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Educational Background:

2007 University of Birmingham, United Kingdom- **Doctor of Philosophy in History.**

Dissertation: “The Byzantine City (5th - 9th centuries): De-Constructing and Re- Constructing the Urban Environment between Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages.”
(Advisors, Prof. Chris J. Wickham and Dr. Roger White)

Primary area of study: Byzantine History

Secondary area of study: Medieval History

2002 University of Venice “Ca’Foscari”, Italy- **Bachelor of Arts in History.**

Thesis: “La Città Bizantina (V-IX secolo): i casi di Nauplia, Amastris, Apamea di Siria”
Degree mark: 110/110 *magna cum laude*

Professional Experience:

- Assistant Professor, Department of History, Bilkent University, February 2016-Present
- Associate Professor, Department of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, Eastern Mediterranean University, September 2014- January 2016
- Assistant Professor, Department of History, Eastern Mediterranean University, September 2008-August 2014.
- Visiting Professor in Byzantine Art History, University Ca’Foscari of Venice, Spring 2013-Spring 2015.
- Member of the Landscape and Underwater Survey “Amalfi Coastline 2018” (Director: Dr. Matthew Harpster, Koç University).
- Scientific Advisor, National Center of Scientific and Technical Evaluation (NCSTE), Kazakhstan, 2019-present.
- Scientific Advisor, Czech Science Foundation, 2018- present.
- Scientific Advisor, Science Fund of the Republic of Serbia, 2020-present.
- Series Editor- *Archaeology of the Mediterranean World*, Brepols
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- Member of the Advisory and Science Board, *The Legends: Journal of European History Studies* 2019-Present
http://www.legendsjournal.com/?mod=sayfabilgi&sayfa_alias=Advisory%20and%20Science%20Board
- Member of the Editorial Board, *MESOS: Journal of Interdisciplinary Medieval Studies* 2019-Present

- Member of the Editorial Board of *After Constantine. Stories from the Late Antique and the early Byzantine era Journal*.
<https://afterconstantine.wixsite.com/oacc/meet-our-team>
 - Member of the “Frontier Networks Project”, University of Leeds 2017-2018.
 - Member of the Advisory Board of the Program “Framing Medieval Mediterranean Art: Museums and Archaeology in National Discourse (Institutional Frameworks and Historical Narratives of Museums and Archaeological Projects in the Mediterranean)”, American Academy in Rome- Getty Foundation, 2014-2016.
 - Member of “Framing Early Medieval Coinage” Project, Princeton University 2013-present
<https://sites.google.com/site/princetonframingcoinage/home>
 - Director of the Archaeological Survey “Kaleburnu and its plain: Byzantine-Medieval” (EMU- University of Venice- UNICAL) under the auspices of the Excavation Campaign “Kaleburnu Kral Tepe 2014” directed by Prof. Bülent Kizildüman.
 - Smithsonian Expert (Traveling Lecturer), June 2015-present
(<http://www.smithsonianjourneys.org/experts/luca-zavagno/>)
 - Lecturer at the School of Advanced Studies, Department of Historical and Social Sciences, University of Salerno, Italy, 2010-2011.
 - Research Assistant to Prof. Leslie Brubaker in researching and preparing her book *Byzantium in the Iconoclast Era (680-850): A History* (Cambridge Mass., 2010), 2007
 - Teaching Assistant, Center for Byzantine, Ottoman and Modern Greek Studies, University of Birmingham, UK, 2007.
 - Research Assistant to Prof. Leslie Brubaker, Professor of Byzantine Art, Assistant Director of the Institute of Antiquity and Archaeology, University of Birmingham (UK), June 2007- September 2007.
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Honors, Awards, and Grants:

- Tübitak 2224-D İşbirliği ve Öncelikli Alanlarla İlgili Etkinlik Düzenleme Desteği: Workshop “Framing the Global Middle Ages: the view from Turkey” in collaboration with University of Birmingham, University of Leeds, Birkbeck University, University of Bologna, British Institute at Ankara and ARIT, 12-13 February 2021 (grant worth 5.000\$ unused due to Covid-19 pandemic)
- Erasmus + Mobility Program- Staff Exchange, University of Bologna, Italy (27 March- 3 April 2020; grant unused due to Covid-19 pandemic).
- Tübitak 2224-A Support Program for Participation in Scientific Activities Abroad, May 2019. (grant worth 1.000\$).
- British Academy-Writing Workshops Grant 2018 (co-applicant with Dr. Rebecca Darley, Birkbeck University UK) (grant worth 10.000\$).
- Bogazici University-Andrew W. Mellon Short Term Post-Doctoral Grant 2017 (grant worth 1.000 \$).
- Tübitak 2224-A Support Program for Participation in Scientific Activities Abroad, April 2017 (unused)
- Erasmus + Mobility Program- Staff Exchange, University of Bucharest, Romania (20-25 April 2018)
- Erasmus + Mobility Program- Staff Exchange, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain

