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## **EDUCATION**

- Sep 2013 – July 2017** PhD in the Institute of Environmental Sciences and Technologies (ICTA), Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona. [PhD Dissertation:](#) “The Political Ecology of Marine Finfish Aquaculture in Europe: Discourses, Implicit Assumptions, Commodity Frontiers and Environmental Justice”.
- Sep 2011 – Jun 2013** Master of Arts in the Ataturk Institute for Modern Turkish History. Title of the [MA thesis:](#) “The Governance of Common Resources: The Political Ecology of a Specially Protected Area, Kaş”. Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, Turkey.
- Sep 2005 – Jun 2011** Bachelor of Arts in Economics. Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, Turkey.
- Sep 2009 – Jan 2010** Erasmus Program in Economics, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona.

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- Sept 2019 – present** Assistant professor in the Ataturk Institute for Modern Turkish History, Bogazici University, Istanbul
- Nov 2017 – Nov 2018** Post-doctoral researcher in the ERC funded [EnvJustice](#) project working on fisher folk conflicts and environmental justice. Institute of Environmental Sciences and Technologies (ICTA), Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona.
- Mar 2017 – Dec 2018** Representative of the Foundation ENT (together with the NGO network called Seas At Risk) in the European Commission’s [Aquaculture Advisory Council](#)
- Mar 2016 – present** Secondary proposer of the Cost Action on 'Ocean Governance for Sustainability - Options, Challenges and the Role of Science' ([CA](#)

[15217](#)).

- Jan 2013 – Aug 2016** Editorial secretary and the coordinator of the journal [Ecología Política](#). Researcher on political ecology, aquaculture and fisheries management. Foundation ENT.
- Jan 2013 – July 2014** ENT, Environment and Management, [ENTITLE project](#) Marie Curie Early Stage Researcher (ESR) and consultant in political ecology, aquaculture and fisheries management.
- Jan 2011 – Feb 2013** Project team member in [EJOLT](#) (Environmental Justice Organizations, Liabilities and Trade), sponsored by the European Union 7<sup>th</sup> framework program.
- Feb 2011 – May 2011** Internship at MAVI CONSULTANTS Sustainability Management - IGIP Group, Istanbul, Turkey.

## LANGUAGES

Fluent in: Turkish (native), German, English and Spanish. Intermediate level: Catalan

## COMPUTING SKILLS

Advanced knowledge of Atlas-Ti, NAIAD, MS Office.

## RESEARCH AREAS AND EXPERTISE

- Political ecology, political economy, ecological economics, social economics, economic history.
- Environmental justice, socio-environmental conflicts, food sovereignty, social and solidarity economies.
- Aquaculture, fisheries, marine protected areas.

## PUBLICATIONS

Ertör, I. and Hadjimichael, M. (2020, *forthcoming*). “Editorial: Blue Degrowth and the Politics of the Sea: Rethinking the Blue Economy”. *Special Feature in Sustainability Science*.

