# Curriculum Vitae for Melike Şah Direkoğlu

Qualifications: PhD, MSc, BSc

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# I am a successful scientist with international research and teaching experiences, as well as a proud mother of a daughter.

Qualifications	
Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) October 2005 - June 2009	PhD in Semantic Web and Adaptive Hypermedia Systems from University of Southampton, UK.
Master of Science (MSc) September 2003 - June 2005	MSc in Computer Engineering from Eastern Mediterranean University, TRNC, with thesis on Forecasting Models using Fuzzy Time Series. High Honour with grade 3.90/4.00.
Bachelor of Science (BSc) September 1999 - June 2003	<b>BSc</b> in <b>Computer Engineering</b> from <b>Eastern Mediterranean University</b> , TRNC. <b>High Honour</b> with grade <b>3.60/4.00</b> .
Employment	
Faculty October 2014 – to date  Research Fellow October 2012 - August 2014	Full-time Faculty (Assist. Prof. Dr.) at Computer Engineering Department, Near East University, TRNC.  Lecturing Theory of Computation (COM 555 – master course), Semantic Web Technologies (COM 556 – master course), Object Oriented Programming II (Java), Sayisal Mantik Sistemleri (BLG211, logic design in Turkish), Programlama Dilleri Kavrami (BLG339 – Programming Language Concepts in Turkish) and Nesneye Yonelik Programlama (BLG210 – Object Oriented Programming in Turkish).  Research Fellow at Trinity College Dublin, Ireland.  Research Group: Centre for Global Intelligent Content, which is a project that involves multiple universities and industry partners.  Research Field: Developing personalized search interfaces for the linked open data, and collaborating with other post-docs and PhD students in the field of multilingual personalized search.
IRCSET EMPOWER Research Fellow November 2010 – October 2012	IRCSET EMPOWER Research Fellow at Trinity College Dublin, Ireland.  Research Group: Knowledge and Data Engineering Group (KDEG), School of Computer Science and Statistics.  Project Field: Received an early career post-doctoral research funding award to carry out research on personalized search and discovery on the linked open data.
<b>Postdoctoral Researcher</b> December 2009 - November	Postdoctoral Researcher at Trinity College Dublin, Ireland. Research Group: Centre for Next Generation Localisation, which is a project that

involves multiple universities and industry partners.

Demonstrator

Fall 2008

2010

Demonstrator of Contemporary Programming Methods course at University of

**Project Field:** Automatic data mining and automatic knowledge generation from multilingual enterprise content. In particular, I collaborated with Symantec and

Southampton, United Kingdom.

Microsoft.

**Teaching Assistant** 

September 2003 – June 2005

**Teaching Assistant** of 11 courses at Computer Engineering Department, **Eastern Mediterranean University**, TRNC.

#### **Publications**

#### **JOURNALS**

Note: 5 publications in journals, 4 as lead author. *Journal of Web Semantics* and *Journal on Semantic Web and Information Systems* are **top ranking journals** in Semantic Web (according to Microsoft Academic Research: http://academic.research.microsoft.com/). In addition, I have 1 journal papers under review.

- Melike Şah and Wendy Hall. Dynamic Linking and Personalization on the Web using Linked Open Data. International Journal on Semantic Web and Information Systems, Volume 9, Issue 2, pp. 31-61, 2013. 2012 impact factor: 2.308.
- 2. **Melike Şah** and Wendy Hall. *A Personalized Semantic Portal for Enhanced User Support*. **New Review of Hypermedia and Multimedia**, Volume 19, Issue 1, pp. 25-60, **2013**. **2012 impact factor: 0.259**.
- 3. Melike Şah and Vincent Wade. Automatic Metadata Mining from Multilingual Enterprise Content. Journal of Web Semantics: Science, Services and Agents on the World Wide Web, Vol. 11, pp. 41-62, 2012. 5 year impact factor: 3.049.
- 4. **Melike Şah** and Konstantin Y. Degtiarev. *Forecasting Enrollment Model Based on First-Order Fuzzy Time Series*. **In World Academy of Science, Engineering and Technology**, Volume 1, pp. 375-378, 2005.
- 5. Jinwu Li, Vincent Wade and **Melike Şah**. *Developing Knowledge Models of Social Media: A Case Study on LinkedIn*. **Open Journal of Semantic Web**, 1(2), pp.1-24, **2014**.