(6-10 March 2017)

- British Academy Newton Fund Mobility Grant (30 April 2017-30 April 2018) (grant worth 6.000\$).
 - Summer Fellow, Centre for Byzantine Studies at Dumbarton Oaks, Harvard University, USA (20 June-4 August 2016)
 - Stanley J. Seeger Visiting Research Fellowship, Institute of Hellenic Studies, Princeton University- Fall 2012
 - Glassman Holland Research Fellow, W.F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research, Jerusalem- 2011-12 (unused due to lack of permission on the part of academic authorities)
 - Summer Fellow, Centre for Byzantine Studies at Dumbarton Oaks, Harvard University, USA (5 June-5 August 2011)
 - One-Month Post-Doctoral Stipend, Centre for Byzantine Studies at Dumbarton Oaks, Harvard University, USA (19 July-15 August 2010)
 - Member of the 2009 Numismatics and Sigillography Summer Programme, Centre for Byzantine Studies at Dumbarton Oaks, Harvard University, USA
 - Post-Doctoral Senior Fellow, Research Center for Anatolian Civilizations, Koç University (Istanbul) – 2007
 - BIAA (British Institute at Ankara) Travel Grant Scholarship, 2007
 - BIAA (British Institute at Ankara) Travel Grant Scholarship, 2005
 - AHRC (Arts and Humanities Research Council) Scholarship, 2003-2005.
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Publications:

Books:

Monographies:

- *Cyprus between the Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages (ca.600-ca.850 A.D.), An Island in Transition.* London: Routledge, June 2017.

Reviewed in:

English Historical Review 279 (2018) by T. Papacostas

Cahiers du Centre d'Études Chypriotes 48 (2018) by P. Trêlat.

- *Cities in Transition: Urbanism in Byzantium between Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages.* Oxford: British Archaeological Reports-Archaeopress, November 2009.

Reviewed in:

Speculum 87/ 2 (2012): 628-30; by DK. Pettygrew

Medieval Archaeology 55 (2011): 338-39; by H. Saradi.

- *The Byzantine City. From Heraclius to the Fourth Crusade.* Palgrave-MacMillan (under contract).
- *The Routledge Handbook of the Byzantine City: From Justinian to Mehmet II (ca. 500 - ca.1500),* co-edited with N. Bakirtzis (under contract).

- *Byzantine Insular World: beyond the periphery*, ARC Medieval Press-University of West Michigan (under contract).

Edited Volumes:

- *The Islands of the Eastern Mediterranean: a History of Cross-cultural Encounters*, Ö.Çaykent-L.Zavagno (eds.). London-New York: I.B. Tauris, August 2014.
Reviewed in:
Mediterranean Historical Review 31/2 (2016): 195-6; by N. Vatin.
- “People and goods on the move.” *Merchants, Networks and Communication Routes in the Medieval and early Modern Mediterranean*. Ö.Çaykent-L.Zavagno (eds.). Salerno: MKCH Book Series (2016).

Edited Journal Volume:

- Guest editor (with J. Jarrett and R.Darley): “Not the Final Frontier: the World of Medieval Islands”- *Al-Masaq* 31(2) 2019.
- Guest editor: “Mediterranean Worlds: Cultures Issue of Interpretation. Proceedings of the I MedWorlds Conference, Famagusta 3-6 June 2009.”- *Journal of Intercultural Studies* 31(3) 2010.

Peer-reviewed Articles and Book Chapters:

- M. Decker & L. Zavagno, “Village and Countryside.” In M. Decker (ed.), *Cambridge Handbook of Byzantine Archaeology (CEBA)*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press (forthcoming, 2021).
- L. Zavagno- N. Bakirtzis, “Beyond Capitals: Urbanism in Cyprus between Late Antiquity and the Middle Ages (ca.600-ca.1100 CE.)” In S. Esders, F. Krueger, S. Polla, T. Richter and C. Wickham (eds.), *The 8th Century: Patterns of Transition in Economy and Trade throughout the Late Antique, Early Medieval and Islamicate Mediterranean in multidisciplinary perspectives*, (forthcoming 2022)
- L. Zavagno “‘I am going home by sea/ For the first time in years’: urban-like coastal spaces across the early medieval Mediterranean.” In N. Kontogiannis (ed.), *Byzantine Anatolia: Space and Communities. Proceedings of the 5th Sevgi Gönül Symposium*, (forthcoming, 2021).
- L. Zavagno, “Assetti urbani e fortificazioni a Cipro nella transizione fra Tarda Antichità e alto Medioevo.” In P. Pergola (ed.), *Perchement et réalités fortifiées en Méditerranée et en Europe (V^{ème}-X^{ème} siècles) – Formes, rythmes, fonctions et acteurs* (forthcoming, 2021).
- L. Zavagno, “Cross-cultural encounters on Byzantine islands (ca.600-ca.900): an archaeological Perspective.” In J. Fregoulia (ed.), *Windows into the Medieval Mediterranean* (forthcoming, 2021).
- L. Zavagno, “Lo scontro iconoclasta: questioni politiche e religiose.” In G. Archetti (ed.), *Liutprando re dei longobardi. Atti del Terzo convegno internazionale del Centro studi longobardi, Milano 5-8 Maggio 2018* (forthcoming 2021).
- L. Zavagno, “The major islands of Byzantine Mediterranean in the transition from Late antiquity to the early Middle Ages (ca. 600-ca. 800).” In K. Durak and N. Necipoglu (eds.), *Türkiye’de Bizans Çalışmaları: Yeni Araştırmalar, Farklı Eğilimler* (forthcoming, 2021).
- L. Zavagno, “‘A lost world that never died’. Islands and their urban landscapes in the Byzantine Western Mediterranean in the passage from Late Antiquity to the early Middle Ages.” *Dumbarton*

