

DR. PHIL. TALIN SUCIYAN

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Place and Date of Birth: Istanbul/Turkey, 10.04.1978

Current Residence: Munich, Germany

EDUCATION

- **Oct. 2008 - June 2013** – Received a PhD degree, at Ludwig Maximilian University, Institute of Near and Middle Eastern Studies under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Christoph K. Neumann and Prof. Dr. Hans-Lukas Kieser (University of Zurich). The title of the PhD thesis is: Surviving the Ordinary: The Armenians in Turkey, 1930s to 1950.
- **April 2003 – April 2005** Master's of Art in Social Sciences, Global Studies Programme(GSP, www.global-studies.de) offered jointly by Albert – Ludwig University of Freiburg/Germany, University of Kwazulu Natal Durban/South Africa and Jawaharlal Nehru University New Delhi/India.
 - **October 2004 – March 2005** Albert Ludwigs University, Freiburg writing the thesis.
M.A. thesis: The Role of Women in Nation Building Processes: Turkey and India.
- **1997 – 2002** BA at the Istanbul University Communication Faculty, Dept. of Radio Television and Cinema.
- **High School** – Sahakyan Nunyan Armenian High School, Istanbul

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENTS

- **July 2014 – Currently** – Habilitation candidate of LMU, Faculty of Cultural Studies (Kulturwissenschaften)
- **April 2014 – Currently-** Assistant Professor (Akademische Raetin auf Zeit) LMU, Dept. of Turkish Studies.
- **February 2014** – Erasmus Program for University Staff at Bilgi University, Department of History, offering courses on Methodology of History and History of Turkey.
- **October 2008 – April 2014** - Teaching Fellow (wissenschaftliche Mitarbeiterin) at

LMU, Institute of Near and Middle Eastern Studies; teaching modern Turkish and late Ottoman history, and modern Western Armenian.

- **October 2013** – Job talk delivered at Albert-Ludwig University of Freiburg, for Junior Professorship at Turkish Studies.

EMPLOYMENTS IN THE FIELD OF MEDIA

- **May 2011 – July 2012** Member of the editorial board of a women's blog, www.azadalik.wordpress.com
- **January 2007 – October 2010** Senior reporter at AGOS weekly Armenian - Turkish newspaper. Correspondent of AGOS in Armenia/ Yerevan from May 2007 to July 2008.
- **February - March 2008** Covering the presidential elections and post election period in Armenia for NTV news channel and BBC Turkish Service.
- **July 2007** Producer at NRK, Norwegian Television in Istanbul.
- **August 2007** Producer at ZDF German Television.
- **2007 - 2008** Writing articles for Armenian Reporter, published in USA.
- **2007 – 2008** Translating articles for “Goethe Institut online Redaktion”, from German into Turkish.
- **2006 May – Oct. 2006** Communication Consultant at UNICEF Turkey Country Office in Ankara, producing audio visual materials for raising awareness on various social issues.
- **March 2006 - April 2006** Reported Israeli elections for BBC Turkish and Bianet.
- **February 2006 –** Producer, Finnish Public TV YLE.
- **2001- 2007** Writing articles for www.bianet.org online newsletter on various issues including democracy and minority rights issues in Turkey, women's issues, Israeli-Palestinian conflict.
- **August 2005- September 2005** producer, ZDF German Television.
- **May 2005- June 2005** Producer, ARD German Television, Studio Istanbul
- **August 2005 – October 2005** Producer, ZDF German Television, Studio Istanbul
- **2003 April – July 2003** Conducted a bilingual radio programme (in English and in German), for the regional independent radio station Radio Dreyeckland in Freiburg,

Germany.

- **2002** Member of the editorial board of Turkish-Armenian magazine Hobina.
- **2002 April –May 2002** - Documentary producer, ARTE.
- **2001 – 2002** Wrote articles for Armenian daily newspaper Nor Marmara.
- **2001 March – Sept. 2001** Co-producer of a radio programme ‘Women’s Window’, as a part of Independent Media Project, www.bianet.org.
- **1998 August – October 1998** ARD German Television Studio Istanbul

SCHOLARSHIPS

- **2011 – 2012** AGBU scholarship granted for my PhD research in Istanbul.
- **March 2009** - Scholarship granted by Südosteuropa Gesellschaft, for my PhD research in Istanbul and in Yerevan.
- **June 2003** - DAAD Scholarship for studying one semester in Durban, University of Kwa Zulu Natal.
- Scholarship granted by Armenian Teacher’s Association for my Master’s Studies in Germany, 2003-2005.

LECTURES, CONFERENCE PAPERS and WORKSHOPS

- **June 2015:** Paper presented at an international conference organized by Stockton University New Jersey and European University Cyprus in Nicosia, “Lines Between: Culture and Empire in the Eastern Mediterranean”. Paper entitled “Everyday Life in the Geography of Genocide.”
- **April 2015** – Paper presented at Bogazici University History Club’s lecture series, BUTİK 2015, “Erken Cumhuriyet Döneminde İnkâr Habitusunun Kurulumu.”
- **March 2015** – Paper presented at a workshop organized by Institut Francais d’Etudes Anatoliennes (IFEA Istanbul), “Failsiz bir Soykırım Yaratırken Sinema.”
- **February 2015** – Organized a workshop for Anne Frank Bildungstaette in Frankfurt “Räume der Erinnerung und Räume des Vergessens: Deutschland, der Völkermord an den

ArmenierInnen und die Shoah.”