#### **UNDER REVISION JOURNALS**

- 6. Melike Şah and Vincent Wade. Personalized Concept-based Search on the Linked Open Data. Accepted with Minor Revisions to the Journal of Web Semantics: Science, Services and Agents on the World Wide Web.
- 7. Arsalan Rahman Mirza and **Melike Şah**. Automated Software System for Checking the Structure and Format of ACM SIG Documents. **Submitted to the New Review of Hypermedia and Multimedia.**

## **CONFERENCES**

**Note:** 14 publications in peer-reviewed conferences, 14 as lead author. **ESWC** is one of the top conferences in Semantic Web. **WWW**, **HT** and **CIKM** are the top conferences in Web. **AH** and **UMAP** are the top conference in personalization.

- 1. **Melike Şah** and Vincent Wade. *Evaluation of Personalized Concept-Based Search and Ranked Lists over Linked Open Data*. **Conference on User Modelling, Adaptation and Personalization (UMAP)**, 2014.
- 2. **Melike Şah** and Vincent Wade. *Personalized Concept-based Search and Exploration on the Web of Data using Results Categorization*. **Extended Semantic Web Conference (ESWC 2013)**, May 2013.
- 3. **Melike Şah** and Vincent Wade. A Novel Concept-based Search for the Web of Data using UMBEL and a Fuzzy Retrieval Model. **Extended Semantic Web Conference (ESWC 2012)**, pp. 103-118, May 2012.
- 4. **Melike Şah** and Vincent Wade. *A Novel Concept-based Search for the Web of Data* (Demo paper). **International Conference on Semantic Systems (I-SEMANTICS 2012)** held with **I-KNOW 2012**, September 2012.
- 5. **Melike Şah** and Vincent Wade. *Automatic Mining of Cognitive Metadata using Fuzzy Inference*. **ACM Conference on Hypertext and Hypermedia (HT 2011),** pp. 37-46, June 2011.
- Melike Şah and Vincent Wade. Automatic Metadata Extraction from Multilingual Enterprise Content. ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM 2010), pp. 1665-1668, October 2010
- 7. **Melike Şah**, Wendy Hall and David C. De Roure. *Dynamic Linking and Personalization on Web*. **ACM Symposium on Applied Computing, Semantic Web and Its Applications Track**, pp. 1404-1410, April 2010.
- 8. **Melike Şah**, Wendy Hall and David C. De Roure. *SemWeB Semantic Web Browser Improving Browsing Experience with Semantic and Personalized Information and Hyperlinks*. **National Symposium for Humanities and Technology**, July 2009.
- 9. Melike Şah, Wendy Hall and David C. De Roure. Designing a Personalized Semantic Web Browser. International

- Conference on Adaptive Hypermedia and Adaptive Web-Based Systems (AH 2008), LNCS, Vol. 5149, pp. 333-336, 2008.
- 10. Melike Şah, Wendy Hall and David C. De Roure. SemWeB: A Semantic Web Browser for Supporting the Browsing of Users using Semantic and Adaptive Links. International Conference on Adaptive Hypermedia and Adaptive Web-Based Systems (AH 2008), LNCS, Vol. 5149, pp. 431-436, 2008.
- 11. **Melike Şah** and Wendy Hall. *Building and Managing Personalized Semantic Portals*. 16th **International World Wide Web Conference (WWW 2007)**, pp. 1227-1228, 2007.
- 12. **Melike Şah**, Wendy Hall, Nicholas M Gibbins, and David C De Roure. *SEMPort A Personalized Semantic Portal*. 18th **ACM Conference on Hypertext and Hypermedia**, 2007.
- 13. **Melike Şah** and Konstantin Y. Degtiarev. *A New Trend Heuristic Time-variant Fuzzy Time Series Method for Forecasting Enrollments*. **International Symposium on Computer and Information Sciences (ISCIS 2005)**, LNCS, Vol. 3733, 553-564, October 2005.
- 14. **Melike Şah** and Konstantin Y. Degtiarev. *Forecasting Enrollment Model based on First-Order Fuzzy Time Series.* **International Conference on Computational Intelligence (ICCI 2004),** December 2004.