Oaks Papers (under review).

- L. Zavagno & Z. Olgun, “Stepping across thresholds”: islands as resilient spaces of connectivity in the passage from Late Antiquity to the early Middle Ages (ca. 500-ca. 700).” in A. Lampinen and E. Mattix (eds.), *Seafaring and Mobility in Late Antique Mediterranean* (London: Bloomsbury, forthcoming 2021).
- L. Zavagno, “No Island is an Island”: The Byzantine Mediterranean in The Early Middle Ages (600s-850s).” *The Legends. Journal of European History Studies* 2 (2020): 57-80.
- L. Zavagno, “Brief Notes on the Byzantine Insular Urbanism in the Eastern Mediterranean between Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages (ca. 650 – ca. 800 CE).” *Journal of Cypriot Studies* 21 (Iss. 45)/ 2020: 63-76.
<https://dergipark.org.tr/en/journal/3022/article/595846/file/article-file/768604/download>
- L. Zavagno, “‘The unbearable transience of the city’: Urban spaces in the Byzantine world in the transition from Late Antiquity to the Early Middle Ages (ca. 550-ca. 800 A.D.).” In S. Feist (ed.), *Transforming Sacred Spaces. New Approaches to Byzantine Ecclesiastical Architecture from the Transitional Period. Proceedings of the International Colloquium held at the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, May 2014*: 17-38. Wiesbaden: Verlag, 2020.
- L. Zavagno, “‘Going to the Extremes’: The Balearics and Cyprus in the Early Medieval Byzantine Insular System.” *Al-Masāq* 31/2 (2019): 140-57.
- L. Zavagno & Z. Olgun, “The Emperors, the Caliph(s) and the Doctor: Cross-Cultural encounters and interaction at the Western “periphery” of Byzantium (ca. 650-ca.950).” In E. Fonzo and H. Haakenson (eds.), *Mediterranean Mosaic. History and Art*: 9-22 (Salerno: IMK, 2019).
- L. Zavagno & H. De Luigi, “‘Rotae Fortunae’: 13th-14th century Venetian interactions with the Seljuk Sultanate, the Armenian Kingdom of Cilicia and the Aegean Beyliks,” in *Cultural Encounters in Anatolia in the Medieval Period: Italians in Anatolia during 12th-15th Centuries*: 153-166 (Ankara: Vekam, 2019).
- L. Zavagno, “‘Islands in the Stream’: For a new history of the large islands of the Byzantine Mediterranean.” *Mediterranean Historical Review* 33.2 (2018): 149-77.
- L. Zavagno, “Reassessing the economy of Byzantine Islands between Late Antiquity and the early Middle Ages (ca. 600- ca. 850 A.D.).” In K. Dörtlük, Ö. Tekin, and R. Boyraz Seyhan (eds.), *Proceedings of the Second International Congress of the Anatolian Monetary History and Numismatics, 5-8 January 2017*: 477-84 (Istanbul: Suna Inana Kiraç Research Institute, 2018).
- L. Zavagno & B. Kizidulman, “A countryside in transition: the Galinoporni-Kaleburnu plain in the passage from Late Antiquity to the Early Middle Ages (ca. 600–850).” *Památky archeologické* 109 (2018): 233-51.
- L. Zavagno, “‘Island not the last frontier: Insular Model in Early Medieval Mediterranean (ca. 650-ca. 850).” In G. D’Angelo and J.M Ribeiro (eds.), *Borders and Conflict in the Mediterranean Basin*: 55-77 (Salerno: IMK, 2016).
- L. Zavagno, “Salamis-Constantia and the Cypriot early Middle Ages”. In L. Summerer- H. Kaba (eds.), *The Northern Face of Cyprus*: 159-77 (Istanbul: Yanlari 2016).
- “Geç antik dönem ile erken ortaçağ arasında “ortak payda” olarak Kıbrıs (MS 650-850). In *Toplumsal Tarih Dergisi* 255 (2015): 62-66.
- L. Zavagno, “Coinage and Economy in Cyprus in the age of Transition (ca. 600- ca. 850 A.D.).” In K. Dörtlük, Ö. Tekin, and R. Boyraz Seyhan (eds.), *Proceedings of the First International Congress of the Anatolian Monetary History and Numismatics, 25-28 February 2013*: 715-726 (Istanbul:

