

# Levent Durdalı

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## Work Experience

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### **NATO HQ – Joint Intelligence and Security Division**

Brussels, Belgium

#### Cyber Security Trainee

March 2023 – August 2023

- Supported activities for creating a Security Capability Maturity Model for various domains of Security.
- Contributed to NATO's position on emerging and disruptive technologies, such as Artificial Intelligence.
- Assisted in activities to grant accreditation to various systems, ensuring compliance with NATO Security policies.
- Supported knowledge management framework for Security, Policy and Oversight Branch of the NATO Office of Security.

### **Turkcell Communications**

Istanbul, Turkey (Remote)

#### Information Security Specialist

September 2021 – January 2023

- Assisted in managing Information Security processes and coordinated Governance, Risk, and Compliance for Cyber Security.
- Established a comprehensive databank of Social Engineering (Phishing, Smishing, and Vishing) topics, significantly reducing the time required for company-wide simulations. Additionally, I planned and executed the first SMS-based phishing simulation.
- Developed Information Security Awareness plans, training modules, and communication roadmaps. Conducted studies aimed at enhancing the overall security competence of employees.
- Helped determine Cyber and Information Security strategy in compliance with overall company strategies.

### **Yapı ve Kredi Bankası Inc.**

Istanbul, Turkey (Remote)

#### Junior System Engineer / Part-Time

May 2021 – July 2021

- Created, maintained, and optimized multiple IBM Security SOAR (Resilient) Apps, Rules, and Playbooks, while also developing entirely new apps. These were utilized by our L2-L3 analysts, significantly reducing their workload.
- Developed a Resilient and MISP automation project, leading to a substantial reduction in triage and analysis time.
- Initiated a Metric Project involving Qradar and Resilient, which was used to showcase our achievements to upper management.
- Established a Splunk and IBM Qradar Integration for dashboards, enhancing the reporting functionality utilized by our SOC team.

### **STM Defense Technologies Inc.**

Ankara, Turkey

#### Cyber Security Intern

February 2020 – June 2020

- Participated in Attack Surface Analysis & Reports for multiple companies, using a variety of tools and tactics.
- Created custom OSINT/Web Analysis scripts with Python, reducing the time to write Attack Surface Analysis & Reports.
- Created a Honeypot Configuration and Management proof of concept for the directorate, for upcoming projects.
- Full Stack development with Django Framework for a Cyber Threat Intelligence Application. (CyThreat)
- Created and maintained changelogs and documents for different types of projects.

### **Turksat Satellite Inc.**

Ankara, Turkey

#### IT Security Intern

June 2019 – Aug 2019

- Created and implemented a Switch and Router Hardening Document for Cisco devices.
- Developed Excel VBA and Python automation tools for internal reporting and documentation, significantly reducing weekly manual work.
- Analyzed and documented various web tracker behaviors that affected certain servers and applications, along with mitigation strategies.

## Education

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<b>Anadolu University</b> Faculty of Economics – International Relations	Ankara, Turkey 2023 – Current
<b>Bilkent University</b> Faculty of Applied Sciences – Computer Technology and Information Systems CGPA 2.96	Ankara, Turkey 2017 – 2021
<b>Ankara Chamber of Industry Vocational and Technical High School</b> Mechanical Technologies	Ankara, Turkey 2014 – 2017

## Skills and Projects

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- Java/Swing (Educational Level)
  - C (Educational L.)
  - Python (Work Ex.)
  - IBM Security SOAR (Work Ex.)
  - Splunk (Work Experience)
  - SQL (Educational L.)
  - Cisco CLI (Work Ex.)
  - R (Educational L.)
  - Django (Work Ex.)
  - OSINT (Geolocation and Chronolocation as a Hobby)
- Developed Elixir, an automated smart irrigation and agriculture system – an IoT project employing Influx and MongoDB databases, with Node.js and React for the website. [GitHub](#)
  - Built small-scale networks using Cisco Packet Tracer, applying VLSM and CLI commands.
  - Configured and maintained honeypots, both standalone and using MHN/CHN.
  - Created graphical simulations using OpenGL (Glut) with C language on MS Visual Studio. [GitHub](#)
  - Implemented a social network site where users can share text messages and images as posts, add/remove friends, and view friends' posts. [GitHub](#)
  - Developed PhishBank, a phishing example for Turkcell's Phishing Awareness Tests. [GitHub](#)
  - Security Awareness Gitbook: Created to promote Cybersecurity awareness through informative articles on various topics, created as a hobby project. [Gitbook](#)

## Certifications & Awards

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INTERNATIONAL Erasmus+ Youth Exchange Program Completion	Netherlands - 2016
DOMESTIC (Turkey) IELTS Academic - <b>Band: 7.5</b>	Turkey - 2022
Turkcell Cyber Camp 2021	Turkey - 2021
University 4 <sup>th</sup> Year Honour Degree	Turkey - 2021
University 3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Honour Degree	Turkey - 2020
9, 10, 11th Place, Saf-Run Robot Competition	Turkey - 2016

## Volunteer Work

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<b>Naver Webtoon Corporation</b> Freelance Translator <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• English to Turkish Translation for various web comics.</li></ul>	Turkey Feb 2016 – Jul 2018
<b>ASO Technical College Alumni Association</b> Founder/Member of the Board/IT Consultant <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Overseeing of member database and other IT related work.</li></ul>	Turkey Jul 2018 – Nov 2019