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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Place and Date of Birth: Istanbul/Turkey, 1978

Current Residence: Germany

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ACADEMIC DEGREES

November 2019 Habilitation thesis 'Either save us from this misery or order our death:'

Tanzimat of the Provinces accepted by the Faculty of Cultural Studies at

Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich.

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 – 2005 Master's of Art in Social Sciences, Global Studies. MA Program organized

jointly by Albert – Ludwig University of Freiburg/Germany, University of

Kwazulu Natal Durban/South Africa and Jawaharlal Nehru University

New Delhi/India. M.A. thesis: The Role of Women in Nation Building

Processes: Turkey and India.

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENTS, JOB TALKS,

TEACHING AND RESEARCH RESIDENCES

January 15 – May 22 2025 Kazan Visiting Professor of Armenian Studies at University of

Fresno California.

April 2020 - Currently Akademische Oberrätin auf Zeit/ Associate Prof. at

LMU, Turkish Studies.

April 2014 — April 2020 Akademische Rätin auf Zeit/Assistant Prof. at LMU,

Turkish Studies.

July 2014 - November 2019 Habilitation candidate of LMU, Institute of Near and

Middle Eastern Studies.

March - April 2016 Short- term visiting scholar at UC Berkeley Armenian Studies.

(LMU-UCB Research in Humanities)

February 2014 Erasmus Exchange Program for University Staff at Bilgi

University, Department of History, offering courses on

Methodology and History of Turkey

October 2008 – April 2014 Wissenschaftliche Mitarbeiterin/ Researcher at LMU,

Institute of Near and Middle Eastern Studies; teaching modern

Turkish and late Ottoman history, and modern Western

Armenia

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2022 – Currently Association Internationale des Etudes Arméniennes

2015 - Currently Member of Society for Armenian Studies

2020 – 2022 Board Member of 4MZ at LMU Munich.

2014 - 2018 Member of Editorial board of *Etudes Armeniennes*

Contemporaines.

ONGOING PROJECTS, WORKSHOPS and CONFERENCES ORGANIZED

February 2022- Currently Armenian orphans and orphanages after 1922 in Greece. April 2022 – Currently Medicinal traditions in the Eastern Mediterranean, together with Paul Vartan Sookiasian, Orhun Yalçın and Vahram Elagöz April 2022 – Currently DFG Project partner: Post-Ottoman Transformations, run by Ellinor Morrack, Bamberg. April 2021 – Currently Parrhesia Collective women's network project for arts and social sciences, funded by Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation. 13 April 2019 Zwischen Leugnung und Anerkennung, Co-organizer Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung, Berlin. 17 December 2017 Conference: Academic Freedom and Politics, Co-organizer, LMU, Munich. 3- 4 February 2015 Deconstructing Oriental Studies, funded by Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation. 14 February 2014 Turkologentag 2014 Member of organizing committee of at LMU, Munich. Winter Term 2012/13 Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation (Lisbon), Gomidas Institute (London) and LMU Turkish Studies Lecture Series in Munich. Guest speakers invited Prof. David Gaunt, Assoc. Prof. Janet Klein, Dr. Seda Altug and Prof. Hans-Lukas Kieser. Feb. 2012 and Nov. 2012 Mntsuri Readings Performing a dramatic reading of the texts of Hagop Mntsuri on Istanbul, with Hülya Bozkurt and Yeliz Soytemel at LMU in Munich and in Berlin, in Armenian, Turkish and in German.

WS 2010/11, WS 2011/12 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, Ara Sarafian and others.

18 January 2012 "Rettung oder Rückweisung - die Politik der Türkei

gegenüber Juden während des Holocaust" by Dr. Corry Guttstadt.

Co-organized by the chair of Jewish History at LMU.

Sept. -October 2010 "Kars – Yerevan: Remembering the Other Side"

Organizing an oral history research and excursion with the lecturers and students of LMU, Institute of Near and Middle

Eastern Studies, with Prof. Dr. Christoph K. Neumann.

February 2010 Reading an Armeno-Turkish *Berat* with Prof. Kevork

Bardakjian, Workshop, LMU.

EDUCATION

■ 1997 – 2002 BA at the Istanbul University Communication Faculty, Department of Radio Television and Cinema.