Suna Inana Kiraç Research Institute, 2014).

- Ö. Çaykent-L. Zavagno, "Introduction: Cross Cultural Encounters in the Mediterranean". In Ö. Çaykent and L. Zavagno (eds.), *The Islands of the Eastern Mediterranean. A History of Cross-cultural Encounters* (London-New York: I.B. Tauris 2014): 1-17.
- L. Zavagno, "'A wonderful city of palms and dates': Salamis-Constantia in Transition from Late Antiquity to the Early Middle Ages". In *Mediterranean Historical Review* 29/2 (2014): 111-138.
- L. Zavagno, "Two hegemonies, one island: Cyprus as a "Middle Ground" between the Byzantines and the Arabs (650-850 A.D.)". In *Reti Medievali - Rivista*, XIV, 2 (2013).
url: <<http://www.rmojs.unina.it/index.php/rm/article/view/401>> [retrieved 01.11.2013].
- L. Zavagno, "At the Edge of two Empires: the Economy of Cyprus between the Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages (650s-800s A.D.)". In *Dumbarton Oaks Papers* 65-66 (2011-12): 121-56.
- L. Zavagno, "Amastris (Paphlagonia): A Study in Byzantine Urban History between Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages". In G.R. Tsetschladze (ed.), *The Black Sea, Paphlagonia, Pontus and Phrygia in Antiquity. Aspects of archaeology and ancient history*: 273-84 (Oxford: BAR-Archaeopress, 2012)
- L. Zavagno, "La "Transizione Dolce": il Mediterraneo Orientale fra Tarda Antichità e Alto Medioevo (ca. 550-ca. 750)." In M.R. Salerno (ed.), *Confluenze del Mediterraneo fra Storia e Letteratura*: 32-61 (Genoa: Liguori Editore, 2012).
- L. Zavagno, "'Betwixt the Greeks and the Saracens', coins and coinage in Cyprus in the seventh and eighth centuries". *Byzantion* 81 (2011): 448-493.
- L. Zavagno, "'The care of the herd of students: my way of life, joys, sorrows, everything": teaching and education in the Byzantine world (300-1204 A.D.)". In J. Kusch (ed.), *Knowledge, Difference and History in the time of Globalisation*: 234-89 (Cambridge: Cambridge Scholarly Press, 2011)
- L. Zavagno, "Mediterranean Worlds or Worlds of the Mediterranean". In *Mediterranean Worlds: Cultures of Interpretation. Proceedings of the I MedWorlds Conference*, Famagusta 3-6 June 2009, eds. T. Khoo, V. Marotta and L. Zavagno, *Journal of Intercultural Studies* 31(3) 2010: 238-47.
- L. Zavagno, "La città bizantina tra il V e il IX secolo: le prospettive storiografiche". In *Reti Medievali - Rivista*, IX, 2008. url: <http://www.rmojs.unina.it/index.php/rm/article/view/4677> [retrieved on 1.05.2019]

Non-peer reviewed articles:

- 'The non-state economy of Cyprus in the Seventh and Eighth centuries: "Vessels for trade". In *EMU Research Newsletter* 3 (2012): 9-11.
- 'An Island in Transition: Cyprus in the Passage from Late Antiquity to the Early Middle Ages (500-800 A.D.)'. In *EMU Research Newsletter* 3 (2010): 5-8.
- "De-Constructing and Re-Constructing the Byzantine City: the Case of Ephesus Between Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages". In *The British Bulletin of Byzantine Studies (BBBS)*, 33 (2007):101.
- "'Le Due Venezie': Landscape, Settlement Patterns and Trade Routes in 'Venetia' Between Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages". In *The British Bulletin of Byzantine Studies (BBBS)*, 30 (2004): 95.
- "Playing in the City: the Ludic Dimension Between Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages". In *The British Bulletin of Byzantine Studies (BBBS)*, 29 (2003): 73.

