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## HALIS MURAT YILDIZ

### Curriculum Vitae

#### PERSONAL INFORMATION

Birth Year: 1975

Marital Status: married with two children

Current Position Associate Professor of Economics  
Ryerson University  
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#### DEGREES

Ph.D. Economics, Southern Methodist University, May 2003

M.A. Economics, Southern Methodist University, May 2000

B.A. Economics (with Honors), Middle East Technical University, 1998

#### EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

July 2015- present: Graduate Program Director, Department of Economics, Ryerson University, Toronto, Canada

July 2009- July 2010: Visiting Associate Professor, Middle East Technical University, Turkey

July 2008- July 2009: Graduate Program Director Department of Economics, Ryerson University, Toronto, Canada

July 2007 to present: Associate Professor of Economics (tenured), Department of Economics, Ryerson University, Toronto, Canada

July 2006 to July 2007: Assistant Professor of Economics (tenured), Department of Economics, Ryerson University, Toronto, Canada

July 2003 to July 2006: Assistant Professor of Economics (tenure track), Department of Economics, Ryerson University, Toronto, Canada

August 2000 to June 2003: Lecturer, Department of Economics, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX USA.

August 1998 to May 2002: Teaching and Research Assistant, Department of Economics, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX USA.

## **ACADEMIC HONOURS, AWARDS, AND GRANTS**

- Faculty of Arts Travel Grant, 2016. Amount: \$1,200
- Faculty of Arts Travel Grant, 2015. Amount: \$1,200
- Deans' Teaching Award, 2014-15
- Journal of International Trade and Economic Development awarded the Best Paper Prize, 2013.
- Faculty of Arts Travel Grant, 2012. Amount: \$1,000
- Ryerson Interdisciplinary Research Grant, 2007-2008, Amount: \$ 15,000
- SSHRC Standard Research Grant, 2005-2008. Amount: \$20,330.
- Nominated for the Charles Polanyi Prize by the Dean of Graduate Studies (first time in Ryerson History).
- Faculty of Arts Research Grant, Ryerson University, 2004-2006. Amount: \$ 7,500.
- Internal SSHRC/SIG Research Grant, Ryerson University, 2005-2007. Amount: \$ 6,500.
- New Faculty SRC Development Grant, Ryerson University, 2004-2006. Amount: \$5,000.
- Faculty of Arts SRC Fund Travel Grant, 2005. Amount: \$ 1,000.
- Faculty of Arts Fall/Winter Research Assistant, 2004-2005. Amount: \$2,000.
- Dedman College Dissertation Fellowship, Southern Methodist University, 2002-2003.
- Full Tuition Scholarship, Southern Methodist University, 1998-2002.

## **SCHOLARLY AND PROFESSIONAL ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES**

### **Publications in Refereed Journals**

1. "On the different geographic characteristics of Free Trade Agreements and Customs Unions" (with James Lake), forthcoming *Journal of International Economics*
2. "Do South-South Preferential Trade Agreements Undermine the Prospects for Multilateral Free Trade?" (with Paul Missios), forthcoming *Canadian Journal of Economics*
3. "External Trade Diversion, Exclusion Incentives and the Nature of Preferential Trade Agreements" (with Paul Missios and Kamal Saggi), *Journal of International Economics* 99, 105-119, 2016.
4. "Preferential versus Multilateral Trade Liberalization and the Role of Political Economy" (with Andrey Stoyanov), *European Economic Review* Volume 80 140-164, 2015.
5. "Foreign Direct Investment and the Choice of Environmental Policy" (with Ida Ferrara and Paul Missios), *Southern Economic Journal*, 82(1), 257-284, 2015.
6. "Inter-regional Competition, Comparative Advantage and Environmental Federalism" (with Ida Ferrara and Paul Missios), *Canadian Journal of Economics*, 47(3), 905-952, 2014.
7. "Some welfare implications of hub and spoke free trade agreements", *Journal of International Trade and Economic Development*, 23(1), 97-110, 2014.
8. "Foreign Direct Investment and Customs Union: Incentives for Multilateral Tariff Cooperation over Free Trade, *Journal of International Trade and Economic Development*, 22(2), 298-316, 2013 (awarded the Best Paper Prize, 2013).

