

5th Career Fair Takes Place in EMU Attracting Great Interest



Organised by Eastern Mediterranean University in collaboration with the Cyprus Turkish Chamber of Industry and Cyprus Turkish Chamber of Commerce, the 5th Career Fair commenced at Lala Mustafa Paşa Sports Center at 10:00 a.m. on the 1st of March, 2017. Hosting over 130 firms, the Career Fair also welcomed the participation of the Minister of the TRNC National Education and Culture Özdemir Berova, Minister of the TRNC Tourism and Environmental Affairs Fikri Ataoğlu, TRNC Health Minister Dr. Faiz Sucuoğlu, TRNC Labor and Social Security Minister Hamza Ersan Saner, Mayors of Mehmetçik, Vadili and Tatlısu Villages, a crowded group of academic staff, students and public.

“The Increase in the Number of Firms Corresponds with Our Educational Quality”

In his opening address at the said

ceremony, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam stressed the importance of the 5th Career Fair and stated that universities cater for the industry’s need for qualified workforce. Adding that EMU has always had the concept of ‘quality’ in its vision, Prof. Dr. Osam put forth that the majority of Eastern Mediterranean University’s programs have been accredited by world renowned international organisations. Prof. Dr. Osam also mentioned EMU’s appearance on the Times Higher Education University Rankings within the top 980 universities, and on 2017 Times Higher Education Young Universities Rankings among the top 200 universities. At the end of his speech, Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam put forth that the increase in the number of the participating firms in this year’s career fair is directly proportional with the university’s educational quality.

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Acting Chair of the Cyprus Turkish Chamber of Commerce Mustafa Genç also delivered a speech in which he stated that he completed his undergraduate studies in EMU 14 years ago. Expressing the importance of holding such an important organisation in collaboration with EMU in terms of students, Genç provided recommendations for students on how to develop themselves and stand out of crowd.

Mediterranean', further success.

"I Wish All Participants a Productive Event"

In his address, TRNC Minister of Labor and Social Security Hamza Ersan Saner stated that experience is not something that can be bought but it can be shared. Offering his ministry's firm support in the upbringing of quality workforce demanded by the sector, Saner wished all participants a productive event.



Chair of the Cyprus Turkish Chamber of Industry Ali Çıralı expressed his happiness in the increasing number of participating firms in the event, which was only 30 during the first career fair which took place 5 years ago. Çıralı also recommended the students to become entrepreneurs and establish their own business after their graduation.

"EMU's Career Fair is Important for Students"

In his speech, TRNC Minister of Health stressed the significance of the 5th Career Fair as informing the students about prospective career choices within a platform hosting sectoral representatives is of utmost importance.



"I wish EMU Further Success"

Minister of National Education and Culture Özdemir Berova stated that EMU is a source of pride for the TRNC and expressed his pleasure in observing the participation of 130 firms in the fair. Highlighting the importance of EMU's interaction with the community, Berova concluded his speech by stating his pleasure in observing EMU graduates' successful achievements in their careers. Berova wished EMU, 'the pearl of the

"All Those Living in the TRNC should Attend this Fair"

TRNC Minister of Tourism and Environment Fikri Ataoğlu invited all those living in the TRNC to attend this fair. Ataoğlu also expressed his hope to have more firms participating in the fair during the upcoming years.

At the end of the opening addresses, the official opening of the fair took place.

Received by great interest, the fair provided a context bringing together students, local community and firms.



Participants' Comments on the Fair

Ferdi GÜRMANOĞLU – *Uzun Construction Sales Director*

We participated in the fair before. I see it as a great opportunity both for participating firms and participants. Students have a chance to come together with representatives of the sector. The event carries special importance for us in terms of market evaluation. We are pleased with the organisation.

us in fulfilling our need for qualified workforce and also for students as they are offered internship and job opportunities.

