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EDUCATION

- Ph.D.** **IMO-International Maritime Law Institute**, Malta, Europe, May 2020.
“**Legal Liability for Oceanic Oil Pollution in the Arctic Region (from Ships, Offshore Installations, and Pipelines)**”, supervised by Prof. Frank L. Wiswall and Prof. Lawson Brigham
(The thesis is advised for publication, and I have an agreement with Springer Publishing)
<https://imli.org/students/basaran-ilker-kadri-2/>
- M. Jur.** **IMO-International Maritime Law Institute**, Malta, Europe, April 2013.
“**Oil Pollution Act of the United States & the Case Study of the Deepwater Horizon (BP) Oil Spill**”,
Supervised by Prof. Frank L. Wiswall. <https://imli.org/students/basaran-ilker-kadri/>
- M.S.** **SUNY Maritime College (Fort Schuyler)**, NY, USA, September 2011.
International Marine Transportation Management and Logistics.
Capstone Project: “Multimodal Transportation of a Highly Sensitive Cargo from USA to Malaysia”.
- LL.M.** **Temple University School of Law**, PA, USA, May 2007.
- LL.B.** **İstanbul Bilgi University School of Law**, İstanbul, Turkey, October 2002.

EXPERIENCE

Texas A&M University Galveston (TAMUG), TX, September 2021-Present
Postdoctoral Research Associate.

Bahcesehir University, İstanbul, Turkey. January 2017- May 2021.
Lecturer. Classes are International Maritime Law and Sustainability, Maritime Economics, and Marine Insurance Law (graduate level) (teaching language is English)).

YTU Naval Architecture & Maritime Academy, İstanbul, Turkey. January 2020 – January 2021.
Lecturer (Maritime Law).

Legal Expert at Maritime Court, İstanbul, Turkey, March 2019 - August 2021

I have written close to 100 expert reports for maritime court cases about container damages, marine insurance claims, charter party disputes, and marine pollution.

University of Texas School of Law at Austin, TX, USA, May 2012 - June 2014.
Long-term visiting research scholar.

Tulane University (Maritime Law Center), New Orleans, LA, USA, February 2012 - May 2012.
Short-term visiting research scholar.

EKS International LLC. Scarsdale, New York, USA, October 2009 - December 2010.
Dry cargo and tanker ship brokering.

Market analysis, negotiations, reviewing and revisiting charterparty agreements.

PUBLICATIONS

- **Legal Liability for Transboundary Oil Pollution from Offshore Installation in the Arctic Ocean**, with Prof. Elizabeth Nyman, 15th Volume of the Yearbook of Polar Law, Brill Publishing (Completed, but not submitted yet).
- **“Arctic Law in 1000 Words”, a textbook project by UArctic Chair in Arctic Research and Education.** I have contributed to the following three sections: IMO Regulations as They Apply to the Arctic, Learning from the Svalbard Island Case, and Polar Code and the Arctic (Submitted).
- **Climate Change and Shifting Boundaries (imaginary and physical)**, an Interdisciplinary Research Paper with colleagues from the 2022 Norwegian Polar Institute Summer School, will be published at Polar Geography (Forthcoming).
- **Maritime Border Dispute between Turkey and Greece in the Eastern Mediterranean Sea**, International Law Studies, Naval War College. (Forthcoming -75% completed-)
- **Is There a Legal Ground to Ban Further Oil and Gas Drilling in the Arctic Ocean?** Marine Policy (Submitted and under review).
- **30.000 Euros Pour Voir Fondre l’Arctique, Reporterre April 2021** (helped Clément Nicolas to write the story) <https://reporterre.net/30-000-euros-pour-voir-fondre-l-Arctique>
- **Marginal Ice Zone: Profit vs. Protection, with my student Arctic Yearbook 2020**
- **A Lot more is possible with Libya** (regarding Turkish-Libya Maritime Accord), Koster Dergisi, Vol.16, January 2020 (Turkish).
- **Arctic Ocean and New Shipping Routes**, Koster Dergisi, Vol.15, November 2019 (Turkish).
- **What a Shipyard Can Tell Us About Arctic Safety?** *Arctic Yearbook, November 2019.*
- **The Northwest Passage and the U.S. - Canada Dispute on Its Legal Status**, Benedict’s Maritime Bulletin, August 2019.
- **Cruising the Marginal Ice Zone: Climate Change and Arctic Tourism**, Palma & Basaran et al., Polar Geography (an interdisciplinary research paper), 2019.
- **Is the Arctic Way Forward for the Norwegian Oil Industry?** Current Developments in Arctic Law, Vol. 6, December 2018.
- **The EU’s Role in Arctic Marine Governance**, The Journal of Ocean Technology, Polar Water Operations: Mitigating Risks, Volume 13, 2018.
- **Can the Civil Liability Convention for Oil Pollution Withstand the Pressure of a Major Oil Spill in the Arctic Ocean?** Arctic Yearbook, November 2018.
- **Reporting from on Top of the World: We Have to Talk About Indigenous Peoples in Arctic Shipping**, Benedict’s Maritime Bulletin, Vol. 16, January 2018.
- **Legal Aspect of Navigation in the Arctic Marginal Ice Zones**, (as part of an interdisciplinary research project prepared for the Norwegian Scientific Academy for Polar Research) December 2017.
- **Missing the “Obvious” in Arctic Shipping Regulations: A Maritime Lawyers’ Observation from Svalbard**, Arctic Yearbook, October 2017.
- **The Future Arctic Navigation: Cooperation Between the Arctic Council and International Maritime Organization (IMO)**, Journal of Maritime Law and Commerce, Vol 48, January 2017.