# **Teaching and Supervision**

#### **TEACHING**

- Lecturing Theory of Computation (COM 555 master course), Semantic Web Technologies (COM 556 master course), Object Oriented Programming II (Java), Sayisal Mantik Sistemleri (BLG211, logic design in Turkish), Programlama Dilleri Kavrami (BLG339 Programming Language Concepts in Turkish) and Nesneye Yonelik Programlama (BLG210 Object Oriented Programming in Turkish) at Computer Engineering Department of Near East University. Preparing my own teaching materials, project assignments, laboratory classes, as well as, setting and marking exams.
- **Lecturing** part of the third year course "Information Management II" in School of Computer Science and Statistics, **Trinity College Dublin** in 2011-2012. Preparing my own teaching materials.
- **Demonstrator** of Contemporary Programming Methods 2<sup>nd</sup> year course at **University of Southampton** in fall 2008. Supported students during the lab and marked lab work.
- Teaching Assistant of 11 courses at Computer Engineering Department, Eastern Mediterranean University, North Cyprus between September 2003 and June 2005. In particular, I involved in the development of laboratory classes, assisted lab works, as well as marked lab work and assignments of the following courses: Introduction to Programming, Object-Oriented Programming, Internet Programming, Data structures, Visual Programming, Systems Programming, Computer Networks, Programming Languages Design, Database management Systems II, Operating Systems and Electric Circuits I.

### **SUPERVISION**

- Supervisor of Arsalan Rahman Mirza, "Automated Software System for Checking the Structure and Format of ACM SIG Documents", 2015, Department of Software Engineering, Near East University (Completed).
- Supervisor of Jinwu Li, "Developing Knowledge Models of Social Media over the World Wide Web", MSc Thesis, 2012-2013 (completed), School of Computer Science and Statistics, Trinity College Dublin.
- **Supervisor** of Lin Yue, "**Leveraging Power of Social Media through Data Visualization**", MSc Thesis, 2012-2013 (completed), School of Computer Science and Statistics, Trinity College Dublin.
- Co-Supervisor of Robert Beirne, "Film/Movie Finder: Searching and Accessing Movies using DBpedia", 4th year undergraduate project, 2012 (completed), School of Computer Science and Statistics, Trinity College Dublin.
- **Co-supervisor** of Caroline Burgess, "**Harnessing User Input to Improve Linked Data Fidelity**", MSc Thesis, 2009-2010 (completed), School of Computer Science and Statistics, Trinity College Dublin.

### **Awards and Distinctions**

- **IRCSET EMPOWER research fellow award** for 2 years at School of Computer Science and Statistics, Trinity College Dublin. One of the receivers of the award among the other three in Computer Science from a total of 450 applications.
- EPSRC PhD tuition fee award for 3 years at School of Electronics and Computer Science, University of Southampton.
- Teaching assistant scholarship for 2 years at Computer Engineering Department, Eastern Mediterranean University.
- 1 honour (GPA was higher than 3.00 out of 4.00) and 6 high honour (GPA was higher than 3.50 out of 4.00) awards during undergraduate degree from Computer Engineering Department of Eastern Mediterranean University.

## **Reviewer for**

- Journal of Web Engineering
- Information Sciences (Elsevier)
- International Journal on Advances in Intelligent Systems (IARIA Journals)
- (2012, 2011) International Conference on User Modeling, Adaptation and Personalization (UMAP).
- (2014, 2013) International Conference on User Modeling, Adaptation and Personalization (UMAP) Doctoral Consortium.
- (2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008) ACM Symposium on Applied Computing (SAC) The Semantic Web and Applications.
- (2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009) International Conference on Advances in Semantic Processing (SEMAPRO).
- (2012) Intelligent Exploration of Semantic Data (IESD 2012) International Workshop at EKAW2012
- (2009) The Joint International Workshop on Metamodels, Ontologies, Semantic Technologies, and Information Systems for the Semantic Web.
- (2008) International Workshop on Ontologies and Information Systems for the Semantic Web in Conjunction with ACM 17th Conference on Information and Knowledge Management.
- (2008) International Workshop on Ontologies in Interactive Systems in Conjunction with British Computer Society (BCS).

