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Profile

Confident professional with over twenty-four years work experience in Turkish Navy and specialized Naval Mine Warfare (17 years). He has executed one mine sweeper and one mine hunter ship. He has ability to manage personnel and basic financial issues. He also executed Harbour and Sea acceptance tests of TCG Amasra as executive officer. He was action officer of Nusret Invitex-2009 (NATO Exercise took place in Çanakkale/Turkey). He was responsible for planning (Including and organizing first, second and final planning conference) executing and analyzing of all exercise. Also he presented opening, press and hot wash up briefs. He is currently looking for opportunities to broaden his skillset. Since completing proficiency in Naval Mine Warfare, he has worked as standardization manager in Turkish General Staff (TGS)(2014-2019 December). And provided administrative support in Standardization for all Turkish Armed Forces. He has managed and coordinated all standardization committees (CNAD, C3B, AVC, MC, LC and the others). Also he has provided policy and strategy about NATO issues for TGS. *He has served as Chief of European Security and Disarmament and International Security Branch for last one year.* He has attended the OSCE (Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe) FSC (Forum for Security Co-operation) meeting on 29th January 2020 as a **keynote speaker**. He can speak fluent English.

Work Experience

12/2019 – Present: TGS, Ankara Chief of European Security and Disarmament and International Security Branch (Plan and Policy Section in TGS).

- Administrative support proofreading/screening, formatting and distributing outgoing correspondence in European Security and Disarmament and International Security Branch and section level;
- Coordinating all disarmament issues in between all military stake holders,
- Coordinating all European Security issues in between military and civilian stake holders,
- Coordinating all International Security issues in between military and civilian stake holders,
- Preparing Turkish General Staff Policy about disarmament, European Security and International Security,
- Coordinating and preparing TGS policy documents about European Union (EU) issues.

04/2015 – 2019 TGS, Ankara Standardization Manager and Standardization Lecturer (NATO Strategy Branch, Plan and Policy Section in TGS).

- Administrative support proofreading/screening, formatting and distributing outgoing correspondence about standardization at branch and section level;
- Responsible for attending Standardization Management Group meetings and activities since 2014,
- Active writing team member of AAP-3(J to K Edition),
- Active writing team member of AAP-47,
- Prepared Standardization Policy, Strategy with SMG team,
- Active member of education panel in SMG,
- Responsible for attending Standardization Committee (CS) meetings and activities since 2014.
- CS-Representative (2018 and 2019)
- Ensuring the swift follow-up of pending actions within the branch;
- Preparing meeting agendas, notes, briefings and materials for various meetings and working groups, and distributing these to participants;
- Providing travel arrangements for work missions for branch including travel and hotel bookings and security clearance requests;

- Planning and executing education and training for Military SME's about NATO Standardization;
- Providing national ratification and implementation report for all committees;
- Providing point of contact and using e-ratification tool for committees;
- Providing accurate and up to date NATO Standardization Document Database for Turkey;
- Attending Allied Joint Doctrine Meetings (AJOD), preparing doctrine issues in coordination with our doctrine center.
- Preparing AAP-47 education and training.
- Providing CNAD Turkish Armed Forces Point of contact and general manager of this committee.
- Coordinating particularly NNAG activities, projects and naval capabilities including , sensors and weapon systems.
- Coordinating multinational naval projects.
- Providing NATO Orientation Program for the people assigned in NATO.
- Providing support for all high level meetings;
- Providing all informative briefs to commanders about standardization and policy issues.
- Coordinating defence planning section between policy, strategy section activities.
- Providing talking notes for MC CS-MCC for CHODs meeting.
- Providing support in CMX Exercises;
- Providing support for NATO Strategy Branch in all other issues about NATO.