Book Reviews:

- Marietta Hoerster, Doria Nicolaou, Sabine Rogge, *Church Building in Cyprus (Fourth to Seventh Centuries). A mirror of Intercultural Contacts in the Eastern Mediterranean (Schriften des Instituts für Interdisziplinäre Zypern-Studien 12)* (Münster-New York: Waxmann, 2018). In *Medioevo Greco* 20 (2020): 459-61.
- Sabine Rogge, Christian Ioannou, Theodoros Mavrogiannis (eds.), *Salamis of Cyprus. History and Archaeology from the Earliest Times to Late Antiquity. Conference in Nicosia, 21-23 May 2015, (Schriften des Instituts für Interdisziplinäre Zypern-Studien 13)* (Münster-New York: Waxmann, 2018). In *Medioevo Greco* 20 (2020): 427.
- L. Bombardieri, M. Amadio and F. Dolcetti, *Ancient Cyprus and Unexpected Journey. Communities in Continuity and Transition* (Roma: Artemide, 2017). In *Medioevo Greco* 18 (2018): 437-9.
- E. Giorgi, *Archeologia dell'Acqua a Gortina di Creta in età protobizantina*, (Oxford, Archaeopress Access Archaeology, 2017). In *Medioevo Greco*, 17 (2017): 485-7.
- M. Montanari, *Medieval Tastes: Food, Cooking, and the Table (Arts and Traditions of the Table: Perspectives on Culinary History)*, (New York: Columbia Univ. Press, 2015). In *Mediterranean Historical Review*, 32/1 (2017): 108-11.
- R. Abdellatif, Y. Benhima, D. König and E. Ruchaud, eds., *Acteurs des transferts culturels en Méditerranée médiévale (Herausgegeben vom Deutschen Historischen Institut Paris. Band 9.)* (München: Oldenburg Verlag, 2012). In *Mediterranean Historical Review*, 29/2 (2014): 180-3.
- J. Scott Petre, *Crusader Castle of Cyprus: the Fortifications under the Lusignans (1191-1489)* (Nicosia: Kentro Epistêmônîkôn Ereunôn, 2012). In *Speculum. A journal of medieval studies*, 89.1 (2014): 228-30.
- M.K. Walsh, N. Coureas and P. Edbury, eds., *Medieval and Renaissance Famagusta. Studies in Architecture, Art and History* (Burlington: Ashgate, 2012). In *Speculum. A journal of medieval studies*, 88.4 (2013): 1324-5.
- T. Scott, *The city-state in Europe, 1000-1600* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012). In *The Economic History Review* 66/2 (2013): 668-9.

Translations:

- Translator: E. Gentile, *The Italian Road to Totalitarianism (Totalitarianism Movements and Political Religion. Routledge: London, 2009)*

Invited Lectures:

- “The Medieval Mediterranean Insular World”, ODTÜ, 9 March 2020.
- “Byzantium and Venice”, Hacettepe University, 16 April 2019.
- “Kültürlerin Dönüşümünde Bir Ada: erken Ortaçağ’da Kıbrıs (6-10. yüzyıllar arası)”, İstanbul Üniversitesi, 22 February 2019.
- “The Byzantine Islands in the Middle Ages”, 29 Mayıs Üniversitesi, İstanbul, 21 February 2019.

- “A new Byzantium in the Lagoon: Venice and the consequences of the Fourth Crusade (post-1204)”, TÖBB University, Ankara, 19 November, 2018.
- “‘Port(s) after stormy seas’: for a comparative approach to the problems of the transformation of coastal urban spaces in the passage from Late Antiquity to the early Middle Ages,” Koç University, Istanbul, 21 May 2018.
- “The Byzantine islands in the early Middle Ages”, ‘Nicolae Iorga’ Institutul de Istoriae, Bucharest 25 April 2018.
- ‘Piero’s Enigma’: for a ‘Byzantine’ history of the Italian Renaissance, University of Bucharest, 23 April 2018.
- “‘Beyond the periphery: The Byzantine Insular System between Late Antiquity and the early Middle Ages’, Oxford University, Ioannou Stilianou Center for Byzantine Research, 28 February 2018.
- “Looking for a Mediterranean Middle Ground: Cyprus in the transition between Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages”, Birkbeck College, London 22 November 2017.
- “‘Not the last frontier’: the Byzantine insular system between Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages”, King’s College, London, 21 November 2017.
- “‘Cyprus and Her Sisters’: The Islands of the Byzantine Empire between the Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages”, ARIT- American Research Institute, Ankara, 25 October 2017.
- “The Islands of Byzantine Mediterranean in the early Middle Ages (ca. 650-ca. 850)”, University of Leeds, 26 July 2017.
- “‘Fra Greci e Saraceni’: Cipro nella transizione tra Tarda Antichità e Alto Medioevo (ca.600-ca. 850), University of Bologna, Ravenna, 28 April 2017.
- ‘Sailing to Byzantium: for a History of the Byzantine Empire’, TBA Archeo-Society, Ankara, 22 March/ 1 April 2017.
- ‘Le grandi isole del Mediterraneo Bizantino fra Tarda Antichità e Alto Medioevo’, CCHS-CSIC, Madrid, Spain, 7 March 2017.
- ‘Byzancio y la Península Ibérica entre la Antigüedad tardía y la alta Edad Media’, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain, 6 March 2017.
- ‘Beyond the periphery: The Islands of the Byzantine Empire in the early Middle Ages’, Boğazici University, Turkey, 25 October 2016.
- ‘Beyond the periphery: The Islands of the Byzantine Empire in the early Middle Ages’, Bilkent University, Turkey, 29 October 2015.
- ‘Eastern Mediterranean in Transition: the view from Cyprus’, Seminar for Postgraduate Students of the Department of History, Bilkent University, Turkey, 15 May 2015.
- ‘Eastern Mediterranean in Transition: the view from Cyprus’, Seminar for Postgraduate Students of the Faculty of Architecture, Columbia University, USA, 24 February 2014.
- ‘Eastern Mediterranean in Transition: the view from Cyprus’, Seminar for Postgraduate Students of the Faculty of Architecture, Voronezh State University of Civil Engineering and Architecture, Voronezh, Russia, 25 November 2013.
- “‘From Hagia Sophia to San Marco’: Byzantine influences on Venetian urbanism and architecture’, Voronezh State University of Civil Engineering and Architecture, Voronezh, Russia, 22 November 2013.
- ‘Eastern Mediterranean in Transition: the view from Cyprus’, University of Albany, Albany, 28 November 2012.