Hasan ÇÖMEZ – *Kaya Artemis Hotel Human Resources Manager*

We participated in the fair before. We find this year's event quite successful. I am also a graduate of EMU Business Department. I graduated in 2014. As Kaya Artemis Hotel, we try to support activities as such as much as possible. We also offer the students internship opportunities.

Necati KILIÇ – *Petek Patisserie Personnel Manager*

We take part in this event every year. This year's event has welcomed intensive participation. As a prominent university, EMU organises meaningful events as such and I believe this is very important both for us and the students. We hope the university introduces similar events as they contribute to the promotion of the country.

Narmin İMANLI – *EMU Tourism and Hospitality Department Student*

The fair provides big opportunities for us. I submitted my application for internship to different hotels. The fair creates an important platform bringing together the students and sectoral representatives.



Yıldız ERBEKİR – *Başman Group Of Companies Marketing Director*

This is our first time in the fair. The event is beautifully organised and I believe it contributes to the promotion of companies. During the fair, we invite internship opportunities. Participating students may be offered job opportunities at the end of their internship period if they are found suitable for the job. Therefore, the fair is quite beneficial for companies like

Rümeysa YILDIRIM – *Public Relations and Advertising Department Student*

I believe the fair is quite beneficial for us. I submitted several applications for internship practice during the fair. The fair is an unmissable means for us in developing our career plans and exploring the sector.



EMU Signs Collaboration Protocol with Cypriot Artists



Work is continuing at the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) to form an art collection as part of the project being run by EMU Center for Cyprus Studies. A collaboration protocol was signed adding 20 pieces of art from the 2016 – 2017 Academic Year to the 230 pieces of art from the 2015 – 2016 Academic Year. The protocol was signed at EMU Rector's Office at 10:00 on the 28th of February 2017. As a result of the protocol the Turkish Cypriot

artists' work was added to the EMU collection. The protocol was signed by Nilüfer İnandı, Hasan Zeybek, Taylan Oğuzkan, Nilgün Güney, Osman Keten, Mehmet Ulubatlı and Türksal İnce as well as EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam.

Speaking during the protocol Prof. Dr. Osam indicated that universities should value art as well as science stating that EMU has been trying to achieve this.

Noting that the art needs to be exhibited in order for it to reach society, Prof. Dr. Osam stated that EMU requires its own museum. Congratulating EMU Center for Cyprus Studies on its successful work Prof. Dr. Osam thanked all artists for sharing their art with EMU.

Also present at the collaboration protocol signature ceremony were EMU Architecture Faculty, Department of Architecture and EMU Center for Cyprus Studies Chair Prof. Dr. Naciye Doratlı delivered a speech noting

that the Center for Cyprus Studies has taken on the task of researching Cyprus and the past of the Turkish Cypriot community. Prof. Dr. Doratlı stated that the Center has recently been concentrating on art concluding by thanking the artist for their valuable contributions.

The artists stated that they are very pleased about EMU valuing art, noting that they are always happy to support the project. Thanking EMU Center for Cyprus Studies, the artist stated that an important step has been taken and expressed their desire for a museum where they can exhibit their work.

Also present at the collaboration protocol signature ceremony were EMU Vice Rectors Prof. Dr. Cem Tanova, Prof. Dr. Hüseyin Özkaramanlı and Prof. Dr. Özgür Eren.

Cyprus Special Representative of United Nations Secretary-General Visits EMU

Elizabeth Spehar, Cyprus Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General visited the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) as part her island wide visits to non-governmental organizations, institutions and establishments. After a campus tour Spehar was accepted by EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Osam in the Rector's Office.

During the said visit Prof. Dr. Osam provided extensive information about EMU, how it values quality and its accreditation work. At the end of the visit Prof. Dr. Osam presented Spehar with a unique Cypriot Lefkara frame. After her visit to Prof. Dr. Osam, Spehar came together and exchanged views with university academic staff.



