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Professional Experience

- 08/2025 – ongoing **Pegasus Airlines** – Istanbul, Head of Legal Compliance and Dispute Resolution
Head of the legal department in charge of legal compliance and dispute resolution of the company, navigating areas including civil aviation, data protection, AI, consumer protection, employment, competition, and corporations' law
- 07/2023 – 07/2025 **Orak Çelikboya Law Firm** – Istanbul, Founding Partner
Party counsel, of-counsel, arbitrator and administrative secretary in national and international commercial arbitration, advising Turkish and foreign clients on complex commercial disputes and transactions, as well as day-to-day consultancy on Turkish private law
- 10/2017 – 06/2023 **Altay Law Office** – Istanbul, Senior Associate
Party counsel and administrative secretary in national and international commercial arbitration, contract negotiation, M&A, day-to-day consultancy on corporate matters of Turkish and foreign clients
- 04/2017 – 07/2017 **Brödermann Jahn Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft mbH** – Hamburg, Foreign Associate
Assisting arbitral tribunal member in two commercial arbitration cases, assisting academic works of Prof. Brödermann on Unidroit Principles and Dr. Oertel on Incoterms® 2010
- 11/2011 – 04/2016 **Erdem&Erdem Attorney Partnership** – Istanbul, Associate
Party counsel in commercial arbitration, member of the consultancy department engaged in M&A, joint ventures, project finance and PPP transactions and day-to-day consultancy on corporate matters
- 09/2010 – 10/2011 **White and Case LLP Istanbul Office (Akol Law Office)** – Istanbul, Legal Intern
Intern of the capital markets and M&A practice groups

Academic Background

- 02/2017 – 03/2017 Guest researcher at Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law, Hamburg
11/2016 – 12/2016
- 2016 –2017 (thesis) Istanbul Bilgi University – Laureate International Universities, Istanbul, Master of Law in Economy Law, thesis on squeeze-out of minority in group companies
2012 – 2013 (course)
- 2004 – 2010 Galatasaray University Faculty of Law, Istanbul, LLB
- 09/2009 – 01/2010 Vrije University Faculty of Law, Amsterdam, Erasmus Exchange Program
- 1997 – 2004 American Robert College, Istanbul

Languages

- Native / Full Proficiency Turkish, English
Other Languages French, German, Bosnian

Memberships and Organizations

- Istanbul Bar Association – registered as attorney since 2011
- Vienna International Arbitration Centre Community Ambassador Network (VIAC-CAN) Turkish Ambassador (2023 – ongoing)
- ArbitralWomen Member
- Young ICCA Member
 - Young ICCA skill-building webinar on cross-examination of fact witnesses (part of Casablanca Arbitration Days of 2020), 5 December 2020, attending as a fact witness
 - Young ICCA – Young ISTAC Cross Examination Webinar, 7 September 2020, member of steering committee
- YoungISTAC Member
 - ISTAC Arbitration Rules Training Seminar, session on initiation of the proceedings, choosing the arbitrators and writing the briefs, 29 March 2024, speaker together with Dr. Kerem Çelikboya
 - Hitech Academy-Consensus Law Magazine-ISTAC conference series, speech on terms of reference and procedural timetable, 22 October 2022, speaker
 - Coffee talks with young arbitrators, 12 May 2022, speaker together with Att. Ferda Nur Güvenalp
- YoungISTAC Foreign Affairs Commission Member 2016-2021
 - Selection of events organized:*
 - Young ICCA – Young ISTAC Cross Examination Webinar, 7 September 2020
 - Young ISTAC – DIS 40 joint conference held in Berlin, 18 September 2017
 - Young ISTAC – Young CEAC joint conference hosted by Brödermann Jahn Rechtsanwalts-gesellschaft mbH, Hamburg, 16 August 2017
 - Hamburg Arbitration Circle Brown Bag Lunch hosted by CMS Hasche Sigle, Hamburg, 28 June 2017
- ICC Young Arbitrators Forum member
 - ICC YAAF Türkiye Training Programme Session 5 on Arbitral Award, 28 March 2024, panelist
- Young ICCA Mentoring Program Mentee 2020 Cycle
- Galatasaray University Alumni Association
- American Robert College Alumni Association
- Bosna Sancak Akademik Kültür ve Tarih Vakfı (*Bosnia-Sandzak Region Academic Culture and History Foundation*) Member

Selection of Publications

Selection of books	Türk Ticaret Kanunu Madde 208 Uyarınca Anonim Şirketlerde Satın Alma Hakkı (<i>Right to Purchase Minority Shares in Joint Stock Companies under Art. 208 Turkish Commercial Law</i>), İstanbul, On İki Levha Yayıncılık, 2017
Selection of newsletter articles	Time Limits under the ISTAC Rules (ISTAC Newsletter, September 2017, online)
	Third Party Funders in Arbitration
	Istanbul Arbitration Center
	Squeeze-Out in Group Companies
	Financial Leasing Agreements