High School Sahakyan Nunyan Armenian High School, Istanbul.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Western Armenian (mother tongue), Turkish (native), English (fluent), German (fluent), Italian (advanced), Greek (intermediate), Ottoman (Printed documents and Paleography), Armeno-Turkish, Greko-Turkish, Armenian and Armeno-Turkish paleography.

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

MONOGRAPHS

- Forthcoming: Turkish translation of *Outcasting Armenians* by Tarih Vakfi Yurt Yayınları, 2025.
- Forthcoming: Armenians in Turkey After the World War II: An Archival Reader of USSR Consular Documents by I.B. Tauris/Bloomsbury, 2025.
- Russian translation of *The Armenians in Modern Turkey*, Academic Studies Press, April 2024.
- Outcasting Armenians: Tanzimat of the Provinces. New York: Syracuse University Press, Fall 2023.

- Armenierinnen und Armenier in der Türkei: Postgenozidale Gesellschaft, Politik und Geschichte, transl. by Jörg Heinemann, edited by Sibel Heinemann. Berlin/Boston: Walter de Gruyter Verlag, 2021.
- Modern Türkiye'de Ermeniler: Soykırımsonrası Toplum, Siyaset ve Tarih, translated by Ayşe Günaysu. İstanbul: Aras Yayıncılık, 2018. Reprinted in 2021.
- The Armenians in the Modern Turkey: Post-Genocide Society, Politics and History. London/New York: I.B. Tauris, 2016.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- 1. Forthcoming: Talin Suciyan, Vartan Sookiasian, "Remembering the Survivors by Name: From Angora to Philadelphia, the Perpetual Exile of Sourpik Tekian (1868-1957)" in *Studying the Armenian Genocide through Biographical Documents and Life Stories*. Ed. By Nazan Maksudyan, Eren Yetkin, Adnan Çelik. Berghahn Books, 2025.
- **2.** Talin Suciyan, "The Armenians in Turkey: From Autochthonous People to Diaspora" in *The Armenian Diaspora and Stateless Power*. Ed. by Tsolin Nalbantian, Talar Chahinian and Sossie Kasbarian. London: Bloomsbury Pub., Oct. 2023.
- **3.** Talin Suciyan "Armenian genocide and it's denial: A comprehensive tool of supremacism?" in *Genocide Denial in the 21st Century*. Ed. By Bedross Der Matossian, Nebraska: Nebraska University Press, 2023:65-96.
- **4.** Harry Harootunian and Talin Suciyan, "Abstracted Peasant of Ottoman and Turkey's Historiography" *in The Early Turkish Republic: Historiography, Sources, and Future Directions* ed. by Barlow Der Mugrdechian and Ara Sarafian. Fresno: California University Press, 2022: 33-60.
- 5. Talin Suciyan "A repatriation that never took place: The Soviet Armenian call for Immigration of 1946 and its impact in Turkey," in *After the Ottomans. The Long Shadow of Genocide, and Armenian Resilience* ed. by Hans Lukas Kieser, Seyhan Bayraktar and Khatchig Mouradian. I.B. Tauris, 2023.
- **6.** Talin Suciyan, "Can the Survivor Speak", in *Remembering the Great War in the Middle East* ed. by Hans Lukas Kieser, Pearl Nunn, Thomas Schmutz. London: Bloomsbury, 2022: 263-280.

- 7. Talin Suciyan, "An Armenian woman's appeal to divorce: Kesedji Harutiwn's testified impotence" in *Gender in Research and Politics: Developments, Intersections and Perspectives*. Ed. By Sybille Lustenberger, Siran Hovannisyan, Andrea Boscoboinik, Gohar Shahnazaryan. Series: Freiburg Studies in Social Anthropology. Münster: Lit Verlag, September 2021:157-170.
- **8.** Talin Suciyan, "A History of Armenians Remaining in Turkey: Survival and Denial" in *Collective and State Violence in Turkey* ed. by Stephan Astourian and Raymond Kevorkian. New York: Berghahn Books, 2021: 254-276.
- **9.** Talin Suciyan, "Anerkennung aber wie?," in *100 Jahre Leugnung: Der Völkermord an den ArmenierInnen* ed. by Katharina Kunter, Meron Mendel, Oliver Fassing, Aschendorff Verlag: Frankfurt, 2017: 77-90.
- **10.** Talin Suciyan, "Önsöz Yerine," and "Hamparsum Suciyan ile Söyleşi" *Ermeni Bestekarlar: Kemani Sarkis Efendi Suciyan Hayati ve Eserleri*, Aras Yayıncılık: Istanbul, 2012: 7-14.