07/2014– 04/2015: ISAF(07/14-01/15), RS Mission (01/15-04/15), Kabul, Afghanistan

- Train, advise and assist Afghan National Security Forces (ANSF) on frequency spectrum management;
- Assist senior leaders with development and implementation of spectrum strategy, policy, process and procedure within and between Ministry of Defense, Ministry of Interior and National Directorate of Security;
- Attend Afghan meetings of Afghan Ministerial Spectrum Management Office (MSMO) and Frequency Management Board (FMB);
- Coordinate with Afghan Telecom Regulatory Agency (ATRA) as required.
- Coordinate sports events within advisory team.

07/2014 – 06/2012: Commander of Mine Warfare Data Center (MWDC), Mine Warfare Command, Erdek / Balıkesir /Turkey

- Providing accurate underwater data for Mine Warfare Assets in all seas especially The Egean Sea, The Black Sea and The Mediterranean Sea;
- Gathering data, analysing, giving the meaning to gathered data and managing the entire process, drawing a conclusion for Mine Warfare Operations;
- Planning Mine Warfare surveys and routes clearance;
- Planning and executing education and training in Mine Warfare Operations;
- Providing administrative support for all high level commands;
- Responsible for planning and executing budget and personnel issues.

06/2012 – 07/2010 ; Commanding Officer (CO) of TCG Amasra (A Class Minehunter Ship), Erdek / Balıkesir

- Executing National, Multinational and NATO Mine Warfare Exercises;
- Executing SNMCMG operations, tasks.
- Responsible for educating and training crew, planning and executing budget, personnel issues.

07/2010 – 07/2009 Route Survey Planning Officer of Mine Warfare Data Center (MWDC), Mine Warfare Command, Erdek / Balıkesir /Turkey

- Providing accurate underwater data for Mine Warfare Assets.

07/2009 – 07/2006 Executive Office of Minehunters

- Executing National, Multinational and NATO Mine Warfare Exercises;
- Executing SNMCMG operations, tasks.
- Executing TCG Amasra HAT and SAT Test and procedures as Executive Officer.

07/2006 – 07/2005 ; Commandig Officer (CO) of TCG Sapanca (S Class Minesweeper Ship), Erdek / Balikesir

- Executing National, Multinational and NATO Mine Warfare Exercises;
- Responsible for educating and training crew, planning and executing budget, personnel issues.

07/2005 – 09/1996 ; Branch Officers in Minesweepers and Minehunters

- Executing National, Multinational and NATO Mine Warfare Exercises;

Education

25th-29th August 2019

NATO Senior Official Strategic Communications Familiarisation Course (N5-125)

17th-21st June 2017

PFP Education Center-NATO Orientation Course-Instructor.

9th -13th May 2016,

Standardization Within NATO Course Military University of Technology Faculty of Logistics Warsaw, POLAND.

16th -17th November 2015,

NSO Orientation Course NATO HQ, Brussels, Belgium.

19 February - 23 February 2015,

Spectrum Management tools for NATO Operations Course, Kabul, Afghanistan.

09th September – 04th October 2013,

Teaching Technics Course, Yalova

02nd-06th August 2010

Basic Minefield Planning Course, Norwegian Naval Training Establishment, Norway.

29 June - 03 July 2009

HIPS and SIPS Training Course Certificate, Erdek, MWDC.

06 to 10 July 2009

Digital Chart Production using CARIS- GIS 4.4a Certificate, Erdek, MWDC.

September 2008-September 2009

Beykent University Master Degree in International Relations

23rd-24th March 2006

Underwater Acoustic and Modeling Course, Pendik, İstanbul.

16-18 October 2002

Course of Armed Conflict Law , Gölcük, Naval Training Center

1992-1996

Naval Academy-Electronics-Communications Engineering

Skills

Languages:

Turkish (Native), English and beginner level French.

Intermediate user: MS Word, MS Excel, MS PowerPoint, MS Outlook,

Interests

I play tennis, enjoy traveling, swimming, fishing and keeping fit, and train at the gym daily.

I have always enjoyed reading about politics, international relations documents, sea and navy.

I use the spare time to gain new skills like model ship. I enjoy cooking. I feel comfortable working at international organizations and can be more productive and creative (Ex. Afghanistan).

I like organizing friends for social and sportive activities.