- Ertör, I. and Ortega-Cerdà, M. (2019). "The Expansion of Intensive Marine Aquaculture in Turkey: The Next-to-last Commodity Frontier?" *Journal of Agrarian Change* (SSCI), 19 (2), pp. 337-360. <https://doi.org/10.1111/joac.12283>
- Ertör, I. and Ortega-Cerdà, M. (2017). "Unpacking the objectives and assumptions underpinning European aquaculture". *Environmental Politics* (SSCI), 26 (5), pp. 893-914. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/09644016.2017.1306908>
- Ertör, I. (2016). "Meta menzilin yeni durağı balık çiftlikleri: Gıda güvenliği mi çitleme mi?". *Toplum ve Bilim* (Sociological Abstracts, Historical Abstracts) 138-139, pp. 51-67.
- Döner, F.N., Ece, M., Ertör, I. and Zeybek, S.Z. (2016). "[Bu sayıda](#)". *Toplum ve Bilim* (Sociological Abstracts, Historical Abstracts), editorial introduction of the special issue on political ecology, 138-139, pp. 3-6.
- Ertör, I. and Ortega-Cerdà, M. (2015). "Political lessons from early warnings: Marine finfish aquaculture conflicts from Europe". *Marine Policy* (SSCI) 51, pp. 202-210. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.marpol.2014.07.018>
- Ozkaynak, B. Aydin, C. I., Ertör-Akyazi, P. and Ertör, I. (2015). "The Gezi Park Resistance from an Environmental Justice and Social Metabolism Perspective". *Capitalism Nature Socialism* (SCOPUS and International Bibliography of the Social Sciences), 26 (1), pp. 99-114.
- Doğan, P., Ertör, I. and Külebi, B. (2015). "Katalunya kooperatifçilik tarihinden güncel sosyal ekonomi ve dayanışma ekonomisi pratiklerine: Mücadeleler arası köprü kurmak". *Birikim* 321 (January 2015), pp. 67-79.
- Ozkaynak, B. Aydin, C., Ertör-Akyazi, P., Ertör, I. (2013). "La revolución del árbol en Turquía: Chapulando cada día" in *Ecología Política (45) Los bienes comunes*, July 2013, Fundació ENT and Icaria Editorial, Barcelona.

## **BOOK CHAPTERS AND PUBLISHED REPORTS**

- Scheidel, A., Ertör, I. and Demaria, F. (2020, *Forthcoming*). "Degrowth in agrarian and fisheries studies". In *Handbook on Critical Agrarian Studies* (eds. Akram-Lodhi, H., Dietz, K., Engels, B., and B. McKay). Edward Elgar Publishing.
- MedECC (Mediterranean Experts on Climate and environmental Change) Report, (2018). Hilmi, N. et al. "Human impacts on Mediterranean marine ecosystems and the

economy”. Based on the outcomes of the regional workshop in Monaco 17-18 October 2017, [Plan Bleu Notes 36](#), April 2018.

Ertör, I. (2017). “Yetiştiricilik: Türkiye’de Balık Çiftlikleri”. In [Deniz Atlası: Denizlerle ilişkimize dair veriler ve olgular](#), Heinrich Böll Stiftung Derneği Türkiye Temsilciliği, 52-53.

Ertör, I. (2016). “Building alliances to influence decision making in the European Parliament and the European Commission”. In [Political Ecology for Civil Society](#), published book of the ENTITLE project, pp. 30-36.

Ertör, I. (2016). “Aquaculture development in Europe: fish farm conflicts, relevant social actors and their demands”. [Policy Brief](#), February 2016, ENTITLE Marie Curie ITN project.

Ertör, I. and Ortega-Cerda, M. (2014). In “Priorities for environmentally responsible aquaculture in the EU”, [Joint NGO paper](#), Seas At Risk, August 2014.

United Nations Global Environmental Outlook-5, published in 6th June 2012. Member of the team for writing the section 15.2 of the GEO-5 report.

## **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

Ertör, I. (2018). “Balıklı denizlerden sıvı çöllere: Dünyada ve Türkiye’de endüstriyel balıkçılık”. [Bir+Bir Forum Ekoloji](#), August 2018.

Ertör, I. (2014). “Acuicultura sostenible en Europa: ¿Qué opinan los actores implicados?”. [El ENTvío, Abril 2014](#).

Ertör, I. (2013) “El crecimiento azul en Europa, ¿pero cómo?”. [El ENTvío, Abril 2013](#).

## **CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS**

Ertör, I. “Blue Layers of the Global Environmental Justice Movement: Understanding the Global Struggle of Fisher People” presented in the Enjust Workshop organized by the Kiel University, Germany. 6-8 June 2019.

Ertör, I. “Political Ecology of the Global Environmental Justice Movement on the Seas: Bringing Together Fisheries Justice and Environmental Justice” presented in the special session [“Geographies of environmental \(in\)justice”](#), 15th Congress of the International Society of Ecological Economics (ISEE). 10-12 September 2018, Puebla, Mexico.

