The Impact of Turkey in the Library and Information Science Literature

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LIS in Turkey

- Reports affected the development of LIS in Turkey
 - John Dewey (1924)
 - Lawrence S. Thompson (1952)
 - Report of Libraries Committee (1961)
- 1954 => First LIS Bachelor's program in Turkey
 - Ankara University
- Librarianship => Information Management (2002)

LIS in Turkey

- Departments of Information Management
 - Ankara (1954)
 - Atatürk (1994)
 - Çankırı Karatekin (2010)
 - Hacettepe (1972)
 - İstanbul (1963)
 - Kastamonu (2007)
 - Marmara (1987)
 - Yıldırım Beyazıt (2011)

Related Literature

- Bibliometric characteristics of single LIS journal
 - (Bonnevie, 2003; Furner, 2009; Ginn, 2003; Mukherjee, 2009; Ramesh & Nagaraju, 2000; Schubert, 2002; Tsay & Shu, 2011)

Comparisons among different LIS journals

• (Harter, Nisonger & Weng, 1993; He & Spink, 2002; Kajberg, 1996; Kim, 1991)

Bibliometric studies on LIS journals of Turkey

• (Çakın, 1980; Gürdal, 2002; Kurbanoğlu, 1996; Tonta 2002; Yılmaz, 2000)

Method

- Data source: Social Sciences Citation Index
- Coverage: 1974-2013
- Data obtained: February 20, 2014
- Document type: Articles
- "Data rehabilitation"
- Turkey addressed articles published in LIS journals

Three Important Points

- Authors' nationalities are ignored
- The research is based on the classification of Thomson Reuters
- The study doesn't cover all articles of the information science researchers in Turkey

Research Questions

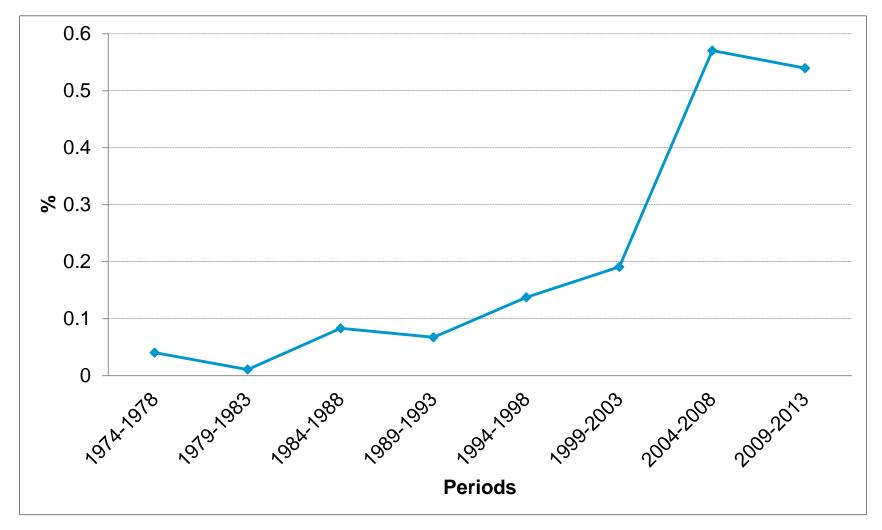
- In which journals do Turkish LIS scholars publish more often?
- How many articles, which are indexed in the citation indexes, are produced by the scholars of LIS discipline?
- What percentage of articles authored by Turkish LIS scholars receive citations?
- What are the country origins of the authors who cited the Turkey addressed information science articles?

Findings

Turkey and World - LIS Articles

| Periods | N (Turkey) | N (World) | % |
|-----------|------------|-----------|------|
| 1974-1978 | 3 | 7,445 | 0.04 |
| 1979-1983 | 1 | 9,431 | 0.01 |
| 1984-1988 | 8 | 9,643 | 0.08 |
| 1989-1993 | 7 | 10,407 | 0.07 |
| 1994-1998 | 16 | 11,648 | 0.14 |
| 1999-2003 | 22 | 11,536 | 0.19 |
| 2004-2008 | 73 | 12,799 | 0.57 |
| 2009-2013 | 89 | 16,498 | 0.54 |
| Total | 219 | 89,407 | 0.24 |

The Percentage of Turkey Addressed LIS articles



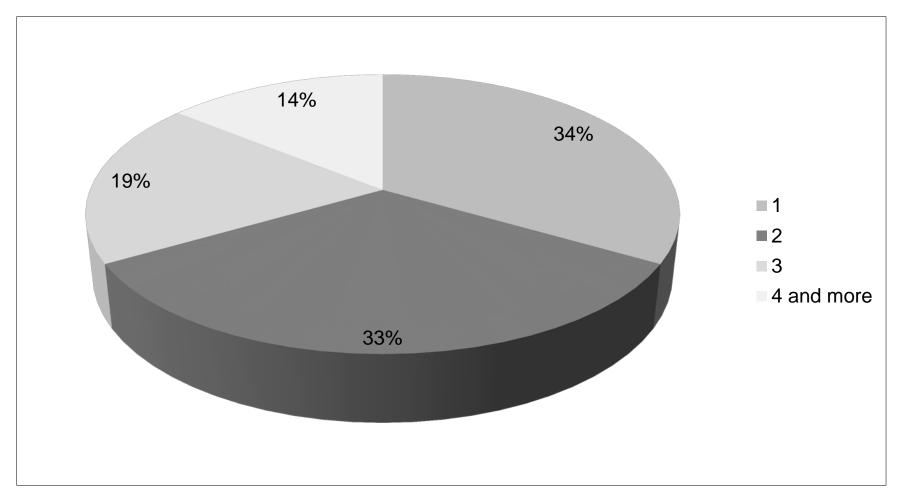
In Which Journals Do Turkish LIS Scholars Publish More Often?