EDITED VOLUME

Etudes Armeniennes Contemporaines September 2017, Jerusalem in the Making: Spaces and Communities, Ed by Sossie Andezian (CNRS) Boris Adjemian (Boghos Nubar Library, Paris), Talin Suciyan (LMU).

ENCYCLOPEDIA ARTICLE

"Armenians in Turkey" in Oxford Handbook of Religion in Turkey.

JOURNAL ARTICLES (PEER REVIEWED)

- 1. Talin Suciyan, "Armenians vanished, oppression and extraction survived: Angarya Corvee Labor Labor Battalions of the two World Wars, An Ottoman Turkish policy of forced labor" in *Revue des Études Arméniennes: Festschrift in Honor of Prof. Levon B. Zekiyan*. Ed by Benedetta Contin, Paolo Lucca. (2022) No 41: 239-252.
- 2. Talin Suciyan, "Hagop Mntsuri'nin İkinci Evlilik Romanını Osmanlı İmparatorluğu'nda Eşzamanlıların Eşzamansızılığı Perspektifinden Okumak" in *Reflektif Journal of Social Sciences*, Oct. 2022.

- 3. Talin Suciyan, "Hagop Mntsuri's The Second Marriage: Armenian realities in pre and post 1915 Ottoman Empire and Turkey" in *British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies*, May 2022.
- 4. Talin Suciyan, "Contesting the authority of Armenian administration at the height of Tanzimat: A Case of Incest, Adultery and Abortion" in *Reflektif*, February 2021. https://dergi.bilgi.edu.tr/index.php/reflektif DOI: 10.47613/reflektif.2021.13
- 5. Deniz Yonucu, Talin Suciyan, "From the Ottoman Empire to Post-1923: The Catastrophe As Seen by the Angel of History" *Criticial Times* (2020), 3 (2): 300-311.
- 6. Talin Suciyan "Armenier in der Türkei: Ein Leben unter dem Habitus der Leugnung" in Zeitschrift für Genozidforschung, Themenheft: Gewaltraum Mittelmeer 17, (2019): 31-59.
- 7. Talin Suciyan, "Kimsenin Yüzünü Görmedim, [çocuk] dayımdandır': 1856'da Konya Akşehir'de Ermeni Kilisesi'nde Çözülememiş bir dava" in *Aurum* 2, Vol. 2, (Winter 2017): 33-42.
- 8. Boris Adjemian, Talin Suciyan "Making space and community through memory: Orphans and Armenian Jerusalem in the Nubar Library's photographic archive" in *Etudes Armeniennes Contemporaines* 9, (September 2017): 75-113.
- 9. Talin Suciyan, "Dört Nesil: Kurtarılamayan Son" in *Toplum ve Bilim*, No:132, (April 2015): 132-149.
- 10. Talin Suciyan, "Bir Cumhuriyet Açmazı: Ermeni Karşıtlığı Ortamında Ermeni Temsiliyeti", in *Toplumsal Tarih*, No: 224, (August 2012): 76-79.
- 11. Talin Suciyan, "Türkiye 1908-1914: Biyografik Yaklaşımlar" Konferansına Dair Notlar" in *Tarih ve Toplum Yeni Yaklaşımlar*. No: 8, (2009): 187-193.

SELECTED ESSAYS, INTERVIEWS AND OPINION PIECES

- "Ժամանակը Զաւէն Պիպեոեանին մէջ. Գողցուած կեանք մը՝ մէկ աղէտէն միւսը" (Time in Zaven Biberyan) in *Gam*, ed. By Marc Nichanian. Translated by Araz Kojayan. 2023.
- Deniz Yonucu, Talin Suciyan, "Leben nach dem Genozid: Ein Gespraech mit Talin Suciyan über Armenische Geschichte und Errinerungspolitik in der Türkei," De Gruyter Conversations, 16.2.2022.

