# Kate Ferguson MA

**Working Languages:** Turkish/French > English (native speaker)

#### **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

2006-ongoing	Freelance Translator
2008-2012	Art Teacher/In-House Translator, Üsküdar SEV Elementary School, Istanbul
2007-2008	Interpreting Trainer Assistant Teaching assistant on MA interpreting programme, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul.

## **EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS**

2013-ongoing	Portuguese A1-B2, ÇEVBİR (Turkish Association of Literary Translators)
2007-2008	Certificate in Turkish, Levels 1-6, Dilmer Language School, Istanbul
May 2007	CELTA English Language Teaching Certificate, Leeds Metropolitan University
2005-2006	MA in Interpreting and Translation Studies (Merit), University of Leeds
1998-2003	First class MA Hons in French, University of Glasgow

#### **RECENT PROJECTS**

#### Literary/Cultural

- Translation of articles by Sevan Nişanyan, selected from his books Aslanlı Yol and Ağır Kitap
- Translation of Leylâ Erbil's Bunak and on sections of Birgül Oğuz's Hah! (winner of the 2014
  European Union Prize for Literature) at the Cunda International Workshop for Translators of
  Turkish Literature, 2013 and 2014
- Sample translation of Cehennem Çiçeği (The Flower of Hell) by Alper Canıgüz
- Translation of three short stories for the British Council Young Translators' Prize 2012 (shortlisted finalist)

### Political/Social

- Translation of article by Turkish MP Sırrı Süreyya Önder for the European Cultural Foundation
- Voluntary translations for *Tarlabaşı Toplum Merkezi*, a community centre in Istanbul offering advocacy and classes for underprivileged women and children
- Voluntary interpreting work for the NGO Mouvement pour une Alternative Non-violente (Movement for a Non-Violent Alternative) at a workshop bringing together activists from Palestinian and Israeli peace organisations

### **Educational/Academic**

- Translation of reports for the Turkish History Foundation: *Human Rights Issues in Textbooks* (2014) and *Minority Schools In Turkey From Past To* Present (2013)
- Editing of *Ottoman Islamist Thinkers* (1890–1920), an academic publication on late-Ottoman intellectual history

#### Media/Advertising

- Translation of *Jetlife*, in-flight magazine of the Turkish airline Atlasjet (ongoing)
- Translation of various marketing brochures for Istanbul-based advertising agency *Ghetto*