- Ertör, I. and Hadjimichael, M. "Blue Degrowth and Environmental Justice on the Oceans" presented in the special session on "Degrowth and environmental justice". [1st North-South Conference on Degrowth](#). 3-6 September 2018, Mexico City.
- Ertör, I. and Hadjimichael M. "Blue Degrowth and the Politics of the Sea: Rethinking the Blue Economy". Special session in the 2nd Biannual [POLLEN](#) (Political Ecology Network) Conference. 19-22 June 2018, Oslo, Norway.
- Ertör, I. "El movimiento global de justicia ambiental de los pescadores y las pescadoras artesanales" (The global environmental justice movement of artisanal fishers" presented in the special session on "[Pesca y agroecología](#)" (agroecology and fisheries) organized by Brent, Z., Ertör, I. and Gallar, D. in the 7th International Congress on Agroecology. 30 May-1 June 2018, Cordoba, Spain.
- Ertör, I. "Political ecology and global environmental justice movement: The case of fisher communities". [Graduate seminar](#) held on 14th of February 2018 in the University of Cyprus, Department of Social and Political Sciences in collaboration with the Short-term Scientific Mission of the EU Cost Action on Ocean Governance.
- Ertör, I. "Marine finfish aquaculture in Turkey: fish farms as a fix or a new commodity frontier". Paper presentation in the 7th International Colloquium on Initiatives in Critical Agrarian Studies (ICAS): [The Future Of Food and Challenges for Agriculture in The 21st Century](#), 24-26 April 2017, Vitoria-Gasteiz, Basque Country, Spain.
- Ertör, I. "Blue Growth and the expansion of intensive aquaculture on marine commodity frontiers". [1st Conference](#) of the Cost Action on *Ocean Governance for Sustainability – Challenges, Options and the Role of Science* organized by the Leibniz Centre for Tropical Marine Research (ZMT), 6-8 March 2017, Bremen, Germany.
- Ertör, I. [Seminar](#) on the "Political Ecology of Aquaculture: Fish and Human at Commodity Frontiers" ("Balık Yetiştiriciliğinin Politik Ekolojisi: Metalaştırma Menziline Balık ve İnsan"). Ataturk Institute for Modern Turkish History, Boğaziçi University, 4 November 2016, Istanbul, Turkey.
- Ertör, I., Banoub, D., Bridge, G., Gonzalez-Hidalgo, M. and de los Reyes, J. "Rethinking resource booms: gold mining, industrial tree plantations and fish farms on the commodity frontier". [American Association of Geographers \(AAG\) Conference](#), 29 March-2 April 2016, San Francisco, USA.

- Ertör, I. "Growing in the mist: Unveiling European aquaculture discourses". In the special session on "The land is not enough" and the enclosure of maritime spaces: Political Ecology of fisheries and aquaculture organized by Ertör, I., Hadjimichael, M. and Banoub, D. [ENTITLE Conference on Undisciplined Environments](#), 20-24 March 2016, University of Coimbra and KTH, Stockholm.
- Ertör, I. "Gıda Güvenliği vs. Çitleme: Avrupa Balık Yetiştiriciliği Üzerine Bir Söylem Analizi". Ekolojinin Politikası: Yeni Sınırlar, Yeni Aktörler (The Politics of Ecology: New Limits, New Actors Conference), 27-28 November 2015, Bilgi University, Istanbul, Turkey.
- Ertör, I. "Aquaculture discourses in Europe: food security or enclosures?". DOPE (Dimensions on Political Ecology) Conference, 26-28 February 2015, University of Kentucky, USA.
- Ertör, I. "Political Lessons from Early Warnings: Marine Finfish Aquaculture Conflicts in Europe". ICTA Seminars, 22 October 2014, ICTA, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Catalunya, Spain.
- Özkaynak, B. Aydın, C. I., Ertör-Akyazi, P., Ertör, I. "Towards a Better Understanding of Environmental Conflicts in Turkey: Statistical Ecology Meets with Societal Metabolism". World Congress for Middle Eastern Studies (WOCMES), 18-22 August 2014, Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey.
- Ertör, I. and Ortega-Cerda, M. "NIMBY or Policy: Lessons from socioecological conflicts related to marine finfish aquaculture in Europe". International Conference of the International Society for Ecological Economics (ISEE), 13-15 August 2014, Reykjavik, Iceland.
- EJOLT team; Özkaynak, B. Aydın, C., Ertör-Akyazi, P., Ertör, I. "The Struggle Against Mega Projects: Southern Europe and Balkans". *Eco-frictions*, Nov. 2013, pp.14.
- Ertör, I. "Acuicultura marina de peces y barreras socioambientales en Europa". XIV National Aquaculture Congress, Gijón, Spain. [Conference proceedings, September 2013, Sociedad Española de Acuicultura \(SEA\)](#).
- Özkaynak, B. Aydın, C., Ertör-Akyazi, P., and Ertör, I. "Towards a better understanding of environmental conflicts in Turkey: A mapping exercise". 10th International Conference of the European Society for Ecological Economics (ESEE), 18-21 June 2013, Lille, France.