5th International Career Week Begins



Organised by the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Graduate Relations and Career Research Directorate (MIKA), in collaboration with academicians and experts in EMU, and in association with the Cyprus Turkish Chamber of Industry and the Cyprus Turkish Chamber of Commerce, the "5th International Career Week" started on Monday, the 27th of February 2017. The opening ceremony and conference took place at 10:00 at the Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall. The opening which drew heavy student interest was attended by Board of Trustees President İlker Edip, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam, Mayor of Nicosia Turkish Municipality Mehmet Harmancı, Cyprus Turkish Chamber of Commerce President Fikri Toros, Cyprus Turkish Chamber of Industry President Ali Çıralı, EMU Board of Trustees member Recai Ergün, Vice Rectors and academicians.

"EMU is truly a world university"

During his opening speech EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam highlighted the importance of the 5th International Career Week, providing recommendations for EMU students regarding their career paths. Noting that EMU cannot be categorized as a standard university Prof. Dr. Osam stated "EMU is amongst the top 980 of 25000

world universities. EMU is truly a world university". Prof. Dr. Osam concluded by pointing out that the professionals who are going to share their experiences with the students via seminars will benefit the students immensely.

We are in need of new entrepreneurs

Speaking after EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam, Cyprus Turkish Chamber of Commerce President Fikri Toros highlighted the importance of entrepreneurship whilst advising students to think about in what fields they can make a difference in and in what ways they can benefit society. Defining entrepreneurship as 'the ability to think rationally and analytically' Toros indicated that there is a need for young entrepreneurs in Cyprus. Noting that young entrepreneurs could at first face a range of problems Toros stated "Do not be afraid to make mistakes. The mistakes you make during your career will contribute to your improvement."

"EMU graduates can work all over the world"

Cyprus Turkish Chamber of Industry President Ali Çıralı provided a reminder that the EMU International Career Week from five years ago featured approximately 40 companies whilst this year's Career Week will feature more

than 130. Çıralı continued by noting: "EMU hosts students from all over the world. For this reason EMU graduates are very lucky. Every student who graduates from EMU, a university that has proved its quality internationally, can work all over the world."

"EMU taught us intercultural peace"

During the opening, a speech was also delivered by EMU Faculty of Business and Economics, Department of Political Science and International Relations graduate and current Mayor of Nicosia Turkish Municipality Mehmet Harmancı. Pointing out that EMU is of the utmost importance regarding democracy Harmancı who studied at EMU for a period of 6 years stated "EMU taught us to put up a fight whilst also teaching us about intercultural peace." In addition, Harmancı provided students with career advice stating that social life is important as well obtaining good grades.

Into the top 300 via EMU exam

At the conference 2004 Ankara University Medicine Faculty Graduate (as part of the EMU-Ankara University Medicine Faculty collaboration) and Mağusa Medical Centre Hospital Cardiovascular Surgery Specialist Op. Dr. Çağın Zaim gave a presentation titled "Things To Do in Our Career Path". Noting that he gained the right to join the İstanbul University Cerrahpaşa Medicine Faculty after finishing high school, Zaim stated that his heart was set on studying in Ankara. Therefore, Zaim made use of the opportunity offered by EMU: "I took the EMU exam and gained the opportunity to study at the Ankara University Medicine Faculty as a result of the protocol signed by EMU and the Ankara University Medicine Faculty.

We registered to the university along with the highest placed 300 students from the Higher Education Examination-Undergraduate Placement Examination."

Zaim stated that at first other medicine faculty students had prejudices about students from the EMU quota and that with time these prejudices were completely broken. Zaim also mentioned that EMU helped them through difficult periods of their education. After the presentation in which Zaim spoke about his career path, a question and answer session took place and Zaim was handed a plaque of appreciation by EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam. Zaim was also surprised with a birthday cake as it was his birthday.

