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Research Interests: Political Theory, History of Ideas & Anthropology of Far-Right Populism, Culture & Intellectualism

EDUCATION

- 2016-2020** **PhD, European Studies, London School of Economics (LSE)**
Between Spirit, Power and the People. Intellectuals and the Populist Far Right in Germany (working title). PhD thesis employing an ethnographic approach to examine the role of local intellectuals such as writers, artists and academics in the legitimisation and mobilisation of the populist far right in Dresden.
- 2017** **Hannah-Arendt-Institute, Technical University Dresden**
Guest researcher during my ethnographic fieldwork.
- 2013-2015** **MSc, European Affairs, LSE/SciencesPo Paris (highest dissertation grade of the year, 83%):** European politics, economics and culture. 10,000 word dissertation on the conceptions of time in German and French nationalism.
- 2012-2013** **Yeditepe Üniversitesi Istanbul:** MSc, International Relations and Intercultural Communication (Distinction).
- 2009-2012** **BA, European Mediaculture, Bauhaus-Universität Weimar/Université Lyon II (First Class Honours):** Philosophy, sociology, economics of European media. Thesis on the transnational public spheres in the Occupy movements.

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Accepted:

‘Activating the socialist past for a nativist future: Far-right intellectuals and the prefigurative power of multidirectional nostalgia in Dresden’. *Social Movement Studies*, forthcoming (2020).

‘Rethinking the German Nation as German Dasein. Heidegger’s philosophy in contemporary German New Right nationalism’. *Journal of Political Ideologies*, forthcoming (2020).

‘Memory and Illiberalism. Populist Far-Right Memory in Germany’. *Handbook of Memory Activism*, forthcoming (2020).

Published:

'Book Review of Ronald Beiner's *"Dangerous Minds. Nietzsche, Heidegger and the Return of the Far Right"*.' *Nations & Nationalism*, 25 (1), 394-395 (2019).

['Between the "Street" and the "Salon," the Local and the National: Mediating Intelligentsia and the German New Right in Dresden'](#), *Europe Now Journal*, 21 (2018).

Submitted:

'Spiritualizing Reason, Rationalizing Spirit: Muslim Public Intellectuals in the German Far Right', co-author: Esra Özyürek, submitted to *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, Oct. 2019.

TEACHING

- 2018-2020** **Graduate Teaching Assistant:** Government Department LSE, Course: Introduction to Political Theory. Undergraduate course introducing students to political theory through the thought and texts of some of the most important political theorists from Plato, Hobbes and Marx to Nkrumah, Fanon and Arendt. Teacher responsible: Professor Katrin Flikschuh.
- 2018** **PGCert Higher Education, LSE**
- 2017** **Seminar leader:** *Politics Conference: Year 12 Seminars on Populism, the EU and political polarization*, LSE.
- 2012** **Seminar leader:** Introduction Seminar: History and Analysis of the European Film, Bauhaus-Universität Weimar.

CONFERENCE & SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

- 2019** Centre for the Study of Ethnicity and Citizenship's 20th Anniversary Conference, Bristol: *Spiritualising Reason, Rationalising Spirit. Ex-, Practicing, and Converted Muslim Public Intellectuals in the German Far-Right*.
- 2019** ISSR Conference Barcelona: *Ex-, Practicing, and Converted Muslim Intellectuals and the German New Right*.
- 2019** Memory Studies Conference, Madrid: *Activating the socialist past for a far-right future – Intellectuals and Nativist Nostalgia in Dresden*.
- 2019** CARR Inaugural Conference, London: *Activating the socialist past for a nationalist future. Far-right intellectuals and the prefigurative power of multidirectional nostalgia in Dresden*.

- 2019** ICCTP Conference, Brighton: *From GDR-resistance to New Right bohemia. Activating the socialist past in local elite responses to migrants and refugees in Dresden.*
- 2018** LSE, European Institute workshop on 'The New Right and the New Left. Continuity, Rupture and the Politics of Emotion in Europe': *Incorporating the "Other" in the New Left and the New Right – a Typology*, paper given together with Esra Özyürek.
- 2018** 2018 EASA Conference: *Staying, Moving, Settling*, Stockholm. Title: *From GDR-resistance to New Right bohemia. Activating the socialist past in local elite responses to migrants and refugees.*
- 2018** 2018 CES Conference: *Europe and the World: Mobilities, Values and Citizenship*, Chicago. Title: *(Re)constructing alternative narratives of national memory – the case of the German New Right.*
- 2018** 28th ASEN Conference: *The New Nationalism: populism, authoritarianism and anti-globalisation*, LSE. Title: *Philosophy, Populism and Nationalism in the German New Right.*
- 2017** Second Annual Conference of the Memory Studies 2017 Association, University of Copenhagen. Title: *(Re)constructing alternative narratives of national memory – the case of the German New Right.*
- 2017** Annual Research Workshop of the PSA German Politics Specialist Group, University of Birmingham: *German Politics in Times of Populism*. Title: *The New Right's Philosophy of Populism.*
- 2017** 27th ASEN Conference: *Anthony D. Smith and the Future of Nationalism: Ethnicity, Religion and Culture*, LSE. Title: *Masters of Time – Contemporary Attempts of Reconstructing German Being in Time.*

REVIEWER

Since 2019 Journal of Political Ideologies

Since 2019 Government and Opposition

RESEARCH PLANS

- Comparative ethnographies of intellectual support for far-right populism and the history of ideas underpinning it; focus on Germany, France and the UK
- The far right dealing with multicultural realities: ethnic and religious minorities in the far right and their impact on its ideology
- Populism and Memory

MEMBERSHIPS

- European Association of Social Anthropologists
- Memory Studies Association
- PSA
- LSE Religion Scholar Network

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

- 2016-2020** LSE PhD Scholarship, LSE, Yearly award of tuition fees, plus maintenance of £18,000.
- 2018** Santander Mobility Fund for my fieldwork in Dresden, £1,500.
- 2015** Michael-Oakshott-Prize for Best Dissertation, European Institute, LSE.

