

CURRICULUM VITAE

Family name SEZER

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First names :Bülent

Date of birth :04/10/1976

Nationality :Turkish

Education : Master of Science and Master of Arts

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Institution (Date from- Date to)	Degree(s) or Diploma(s) obtained:
1994-2001	Ankara University, Faculty of Agriculture, Agricultural Engineer
2001-2005	Ankara University, Graduate School of Natural And Applied Sciences, Master of Science. <i>Thesis: Modeling of Energy System Based on Biomass in Turkey</i>
2015-2016	Hochschule Bremen, International Graduate Center, European Studies, Master of Arts. <i>Thesis: Involving Bioenergy Programs in Rural Development</i> <i>Policies in the EU, Jühnde Bioenergy Village, A Case Study</i>

Other Studies: SELECTED SHORT COURSES and TRAINING

2007 Fall – Spring 2008 <i>Georg-August Universität, Germany</i>	“Studies on Bioenergy” and “German Course”, Göttingen, Germany
June 2009 <i>European Research Center</i>	European Union Negotiation and Communication Skills Training, Ankara, Turkey
October 2009 – December 2009 <i>European Research Center</i>	European Union Basic Training, Ankara, Turkey
March 2010 – June 2010 <i>European Research Center</i>	European Union Proficiency Training, Ankara, Turkey
July 2010 <i>Global Ecovillage Network-Europe</i>	Ecovillages and Sustainable Living, Damanhur, Italy.

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April 2012 – May2012 <i>Ankara Chamber of Trade</i>	Applied Entrepreneurship Training, Ankara, Turkey
June 2012 <i>Business Network</i>	Examination of the European Dimension of Agricultural Advisory Services, London, UK
June 2013 <i>Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN</i>	Writing Skills Training, Ankara, Turkey.
December 2013-March 2014 University of Nebraska-Lincoln, USA	Carbon Emissions and Soil Management
August 2014 <i>International Agricultural Training Center</i>	Project Cycle Management
June 2019 <i>Technical Assistance and Information Exchange Instrument of the European Commission (TAIEX)</i>	EU Policies and Practices to Increase Women Entrepreneurship in Rural Areas
July 2019 <i>International Agricultural Training Center</i>	Agricultural Extension and Rural Advisory Services in Central Asia and Caucasus
September 2019 <i>TAIEX</i>	Gender Mainstreaming for the EU Projects

Language skills: Indicate competence on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 - excellent; 5 - basic) TOEFL: 94/120 (2015)

Language	Reading	Speaking	Writing
English	1	2	2
German	3	4	4
Turkish	1	1	1

Membership of professional bodies: -

Other skills and qualifications

a) Computer literacy: He is quite familiar with the hardware and software such as MS Office applications, presentation tools, electronic document management systems, open sourced and internet based applications for desktop studies of the European Union

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Programs. He can also develop intermediate level of macro applications in MS Excell environment.

b) EU and Common Agricultural Policy: He has participated in European Union Basic Education and European Union Mastery Program for 7 months at Ankara University European Research Center within in-service training schedule of the Ministry. He has studied on European Biofuel and Rural Development Policies at the Center. The latest education which he has completed for one year is the master program of the EU Studies conducted by Hochschule Bremen. During these educational programs allowing flexible learning path, he selected topics related with Common Agricultural and Rural Development Policy. Therefore, he has studied particularly bioenergy policy and best practices in framework of sustainable rural development. He has transferred this knowledge to in-service training programs of the Ministry of Food Agriculture and Livestock.

c) Climate Change: He has participated in training program titled Carbon Emissions and Soil Management at Nebraska University-Lincoln (USA) for 3 months. In course of the training program, he has observed carbon sequestration potential of different perennial plants and attended research studies, reviewed recommended management practices (RMPs) of the US and finally compared these RMPs with the domestic policy in a report for policy-makers. In addition, he has formed a team consisting of researchers for curriculum development of short course titled Climate Change and Agriculture and initiated training intended for agronomists. Currently, he is main responsible for executing this program.

d) Quality Assessment of the Project Proposals and Final Reports: He has served as joint project staff at the International Agricultural Training Center. Executing joint projects with EU countries improved his competence in relation to Project Cycle Management, Agricultural Advisory Services, EU enlargement process and Instrument of Pre-Accession measures. Based on these experience and gained skills, he has been selected by the authorized National Agency and worked as an external experts for Erasmus+ program for 3 years. During this working period, he has increased his skills regarding monitoring and evaluation by reviewing and scoring project proposals, checking compliance of financial declarations with the implementation and assessing final reports under the EU procedures.

e) Specific experience on Agricultural Advisory: He was involved in several joint EU project focusing: “improving vocational qualifications of dairy farm employees”, “occupational profile of agricultural advisors”, “Job Rotation in Agricultural Sector” between 2012 and 2015. Relevant organizations from Germany, Italy, Spain, Greece and “Romania” have participated in these project activities. Particularly, establishment of farm advisory system (FAS) in the EU, its function regarding cross compliance and agricultural policy reforms, assessment studies concerning FAS performance have been taken into account by him and all these collected studies has provided considerable experience in the field. Currently, He works for training center and this organization is responsible for inservice training of agricultural advisors. More recently, ha has been invited by the FAO to participate in Central Asia and Caucasus Forum for Rural Advisory Services (CAC-FRAS) on behalf of the Turkish Republic for sharing country experience on the topic.