- **Januray 2015** – Paper presented at the **University of Konstanz** “Überleben im Land des Genozids.”
- **April 2014** – Lecture organized by **Columbia University Global Center in Istanbul**. Paper presented “Istanbul: Sürgün ya da Panoptikon.”
- **February 2014** – Paper presented in Munich, at LMU, **Turkologentag 2014**, “Surviving in the Geography of Genocide.”
- **February 2014** – Paper presented in Hamburg, at the **Institut für Migrations- und Rassismusforschung**: Seminarreihe Begegnungen in Geschichte: und Gegenwart: Deutschland und die Türkei.
- **March 2014** - **University of Michigan Ann Arbor**, Lecture Series of Armenian Studies Program: “The Generation of *Nor Or* (Nor Orea Serunt): Resistance in the Geography of Genocide.”
- **July 2013** – Paper presented in Jerusalem, conference organized by Armenian Patriarchate of Jerusalem, and Gulbenkian Library
- **April 2013** - Paper presented in San Francisco, at the **University of California Berkeley**, Armenian Studies chair on the history of Armenians in Turkey.
- **November 2012-** Paper presented in Zürich, at the University of Zurich, History Department.
- **October 2012-** Paper presented in Yerevan, Strategies of Un (Silencing): Yerevan Conference to Explore Complexities of Armenian/Turkish Divides, on 26th of October.
- **March 2012-** Paper presented in the Second International Graduate Students’ Conference on Holocaust and Genocide Studies on 29 March – 1 April 2012 organized by **Clark University**, USA.
- **December 2011-** Paper presented at the workshop organized by University of Bamberg, Orient Institute Istanbul and Houshamadyan, “The Imperial Center in Ottoman-Armenian

Personal Memoirs (19th – 20th centuries)”.

- **May 2009** - Participated “II. Hrant Dink Memorial Workshop” in Istanbul

ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCES AND LECTURE SERIES

- **February 2015** – Organizing a workshop “Deconstructing Oriental Studies” in Munich, at LMU together with Dr. Christl Catanzaro, funded by Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation.
- **July 2014** - Member of organizing committee of an international conference, held in Jerusalem in July 2014, funded by Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation, in Lisbon.
- **February 2014** - Member of organizing committee of **Turkologentag 2014** at LMU, Munich.
- Organizing a lecture series jointly with Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation (Lisbon) and Gomidas Institute (London) at LMU Turkish Studies Chair in Munich. Guests of the lecture series were Prof. David Gaunt, Assoc. Prof. Janet Klein, Dr. Seda Altug and Prof. Hans-Lukas Kieser.
- **February 2012 and November 2012** - Performing a dramatic reading of the texts of Hagop Mntsurian on Istanbul, together with Hülya Bozkurt and Yeliz Soytemel at LMU in Munich and in Berlin, in three languages, Armenian, Turkish and in German.
- In 2010, 2011 and 2012 organizing a series of lectures entitled “*Armenian Days in Munich*”, at LMU, with the participation of Prof. Kevork Bardakjian, Silvina Der Muegerditchian, Alice von Bieberstein, Prof. Marc Nichanian Prof. Raymond Kevorkian, Dr. Vahe Tachjian and Ara Sarafian and others.
- Organizing a lecture together with the chair of Jewish History at LMU: Dr. Corry Gutstadt, “Rettung oder Rückweisung - die Politik der Türkei gegenüber Juden während des Holocaust” on 18th of January 2012.
- Organizing an oral history workshop with the lecturers and students of LMU, Institute of Near and Middle Eastern Studies, “Kars – Yerevan : Remembering the Other Side” with Prof.

Dr. Christoph K. Neumann.

FILMS AND FESTIVALS

- **February 2011** – Produced a trailer on studying at LMU Near and Middle Eastern Studies.
- **January 2011** - Produced a short video “Meri’s Grandma”.
- **August 2008** Co-director of a documentary entitled “Searching for Zabel Yesayan”, filmed in Armenia. The film has been screened in Istanbul, Yerevan, Beirut, Hamburg, Munich, Berlin, London, Michigan, Boston, Durham, New Jersey, New York, Philadelphia and Toronto.
- **July 2001** Directed a short documentary ‘Uncle Skipper’, a story of an Armenian skipper living in Yesilkoy, Istanbul.
- **September 2000** Directed a documentary ‘From Odrisa To Edirne’
- **April 2001** ‘From Odrisa To Edirne’ received a documentary prize by the Journalist Union of Thrace and the film has shown 13th International Short Film Festival in Istanbul/Turkey
- **November 2001**, ‘From Odrisa To Edirne’ participated in 4th International Meeting of Cinema and History, Istanbul/Turkey

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Western Armenian (mother tongue)

Turkish (Native)

English (fluent)

German (fluent)

Italian (fluent)

French (basic)

Ottoman (printed documents)