## SERVICES TO JOURNALS

Referee for: *Marine Policy, Ecological Economics, ScriptaNova, Ege Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences, Ecologia Politica*

Co-editor with Dr. Maria Hadjimichael (2020) for the forthcoming Special Issue: Blue Degrowth and the Politics of the Sea: Rethinking the Blue Economy, *Sustainability Science*.

## PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL COURSES OR SEMINARS

15 - 20 June 2015. ENTITLE Project Summer School on “*Institutions, Justice and Democracy*”, Boğaziçi University, İstanbul, Turkey.

1 - 4 June 2015. ENTITLE Project Specialized Intensive Course on “*Navigating Job Opportunities as Political Ecologists*”, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany.

20 - 23 January 2015. ENTITLE Project Specialized Intensive Course on “*Project Management and Contribution to Policy*”, organizing the course as part of the coordination committee of ENT Environment and Management, Barcelona, Spain.

15 - 19 December 2014. ENTITLE Project Specialized Intensive Course on “*Research for Civil Society*” Roma, Italy.

29<sup>th</sup> September 2014. 2<sup>nd</sup> European Sustainable Aquaculture and the environment workshop (SUSAQ) organized by CEFAS and the European Commission, Brussels.

30 June - 4 July 2014. ENTITLE Specialized Intensive Course on “*Effective communication skills*”, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona.

5 - 6 May 2014. Sustainable Aquaculture and the environment workshops (SUSAQ) organized by CEFAS and the European Commission, Regional good practice exchanges: Mediterranean, Athens, Greece.

30 March - 4 April 2014. ENTITLE Spring School on Social Movements, Lund University, Sweden.

6<sup>th</sup> March 2014, 1<sup>st</sup> European Sustainable Aquaculture and the environment workshop (SUSAQ) organized by CEFAS and the European Commission, Brussels.

- October 2013 – January 2014. Political Ecology course directed by Prof. Giorgos Kallis in Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona.
- 8 - 15 July 2013. ENTITLE Summer School on "Commons, Conflicts and Disasters", Syros, Greece.
- 3 - 7 June 2013. ENTITLE Specialized Intensive Course on "Research Design and Methods", Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona.
- 18 - 22 February 2013. Specialized Intensive Course on "Theories and Perspectives on Political Ecology", University of Manchester.
- 27 August - 2 September 2012. Assistant organizer of the "Conflicts over Commons Summer School I- Fisheries" held at Boğaziçi University, İstanbul.
- 2 - 11 July 2012. ICTA-UAB Summer School and Workshop on "Environmental Conflicts & Justice", Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona.
- 14 - 17 June 2011. Voluntary assistantship at the 9th International Conference of the European Society for Ecological Economics (ESEE), held at Boğaziçi University, İstanbul.
- 8 - 10 June 2011. Local organizer at the Istanbul Workshop of European Commission on Social Impact of Emigration and Rural-Urban Migration in Central and Eastern Europe held at Boğaziçi University.