Professional experience

Date from - Date to	Location	Company& reference person ¹ (name & contact details)	Position	Description
2010-Present	Ankara	International Agricultural Training Center Mr. Selman EREN, Director E-mail: selman.eren@tarim.gov.tr Tel: +90 312 315 6104	Team Supervisor/ International Relations Division	Directed international relations, and conducted joint projects on "Occupational Standards in Agriculture", "Improving Vocational Qualifications of Agricultural Advisors", "Piloting Job Rotation Programs" with the EU countries. Instructed Climate Change and Agriculture, Renewable Energy and Agricultural Machinery Management courses in the Center.
2001-2010	Ankara	Department of Training, Extension and Publication. The Ministry of Food Agriculture and Livestock Mr. Recep TEZGEL, "Previous" Head of Department Mobile: +90 535 426 3707 E-mail: rtezel@hotmail.com	Extension Specialist	Worked as extension specialist. The department was national responsible body of farm advisory system. Edited and compiled publications for farmers and technical staff. Publications included articles, technical scenarios for broadcasting, columns. Coordinated regional extension/dissemination projects.

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1995-2001	Akyurt/Ankara	Ankara Provincial Directorate of Agriculture Mr. Cahit GARİP Previous District Director, (Retired and Contact Info Unknown)	Technician/Extension Agent	Responsible for creating database in relation to agricultural incentives and supports. Implemented agricultural demonstration programs regionally.
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OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

European Union Erasmus Scholarship-Georg August University, Göttingen, GERMANY, (2006-2007)

Grundtvig Grant, Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency of the European Union, ITALY (2010).

Award for attending International Scientific Events, The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey, THAILAND (2011).

Outgoing Public Officer Fellowship, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, USA (20132014)

Jean Monnet Scholarship, Hochschule Bremen, International Graduate Center, Bremen, GERMANY (2015-2016)

PUBLICATIONS

November 2003. Hydrogen sources which are available for agricultural utilization. Seminar notes, Ankara University, Ankara.

May 2008. Fuel cells, Fuel cell systems and technologies, possible utilization in agriculture. Seminar Notes, Ankara University, Ankara

January 2010. Biofuel policies in Turkey and European Union, a comparative analysis. European Research Center, Ankara.

July 2010. Evaluating national rural development plan within the scope of instrument of preaccession of the EU. European Research Center, Ankara.

January 2010. Rural Development Principles, Turktarim Journal, 2010-1, Ankara.

February 2011. Innovation and entrepreneurship in rural development. Turktarim Journal, 2011-2, Ankara.

March 2011. Modeling of Energy System Based on Biomass in Turkey, International Conference on Agricultural Engineering, Cholburi, Thailand.

February 2015. Implementations of Agricultural Extension and Advisory in the World. p-4451. Turktarim Journal, Vol. 221, Ankara.

February 2015. Farm Advisory System in the EU. p. 56-61. Turktarim Journal, Vol. 221, Ankara.

October 2017. GHG Emissions from Agricultural Operations. International Agricultural Training Center, Ankara

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

1) 01/2022-01/2024. Enhanced Capacity of the Youth on Biobased Economy.

Project No : 2021-1-TR01-KA220-YOU-029205

Role : Project Coordinator

2) 01/2022-01/2024. Developing Blended Training Program For Specialist Advisors in the EU Farm Advisory System.

Project No : 2021-1-TR01-KA220-VET-028083

Role : Institutional Project Coordinator

3) 10/2021-10/2024. Discovering a sustainable Mindset-Neue Dimension Der Bildung Für Nachhaltige Entwicklung mit Fokus auf Interkulturelle Werte und Ethik.

Project No : 2021-1-AT01-KA220-VET-028126

Role : Institutional Project Coordinator

4) 01/2021-01/2023. Strengthening Social Capital In Rural Communities For Rural Development.

Project No : 2020-1-TR01-KA204-094279

Role : Key Staff

5) 01/2019-01/2022. More Macrofungi Utilisation In European Food Industry Through C-Vet

Project No : 2019-1-TR01-KA202-074716

Role : Project Coordinator

6) 10/2013 – 09/2015. Piloting Job Rotation Programme for Employment Development in Agriculture Sector

Project No : 2013-1-TR1-LEO05-47600

Role : Key Staff

7) 10/2012 – 09/2014. Improving Competencies of Agricultural Advisors in Development of Agriculture and Rural.

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Project No : 2012-1-TR1-LEO005-35178

Role : Key Staff

8) 09/2012 – 08/2013. Determination of Professional Qualifications of Employees in Dairy Farming.

Project No : 2012-1-TR1-LEO004-354871

Role : Key Staff

9) 09/2011 – 08/2012. Adoption of Development Process on Agricultural Extension and Advisory Services in the EU.

Project No : 2011-1-TR1-LEO002-26917

Role : Key Staff

REFERENCES

Available upon request.