RESEARCH, ADMINISTRATION & ORGANISATION

- Since 2018** **Doctoral Researcher**, Centre for the Analysis of the Radical Right.
- 2020** **Co-Organiser**, Panel at the CES conference in Reykjavik: *Beyond left and right? The politics of inclusion and exclusion in Europe*, organized with Dr Özgür Özvatan, Humboldt-University, Berlin.
- 2020** **Co-Organiser**, Workshop: *Memory and Populism – Interdisciplinary and Transnational Perspectives* at the LSE, organized with Prof Christina Morina, University of Bielefeld.
- 2016-2019** **Research Assistant**, Prof Esra Özyürek, European Institute, LSE.
- 2019** **Co-Organiser**, Panel at the Third Annual Memory Studies Association Conference in Madrid: *Beyond “Never Again!” Understanding (East) German Populism*, organised with Prof Christina Morina, University of Bielefeld.
- 2018** **Co-Chair**, Panel debate and workshop at the LSE on *The New Right and the New Left. Continuity, Rupture and the Politics of Emotion in Europe*, including Cynthia Miller-Idriss, Bernhard Forchtner and Jan Kubik.
- 2018** **Co-Chair**, 28th Annual Conference, Association for the Study of Ethnicity and Nationalism: *The New Nationalism: populism, authoritarianism and anti-globalisation*, LSE.
- 2017** **Co-Chair**, Graduate Student Conference: *Populism: Left, Right and Center*, LSE.
- 2017** **Co-founder**, AGORA Think Tank. The Open Forum for Foreign Policy, London.

IMPACT & NON-ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Magazines & Newspapers

- 2019 [Germany's New Ultra-Nationalist Intelligentsia](#), *Foreign Policy*.
2018 [Germany's Online Party](#), *The World Today*, Chatham House.
2017 [How Alternative für Deutschland is trying to resurrect German nationalism](#), *The New Statesman*.
2017 [Ecco le prossime sfide di Angela Merkel](#), *Formiche Magazine*.

Blog Articles (Selection)

- 2019 [Can left nationalism stop the rise of the far-right in Germany?](#), *Open Democracy*.
2018 [Why We Shouldn't Call the Far Right an Unpopular Minority](#), *Fair Observer*.
2018 [Heading into the mainstream? Reviewing a year of the AfD in the German parliament](#), *LSE EUROPP*.
2018 [Following Austria's Kurz will not save German conservatives](#) *EU Observer*.
2017 [What's next for the AfD? Three possible scenarios](#), *LSE EUROPP*.
2017 [The rise of Germany's AfD: from ordoliberalism to nationalism and into the Bundestag?](#), *Democratic Audit UK*.
2017 [French and German Nationalism. A common history from the French Revolution to the New Right](#), *Countering Populism and Political Disaffection Blog*, Das Progressive Zentrum Berlin.
2016 [The eternal chancellor? Merkel's biggest obstacle to reelection will be uniting her own party](#), *LSE EUROPP*.

Citations/Interviews

- 2019 [The Far Right Is Taking On Cultural Institutions](#), *The Atlantic*.
2019 [The rise of Germany's new ultranationalist intelligentsia](#), *Radio New Zealand*.
2019 [Nazi emergency declared in Germany's Dresden amid rise in far-right extremism](#), *ABC Radio National*.
2019 [The Far Right Wants to Gut the EU, Not Kill It](#), *The Atlantic*.
2019 [Germany's Cold War Enemies May Become Partners](#), *Foreign Policy*.
2019 [As the far-right culture war escalates, concerns grow](#), *Deutsche Welle*.
2017 [German elections 2017: Angela Merkel wins fourth term but AfD makes gains – as it happened](#), *The Guardian*.
2017 [Who are Germany's far-right AfD?](#), *Al Jazeera*.
2017 [Who Are The AfD?](#), *The Huffington Post*.

METHODS & TRAINING

2016-2017 Qualitative Research Methods, LSE

2018-2019 PGCertificate in Higher Education

LANGUAGES

German: Native Language; English: Fluent; French: Fluent; Turkish: Basic; Spanish: Basic

NON-ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2016 Research Assistant, European Parliament: Office Viviane Reding, MEP, former vice-president of the European Commission

2015 Researcher, European Parliamentary Research Service, Brussels, Global Trends and Radicalisation Research Units

2014 Intern, German Foreign Ministry, Berlin, Section France and Benelux

REFERENCES

Professor Esra Özyürek (PhD supervisor)

Professor in European Anthropology and Chair in Contemporary Turkish Studies, LSE, European Institute, Houghton Street, London, WC2A 2AE, e.g.ozyurek@lse.ac.uk

Professor Simon Glendinning (PhD supervisor)

Head of the European Institute and Professor in European Philosophy, LSE, European Institute, Houghton Street, London, WC2A 2AE, s.glendinning@lse.ac.uk

Professor Jonathan White (PhD upgrade examiner)

Professor in Politics, LSE, European Institute, Houghton Street, London, WC2A 2AE, j.p.white@lse.ac.uk

Professor Katrin Flikschuh (Teaching convenor)

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Professor Christina Morina (Co-Organiser of Workshops and Panels)

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