Career Fair took place on the 1st of March

In addition to the seminars being organized by faculties during the week, the "5th Career Fair" taking place with the participation of over 130 firms offering numerous internship and career opportunities for students was held at the Lala Mustafa Paşa Sports Center at 10:00 a.m. on the 1st of March 2017. The said organisation for which a 30% increase in participation was observed this year took place in collaboration with the Cyprus Turkish Chamber of Industry and the Cyprus Turkish Chamber of Commerce. TRNC Minister of Education Dr. Özdemir Berova, Minister of Health Dr. Faiz Sucuoğlu, Minister of Tourism and Environment Fikri Ataoğlu and TRNC Minister of Labour and Social Security Hamza Ersan Saner participated in the said organisation and delivered opening speeches. The fair which is also open to members of the general public attracted great interest.

Serhat İncirli at EMU for Career Week



News Director of Kıbrıs Media Group, columnist and Kıbrıs TV programmer Serhat İncirli was visited the Communication and Media Studies Faculty of the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) as part of the 5th International Career Week.

During a talk organized by the Department of Journalism titled "Journalism and Cyprus" İncirli shared his occupational experience with students in attendance. The opening speech of the talk was delivered by Communication and Media Studies Faculty academic staff member Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ümit İnatçı. Assoc. Prof. Dr. İnatçı touched upon İncirli's unique style stating "What makes Serhat İncirli different and inconvenient is his free speech". In his talk İncirli touched upon

how he started and continued his career despite the difficulties of journalism. In his own unique style he defined the occupation as "madness" providing students with information about the specifics of his profession.

"The path to correct news is through correct information"

Providing students with information about journalism, İncirli pointed out that the path to correct news is through correct information and stated that for this reason a good journalist must be well-informed about the history, geographic structure, economy and culture of the region he or she is operating in.

After a question and answer session the talk came to an end with a group photo.

Graduates Of EMU FCMS Shared Their Sectoral Experiences With Students



Two Eastern Mediterranean University graduates, Producer Uluç Yemen Aslan, who is also the founder of Yemen Production, and Director of Cinematography Engin Örsel participated in a workshop and talk taking place at Eastern Mediterranean University Faculty of Communication and Media Studies within the framework of the 5th International Career Week. Organised by Radia, Cinema and

Television Department, a talk and workshop titled "Film, Commercial and Documentary Production" took place with the participation of EMU graduates Uluç Yemen Aslan and Engin Örsel, who shared their sectoral experiences with students. In their talk, Aslan and Örsel expressed their pleasure in revisiting their alma mater within the framework of EMU Career Week activities. During the talk, Uluç Yemen

Aslan thanked their instructors and faculty for their valuable contributions to the development of their professional career. Aslan also added that the students are lucky to study at a unique institution like EMU. Talking about the difficulties the production business has, Aslan put forth that the important thing is to have the determination and self confidence to develop creative projects. In his talk, Director of Cinematography

Engin Örsel stated that following his graduation from EMU he undertook different tasks in film sets for 7 years. Örsel also advised the students to make use of every opportunity they come across. Örsel also touched upon the details of cinematography production. After a workshop delivered by Aslan and Örsel, the event came to an end with a group photo.

EMU Hosted An Important Academician /Social Entrepreneur



Within the framework of the 5th International Career Week, Eastern Mediterranean University Education Faculty hosted the Director of the Turkish Education Reform Initiative (ERI) and Advisory Board Member of the Mother Child Education Foundation (AÇEV) Batuhan Aydagül.

Aydağül attracted huge interest from the participants while delivering his speech titled "From the Perspective of Critical Creativity" and highlighted the importance of the interaction between the professional and private life in developing a career. Whilst talking about the barriers one might encounter in the career path, Aydağül added that

a person may achieve better by learning from his/her mistakes. Aydağül also talked about the Education Reform Initiative's operations with a specific focus on various projects they developed including Curricular Reform, Teacher Training and Teacher Network. Aydağül stated that the said projects aim to establish support amongst teachers, to train them, to make parents more aware and schools more autonomous.

