - Uluslararası Yerel Yönetimler ve Kadın (We are Re-establishing the Future - International Local Governments and Women)*, Başlar Municipality, Diyarbakır, May 3-4, 2008.

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- Gülfer İhlamur, "Emergence of a Romanian-Italian Religious Transnational Space?" at the session on "Transnationalism (Part 2)", *IMISCOE Ph.D. Summer Workshop*, CEG, University of Lisbon, June 30-July 4, 2008.
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- Günay Göksu Özdoğan, "Secularization of Armenians in the Ottoman Empire and Republican Turkey: Communal Pressures and State Authority", *ASN and Political Sciences Conference: 'Empires and Nations'*, Paris, July 3-5, 2008.
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- Mahmut Bali Aykan, "Tarihsel Perspektiften ABD'nin Milli Güvenlik Stratejisi" (The U.S. National Security Strategy from the Historical Perspective), *ABD'nin Küreselleşme Stratejileri ve Etkileri (The Globalization Strategies of the U.S.A. and Their Effects)*, Air War College, İstanbul, October 22, 2008.
- Sandrine Bertaux, "Geri Dönenler ve Milli Kimlik" (Returnees and National Identity) (with Murat Akan) Kocaeli University International Philosophy Day, *Yurtseverlik/Patriotism*, May 7-9, 2008.

____, "A Postcolonial Approach to France : From 'French Muslim' to 'Muslim French'", 9th *Mediterranean Research Meeting, Workshop on Secularism, Secularization, Secular: Religious Minorities and Democracy*, directed by Murat Akan and Sandrine Bertaux, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, European University Institute, Montecatini Terme/Florence, March 12-15, 2008.

Sezgi Durgun Armaner, "Nietzsche's Reception: Politics of Philosophy", 6th *Pavia Graduate Conference in Political Philosophy*, HDCP IRC (Human Development, Capability and Poverty International Research Centre), Pavia, September 16-17, 2008.

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Erhan Do an received scholarship from TÜB TAK (The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey) to pursue his post-doctoral studies in Dublin City University till August 2009. He also continues a project on "The Effect of Visa Policies of the EU Countries on Travel Tendencies and Regime of Turkish Citizens" granted by MIREKOC (Migration Research Program at Koç University). His independent project with dil Tunçer-Kılavuz & Semra Genç on "The Comparative Analysis on the Participation of Minorities in Political Processes in Bulgaria, Greece, Azerbaijan, Armenia, Georgia, Syria and Iraq" is well on progress.

Sandrine Bertaux organized and co-directed a workshop on "Secularism, Secularization, Secular: Democracy and Religious Minorities" with Murat Akan at the 9th *Mediterranean Research Meeting, Workshop on Secularism, Secularization, Secular: Religious Minorities and Democracy* convened by Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies of European University Institute in Montecatini Terme, Florence between March 12-15, 2008.

Sezgi Durgun Armaner was granted the Ph.D. Research fellowship by TÜB TAK (The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey). She continues her studies at the Department of Social and Political Science of European University Institute, Florence as a visiting student between September-December 2008.

Cangül Örnek will conduct her Ph.D. thesis research at the George Washington University's Institute for Middle East Studies during October 1, 2008 - January 31, 2009 as a visiting student upon a scholarship granted by TÜB TAK.

Some faculty members participate in a training project titled "Politics School" implemented by KA.DER (Association for the Support and Training of Women Candidates). The project aims at increasing the level of participation of women into politics. Within this framework, women in political parties and civil society organizations form the participant profile of the project along with potential candidates running for national and local elections. Bü ra Ersanlı, brahim Mazlum & Emre Er en provide training on "Politics, Political Culture, Constitutions, Political Actors, Elections & Legislative-Executive Relations in Turkey" while Semra Cerit takes part in the same project as a trainer on "Local Politics in Turkey".

In addition to those, continuing projects supported by Marmara University Scientific Research Projects Commission are:

Ebru O urlu, *Komünizm Sonrası Dönemde Doğu Avrupa'da Vatandaşlık Tanım ve Uygulamaları (The Definition and Practices of Citizenship in Eastern Europe during the Post-Communist Era)*.

Emre Er en, *Soğuk Savaş Sonrası Rusya Federasyonu Dış Politikasında Avrasyacı Söylemin Etkileri (The Impacts of the Eurasianist Discourse on the Post-Cold War Russian Foreign Policy)*.

Semra Cerit, *Avrupa Birliği Üyelik Sürecinde Türkiye'nin Çevre Dış Politikası (Turkey's Foreign Policy on the Environment in the EU Accession Process)*.

Ükrü Yaz an, *Kriz ve Sistem: Sistemsel Kriz ve Uluslararası Sistemin Yeniden Kurgulanması (Crisis and the System: Systemic Crisis and the Reconstruction of the International System)*.

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Ebru O urlu, *Reconstruction of National Identities and Citizenship in the Context of the EU Membership: Hungary, Poland and the Czech Republic*, stanbul: Marmara University, European Union Institute, 2007.

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Günay Göksu Özdo an & Kemalî Sayba ılı (eds.), *Balkans - A Mirror of the New International Order*, stanbul: Eren, 1995.

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