

Elçin Ada SAYIN

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Education

BA, Faculty of Law, University of Strasbourg, France 2019-2023

Professional Experience

Co-Founder, Radius Defence Wargame Domains Startup Jun 2024 –
NATO ACT INNOVATION CONTINUUM 2024, Large Language Model Facilitated MDO Cross-Domain Concept Wargame (The Hague, La Spezia, 2024)

Project Manager, Women in Command, KizBasina (Just-a-Girl NGO) Feb 2022 –
The Women in Command Project, supported by NATO Public Diplomacy Division & U.S. Embassy Ankara, launched Türkiye's first civilian wargame to train 350+ women leaders in hybrid warfare, reaching a wide international cohort of young leaders across 10+ NATO alliance nations.

Defence & Security Experience

Chair, NATO STO SAS-HFM-208 Inclusion of Generation Z+ to Defence Organizations Nov 2024 –

- **Researcher**, NATO STO SAS-172 RTG on Multi-Domain Wargaming Jul 2022 –

Chapter Lead, FCTUR Local Chapter, Fight Club International Wargaming Community Jun 2022 –

NATO and International Wargaming Leadership

- **Exhibitor**, NATO EDGE Conference, AWS Partner (Tampa, 2024)
- **Invited Speaker**, NATO ACT IGNITE Event (Pensacola, 2024)
- **Invited Wargame Facilitator**, Wargaming in NATO (WIN23) (Rome, 2023)
- **Invited Speaker**, NATO ACT GENAD, Gender Perspectives in Combat Workshop (2023)
- **Invited Wargame Facilitator**, WIN22 (Paris, 2022)
- **Invited Speaker**, NATO STO Tide Sprint Spring Session (Sopot, 2022)
- **Invited Tester**, NATO SAS-151 Alpha & Bravo Tests (2021)
- **Invited Tester**, NATO S&T Board - Disruptive Technologies Tabletop Exercise (2021)

Global Conferences and Professional Speaking Engagements

- **Exhibitor & Panel Speaker**, UN ICPD30 Global Dialogue on Technology (New York, 2024)
- **Embassy Invitee**, 16 Days of Activism, Meeting with U.S. Ambassador (Ankara, 2024)
- **Invited Panel Speaker**, Women in NATO, Embassy of Netherlands (Ankara, 2023)
- **Podcast Speaker**, USMC Brute Krulak Center #BruteCast! (2022)
- **Invited Presenter & Wargame Facilitator**, Connections UK/Oz (2021/2022)
- **Podcast Speaker**, Beyond Solitaire Podcast, Hybrid Threat Rising Wargame (2022)
- **Invited Panel Speaker**, UK Fight Club - Successful Game Design Webinar (2022)
- **Invited Speaker**, Turkish Military Academy - Hybrid Threats Symposium (Ankara, 2022)

Wargaming Design and Facilitation

- **Wargame Designer & Facilitator**, HAVELSAN Tabletop Exercise (Ankara, 2023)
- **Designer & Facilitator**, Crisis Response TTX for GIFCT (2022/23)
- **Wargame Organiser & Facilitator**, Georgetown University Wargaming Society (2022)
- **Wargame Facilitator**, Netherlands Royal Military Academy - Cadet Training (Breda, 2021)
- **Founder & Organiser**, SMYRNATO: World's 1st High School NATO Simulation (Izmir, 2019)

Awards & Honours

Women in Defence UK Awards – Woman in STEM of the Year 2022
Military Simulation & Training Awards – Outstanding Serious Game for Learning of the Year 2022
International Serious Play Awards – Gold Medal Winner 2022

Language Skills

Turkish Native
English, C1 – IELTS Academic (8/9), TOEFL IBT (103/120) Fluent
French, C1 – DALF Fluent
Italian, B2 – CILS Fluent