9. "On the Relationship between Preferential and Multilateral Trade Liberalization: The Case of Customs Unions," (with Kamal Saggi and Alan Woodland), *American Economic Journal: Microeconomics*, 5(1), 63-99, 2013.
10. "On the Relationship between Tariff Levels and the Nature of Mergers" (with Aysegul Ulus), under revision for the *B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy*, Volume 12, Issue 1, December 2012.
11. "Free Trade, Autarky and the Sustainability of an International Environmental Agreement," (with Hassan Bencheekroun) *B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy*, 11/1 Article 9, 1-30, 2011.
12. "Bilateral Trade Agreements and the Feasibility of Multilateral Free Trade," (with Kamal Saggi), *Review of International Economics*, 19/2, 356-373, 2011.
13. "Bilateralism, pure multilateralism, and the quest for global free trade," (with Kamal Saggi), *Journal of International Economics*, 81 (1), pages 26-37, 2010.
14. "The Implications of a South-South Customs Union on Tariffs, Welfare and the Prospect of Global Free Trade," (with Hiranya Nath), *Journal of Business Strategies*, 27(1), 75-91, 2010.
15. "Trading Rules and the Environment: Does Equal Treatment Lead to a Cleaner World?" (with Ida Ferrara and Paul Missios), *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*, 58, 206–225, 2009.
16. "International Productivity Differences and Roles of Domestic Investment, FDI, and Trade" (with Gouranga Das and Hiranya Nath), *International Economic Journal*, vol. 23(1), pages 121-142, 2009.
17. "Optimal Tariffs of Preferential Trade Agreements and the Tariff Complementarity Effect" (with Kamal Saggi), *Indian Growth and Development Review*, vol. 2(1), pages 5-17, 2009.
18. "Sustaining Cooperation Among Asymmetric Countries: Does MFN Help?" (with Kamal Saggi and Faruk Sengul), *International Review of Economics and Finance*, 16(4), 543-562, 2007.
19. "The Role of MFN under Asymmetries in Environmental Standards" (with Paul Missios), *Economics Letters*, 93(2), 297-304, November 2006.
20. "On the International Linkages between Trade and Merger Policies," (with Kamal Saggi), *Review of International Economics*, 14 (2), 212-225, May 2006.
21. "Trade Liberalization, Nature of Mergers and Employment" (with Joao Ricardo Faria), *Journal of International Trade and Economic Development*, 14 (1), 43-63, March 2005.
22. "An analysis of the MFN clause under asymmetries of cost and market structure." (with Kamal Saggi), *Canadian Journal of Economics*, 38 (1), 242-254, February 2005.

## Working Papers

“Do free trade agreements affect tariffs of non-member countries? A theoretical and empirical investigation” with Andrey Stoyanov and Kamal Saggi, under revision for *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*

“Consumption Externalities, Product Quality and the Role of National Treatment” (with Ida Ferrara and Paul Missios), submitted.

“The Political Economy of Vertical Environmental Tax Policy Externalities” (with Per G. Fredriksson), submitted.

Pursuit of Preferential Trade Agreements and the Prospects of Global Free Trade: the Role of Key WTO Rules (with Kamal Saggi and Woan Foong Wong), in progress.

“Lobbying for Trade Policy and Trade Agreements and the Role of Bilateralism” (with Andrey Stoyanov).

“Trade Liberalization and Sustainability of an International Environmental Agreement,” (with Hassan Benchechroun)

“Does Multilateral Tariff Reduction hurt Multilateral Cooperation over Free Trade?” (with Moise Nken), in progress.

“Pursuit of Preferential Trade Agreements and the Prospects of Global Free Trade when Tariff Bindings bind?” (with Moise Nken), in progress.

## INVITED SEMINARS AND LECTURES AT CONFERENCES

- *External Trade Diversion, Exclusion Incentives and the Nature of Preferential Trade Agreements*
  1. 90<sup>th</sup> Annual Western Economic Association Conference, Hawaii, June 2015
- *Regionalism and the choice between Free Trade Agreements and Custom Unions*
  2. Midwest International Economics and Economic Theory Conference, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, October 2013
  3. Southern Economic Association Meetings, Tampa, Florida, November 2013.
- “Preferential versus Multilateral Trade Liberalization and the Role of Political Economy”
  4. Canadian Economic Association, Toronto, May 2015.
- *Free Trade Agreements versus Customs Unions: Implications for Global Free Trade*
  5. Econ Anadolu, Anadolu International Conference in Economics, Eskisehir Turkey, June 2013.
  6. Midwest International Economics and Economic Theory Conference, Washington University in St. Louis, October 2012
  7. Canadian Economics Association, University of Calgary, Canada, June 2012