- Talin Suciyan, "Zaven Biberyan'da zaman: Felekten çalınan, bir felaketten diğerine bir hayat" in *AGOS*, 25 December 2021.
- Talin Suciyan, "Herkan: İçimizdeki Yerli Kadınını Hatırlamak" in *AGOS*, 8 March 2021.
- Talin Suciyan, "Başkasının Tarihinden' kendi tarihine giden yol: Harry Harootunian'dan bir ustalık eseri" in *AGOS*, 19 June 2020.
- Yetvart Danzikyan, Talin Suciyan (interview), "Patrikhane Arşivi ışığında Tanzimat tarihine yeni bir bakış" in *AGOS*, 21 January 2020.
- Talin Suciyan, "Eşitlik bir lütuf değil, haktır" in AGOS, 14 December 2019.
- Deniz Yonucu, Talin Suciyan (interview), "İmparatorluktan 1923 sonrasına: Tarihin Meleğinin Bakakaldığı" in *Birikim* 360 (2019): 51-58.
- "Armenian Representation in Turkey" in Armenian Weekly Special Issue, April 2012.
 Weekly Special Issue, April 2011.
- "What do we know about women's experiences?" in *Armenian Weekly*, 7 March 2010 http://www.armenianweekly.com/2010/03/07/suciyan-what-do-we-know-about-women%E2%80%99s-experiences/
- "Diyaspora Kim?," *Taraf*, 20 October 2009.

TRANSLATIONS

English – Turkish

Halis Yildirim, "Troçki Antisemitizm ve Kitleler: Warren Montag ile Söyleşi" transl. by, Yunus Özgür, ed.by Talin Suciyan, in *Birikim Online* 25 May 2019.

Western Armenian - Turkish

- Vartan Matiossian. "Istanbul Diyaspora mıdır Değil midir?" translated by Talin Suciyan, http://azadalik.wordpress.com/2011/07/05/istanbul-diyaspora-midir-degil-midir/, July 2011.
- Vahe Tachjian. "Ruhlar Konağı", transl. by Talin Suciyan in *Toplumsal Tarih*.
 December 2010, No: 204. Istanbul.
- Vahe Berberian. Baba ve Oğul Adına. Transl. by Talin Suciyan, Aras Publishing, Istanbul, 2008.

AWARDS

Society of Armenian Studies, Outstanding Book Award of 2018, *The Armenians in Modern Turkey: Post-genocide Society, Politics and History.*

GRANTS

- Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation grant for Parrhesia Collecitve, a women's network founded and coordinated by Talin Suciyan, Aylin Vartanyan (Bogazici University).
 Parrhesia Collecitve organizes online webinars, workshops, seminars and engages with its audience extensively through social media posts.
- Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation, Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung for the German translation of The Armenians in Modern Turkey.
- Russian English translation of USSR General Consulate Archives of Istanbul 1946
 by Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation.

INVITED TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)

- 24 October 2024 Lecture delivered at Oxford University, Seminar Ottoman Armenian
 History, *Moving Stories Project* led by John Paul Gobhrial, UK.
- 18-21 July 2024 I. International Armenian Studies Conference organized by Matenadaran Mesrob Mashdots Research Institute of Ancient Manuscripts. Yerevan, Armenia.
- 27-28 May 2024 Presentation at the conference Beyond Western Colonialism, European University Institute, Florence.
- 7 May 2024 History Talks at Bilgi University Istanbul, Turkey.
- 18 March 2024 Book talk *Outcasting Armenians* at Columbia University, New York.
- 5 March 2024 Book talk *Outcasting Armenians* at UCLA, Promise Institute.
- 21 February 2024 Book talk *Outcasting Armenians* at UC Berkeley, San Francisco.
- **18 February 2024** Hrant Dink Memorial Lecture at Harvard University, CMES.
- 21-22 October 2022 "From Tanzimat to the Second World War: Angarya, Taxation and Forced Labour." DFG Network "Post- Ottoman Transformations": First workshop: Land, Labor, Water and Debt, Bamberg.
- 7 June 2022 "Genocidio" at University of Modena Lecture Series "Le Parole del religioso nell'Europa contemporanea."
- 10 May 2022 "Indigenous Medicine From Aintab: Hripsime Topdjian's Notebook" at LMU, Lecture Series, *Kulturen des Islam 2022: Aktuelle Forschung*.

