

## Dr. Selim Güngörürler – Curriculum Vitae

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### Education

Georgetown University, Graduate School of Arts & Sciences,  
Department of History (PhD), 2011 – 2016 (Washington, DC).

Advisor: Gábor Ágoston

Boğaziçi University, Institute for Graduate Studies in Social Sciences,  
Department of History (MA), 2008 – 2011 (Istanbul).

Advisor: Derin Terzioğlu

Sabancı University, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences,  
Social and Political Sciences Program (BA), 2004 – 2008 (Istanbul).

Bornova Anatolian High School, 1998 – 2004 (Izmir).

### Work Experience

2020-ongoing: researcher, Austrian Academy of Sciences IFI (Vienna).

2018-2019: fellow, Koç University ANAMED (Istanbul).

2016-2018: post-doctoral researcher, Boğaziçi University (Istanbul).

2015-2016: researcher, Berlin State Library.

2014: researcher, Austrian National Library (Vienna).

2011-2016: teaching & research assistant, Georgetown University (Washington DC).

### Publications

“The Ottoman Chancery’s Role in Diplomacy with Iran,” *Itinerario* 44/3 (Cambridge University Press, 2021), pp. 572-590.

“The Belated Consummation of the Ottoman-Safavid Peace of Zuhab, 1639-1643,” *Archivum Ottomanicum* 37 (Harrassowitz Verlag, 2020-21): pp. 35-67.

“Islamic Discourse in Ottoman-Safavid Peacetime Diplomacy after 1049/1639” *Historicizing Sunni Islam in the Ottoman Empire*, ed. Tijana Krstic and Derin Terzioğlu, pp. 470-500. Brill, 2020.

“Brotherhood, Perpetual Peace, and Alliance in Ottoman-Safavid Relations, 1688-1698: A Diplomatic Revolution in the Middle East,” *Turcica* 50. Peeters Publishers, 2019.

“Fundamentals of Ottoman-Safavid Peacetime Relations, 1639-1722,” *Turkish Historical Review* 9/2. Brill, 2018.

“Diplomacy and Political Relations between the Ottoman Empire and Safavid Iran, 1639-1722,” PhD Dissertation, Georgetown University, Washington DC, 2016.

*The Repercussions of the Austro-Russian-Turkish War (1736-1739) on the Diplomacy and the International Status of the Ottoman Empire*, İstanbul: Libra, 2014.

“Governors, Authors and the Porte: Ottoman Perceptions and Policies during the Period Preceding the War of 1736-1739,” *Tarih: Graduate History Journal II* (2011).

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“The Anatolian Qızılbaş, 1639-1722: Ignored and Alienated” in *Recovering Lost Voices, The Role and Depiction of Persianate Subalterns During the Safavid and Afsharid Periods*, ed. Andrew J. Newman. Routledge, forthcoming in 2022.

“Shiite-Iranian Pilgrims and Safavid Agents in Holy Sites under Ottoman Rule, 1690-1710,” *Ottoman Communities in the Age of Confessional Polarization, 1450-1750: Dialogues and Entanglements*, ed. Tijana Krstic and Derin Terzioğlu, Gorgias Press, forthcoming in 2022.

“Iranian-Ottoman Diplomacy, 1722-1747: Continuity of Fundamentals and Elaboration in Conduct,” *Nader Shah Revisited*, ed. Giorgio Rota, London: Gingko Library, forthcoming in 2022.

### **Book Review**

“Yıldız, Aysel: Crises and Rebellion in the Ottoman Empire: the Downfall of a Sultan in the Age of Revolution.” *Wiener Zeitschrift für die Kunde des Morgenlandes* 108, 2018.

### **Paper Presentations and Lectures at International Academic Events**

*European Conference of Iranian Studies (ECIS) 9, Freie Universität Berlin*, 2019.

(paper: “The Ottoman-Safavid Revolution in Middle Eastern Diplomacy”)

*Cultures of Documentation in Persianate Eurasia*, graduate summer school, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna, 2019.

(public lecture: “The Ottoman Chancery in Contact with Early Modern Iran”)

(graduate course: “Deciphering Official Copies, Edited Drafts, and Filled-in Blanks”)

*Fellows’ Symposium: Koç University Research Center for Anatolian Civilizations*, İstanbul, 2019.

(panel paper: “Peacetime Diplomacy between the Ottomans and the Safavids”)

*Intellectual and Cultural Relations between Iran, Central Asia, and the Caucasus*, conference, Research Center for Islamic History & University of Tehran, 2019.

