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Dr. Emrah Söylemez works in the Türkiye COP31 Presidency Office on the ocean negotiations team, where he helps build the ocean agenda and Türkiye's engagement on ocean issues across the UNFCCC process.

His work centers on ocean and climate action: coastal and marine resilience, marine spatial planning, integrated coastal zone management, regional and transboundary cooperation, and getting science to feed into policy more effectively.

He is particularly interested in how scientific evidence and analytical research, such as spatial analysis and quantitative modelling, can be turned into policy and implementation.

Dr. Söylemez is also a Lead Author with the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES), working on biodiversity, climate change and spatial planning.