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#### **Contact & Personal Details**

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#### **Education**

September 2019 - **PhD in Management** 

(expected 2024) Università della Svizzera italiana (USI) / Lugano

September 2014 MSc in Science and Technology Policy Studies

Middle East Technical University (METU) / Ankara

June 2011 **BSc in Business Administration** 

Hacettepe University / Ankara

September 2009 - **Erasmus exchange scholar in Business Administration** 

March 2010 University of Bradford / UK

#### Research interests

Organization theory, organizational sociology, ecology, market categories, creative industries, tradition, craft.

#### Dissertation

Exploring the Evolution of Markets within Traditional Industries

In my research, I leverage theories of organizational sociology, ecology and categories to examine the construction and reconstruction of markets within long-standing industries, with a focus on the key actors and traditions that characterize them. I use inductive approach and qualitative methods to explore these dynamics in the context of the *Turkish Cymbal*, a revered industry at the heart of modern-day cymbal making and an essential component of contemporary drum kits.

Committee: Filippo Carlo Wezel, Stefan Arora-Jonsson, Gianluca Colombo

### Manuscripts in submission

Barut, M. G., Wezel, F. C., & Arora-Jonsson, S. Singulare Tantum: Valorization of traditionalist products through singularization. First submission to *Administrative Science Quarterly*.

### Manuscripts in progress

A movement for absolute uniqueness: The emergence of traditionalist cymbal smiths as a new organizational form in the cymbal industry (working paper). In preparation for submission to *Administrative Science Quarterly*.

Radical interpretation of tradition: The case of cymbal stacks (Data collection stage)

## Conference proceedings & other publications

Barut, M.G., Wezel, F.C., & Arora-Jonsson, S. (2023). Singulare tantum: Product valorization in the emergence of oppositional identities. *Academy of Management Proceedings* https://doi.org/10.5465/AMPROC.2023.11283abstract

Barut, M.G. (2021). Aile işletmelerinde girişimcilik eğilimi: Dünya ve Türkiye literatürü üzerine bir inceleme. (EN: Entrepreneurial orientation in family firms: A review of literature in the world and Turkey) In I. S. Akçomak, B. Beyhan, D. Çetindamar, V. S. Tandoğan (eds.). *Türkiye'de Yenilik Tabanlı Girişimcilik*: 131-156. İstanbul: Bilgi üniversitesi Yayınları. <a href="https://bilgiyay.com/kitap/turkiyede-venilik-tabanli-girisimcilik/">https://bilgiyay.com/kitap/turkiyede-venilik-tabanli-girisimcilik/</a>

## Selected conference & workshop presentations

83rd Annual Meeting of the Academy of Management (AoM)

Paper presentation: "Singulare tantum: Product valorization in the emergence of oppositional identities" with Wezel, F. C., & Arora-Jonsson, S.

39th EGOS Colloquium, Vienna, Austria, July 2023

Paper presentation: "Singulare tantum: Product valorization in the emergence of oppositional identities" with Wezel, F. C., & Arora-Jonsson, S

Pre-Colloquium PhD Workshop: Presentation and discussion of dissertation

Organization Studies PDW in Organization and Management Studies, Palermo, Italy, April 2023
Paper presentation & discussion: "Singulare tantum: Product meaning reconstruction through singularization" (Discussants: Santi Furnari & Claudia Gabbioneta)

38th EGOS Colloquium, Vienna, Austria, July 2022

Paper presentation: "Replication, distinction and legitimation: Category creation by a spinoff entrant within Turkish Cymbal market" (Nominated for the Best Student Paper Award)

 $50^{\rm th}$  Anniversary Conference of Science Policy Research Unit at University of Sussex, Brighton, UK, September 2016

Paper presentation: "Intergenerational succession and family business innovation: Case of machinery manufacturing sector in Ankara" with Akcomak, I. S., & Topal, C.

### **Teaching interests**

Entrepreneurship, Corporate entrepreneurship, New business development

# **Teaching activity**

*USI – Master in Management Program (Teaching assistant for Prof. Colombo)* 

2020 – 2023 Entrepreneurship Theory and Practice

2020 - 2023 Writing Business Plans

2020 – 2022 Management of SME in the Tourism and Hospitality Businesses

*USI – Executive MBA (Teaching assistant for Prof. Colombo)* 

2020 Corporate Entrepreneurship

### Service

Reviewer, Academy of Management, 83rd Annual Meeting, 2023

Coordinator of USI Institute of Management MORSe Review Club, aiming to improve PhD/PostDoc students' reviewing skills through review of articles presented in the MORSe Seminar Series, since February 2023

# **Professional experience**

March 2012 - **Consultant / Project Manager** 

October 2018 MAKRO Management Development Consulting Ltd., Ankara

(A boutique company active in SME consulting and EU projects with

*entrepreneurship theme*)

### Languages

Turkish (native speaker), English (fluent)

#### References

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