

Warning: [2026-04-15 09:29] this document is a print-out of the Ciência-iul web portal and was automatically generated at the labeled date. The document has a mere informational purpose and represents the information contained on Ciência_Iscte at that date.

Mali Üzelgün

Research Fellow

CIES-Iscte - Centre for Research and Studies in Sociology



Contacts

E-mail

Mali.Uzelgun@iscte-iul.pt

Curriculum

Auxiliary Researcher integrated in the Communication and Culture research group at CIES-Iscte. Invited Assistant Professor at the Department of Sociology at Iscte. Portuguese coordinator of the international research project LiFi - "Living with Wildfire: Imagining, Narrating and Acting upon a Changing Climate", investigating the changing priorities of fire-affected communities in recovery and sustainability. Associate Researcher at the Nova Institute of Philosophy, participating in the Project MultiPoD - "Multilingual and Multicultural Spaces for Political Deliberation", aimed at supporting citizen deliberation through the use of technologies such as culture-specific Language Models. My research examines the narrative and argumentative dimensions of environmental discourse, with a focus on climate change risks, socio-technical transitions, and activism. I am particularly interested in the discursive, deliberative, and policy spaces opened by climate disruptions.

Research Interests

Discourse and argumentation

Science communication

Socio-technical sustainability transitions

Environmental discourse and policy

Social representations

Climate activism

Climate change policy
Narrative analysis
Multimodal analysis

Academic Qualifications

University/Institution	Type	Degree	Period
ISCTE-Instituto Universitário de Lisboa	PhD	Psychology	2014
Middle East Technical University (METU)	M.Sc.	Science and Technology (Policy) Studies	2007
Middle East Technical University (METU)	Licenciate	Psychology	1997

Teaching Activities

Teaching Year	Sem.	Course Name	Degree(s)	Coord.
2025/2026	2º	Communication for Development and Social Change	Institutional Degree in Escola de Sociologia e Políticas Públicas;	No
2025/2026	1º	Environmental Risk and Societal Resilience	Master Degree in Coordinated Human Response, Health and Displacement;	No

Supervisions

• Ph.D. Thesis

- Ongoing

	Student Name	Title/Topic	Language	Status	Institution
1	Viviane Vasconcelos Santa Rosa	Do Megafone para o Smartphone - O Discurso do Fridays for Future Brasil no Instagram e suas redes de sentidos	Portuguese	Developing	Iscte
2	Anapaula Folha Simões Siqueira	O papel das ações de ativismo na comunicação da causa climática em Portugal	Portuguese	Developing	Iscte

• M.Sc. Dissertations

- Ongoing

	Student Name	Title/Topic	Language	Status	Institution
1	Gunes Ersahan	Integration of Immigrant Turkish women in Portuguese business life	--	Developing	Iscte
2	Ana Isabel de Oliveira Lopes	Ativismo climático em Portugal e influência sobre a opinião pública	--	Developing	Iscte

- Concluded

	Student Name	Title/Topic	Language	Institution	Concluding Year
1	Ana Margarida Fernandes Gouveia	What strategies are used on online social media by brands to publicize and promote the sustainable practice of using menstrual cups?	Portuguese	Iscte	2025

Total Citations	
Web of Science®	152
Scopus	157

Publications

• **Scientific Journals**

- Scientific journal paper

1	Santos, T. R., Üzelgün, M. A. & Carvalho, A. (N/A). Reporting on young climate activism: How journalistic multimodal choices on television can delegitimise disruptive dissent. Journalism Practice. N/A - Times Cited Web of Science®: 3 - Times Cited Scopus: 4 - Times Cited Google Scholar: 4
2	Üzelgün, M. A. , Turner, H., Oruç, R. & ahin, G. (2025). Assessing coherence and fidelity: Credibility of COVID-19 narratives. Narrative Inquiry. 35 (1), 139-161
3	Üzelgün, M. A. , Giannouli, I., Archontaki, I., Odstrilová, K., Thomass, B. & Álvares, C. (2024). Transforming toxic debates towards European futures: Technological disruption, societal fragmentation, and enlightenment 2.0. Central European Journal of Communication. 17 (1(35)), 82-102 - Times Cited Web of Science®: 3 - Times Cited Scopus: 3 - Times Cited Google Scholar: 5

