Emir Samil Degirmenci

Political sociologist and analyst | Specialist in Turkey and the Middle East

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INTERNATIONAL PROFILE

I have 20 years of experience analysing the history and social structures of the Middle East. I have organised numerous conferences and themed events on these subjects and have also participated in various conferences at which I shared my knowledge and analysis.

From 2005 to 2007, I lived in Turkey’s capital for two years and worked internationally. During this period, I collaborated with non-governmental organisations and civil society institutions.

I have shared my knowledge and analysis with a wider public through DR P1, DR Deadline and the political affairs magazine Ræson.

My main interests are modern social history, international and Middle Eastern politics, power struggles and regime change. The Arab Spring and transformations in the Middle East are central to these interests.

Contact with Middle Eastern culture has been a defining thread throughout my life. I have therefore developed an in-depth understanding of the cultural codes that operate in Middle Eastern societies. I use this knowledge to build relationships based on trust and to communicate knowledge about intercultural interaction.

I am an experienced speaker with an outgoing personality. I enjoy speaking to different target groups and building professional networks.

EDUCATION

Master of Science in Social Sciences (cand.scient.soc.) | University of Copenhagen | 2015

• Specialisation in political sociology.

• Conducted research in an international hacker community in Denmark.

• Master’s thesis: ‘Is it smartest to remain anonymous when hacking the powerful? Anonymous: A social movement?’

• Subsequently presented my research findings on DR P1’s ‘Specialisterne’ programme.

Bachelor’s degree in Sociology | University of Copenhagen | 2013

• Examination in Dr Morten Heiberg’s course ‘PET: From the Cold War to the PET Commission Report’.

• Bachelor’s project: ‘Anonymous: A sociological study of an anonymous community’.

Master’s programme in Islamic Spiritual Counselling | Islamic University of Rotterdam | 2016-2018

• Arabic language, culture and history.

• Islamic theology and Islamic law.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Freelance interpreter | Turkish, Arabic, Danish | 2009-present

• Professional interpreting since 2009 for public institutions, in social and legal settings, and in courts.

• Court interpreting from 2019 to 2022 at the District Court in Viborg (Retten i Viborg) and the High Court of Western Denmark (Vestre Landsret) in Viborg.

• Responsibility for accurate terminology, impartiality, confidentiality and complete conveyance of meaning in court settings.

• In 2010, I simultaneously interpreted Hosni Mubarak's speech from Arabic into Danish for TV 2, conveying it to the Danish public.

Senior Consultant | Mindshift | 2017-2018

• Close collaboration with, and delivery of services to, an extensive network of municipalities and job centres.

• Profiling of potential candidates, personality assessments and competency analyses.

• Sales and partnership meetings.

Senior Consultant | DEKRA Danmark | 2015-2017

• Management of a client portfolio consisting of company managers and job centre managers.

• Business development and project management.

• Responsibility for sales and customer relations.

Researcher and Analyst | VIVE | 2014-2015

• Securing access for the research team to closed Middle Eastern communities.

• Recruiting interview participants and conducting anthropological fieldwork.

• Project management on three major reports.

Marketing and Customer Service | Amnesty International | 2014

• Communicating Amnesty's vision and activities to the public.

• Member services and expanding the membership portfolio.

Sociological Analyst | National Association against Eating Disorders and Self-Harm | 2013-2014

• Sociological analyses of eating disorders and summaries of current international research.

• Communicating complex specialist knowledge to non-specialist audiences.

Export Manager | Global Auto ApS | 2007-2010

• Exporting cars to the Middle East and North Africa.

• Business development and international contract negotiations.

QUALIFICATIONS

• Fluent communication in Danish, Turkish, Arabic and English.

• An international outlook and two years of work experience in Turkey.

• Extensive and up-to-date knowledge of Turkey and the Middle East.

• Strong ability to analyse political, social and human issues.

• Particular expertise in intercultural interaction and communication.

• Strong analytical capacity and ability to build solid professional networks.

• Broad knowledge of methods and tools for personality analysis.

• Resilience, responsibility and the ability to act with a focus on results.

ASSIGNMENTS I CAN UNDERTAKE

• Applying experience and regional knowledge in international partnerships.

• Presentations and lectures.

• Organising themed events, conferences and seminars.

• Qualitative research methods, document analysis, fieldwork and observation.

• Accessing primary sources relating to Turkey and the Arab world.

• Strong oral and written communication in Danish, English and Turkish; strong oral communication in Arabic.

• Interpreting in Turkish, Arabic and Danish for courts, public institutions and professional meetings.

CONTACT

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