- 29-30 April 2022 "Letters from Purgatory: The Correspondence of Sourpik Tekian of Istanbul, Autumn 1922" together with Paul Vartan Sookiassian, at UC Berkeley, Conference: Armenians and Greeks in Armistice Istanbul.
- 26 April 2022 "Unearthing, Discovering, Unlearning: Armenian Indigeneity in Turkey" Lecture to be delivered at Promise Armenian Institute, UCLA.
- 2-3 October 2020 "Amorphous/Abstracted Peasant of the Ottoman and Turkish Historiography" paper written by Talin Suciyan and Harry Harootunian, presented at the Conference *The State of the Art of the Early Turkish Republic* by California State University, Fresno.
- 11-12 October 2019 "Our good Armenians: Survival and Denial in Post-genocide Turkey" UCLA, SAS Conference Diaspora Stateless Power.
- 26-27 September 2019 Post WWI Exiles in Transregional Context: Microglobal and Biographical Perspective, Keynote Speaker, Centre Marc Bloch Berlin.
- 18 January 2018 "Genozid-Leugnung: Diskurse und Strategien" Sprechen über den Genozid an den Armenierinnen und Armeniern, 1915/16. Workshop: Begegnung, Berlin.
- **26-29 June 2016** "Can the Survivor Speak" in *International Network of Genocide Scholars* (*INoGS*), at Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
- March April 2016 Book Presentations: The Armenians in Modern Turkey at UC Berkeley, UCLA, UM Dearborn, NAASR/Boston, Rutgers College/ New Jersey.
- 5 November 2015 "One hundred years of denial" at SOAS Armenian Studies Program Lecture Series, London.
- 3-6 June 2015 "Everyday Life in the Geography of Genocide" at *Lines Between: Culture* and Empire in the Eastern Mediterranean conference organized by Stockton University
 New Jersey and European University Cyprus in Nicosia.
- 6 March 2015 "Failsiz bir Soykırım Yaratırken Sinema" *Türkiye'de Ermeni soykırımı* tartışmaları (2005-2015) Yakın tarihe eleştirel bir bakış denemesi Institut Francais d'Etudes Anatoliennes (IFEA Istanbul).
- **26 March 2014** "The Generation of *Nor Or* (Nor Orean Serunt): Resistance in the Geography of Genocide" University of Michigan Ann Arbor, Lecture Series of Armenian Studies Program.
- **26 October 2012** "Armenian representation in Turkey during the Post WWII period" *Strategies of Un (Silencing): Yerevan Conference to Explore Complexities of Divides.*

COURSES TAUGHT (SELECTED)

- Winter Term 2024/25 MA Seminar, Gender and Medicine in the Middle East.
- Summer Term 2023 Climate and Environment in the Ottoman Middle East.
- WT 2022/23 History of Medicine in the Middle East.
- ST 2022/23 Uneven Development and World-Literature Theories in Literary Works of Armenian Writers in Turkey.
- WT 2022/23 MA Course every semester, Reading Turkish, Armeno-Turkish, and Armenian Primary and Secondary Sources.
- WT 2021/22 Indigeneity and Peasantry : Ottoman and Turkey's Case in Global Context.
- **ST 2021** What is an Empire?
- WT 2020/21 Demarcating, Un/crossing Borders: Caucasus, Iran, Ottoman Empire and Turkey.
- ST 2020 Feminist Intellectuals and Feminist Movements in the Middle East.
- WT 2019/20 Ottoman Biopolitics: From the Aegean Islands to the Eastern Provinces.
- ST 2019 Politics of Gender in the Ottoman Empire and Turkey.
- WT 2018/19 Together with Prof. Deniz Yonucu, Empires in Comparison.
- ST 2018 Ottoman Social History in the 19th Century.
- Western Armenian I/II in WT and III/IV in ST, since 2009.