4	<p>Santos, T. R., Üzelgün, M. A. & Carvalho, A. (2024). Young climate activists in television news: An analysis of multimodal constructions of voice, political recognition, and co-optation. <i>Communication Review</i>. 27 (1), 32-54</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Times Cited Web of Science®: 10 - Times Cited Scopus: 9 - Times Cited Google Scholar: 14
5	<p>Tseronis, A., Younis, R. & Üzelgün, M. A. (2024). A proposal for the evaluation of multimodal argumentation: Assessing reasonableness and effectiveness in environmental campaign posters . <i>Journal of Argumentation in Context</i>. 13 (2), 292-317</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Times Cited Web of Science®: 6 - Times Cited Scopus: 8 - Times Cited Google Scholar: 15
6	<p>Oruç, R., Uzelgun, M. & Sadek, K. (2023). Sequencing critical moves for ethical argumentation practice: Munara and the interdependence of procedure and agent. <i>Informal Logic</i>. 43 (1), 113-137</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Times Cited Web of Science®: 3 - Times Cited Scopus: 8 - Times Cited Google Scholar: 10
7	<p>Uzelgun, M., Fernandes-Jesus, M. & Küçükural, O. (2022). Reception of climate activist messages by low-carbon transition actors: argument evasion in the carbon offsetting debate. <i>Argumentation and Advocacy</i>. 58 (2), 102-122</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Times Cited Web of Science®: 5 - Times Cited Scopus: 5 - Times Cited Google Scholar: 5
8	<p>Üzelgün, M. A. (2020). Argüman Analizinde Dört Yaklaşım: Toulmin Modeli, Pragma-Diyalektik, Politik Söylem Analizi ve Argüman Kaynakları Modelinin bir Karşılaştırması. <i>Connectist: Istanbul University Journal of Communication Sciences</i>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Times Cited Web of Science®: 1
9	<p>Üzelgün, M. A. & Pereira, João Rui (2020). Beyond the co-production of technology and society: The discursive treatment of technology with regard to near-term and long-term environmental goals. <i>Technology in Society</i>. 61, 101244</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Times Cited Web of Science®: 10 - Times Cited Scopus: 9 - Times Cited Google Scholar: 13
10	<p>Rodrigues, Soledade, Lewinski, M. & Üzelgün, M. A. (2019). Environmental manifestoes: Argumentative strategies in the Ecomodernist Manifesto. <i>Journal of Argumentation in Context</i>. 8 (1), 12-39</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Times Cited Web of Science®: 12 - Times Cited Scopus: 11 - Times Cited Google Scholar: 16
11	<p>Uzelgun, M. A., Lewinski, M. & Castro, P. (2016). Favorite battlegrounds of climate action: arguing about scientific consensus, representing science-society relations. <i>Science Communication</i>. 38 (6), 699-723</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Times Cited Web of Science®: 17 - Times Cited Scopus: 13 - Times Cited Google Scholar: 19
12	<p>Üzelgün, M. A. (2015). Sosyal temsil çalışmalarları için sistematik bir yöntem olarak: Argüman analizi. <i>Studies in Psychology – Psikoloji Çalışmaları</i>. 35 (2), 71-90</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Times Cited Google Scholar: 12
13	<p>Uzelgun, M. (2015). Sosyal temsil çalışmalarları için sistematik bir yöntem olarak: Argüman analizi. <i>Studies in Psychology – Psikoloji Çalışmaları</i>. 35 (2), 71-91</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Times Cited Web of Science®: 1

