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### other employment

#### co-founder and president • glocally connected, ca • 2015 - present

- Non-profit organization that promotes community building in order to support the refugee populations.

- Built the organization from the ground up and established educational and integration programs both in the US and Turkey for refugee populations.

- Advocate refugee rights; promote educational and economic opportunities to assist refugees in becoming productive members of their communities including entrepreneurship of women.

- Establish grants, and promote fundraising efforts to sustain the organization.

#### project coordinator • isca technologies, ca • 2016 - 2018

Agricultural Biotech Company

Coordinated the National Science Foundation, Small Business Innovation Research Grant.

Established commercialization research activities by connecting with related entities and arranging collaboration, interviewing potential customers to report customer needs. Helped social Media Marketing Strategy for the global stakeholders.

#### board member and consultant• ravdanur fund, turkey • 2017 - Present

Non profit organization helping refugees

Consulted in establishing the organization and setting up educational projects for girls

### projects and services

Riverside refugee women entrepreneurship project for Afghan refugee women for economic inclusion, 2017-2019, Glocally Connected and Center for Social Innovation, UCR.

Collaborator, Rotary International and Glocally Connected Joint Education Project in Torbali, Turkey

Established connections and resources to support refugee children’s education and integration, 2019

Team Leader, Frankfurt School of Management and EBRD, 2016-2017

Lead the team in Turkey for a Gender Baseline Assessment for refugee women in business.

Analyzed information and provided expertise in the social and economic status of local refugee populations in Southeast Turkey.

Organizer, Peace Walk, Glocally Connected. Organize community in commemorating the United Nations International Day of Peace in collaboration with various organizations in the community (2015, 2016, 2017, 2018)

Co-Organizer, Summer program for refugee kids’ integration in collaboration with SCRIPPS, CSU San Bernardino, and Inlandia Institute (2017)

Fellow and researcher in Education policies at CTC, a Washington DC-based think tank; a private, apolitical, nonprofit organization (2015-2017)

Co-organizer 5th Annual International Conference in Educational Supervision organized by TEMSEN (Turkish Educators’ and Superintendents’ Union) at Sütçü İmam University in Kahramanmaraş, Turkey (2013)

Organizer, Social Responsibility Projects, Gaziantep Municipality (2013) (1-Organized home visits to bring teenage girls back to school that were taken by their parents to work at home 2-Trauma training workshops for Syrian volunteer teachers)

### publications

Nielsen, Selin Yildiz (forthcoming) Saving Syria’s Lost Generation. In An Introduction to the study of forced migration and Refugees Edited By Ken Crane, La Sierra University Press.

Nielsen, Selin Yildiz & Coskun, Bezen Balamir (2018). Encounters in Turkey-Syria Borderland – Syrians in Turkey, Cambridge Scholars Publishing.

Nielsen, S. Y., (Fall 2016). Perceptions Between Syrians And Their Host Community. Turkish Policy Quarterly, 15(3), 99-°©‐106.

Yildiz-Nielsen, S. and Grey, M. (2013). “Schooling in a Crisis: The Case of Syrian Refugees in Turkey.” In Humanitarian Exchange, NJ Issue 59, November 2013

http://www.odihpn.org/humanitarian-exchange-magazine/issue-59/schooling-in-a-crisis-the-case-of-syrian-refugees-in-turkey

Yildiz, S., Gomez, M., Reller, G. (2013). “Minority Administrators: Myth or Reality” In Procedia-Social and Behavioral Journal.

Nielsen, S.Y. (2013). “Organizational Behavior and Crosscultural Understanding in International Education Administration” In Journal of Educational and Instructional Studies in the World. Vol. 3 Issue 3 Article 5 August 2013

Nielsen, S., Mitchell, D. (2012). “Globalization in Higher Education.” In Globalization. Ed. H.C. Montiel. In Tech, Croatia.

Yildiz, S., Mitchell, D. & Batie, M. (2011). “Five Faculty Labor Market Dilemmas Facing Community Colleges in the New Economy.” In Community College Journal of Research and Practice. Taylor & Francis.

Yildiz Nielsen, S. (2011). “The Perceptions of Globalization at a Public Research University Computer Science Graduate Department” Proquest

### recent unpublished research experience

Research on ’Burnout effects on refugee camp host country workers, quantitative analysis of the burnout syndrome among workers in a refugee camp. Data collection completed.

Qualitative research on ‘Social Media for Social Change’ Data collection completed.

Qualitative research on ‘Problems perceived by school administrators in K-12 schools in southeast Turkey’ Data collection completed.

### conference presentations

2020 ‘Refugee girls education and establishment of scholarships’ United Nations Women and Girls in Science, United Nations Headquarters, New York February 11, 2020

2019 ‘Host Country Attitudes and Integration’ Turkish-American Women’s Leadership Forum, U.S. Capitol Hill, Washington D.C. March 12, 2019

2018 ‘Connecting Students, Refugees and Engaging Communities’ Istanbul Human Security Conference, Istanbul, Turkey October 17-19

2017 ‘A Gendered Approach to the Employment of Refugees’ Panel. BRISMES Conference, Edinburgh, Scotland July 5-7

2016 ‘Teaching of Peace Building and Mediation to Young Refugees and Their Local Hosting Community’ Istanbul Human Security Conference, Turkey, October 19-21

2015 ‘Global Universities,’ Fifteenth International Conference on Knowledge, Culture, and Change in Organizations, Berkeley, CA, February 19-20

2013 ‘Hiring Minority Administrators: Myth or Reality?’ 5th World Conference on Educational Sciences, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy, February 05-08

2013 ‘Globalization and Higher Education,’ World Universities Forum, Vancouver, BC, Canada, January 10-11

### teaching experience

**Graduate Courses:**

* Global Migrations and Movements
* Introduction to Research Methods
* Globalization and International Education
* Comparative Educational Administration
* Comparative K-12 Teacher Education Systems
* Crosscultural and International Education
* Educational Change and Innovation
* Classroom Management in a Pluralistic Society
* Curriculum Design
* Development of Immigrant Youth

**Undergraduate Courses:**

* Globalization and Education
* Introduction to American Culture
* Human Relations and Communication
* Socioeconomic and Political Processes
* Foundations of Education

**Workshops and Lectures**

* Refugee Integration
* Teaching in the 21st Century
* Crosscultural Communication