At the end of his talk, Batuhan Aydağül responded to questions coming from the audience and was presented a plaque of appreciation by EMU Elementary Education Department Chair Prof. Dr. Elif Y. Üstün.

EMU Department Of Biological Sciences Organised a Seminar On Cancer Genetics

Eastern Mediterranean University, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Biological Sciences Department, in collaboration with EMU Graduate Communications and Career Research Directorate (MİKA), organised a seminar on "Cancer Genetics" within the framework of the 5th Career Week. Hosting Molecular Biologist Dr. Rezan Fahrioğlu Yamacı of the Regensburg University of Germany, the event attracted great interest both from academicians and undergraduate students of Molecular Biology and Genetics Department. During the seminar, Dr. Yamacı provided information on research being held on the analysis of cells with the quality of early metastasis.

As one of the rapidly developing branches of science, Molecular Biology and Genetics has become an indispensable parts of postgraduate and doctoral degree programs. In this respect, EMU Molecular Biology and Genetics Department undergraduate program has the unique quality of being the first of its own kind within the TRNC. Along with methodology featuring theory and practice, the program also hosts scientific organisations such as the said seminar.

Prospective candidates wishing to obtain further information may contact Biological Sciences Department at mbg@emu.edu.tr.



British Council EU Scholarship Opportunity for EMU Students



British Council European Union Program Director Dilek Behçetoğulları gave a seminar at the Eastern Mediterranean

University (EMU) regarding the EU Scholarship Programme for the Turkish Cypriot community that has been utilized by over 1000 Cypriots

since the 2007-2008 Academic Year. Attended by students and academicians, the seminar took place at EMU Business and Economics

Faculty Building meeting room BEA5 at 2:00 p.m..

In Behçetoğulları's presentation regarding the Scholarship Programme for the 2017-2018 Academic Year, she announced that 128 students will be provided scholarships for a country of their choice out of 28 EU countries. According to the information provided by Behçetoğulları, one will be eligible for the scholarship if they or one of their parents was/were born in Cyprus. High school, undergraduate and postgraduate students are eligible to apply as well as young graduates, teachers, academicians, researchers, sectoral professionals and unemployed professionals. Individuals who have previously benefited from the EU Scholarship Programme will not be eligible to apply again.

EMU Receives an Award At The "2nd Kemal Yücel Honorary Award" Competition

Eastern Mediterranean University Education Faculty, Elementary Education Department academic staff member Assist. Prof. Dr. Eda Kargı, Senior Instructor Yücel Yazgın and Academic Expert Mesut Aydener's research titled "The Intergenerational Evolution of Games and Toys in North Cyprus" qualified for finals in the 2nd Kemal Yücel Honorary Award Competition and was qualified as one of the best three scientific research participating in the said competition.

The award ceremony, which took place at Golden Tulip Hotel on the fourth anniversary of the passing of Kemal Yücel, commenced with a presentation on Kemal Yücel's life followed by General Secretary Salih Sarpten's opening address. After Sarpten's speech, President Mustafa Akıncı also delivered a speech in which he stated that Kemal Yücel was such a unique educator supporting learning and teaching at all ages. Akıncı added that he was one of the lucky students to have attended Yücel's German classes. The event continued with Kemal Yücel's son Dr. Hakkı Yücel's and the Educational Research Association Chair Assist. Prof.

Dr. Kemal Batman's speeches and the presentation of awards to researchers.

Kargı, Aydener and Yazgın based their research on the statement that "The Understanding of Play and Childhood go parallel with each other". The said researchers carried out their research on 30 residents of the villages of Kaleburnu, Erenköy, Yeşilköy and Mehmetçik. The birth dates of those participating in the research range between 1932 and 1994, allowing the inclusion of the representatives of three generations in the study.

The research found out that a wide spectrum of game types exists in Cyprus but the creativity, spontaneity and natural state are all being diminished. At the end of the research, the researchers have reached a conclusion stating that as it is all over the world, the concept of childhood in Cyprus is changing based on the effects of modernisation, globalisation and new technologies. The researchers also recommend that despite the changes, there have to be communal efforts in supporting the continuation of traditional elements.



