Moires and Miri lands: Some linguistic coincidences & a discussion about land ownership

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Economic knowledge

Mainstream → Universal??

Grassroots: Historically & socially relevant

(Bacılar - Grassroots economics)
Language in Economics

Research: English versus all the other languages?
Capitalism + Patriarchy = Deprivation, Expropriation

Bodies

Lands

Raw materials

Human effort

Everything??
Land in capitalist patriarchy

Private property?

Access & control?

Dispossession?

Aggressive privatisation?
Various private property regimes ≠ non-property regimes

Capitalist & Non-Capitalist

Resistances

Patriarchal & Non-Patriarchal
Land in non-patriarchal systems

Mediterranean, Middle East, Eastern Europe

Linguistic coincidence? “Mir-Miri-Emr-Moir”

Land commonly shared and/or commonly managed?

Memories from Pre-patriarchal, Pre-Property modes of land use?
Greek

- Moira
- Moires
- Moirasi
- Moira as inheritance share in contemporary Greek law
- Moira as metric unit in geometry

(George D. Thomson)
Ottoman, Arabic and Slavic

- Miri
- Tìmar
- İmarethane
- Emr-Mer-Mir
- Amer-Amir-Amira
- Imarat
- Miras
- Mirath
Findings

Sharing/Distributing/Power

Private/Common

Semantic ties of words

Possibility of non-mainstream economic knowledge encoded in languages?
Directions for Further Research

- Linguistic, semantic, historical, archaeological & socio-economic findings
- Evolution of the words & socio-economic phenomena
- Different sharing practices, communal arrangements
- Interdisciplinary research, decolonial research
Questions? Comments? Critique?

Thank you!

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