| Journals | N |
|--|-----|
| Information Processing & Management | 25 |
| Scientometrics | 25 |
| JASIST | 18 |
| Libri | 13 |
| Journal of Academic Librarianship | 10 |
| Government Information Quarterly | 9 |
| Journal of Information Science | 9 |
| International Information & Library Review | 8 |
| Telecommunications Policy | 8 |
| Other journals | 94 |
| Total | 219 |

Authors

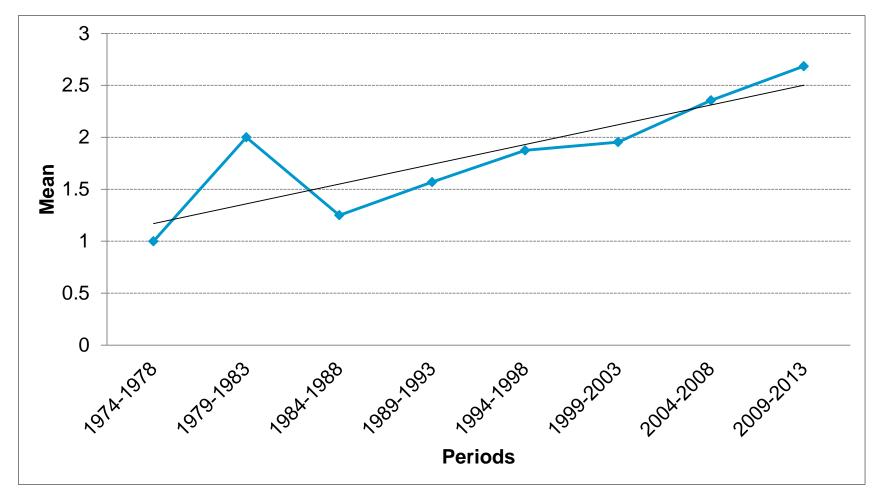
- Total number of different authors contributing to 219 articles was 341
- 80% (273 authors) of all authors contributed to the literature with only a single publication!
- There were three authors (Özmutlu, S; Tonta, Y; Özmutlu, HC) published 12 or more contributions in LIS journals
- 64 out of 219 articles (29%) were produced by the scholars / graduates of LIS discipline

Number of Authors



Publications with multiple authors constituted two-third of all articles

Average Number of Authors



The average number of authors per article was two

Citations

- 219 articles that were published in the information science journals received 1304 citations in total
- 60 of 219 did not receive citations
- 20 of these 60 articles published in 2013
 - The oldest article that did not receive citations was published in 1978
 - The most frequently cited publication was cited
 77 times

 Knowledge networks in new product development projects: A transactive memory perspective
 Times Cited: 82

 By: Akgun, AE; Byrne, J; Keskin, H; et al.
 (from Web of Science Core Collection)

 INFORMATION & MANAGEMENT Volume: 42
 Issue: 8
 Pages: 1105-1120
 Published: DEC 2005

Journals Citing Turkey Addressed LIS Articles

| Journals | N |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| JASIST | 91 |
| Scientometrics | 84 |
| Information Processing & Management | 58 |
| Online Information Review | 32 |
| Experts Systems with Applications | 31 |
| Journal of Academic Librarianship | 20 |
| Journal of Documentation | 19 |
| Journal of Information Science | 19 |
| Telecommunications Policy | 19 |

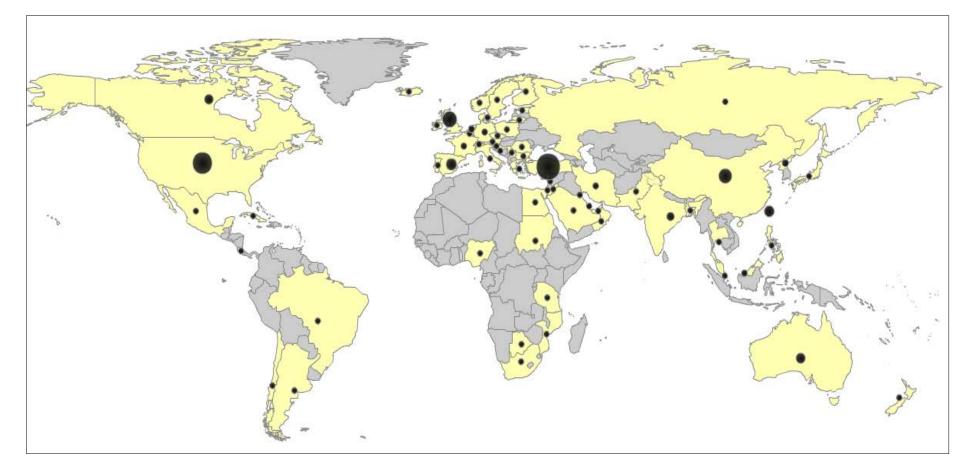
Interdisciplinary nature of the field

Countries Citing Turkey Addressed LIS Articles

| Countries | N |
|-----------|-----|
| Turkey | 354 |
| USA | 241 |
| China | 108 |
| England | 95 |
| Spain | 72 |
| Taiwan | 64 |
| Australia | 53 |
| Canada | 48 |
| India | 37 |

354 citations (27% of all citations) were country self-citations

Wide Geographical Impact of Turkey Addressed LIS Articles



Conclusion

- Visibility of the Turkey addressed LIS articles
- Effect of the academic promotion criteria in Turkey
- One fourth of Turkey addressed LIS articles received no citations
- Turkey addressed LIS articles were used by the researchers from 69 different countries

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