

Mehmet Ataberk Atan

TUD Dresden University of Technology - Chair of Public Economics

Research Interests

Applied Microeconomics, Political Economy, Development Economics, and Economic History, using Causal Inference, Microeconomic Theory, and Data Science tools

Education

TU Dresden, Germany incoming
PhD in Economics
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Marcel Thum

Central European University, Austria 2021 - 2023
Master of Arts in Economics
GPA: 3.37/4.00, *with Merit*
Selected courses: Microeconomic Theory, Macroeconomic Theory, Econometrics, Public Economics, Prediction with Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Scientific Python

Istanbul Technical University, Türkiye 2017 - 2021
Bachelor of Science in Economics
GPA: 3.55/4.00, Rank: 3/51, *Dean's High Honours list*
Selected courses: Public Economics, Development Economics, Income Distribution and Poverty, Game Theory, Industrial Organization, Regulatory Economics and Regulated Markets

Academic Experience

TU Dresden, Dresden, Germany 04/2025 - Present
Research Associate

- Conducting independent research at the Chair of Public Economics.
- Tutoring for the courses offered by the Chair.
- Supporting administrative tasks of the Chair.

Work Experience

VakıfBank International AG, Vienna, Austria 09/2022 - 04/2025
Strategic Risk Management & Risk Controlling

Applied analytical and statistical methods to develop and validate financial risk models, while automating and optimizing the portfolio of risk management processes and pipelines to improve data accuracy and reporting efficiency. Delivered detailed risk reports to Management and Supervisory Boards, to support strategic decision-making and ongoing risk management.

Technical and Computational Skills

- **Programming and Data Analysis:** Python, R, Stata, VBA
- **Version Control and Collaboration Tools:** Git, GitHub
- **Office Tools:** MS Office, Google Workspace
- **Typesetting and Documentation:** L^AT_EX(Overleaf)

Languages

- **English:** Fluent
- **Turkish:** Native
- **German:** Intermediate