14	Uzelgun, M. A. & Castro, P. (2015). Climate change in the mainstream Turkish press: coverage trends and meaning dimensions in the first attention cycle. <i>Mass Communication and Society</i> . 18 (6), 730-752 - Times Cited Web of Science®: 26 - Times Cited Scopus: 21 - Times Cited Google Scholar: 55
15	Uzelgun, M., Mohamed, D., Lewinski, M. & Castro, P. (2015). Managing disagreement through yes, but constructions: an argumentative analysis. <i>Discourse Studies</i> . 17 (4), 467-484 - Times Cited Web of Science®: 40 - Times Cited Scopus: 33 - Times Cited Google Scholar: 54
16	Uzelgun, M. A. & Castro, P. (2014). The voice of science on climate change in the mainstream Turkish press. <i>Environmental Communication</i> . 8 (3), 326-344 - Times Cited Web of Science®: 15 - Times Cited Scopus: 12 - Times Cited Google Scholar: 28

- Scientific journal editor

1	Álvares, Cláudia & Üzelgün, M. A. (2024). <i>Observatorio (OBS*)</i> . Lisbon. Observatório da Comunicação.
---	---

- Editorial

1	Álvares, C. & Üzelgün, M. A. (2023). Special issue editorial: Platformisation of news and interactions – Regional contexts of crisis in trust. <i>Observatorio (OBS*)</i> . 17 (5) - Times Cited Google Scholar: 1
2	Lewinski, M. & Üzelgün, M. A. (2019). Environmental argumentation. <i>Journal of Argumentation in Context</i> . 8 (1), 1-11 - Times Cited Scopus: 9 - Times Cited Google Scholar: 25

• Books and Book Chapters

- Book chapter

1	Üzelgün, M. A. (2024). A comunicação ambiental na sua melhor forma: o ativismo climático dos jovens e a fronteira intergeracional. In <i>Nova Comunicação.: Al Medina</i> .
2	Üzelgün, M. A. & Oruç, R. (2022). Between Pending Narratives: Evaluation of COVID-19 Conspiracy Theories by University Students in Turkey. In Erolova, Y., E. Tzaneva, V. Ivanova and J. Popcheva (Ed.), <i>Between the Worlds: Narratives and Notions of Pandemics</i> . (pp. 260-279). Sofia: IEFSEM & Paradigma.
3	Üzelgün, M. A. (2022). Portrayals of climate change and drought in the politically oriented Turkish press: Socialist, islamist, and nationalist accounts of extreme weather in 2007 and 2014. In Walter Leal Filho, Evangelos Manolas (Ed.), <i>Climate change in the Mediterranean and middle eastern region</i> . (pp. 169-184).: Springer. - Times Cited Google Scholar: 1

4	<p>Castro, P., Uzelgun, M. A. & Bertoldo, R. (2017). Climate change activism between weak and strong environmentalism: advocating social change with moderate argumentation strategies?. In Caroline Howarth, Eleni Andreouli (Ed.), <i>The social psychology of everyday politics</i>. (pp. 146-162). London: Routledge.</p> <p>- Times Cited Scopus: 12 - Times Cited Google Scholar: 33</p>
5	<p>Üzelgün, M. A. & Ümit Sahin (2016). Climate Change Communication in Turkey. In <i>Oxford Encyclopedia of Climate Change Communication</i>.: Oxford University Press.</p> <p>- Times Cited Google Scholar: 7</p>

• Conferences/Workshops and Talks

- Publication in conference proceedings

1	<p>Üzelgün, M. A. & Castro, P. (2016). Dissociating between 'is' and 'ought': Recognizing and interpreting positions in climate change controversies. In Dima Mohammed, Marcin Lewinski (Ed.), <i>Argumentation and Reasoned Action: Proceedings of the 1st European Conference on Argumentation</i> . (pp. 985-998): College Publications.</p> <p>- Times Cited Google Scholar: 2</p>
---	--