- ‘Two Hegemonies, One Island: Cyprus between the Byzantines and the Umayyads (ca. 650-ca.850 C.E.)’, Excavating the Mediterranean Past Workshop, University of California at Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, 9 November 2012.
- ‘A wonderful city of palms and dates: Salamis-Constantia in Transition from the Late Antiquity to the early Middle Ages’, “Informal Talks” Series, Dumbarton Oaks Research Library and Collection, Washington D.C. , 24 October 2012 (ca. 500-850 A.D.).
- ‘Il Mediterraneo Orientale nell’età della transizione: la visione cipriota’, Annual Lecture of the School of Advanced Studies, Università di Salerno, Italy, 4 July 2012
- ‘Two Hegemonies, One Island: Cyprus between the Byzantines and the Umayyads (ca. 650-ca.850 C.E.)’, University of Bern, Bern, 31 May 2012
- ‘Eastern Mediterranean in Transition: the view from Cyprus’, II Teaching Fellows’ Day, Dumbarton Oaks Research Library and Collection, Washington D.C., 30 April 2012
- ‘Two Hegemonies, One Island: Cyprus between the Byzantines and the Umayyads (ca. 650-ca.850 C.E.)’, American Research Institute in Turkey, Ankara, 15 December 2011
- ‘Coins and Archaeology: the Cypriot key study between the 6th and 8th century’, lecture given at the Numismatics and Sigillography Summer Program 2011, Centre for Byzantine Studies at Dumbarton Oaks, Harvard University, USA.
- ‘A taste of the Mediterranean; the Byzantine cuisine’, Imagining the Mediterranean: Landscapes of Multi-cultural and Culinary encounters’, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta 7 April 2011.
- ‘Cities in Transition: Urbanism in Byzantium’, Sidestreets in Kyrenia, Conversation on Cultures #8, 7 March 2010.
- ‘Cities in Transition in the Eastern Mediterranean between Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages’, Istanbul Şehir University, 3 December 2009.
- ‘A Mosaic of Cities: Urbanism in the Byzantine Empire from Late Antiquity to the Early Middle Ages’, Sidestreets in Kyrenia, Conversation on Cultures #5, 28 November 2009.
- “‘Tra Greci e Saraceni’: Monete e Monetazione Bizantina e Arabo-Bizantina a Cipro fra Settimo e Ottavo Secolo”; Annual lecture of the School of Advanced Studies, Università di Salerno, Italy, 23 February 2010
- “‘Betwixt the Greeks and the Saracens’: coins and coinage in Cyprus in the seventh and eighth century”, Numismatics and Sigillography Summer Program 2009, Centre for Byzantine Studies at Dumbarton Oaks, Harvard University, USA, 20 July 2010
- “The Mountains, the Plan and the Sea: Urbanism in Byzantine Anatolia between the 5th and the 9th century”, Conference of Mediterranean Cultures-MedWorlds at Eastern Mediterranean University, Gazimağusa, TRNC, 5 June 2009.
- “The Transformation of the City between Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages”, Mimar Sinan Üniversitesi, Istanbul, Turkey, 23 March 2008.
- “Cities in Transition along the Eastern Mediterranean: A Study in Byzantine Urbanism between the Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages”, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta (Cyprus), 13 March, 2008.