8. Department of Economics, Gaziantep University (invited).
- *“Foreign Direct Investment and the Choice of Environmental Policy”*
9. Department of Economics, UQAM, Montreal, Canada, February 2012.
- *“On the Relationship between Preferential and Multilateral Trade Liberalization: The Case of Customs Unions,”*
10. Department of Economics, York University, Toronto, Canada, April 2011.
- *“Bilateralism, pure multilateralism, and the quest for global free trade,”*
11. Departmental Seminar at Middle East Technical University, December 21, 2009
12. Departmental Seminar at TOBB ETU, Ankara, November 19, 2009
13. Galatasaray University and Istanbul Technical University, Istanbul, October 16, 2009
14. Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas and Southern Methodist University Joint Conference on “Globalization, Political Economy and Trade Policy”, April 24-25, 2009
15. Conference on International Economics and Economics Research - 7th Annual Economics Research Symposium, University of Saskatchewan, October 2008
16. Southern Economic Association Meetings, Charleston, South Carolina, November 2006.
17. University of Guelph, Guelph, Canada, November 27, 2006
- *“Implications of South-South Customs Union with FDI Incentives,”*
18. Canadian Economics Association, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Canada, June 2007
- *“Welfare effects of preferential trade agreements under optimal external tariffs,”*
19. Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, December 2005
- *“Bilateral Trade Agreements and Feasibility of Multilateral Free Trade,”*
20. Royal Economic Society Conference, University of Warwick, Coventry, UK, April 2007
21. Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, November 2006
22. University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, February 2006
23. European Trade Study Group Conference, University College Dublin, September 2005
24. University of Bologna, Bologna, Italy, May 2005
25. Bilkent University, Ankara, Turkey, June 2005
26. Sabanci University, Istanbul, Turkey, May 2005
27. Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey, May 2005
- *“Article XXIV of the GATT: Good, Bad, or Both?”*
28. York University, Toronto, Canada, January 2005
29. Midwest International Economics and Economic Theory Conference, Washington University in St. Louis, November 2004
30. Canadian Economics Association, Ryerson University, June 2004
- *“Trade Liberalization, Nature of Mergers and Employment,”*
31. School of Social Science, University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, June 2003
- *“National versus International Mergers and Trade Liberalization,”*
32. Ryerson University, Toronto, March 2003
33. National University of Singapore, Singapore, March 2003

34. Coalition Formation Theory Meeting, Aix en Provence, France, January 2003
35. Southern Economic Association Meetings, New Orleans, November 2002
36. Southern Methodist University, Dallas, October 2002
  - *“An analysis of the MFN clause under asymmetries of cost and market structure,”*
37. Interdisciplinary Research Symposium, SMU, Dallas, February 2002
  - *“On the International Linkages between Trade and Merger Policies,”*
38. Sabanci University, Istanbul, Turkey, May 2002
39. Bilkent University, Ankara, Turkey, May 2002
40. Koc University, Istanbul, Turkey, May 2002
41. Midwest International Economics and Economic Theory Meeting, Northwestern University, Chicago, Illinois, May 2002
42. Southern Economic Association Meetings, Tampa, Florida, November 2001

### **Discussant and Session Chair**

- Canadian Economics Association, University of Calgary, Canada, June 2012
  - Discussant for the following paper:  
“Should Smaller Countries Be More Protectionist? The Diversification Motive for Tariffs”, presented by J. Gaisford.
- Annual Meeting of Canadian Resource and Environmental Economics Study Group, October, 2008
  - Chaired the session “Political Economy”.
- International Conference on Business Management & Economics, Yasar University, Cesme, Izmir, June 2005
  - Chaired the session “Foreign Direct Investment”.
- Canadian Economics Association, Ryerson University, June 2004
  - Discussant for the following papers:  
“A Positive Explanation of European Union Enlargement,” presented by Daniel Brou.  
“The Effects of Non-Marginal Changes in the Tariff Level on Horizontal Mergers,” presented by Amrita Ray Chaudhuri.
- Midwest International Economics Meeting, Northwestern University, May 2002
  - Discussant for “Trade Liberalization and Compensation” presented by Carl Davidson .

### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

**Associate Editor**, Journal of Business Strategies, 2009 - Present

**Tenure and Promotion Committee** (2007-), Ryerson University, Toronto, Canada

**External Reviewer** (2008), Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Standard Grant, Canada

**Professional Member:** American Economics Association (AEA), Canadian Economics Association (CEA), Canadian Resource and Environmental Economics Study Group (CREE), European Trade Study Group (ETSG), Southern Economic Association (SEA)

**Journal Refereeing:** Bulletin of Economic Research, Canadian Journal of Economics (multiple times), Economic Inquiry, Economic Theory, Energy Economics, Environmental and Resource Economics, European Economic Review (multiple times), Indian Growth and Development Review, International Economic Journal, International Economic Policy, International Economic Review (multiple times), International Game Theory Review, International Journal of Business and Economics, Japan and the World Economy, Journal of Economic Integration, Journal of Economics and Management Strategy, Journal of Industry, Competition and Trade, Journal of International Trade and Economic Development, Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics, Journal of International Economics (multiple times), Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Public Economic Theory, METU Studies Development (multiple times), Open Economies Review, Review of International Economics (multiple times), Research in Economics (twice), Scottish Journal of Political Economy, Southern Economic Journal (multiple times).

**Other Refereeing Activities:**

- Outside assessor of a tenure and promotion application from York University.
- Reviewed Standard SSHRC Grant applications internally at Ryerson University.