Celebratory Meal for ISO 9001:2008 and ISO 10002:2014 Quality Unit Representatives



Following the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) successfully undergoing inspections and being accredited with world renowned IQ Net member Turkish Standard Institute (TSE) ISO 9001:2008 Quality Management System and ISO 10002:2014 Student Satisfaction

Management System certificates, Quality Unit representatives attended a Rector's Office celebration lunch organized by the EMU Total Quality Management Center, to celebrate their successful work. The lunch took place at 12:00 on Wednesday, the 1st of March 2017 at Tower Restaurant located on the top floor of the EMU Tourism Faculty

building. Quality Unit representatives who participated in the lunch were handed their certificates of appreciation by the Rector's Office officials.

Quality Unit Representatives were handed their certificates on behalf of the Rector's Office by Vice Rector for Financial Affairs Prof. Dr. Sevin

Uğural, who congratulated them and wished the continuation of their success. The units that gained ISO 9001:2008 Quality Management System and ISO 10002:2014 Student Satisfaction Management Center certificates have obtained certificates that are recognized in 36 countries.

Türkan Navruz's Exhibition Begins At EMU



The opening of a stained glass exhibition titled "From One Breath to Thousands" took place at Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU). The exhibition featured the work of Türkan Navruz, one of the most important Stained Glass Artists, Poet and Writer, raised in Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC).

The exhibition's opening ceremony took place at Prof. Dr. Özyay Oral Library Exhibition Hall on Wednesday, the 1st of March 2017, at 18:30 with the participation of EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam, Vice Rector for International Relations and Promotion Prof. Dr. Cem Tanova and members of the academic staff.

This Week's Academic Publications

Source: Web of Science

Faculty of Arts and Sciences

1. Mukaddes Fasli, Muge Riza, and Mustafa Erbilin. "The Assessment and Impact Of Shopping Centers: Case Study Lemar." Open House International 41, no. 4 (2016): 98-103.

Faculty of Architecture

1. Resmiye A. Atun, "Envelopment: A Methodological Approach in Structuration of Urban Dialectics." Open House International 41, no. 4 (2016).

2. Mukaddes Fasli, Muge Riza, and Mustafa

Erbilen. "The Assessment and Impact Of Shopping Centers: Case Study Lemar." Open House International 41, no. 4 (2016): 98-103.

Faculty of Business and Economics

1. Goodness C. Aye, Mehmet Balcilar, and Rangan Gupta. "International stock return predictability: Is the role of US time-varying?." Empirica 44, no. 1 (2015): 121-146.

2. Mehmet Balcilar, Rangan Gupta, and Mark E. Wohar. "Common cycles and common trends in the stock and oil markets: Evidence

from more than 150 years of data." Energy Economics 61 (2017): 72-86.

Faculty of Health Sciences

1. Gülten Sucu Dağ, Aklime Dicle, and Mehmet Ziya Fırat. "Psychometric properties of the critical care family needs inventory-emergency department." Applied Nursing Research 33 (2017): 113-120.

2. Zehra Güçhan, and Akmer Mutlu. "The effectiveness of taping on children with cerebral palsy: a systematic review." Developmental Medicine & Child Neurology 59, no. 1 (2017): 26-30.

In his speech at the opening ceremony of the exhibition, Prof. Dr. Osam stated that art is very important for communities and that EMU is a university that values art and always tries to be supportive of artists. Türkan Navruz, who spoke after Prof. Dr. Osam, stated her pleasure in her art is being exhibited at such an important university and that her art will be viewed by students. After the opening of the exhibition, Navruz provided information about her work of art to Prof. Dr. Osam.

The stained glass exhibition will be available for visit until the 8th of March 2017 at EMU Prof. Dr. Özyay Oral Library Exhibition Hall.