- “‘The Shape of Byzantine Waters.’ Administering Peripheral Insular and Coastal Spaces in the early Medieval Mediterranean,” Third Annual Conference on Byzantine and Medieval Studies, Byzantine Society of Cyprus, Nicosia, 17-19 January 2020.
- “‘The Road not Taken.’ The Rural Landscape in early Medieval Cyprus, Bilkent University, Turkey, 6 December 2019.
- “‘The Worlds of Byzantine Islands between Late Antiquity and the early Middle Ages’”, Jounkosky Institute, Brown University, USA, 18 November 2019.
- “‘A lost world that never died’: urban landscapes in Byzantine Thyrrenian in the passage from Late Antiquity to the Early Middle Ages”, Dumbarton Oaks Research Library and Collection-Harvard University, USA, 15 November 2019.
- “‘Assetti urbani e fortificazioni a Cipro nella transizione fra Tarda Antichità e alto Medioevo,’” Congrès international d’histoire et d’archéologie Roquebrune sur Argens, France, 19-25 October 2019.
- “‘The Byzantine liquid frontier’: or how to administer insular and costal peripheral spaces and stop worrying about it,” International Medieval Congress, Leeds, 1-4 July 2019.
- “‘Port(s) after stormy seas’: for a comparative approach to the problems of the transformation of coastal urban spaces in the passage from Late Antiquity to the early Middle Ages,” 5th Sevgi Gönül Symposium, Istanbul, 24-26 June 2019.
- “‘Cities on islands’: Urbanism in the Byzantine insular system during the transition between Late Antiquity and the early Middle Ages,” Workshop “Sailing to Byzantium: Insular and Coastal Urban Sites in the Medieval Mediterranean, Ankara, 9 November, 2018.
- “‘Lo Scontro Iconoclasta: Questioni politiche e religiose,’” Liutprando, Re dei Longobardi, Università Cattolica di Milano, Milan-Pavia, 5 May 2018.
- “‘Going to the extremes’: Cyprus and the Balearics as Byzantine Mediterranean thresholds between Late Antiquity and the early Middle Ages (ca. 600-ca. 800),” Rethinking the Medieval Frontier Conference, University of Leeds, 10 April 2018.
- “‘I do not know why I go to the extremes’: the Balearics and Cyprus between Late Antiquity and the early Middle Ages,” Workshop “Islands at the Frontier of Empires in the Middle Ages”, Bilkent University, Turkey, 23 February 2018.
- “‘Islands in the stream’. Reassessing the Byzantine Insular Economy between Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages (ca. 650-850 CE),” Second Annual Conference on Byzantine and Medieval Studies, Byzantine Society of Cyprus, Nicosia, 11-13 January 2018.
- “‘When the cities do not go missing. Urbanism in Cyprus between Late Antiquity and the early Middle Ages’ (with Nikolas Bakirtzis), 8th century. Patterns of Transition in Economy and Trade throughout Late Antique, Early Medieval and Islamicate Mediterranean, Berlin, Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities, 4-7 October 2017.
- “‘The Emperors, the Caliph(s) and the Doctor: Cross-Cultural encounters and interaction at the Western “periphery” of Byzantium (ca. 650-ca.950)” (with Zeynep Olgun), MedWorlds 8: ‘Cultures, Hopes and Conflict in the Mediterranean’, University of Salerno, Salerno 26-28 September 2017.
- “‘Urban Bodies and Space-Models in the early Medieval Byzantine Mediterranean (ca. 650 – ca. 800 CE),” From the Human Body to the Universe...Spatiality of Byzantine Culture, University of Uppsala-Gustavmuseum, Uppsala 18-21 May 2017.