- **Arctic Council's Impact on Arctic Shipping**, Arctic Yearbook 2016.
- **The Evolution of International Maritime Organization's Role in Shipping**, Journal of Maritime Law and Commerce, Vol 47, January 2016.
- **IMO Polar Code: History, Content, and Shortcomings**, The Arctic Summer College, website <http://arcticsummercollege.org>, August 2015.
- **The IMO Polar Code: A Historical Achievement for the Future of Arctic Shipping**, Benedict's Maritime Bulletin, Vol. 13, 2015. (With Prof. Lawson Brigham).
- **The Lomonosov Ridge and the Overlapping Outer Continental Shelf Claim to the North Pole**, Journal of Maritime Law and Commerce, Vol.46, January 2015.
- **The Northern Sea Route and Misleading Concept of "Ice-Free Arctic"**, Benedict's Maritime Bulletin, Vol.12, 2014.
- **A New Chapter in Defining Clean Water Act Jurisdiction in the U.S**, Benedict's Maritime Bulletin, Vol.12, Second Quarter, 2014.

LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS

- Ship Broker Certificate (Association of Ship Brokers and Agents USA (ASBA)) 2009.
- Licensed attorney in Istanbul, Turkey, and Qualified for the New York and Texas State Bars.

CONFERENCES, PRESENTATIONS, AND WORKSHOPS

Note: I have joined a long list of online conferences during the pandemic, but I am only including the ones in which I have participated in person.

- **Comité Maritime International Conference, Antwerp, Belgium** (at different venues in Antwerp), October 18-21, 2022. Participated in the Polar Shipping and Offshore Activities Working Group (WG) Sessions and made a presentation at the Offshore Activities WG session to support the pure ecologic damage clause in the draft oil and gas convention (with my help, the WG members decided to include this clause into the draft convention).
- **Polar Law Symposium, Reykjavik, Iceland** (at the University of Iceland Campus), October 12-14, 2022. Presentation on "the Lack of Legal Liability Framework for Transboundary Oil Pollution from Offshore Installations in the Arctic Ocean".
- **SPRINT FAPESP Project Workshop, Houston, Texas, USA** (at TAMUG), September 22-25, 2022. This is a joint project between TAMUG and the University of São Paulo that compares and investigates the environmental governance systems of the US and Brazilian governments in the case of offshore oil pollution in the Gulf of Mexico and the Santos Basin. (I helped organize this workshop).
- **The Norwegian Scientific Academy for Polar Research, Svalbard, Norway** (Summer School Workshop at the University Centre Svalbard (UNIS)), June 17-27, 2022. Presentation on the "Recent Developments in Arctic Shipping and the work undertaken by Comité Maritime International". The theme of the summer school was "Global Arctic".
- **Texas A&M Energy Conference, Houston, Texas, USA** (at the Texas A&M College Station Campus), December 3, 2021. Presentation on the "Climate Change, Net Zero Targets of Energy Companies, and Oil and Gas Bans in the Arctic Region".

- **Underwater Cultural Heritage and Marine Science Workshop**, Maritime Law Application and Research Center (DEHUKAM), October 4-5, 2018. (Grant for Attendance), Bodrum, Turkey.
- **SciBAR Installations (Arctic Energy Installations) Workshop**, Nottingham, UK (at the Nottingham Trent University Campus), March 3-7, 2018. Grant for attendance and publication in the Arctic Yearbook.
- **Human Rights and the Law of the Sea Workshop, Msida, Malta** (at the IMO-IMLI Campus), February 13- 4, 2018. This was a joint workshop organized by IMO-IMLI and the Naval War College.
- **Ocean Governance for Sustainability: Seabed Management Training Workshop**, Liverpool, UK (at the University of Liverpool Campus), December 6-8, 2017. (Grant for Attendance).
- **The Norwegian Scientific Academy for Polar Research, Summer School Fellowship, Svalbard, Norway** (at the University Centre Svalbard (UNIS)), July 28 to August 7, 2017. Grant for attendance and presentation on “Polar Code and Arctic Shipping”.
- **Hertz Foundation Fellowship on a Conference on Advances in Integrated Ocean Research Towards Sustainable Development, Kiel, Germany** (at the University of Kiel Campus), July 2-7, 2017. Grant for attendance and presentation on “Arctic Marine Transportation”.
- **Law and Governance: Emerging Issues of the Polar Regions, Shanghai, China** (at the Shanghai Jiao Tong University Campus), June 20-21, 2017. Grant for attendance and presentation on “Arctic Shipping Regulations and the International Maritime Organization (IMO)”.
- **Admiralty and Maritime Law Conferences, Houston, Texas, USA**, September 2013, 2014, and 2021. Grants for attendance were provided by the University of Texas Law School.

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

- **The Seal of Excellence Award** for the EU Marie Curie Individual Fellowship Application in 2019. (Applied with Prof. Elizabeth Kirk from the University of Lincoln, the UK) (This is a recognition award given to excellent proposals).
- **Connecticut Maritime Association Education Foundation Scholarship** for 2010. <https://cma-edu.org>

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS and ACTIVITIES

- **Member of Comité Maritime International (CMI)**, a consultative and treaty drafting body for International Maritime Law. (Active in Polar Shipping and Offshore Activities International WGs). <https://comitemaritime.org>
- **Editorial Board Member** of the Journal of Environmental Policy and Law. <https://environmentalpolicyandlaw.com/editorial-board>
- **Staff Editor** for the Journal of Maritime Law and Commerce, Ocean Yearbook, and Marine Policy.
- Member of the Connecticut Maritime Association (CMA) <http://www.cmaconnect.com>
- Member of the Young Shipping Professionals of New York (YSPNY) <http://yspny.com>