- Talk

1	<p>Üzelgün, M. A. (2025). Between the concrete and the abstract: accusations, values, and positions in a post-disaster controversy. 5th European Conference on Argumentation - Argumentation in the Digital Society.</p>
2	<p>Mert, A., Lövbrand, E., Feine, J., Üzelgün, M. A. , Behagel, J. & Remling, E. (2025). Firescapes: Facing the planetary and living with a planet in crisis. 7th Nordic STS Conference: STS in and out of the Laboratory.</p>
3	<p>Folha, A. & Üzelgün, M. A. (2025). Youth climate activism in Portugal: Shifting protest repertoires and multimodal journalistic choices. International Symposium: From the extremes to the centre and back again?.</p>
4	<p>Üzelgün, M. A. & Rahmi Oruç (2023). Ranking argumentative vices: towards a virtue argumentation approach based on dialectical rules. 10th Conference of the International Society for the Study of Argumentation (ISSA 2023) .</p>
5	<p>Santos, T. R., Üzelgün, M. A. & Carvalho, A. (2023). The multivoiced field of protest: creating and hindering political opportunities for young climate activists in the media. 17th Biennial Conference on Communication and the Environment.</p>
6	<p>Üzelgün, M. A. & Oruç, R (2022). Between pending narratives: Evaluation of COVID-19 conspiracy theories by university students in Turkey. <i>Between the Worlds: Narratives and Notions of Pandemics</i> - 4th International Conference of the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences.</p>
7	<p>Üzelgün, M. A. (2022). Expanding deep disagreements: Incompatible narratives as interpretative repertoires in political disputes. 4th European Conference on Argumentation.</p>
8	<p>Üzelgün, M. A. (2020). An extended practical reasoning approach to environmental discourse and policy: Uses of the incrementalist governance agenda. International Seminar on Environment and Society.</p>
9	<p>Üzelgün, M. A. (2020). Contemporary incrementalism at work: How Portuguese low-carbon energy professionals negotiate long-term and short-term goals. <i>Reasons, Citizens and Institutions</i>: International Conference of the APPLY Network.</p>

10	Üzelgün, M. A. (2019). Objection from conscience: Ethical appeal in parrhesiastic speech. 3rd European Conference on Argumentation.
11	Lewinski, M. & Üzelgün, M. A. (2018). Indicators of practical argumentation in ecological communication. 2nd Argumentation and Language Conference.
12	Üzelgün, M. A. & Önder Küçükural (2018). Reception and rejection of complex argumentation: When one's business practices are contested. 9th Conference of the International Society for the Study of Argumentation.
13	Üzelgün, M. A. (2017). Surviving deep disagreements: The responsibility of media in overcoming Turkey's intensifying political polarization. Turkey at Critical Crossroads: Dynamic Trajectories For Society, Politics And Culture.
14	Üzelgün, M. A. (2017). Political uses and consequences of deep disagreements. Media, Power and Identity: Discursive Strategies (JADIS VII).
15	Castro, P., Üzelgün, M. A. & Santos, T. R. (2017). Dialogues with the absent other: how fishers in protected sites use the vocabulary of citizenship for contesting the institutions governing them. III CHAM International Conference.
16	Üzelgün, M. A. & Lewinski, M. (2017). Argumentation and social representation: A productive collaboration between two theories? . Workshop on Social Representations and Argumentation.
17	Üzelgün, M. A. (2017). Clash of worldviews in a polarized disagreement network: A proposal for the analysis of deep disagreements. Values in Argumentation, Values of Argumentation .
18	Üzelgün, M. A. , Lewinski, M. & Castro, P. (2016). Favourite battlegrounds of climate action: Representing and arguing about scientific evidence and consensus. 39th Annual Scientific Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology - ISPP.
19	Castro, P. & Üzelgün, M. A. (2016). De-legitimizing contentious policies: Representation and argumentation in political debates. The Good Society: Prospects for Reason, Communication and Well-being.
20	Üzelgün, M. A. & Castro, P. (2015). Dissociating between 'is' and 'ought': Recognizing and interpreting positions in climate change controversies. 1st European Conference on Argumentation . - Times Cited Google Scholar: 2
21	Üzelgün, M. A. & Castro, P. (2013). How do non-governmental experts deal with different approaches in governing climate change? . Annual Conference of the British Psychological Society .
22	Üzelgün, M. A. & Castro, P. (2013). How do non-governmental experts deal with different approaches in governing climate change?. Annual Conference of the British Psychological Society.
23	Üzelgün, M. A. & Castro, P. (2012). Between radical pursuits and moderate commitments: Cognitive polyphasia in the climate change debate. 11th International Conference on Social Representations.
24	Üzelgün, M. A. & Castro, P. (2011). Representing the end of the world: Climate change as science and rhetoric in the Turkish press. Annual Scientific Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP).