- “‘Cities on islands’: Urbanism in the Byzantine insular system during the transition between Late Antiquity and the early Middle Ages,” First Annual Conference on Byzantine and Medieval Studies, Byzantine Society of Cyprus, Nicosia, 13-15 January 2017.
- “Beyond the Periphery: Reassessing the Byzantine Insular Economy between Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages (ca. 650-850 CE),” Second International Congress on the History of Money and Numismatics in the Mediterranean World, Antalya, 5-8 January 2017.
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- “Once Upon a Time in Anatolia”: 13th-14th century Venetian communities and interactions with the Suljuq Sultanate, the Armenian Kingdom of Cilicia and the Anatolian Beyliks”, Cultural Encounters in the Medieval period: The Italians in Anatolia during 12th-15th century- Vehbi Koc Ve Ankara Araştırmaları Merkezi, Ankara, 13 May 2016.
- “Coinage in the Eastern Mediterranean: an insular perspective”, FLAME-Framing the Early Medieval Coinage, Princeton University, 30 April 2016.
- “The Islands of the Byzantine Empire”, Türkiye’de Bizans Çalışmaları: Yeni Araştırmalar, Farklı Eğilimler, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, 18-19 March 2016.
- “Where the farmers may have been”: the Cypriot rural landscape in the early Medieval Cyprus”, New Approaches to Historical Landscape, Mimar Sinan University, Istanbul, 16 February 2016.
- “Islands: not the last frontier- Insular Models in the early Medieval Byzantine Mediterranean, ca. 650-ca. 850”, International Medieval Congress, Leeds, 6-9 July 2015.
- “Medieval Cyprus”, II Terracotta International Symposium, 17-30 November 2014, Nicosia, Cyprus.
- “Insular Model in the Byzantine Mediterranean in the early Middle Ages”, Medworlds VI Conference of Mediterranean Worlds, Università della Calabria, Rende (CS), 7-9 September, 2014.
- “Between Damascus and Constantinople: Cyprus as ‘Middle Ground’ in Late Antiquity and the early Middle Ages (650-850 C.E.)”, International Medieval Congress, Leeds, 6-9 July 2014.
- “Urban space during the transitional period: change or continuity”, Colloquium ‘Transforming Sacred Space. Approaches to Byzantine Ecclesiastical Architecture from the Transitional period’, Ludwig Maximilians Universität, Munich, 14-16 May 2014.
- “Across Mediterranean horizons: Cyprus as ‘Middle Ground’ between Late Antiquity and the early Middle Ages (650-850 C.E.)”, Medworlds V Conference of Mediterranean Worlds, Bern, 9-11 September 2013.
- “‘Betwixt the Greeks and the Saracens: Coins and Coin Circulation in Cyprus in the seventh and eighth centuries”, First International Congress of the Anatolian Monetary History and Numismatics, Antalya 25-28 February 2013.
- “Two Hegemonies, One Island”: Cyprus between the Byzantines and the Umayyads (ca. 650-ca. 850), Stanly Seeger Workshop of the Center for Hellenic Studies, Princeton University, Princeton, 16 November 2012
- “‘Betwixt the Greeks and the Saracens: Cyprus in the passage from Late Antiquity to the early

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- "Two Hegemonies, One Island": Cyprus between the Byzantines and the Umayyads (ca. 650-ca. 850), American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, 6 January 2012.
- "An island of populous cities, merchandise, stuffs and goods": re-assessing the economic role of Cyprus between the Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages (500-800 c.e.), Medworlds 3: Convergence of the Mediterranean, Commerce, Capital and Trade Routes in the History of a Sea, University of Salerno, Italy, 7 September 2011
- "The Mountains, the Plan and the Sea: Urbanism in Byzantine Anatolia between the 5th and the 9th century", Conference of Mediterranean Cultures-MedWorlds at Eastern Mediterranean University, Gazimağusa, TRNC, 5 June 2009; Research Centre for Anatolian Civilizations at Koç University, Mini-Symposium, Istanbul, Turkey, 12 May 2008.
- "The Fate of the Byzantine City Between the 5th and 9th century", presentation at the Research Centre for Anatolian Civilizations at Koç University, Istanbul, 16 October 2007.
- "Deconstructing and Re-Constructing the Byzantine city: the Case of Ephesus between Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages", XL Spring Symposium of Byzantine Studies, University of Birmingham, UK, 21 April 2007.
- "Amastris: a Study in Byzantine Urban History Between Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages", III Annual Postgraduate Colloquium, University of Birmingham, UK, 17 May 2005.
- "The Byzantine City: Methodology and Problems", University of Salerno, Italy, 19 June 2005.
- "'Le due Venezie': Landscape, Settlement Patterns, and Trade Routes in 'Venetia' Between Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages", XXXVIII Spring Symposium of Byzantine Studies-St.John's College, Oxford, UK, 13 April 2004.
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Eastern Mediterranean University

- "Istanbul: a tale of two cities (Byzantine and Ottoman)" Fall 2013
- "Byzantine History". Eastern Mediterranean University, Fall 2009; Fall 2008
- "History of Europe in the Middle Ages", Fall 2009; Fall 2008
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Conferences and Speaker Series Organized:

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- Co-organizer and colloquiarch of the Annual Colloquium "The Insular Worlds of Byzantium", Dumbarton Oaks Research Library and Collection-Harvard University, 15 November 2019.
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- Organizer and covenant of the Workshop "Sailing to Byzantium", Bilkent University, Turkey, 9 November 2018 (in collaboration with the Italian Cultural Center in Turkey, Italian Diplomatic Mission in Turkey, University of Bologna and University of Siena).
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- Co-Organizer and Chairman of the *VI MedWorlds Conference- Mediterranean Worlds*: “Symbols and Models of the Mediterranean”, Università della Calabria, Cosenza, Italy, 9-11 September 2014. <http://medworlds6.altervista.org/>
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