Organizer Roles	
October 2010 – August 2014	<b>Organizing weekly seminars</b> at KDEG, <b>Trinity College Dublin</b> . I arrange speakers, the venues and circulate email notifications.
June 2012 – October 2012	<b>Co-organizer</b> of Intelligent Exploration of Semantic Data (IESD 2012) <b>International Workshop</b> at EKAW 2012, October 2012, Galway, Ireland. My main duties was creating a semantic web application challenge and handling its administration, reviewing papers and deciding on publications on the final proceedings.
November 2011 – January 2012	<b>Co-organizer</b> of KDEG Annual <b>Workshop</b> , <b>Trinity College Dublin</b> , January 2012. My duty was creation of the workshop program which involved arrangement of the speakers and team activities. In addition, presented a visual analysis of the research group's collaboration activities.
January 2011	<b>Organized</b> a " <b>Team Event</b> " called "Do you think all technological advances are necessary?" at KDEG Workshop, <b>Trinity College Dublin</b> .

### **Editorial Board**

- Open Journal of Sematic Web

# **Patents**

- One provisional US patent filed, which is called "Method and System for Searching Data using UMBEL and a Fuzzy Retrieval Model" for my research in Trinity College Dublin, June 2012.

#### **Invited Seminars**

- "From Document Web to Data Web: Supporting Users with Personalized Browsing and Search using Semantic Data", School of Electronics, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Queen's University Belfast, Northern Ireland, 18 May 2012
- 2. "A Novel Concept-based Search for the Web of Data", Knowledge and Data Engineering Group (KDEG) Seminar Series, **Trinity College Dublin**, **Ireland**, 18 April 2012.
- 3. "Automatic Metadata Extraction from Multilingual Enterprise Content", Knowledge and Data Engineering Group (KDEG) Seminar Series, **Trinity College Dublin**, **Ireland**, 25 January 2011.
- 4. "Dynamic Linking and Personalization on Web", Knowledge and Data Engineering Group (KDEG) Seminar Series, **Trinity College Dublin**, **Ireland**, 14 December 2009.
- 5. "SemWeB A Semantic Web Browser for Supporting Open-Corpus Linking and Adaptive Hypermedia", Seminar at the School of Computing, **University of Leeds, UK**, 28 November 2008.
- 6. "Designing a Personalized Semantic Web Browser", Seminar at the School of Electronics and Computer Science, **University of Southampton, UK**, 14 April 2008.

#### **Presentations**

#### **ORAL PRESENTATIONS**

- 1. "A Novel Concept-based Search for the Web of Data using UMBEL and a Fuzzy Retrieval Model", **Extended Semantic Web Conference (ESWC 2012)**, Crete, **Greece**, May 2012.
- 2. "Automatic Metadata Extraction for Personalization", Centre for Next Generation Localisation Autumn Scientific Meeting, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland, 17 November 2011.
- 3. "Automatic Mining of Cognitive Metadata using Fuzzy Inference", **ACM Conference on Hypertext and Hypermedia**, **Eindhoven**, **Netherlands**, June 2011.
- 4. "Automatic Metadata Generation from Enterprise Content for Personalization", Centre for Next Generation Localisation Spring Scientific Meeting, **University of Limerick**, **Ireland**, April 2010.
- 5. "SemWeB Semantic Web Browser Improving Browsing Experience with Semantic and Personalized Information and Hyperlinks", **National Symposium for Humanities and Technology**, **Southampton**, June 2009
- 6. "SemWeB: A Semantic Web Browser for Supporting the Browsing of Users using Semantic and Adaptive Links", International Conference on Adaptive Hypermedia and Adaptive Web-based Systems, Hannover, Germany, July 2008.
- 7. "Forecasting Enrollment Model based on First-Order Fuzzy Time Series", International Conference on Computational Intelligence, Istanbul, Turkey, December 2004.

## **POSTER PRESENTATIONS**

- 1. "Automatic Metadata Extraction from Multilingual Enterprise Content", **ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM 2010), Toronto, Canada, October 2010.**
- 2. "Personalization on the Semantic Web", Centre for Next Generation Localisation Autumn Scientific Meeting, Croke Park, **Dublin, Ireland,** 16 November 2011.
- 3. "Personalization on the Semantic Web", IRCHSS/IRCSET Fellowships Symposium, **Dublin, Ireland,** June 2011.
- 4. "Designing a Personalized Semantic Web Browser", International Conference on Adaptive Hypermedia and Adaptive Web-based Systems, Hannover, Germany, July 2008.
- 5. "SEMPort A Personalized Semantic Portal", **ACM Conference on Hypertext and Hypermedia , Manchester, UK**, September 2007.