• Other Publications

- Report

1	Moreno, J., Sepúlveda, R., Ferro-Santos, S., Cardoso, G., Álvares, Cláudia, Crespo, M....Üzelgün, M. A. (2023). Platformisation of News in 10 Countries.
2	Üzelgün, M. A. , Archontaki, Ioanna, Giannouli, Iliana, Odstrilová, Klára , Thomass, Barbara, Dessislava Dankova...Álvares, Cláudia (2023). Assessing Externalities: Toxic Debate and Pluralistic Values.
3	Üzelgün, M. A. (2016). İklim degisikligi ve medya.

Research Projects

Project Title	Role in Project	Partners	Period
Erasmus Mundus Joint Master on Coordinated Humanitarian Response, Health and Displacement (HumanResponse)	Researcher	IRU-Iscte - Leader, CIES-Iscte, NTNU - (Norway), MAKERERE - (Uganda), NKUA - (Greece), Uni-CV - (Cape Verde), US - (Cape Verde), Universidade de Rovuma - (Mozambique)	2024 - 2030
Living with Wildfire: imagining, narrating and acting upon a changing climate	Local Coordinator	CIES-Iscte, WUR - (Netherlands), LIU - (Sweden), UC - (Australia), SU - Leader (Sweden)	2023 - 2027
Climate Futures and Just Transformations: Young People's Narratives and Political Imaginaries	Researcher	CIS-Iscte (CED), UMinho - Leader (Portugal), CIIE-FPCEUP - (Portugal)	2021 - 2024
European Media Platforms: Assessing Positive and Negative Externalities for European Culture	Researcher	CIES-Iscte, . - (Germany), NBU - (Bulgaria), UNIMED - (Italy), FUOC - (Spain), IULM - Leader (Italy), UGent - (Belgium), Bilkent - (Turkey), NKUA - (Greece), UNIVE - (Italy), IKED - (Sweden), CU - (Czech Republic)	2022 - 2024

Research Networks

Research Network Name	Representative Role	Period
DiscourseNet	Membro	Since 2024
Climate Social Science Network	Membro	Since 2025
Argumentation Community of Europe	Membro	Since 2025
Communicating Sustainabilities	Membro	Since 2025

Organization/Coordination of Events

Type of Organization/Coordination	Event Title	Organizer	Year
Coordination of scientific event (with scientific committee) outside of ISCTE-IUL	International Symposium on Argumentation and Debate: Traditional and Contemporary Practices	Ibn Haldun University, Istanbul	2023
Member of non-scientific event's organizing committee	Workshop: Social Representations and Argumentation Half a day event with three presentations and a discussion session		2017
Member of non-scientific event's organizing committee	Workshop: Social Representations and Argumentation Half a day event with three presentations and a discussion session		2017
Member of scientific event's organizing committee	1st European Conference on Argumentation International Scientific Conference		2015