(paper: “Bâzdîdî ba Gustara vu Marzhâ-yi Mazâhib dar Sada-i Shânizdahum-i Xâvar-Miyâna”)

*International Conference on Safavid Studies*, University of Isfahan, 2019.

(paper: “Sa Sanad-i Fârsî darbâra-i Hamgarâyî-yi Osmâniyân u Safaviyân”)

*Beyond the Islamicate Chancery: Archives, Paperwork, and Textual Encounters Across Eurasia (15th-20th Centuries)*, conference, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna, 2018.

(paper: “Specialized Chancery Practices: Diplomats, Linguistics, and Expertise”)

*Entangled Confessionalizations: Dialogic Perspectives on Community and Confession-Building Initiatives in the Ottoman Empire, 15th-18th Centuries*, conference, Central European University, Budapest, 2018.

(paper: Joint Ottoman-Iranian Organization of Pilgrim Convoys in Iraq and Hejaz”)

*New Trends and Perspectives in Safavid Studies*, workshop, Institute of Iranian Studies, Vienna, 2017.

(paper: Ottoman Documentation: Untapped Riches for the History of Safavid Iran”)

*Global Reformations: Transforming Early Modern Religions, Societies, and Cultures*, conference, Center for Reformation and Renaissance Studies, Victoria College – University of Toronto, 2017.  
(paper: “De-escalation of Sectarian Strife between the Shias and Sunnis after 1639”)

*(Re)thinking Ottoman Sunnitization, 1450-1700*, conference, Central European University, Budapest, 2017.  
(paper: “Safavid Requests for Ottoman permission to donate to Holy Sites”)

*Subalterns across the Entire Persianate World in the Safavid and Afsharid Periods (1501-1747)*, workshop, University of Edinburgh & The British Institute of Persian Studies, 2017.  
(paper: “The Anatolian Qızılbaş: Ignored and Alienated”)

*Nader Shah Revisited*, conference, Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna, 2016.  
(paper: “Iranian Diplomacy with the Ottomans, 1722-47: Continuities and Changes”)

*Forschungskolloquium Lehrstuhl Geschichte Aserbaidschans*, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, 2016.  
(lecture: “Die Frage der Abgrenzung zwischen offiziellen Konfessionen: das Osmanische Reich und safawidisches Persien in der Frühneuzeit”)

*The Middle East Studies Association of North America Annual Meeting*, Denver, 2015.  
(paper: “Sunnism, Qizilbashism, and Shiism in the Context of Ottoman-Safavid Confrontation”)

*History Seminar*, Sabancı University, 2019.  
(lecture: “Ottoman-Safavid Peacetime Relations and Diplomacy in the Middle East”)

*Museum Lecture*, Boğaziçi University Department of History, 2018.  
(lecture: “After the Treaty of Kasr-ı Şirin (1639): The Longest Peace in Middle East”)

## Grants and Fellowships

- Humboldt Foundation, Georg Forster Research Fellowship, 2020-2021.  
(I am declining the fellowship owing to contractual conflict with my job)
- Austrian Science Fund (FWF), standalone project funding, 2020-2023.
- ANAMED/RCAC Full-Time Residential Fellowship, 2018-2019.
- Horizon 2020 European Research Council Consolidator Grant, Project ID: 648498 *The Fashioning of a Sunni Orthodoxy and the Entangled Histories of Confession-Building in the Ottoman Empire, 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> Centuries* – I was granted two years of financial support from this project, 2016-2018.
- DAAD [German Academic Exchange Service] Dissertation Research Grant, 2015-2016.
- OeAD [Austrian Academic Exchange Service] Ernst Mach Research Grant, 2013.
- Georgetown University, PhD Fellowship, 2011-2017.
- Piepho Research and Travel Grant, Georgetown University, 2013.
- High Honor Scholarship, Sabancı University, 2004 – 2008.

## Languages

Turkish: native.

English: highly advanced, preferred language in scholarly pursuits.

Persian: native-like, translator, teacher.

Ottoman: highly advanced, translator, teacher.

German: advanced.

### **Non-Academic Work**

Poetry translation in *The Bosphorus Review of Books*:

“The Sultan Across the Golden Horne: An Ode by Avnî, a.k.a. Mehmed (II) the Conqueror,”  
January 2018. <https://bosphorusreview.com/january-2018/>.

### **Certificates**

Sworn translator for English, Turkish, and Ottoman Turkish, and entitled to sworn translation for Persian.

### **Other**

- Former national record holder in 50m and 100m freestyle swimming for the age group of 14
- 2nd rank in National Swimming Championship Finals in 50m freestyle in 2002.