



## EMU Ranks 50th on International Student Profile Category of THE



Currently, EMU boasts about 20 thousand students from 106 different countries and the number of international students is on the rise every year. In a recent statement, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam indicated that by featuring on this list EMU has once again proven that it is a truly international university. Prof. Dr. Osam stated: "Thousands of students from many different countries receive high quality international education in our safe campus environment with strong infrastructure and prominent faculty members. International students that are satisfied with our university, lead to more international students arriving at our university. Our graduates gain the opportunity to work at respectable positions in their countries. Therefore, our international student population increases every year."

Meanwhile a statement from THE indicated that the higher education world is getting smaller. As more and more students are choosing to study abroad, students are looking to universities to provide an international experience, the opportunity to study alongside students from all over the world, and to give them a truly global higher education community in which to study. Sixteen universities from London featured in the top 200, making it one of the most represented cities in the ranking. UK was the most represented country on the list with 72 of its universities featuring on the top 200 list. 27 universities from the US and 22 universities from Australia featured on the list. EMU was the only university from the TRNC to appear on the list.



The Times Higher Education (THE), one of the most reputable publishers of world-wide university rankings comprised an International Student Table based on data collected from institutions for the World University Rankings. The list comprising of

200 universities used figures on the percentage of international students provided by the institutions.

EMU had previously ranked within the top 600-800 universities in the Times Higher Education's World University Rankings, 173rd in the "BRICS and

Emerging Economies University Rankings" and within the 151-200 band of the List of the World's Best Universities under the Age of 50. EMU has now been ranked 50th on the International Student Table of the same institution.

# EMU Hosting the Council of Turkish Universities Continuing Education Centers (TÜSEM) Meeting



Eastern Mediterranean University Continuing Education Center (EMU – CEC) is hosting the Council of Turkish Universities Continuing Education Centers' Spring 2017 meeting. Among notable names who attended the official opening of the meeting which commenced at Rauf Raif Denктаş Culture and Congress Center on Thursday, 27 April 2017 were the President of EMU Board of Trustees İlker Edip, EMU Board of Trustees' member Hayri Orçan, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam, EMU Vice Rectors Prof. Dr. Özgür Eren and Prof. Dr. M. Yaşar Özden, EMU-CEC Executive Board Chair and Head of EMU Interior Architecture Department Prof. Dr. Uğur Ulaş Dağlı, President of TÜSEM Council Prof. Dr. Eser Y. Sözman, Istanbul Technical University Rector Prof. Dr. Ercan Kahya and Chair of the Cyprus Turkish Chamber of Commerce Fikri Toros. Along with the said officials, a large number of representatives from different

universities were also present at the event opening. Taking place under the auspices of Eastern Mediterranean University, the event will continue until Saturday, 29 April 2017.

Speaking at the event opening after a mini concert by the EMU-CEC Ada Işığ Children's Choir, EMU-CEC Executive Board Chair and Head of EMU Interior Architecture Department Prof. Dr. Uğur Ulaş Dağlı highlighted the importance of both communication and interaction for institutions. Putting forth that EMU-CEC has been operating since 2004 in line with the principle "Lifelong Education", Prof. Dr. Dağlı also stressed the significance of combining theory with practice. Prof. Dr. Dağlı also expressed how lucky they are to work at EMU, a prominent institution of higher education with the highest standards possible, and added that EMU-CEC has been working towards catering for the community's educational needs.

## The First Meeting of TÜSEM in the TRNC at EMU

In his opening address, President of the TÜSEM Council Prof. Dr. Eser Y. Sözman expressed their happiness in holding the meeting in the TRNC. Stating that they have been organising biannual meetings since 2010, Sözman added that it is the first time ever that a TÜSEM meeting is held in the TRNC. Prof. Dr. Sözman also expressed their pride in having 109 membering universities and added that during the meeting being held under the auspices of EMU, a General Board meeting will be held and elections will also take place. At the end of his address, Sözman thanked EMU for hosting and facilitating their meeting.

Stating his pleasure in hosting TÜSEM meeting, Rector of EMU Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam put forth that Eastern Mediterranean University ranks among the top 600 universities in the Times Higher Education Rankings, thanks to its true vision in the academic dimension. Prof. Dr. Osam also added that only 17 Turkish universities appear in the said rankings in which EMU ranks the 7th. Prof. Dr. Osam also expressed his happiness in seeing EMU on the said list as the first and only university within the TRNC. Prof. Dr. Osam concluded his address by stating that EMU-CEC carries out its operations in a dynamic fashion and thanking all those participants for attending the meeting in EMU.

Following the opening addresses, a panel titled "Continuing Education Centers in the Northern Cyprus –

Lifelong Learning" was held under the moderatorship of EMU Industrial Engineering Department academic staff member and Vice President of the EMU-CEC Executive Board Assoc. Prof. Dr. Orhan Korhan. During the panel, EMU Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. M. Yaşar Özden, Information Technologies and Information Systems academic staff member and Coordinator of EMU-CEC Yeşim Kapsıl Çırak, Chair of the KTMMOB Chamber of Electrical Engineers Mert Girgen and Chair of the KTMMOB Civil Engineers Seran Aysal delivered presentations.

## About TÜSEM

Established in 2010 upon the approval of the University Rector's Offices and the initiative of the administrators of the Lifelong Education Centers, TÜSEM aims to ensure that the Continuing Education and Life-Long-Learning Centers become institutions that provide higher quality education in a more active and widespread manner by working on accreditation, assessment and certification of the training programs offered by the centers. Among TÜSEM's objectives are also establishing collaborations with the national, European and international institutions, organizations and societies. State and Foundation universities may become members of TÜSEM. Eastern Mediterranean University Continuing Education Center has the unique quality of becoming the first and only institution within the TRNC that has become a member of TÜSEM.

# Chadian Students Paid a Visit to Rector Prof. Dr. Osam



Timan Djerou, President of the Chadian Students Association representing students studying at universities both within the TRNC and Turkey, and Executive Board members of the said association paid a visit to Eastern

Mediterranean University Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam.

Stating that around 350 Chadian students study in Turkey and the TRNC, Djerou added that the center of the

Chadian Students Association is located in Turkey, but from time to time, they visit the TRNC to check the situation of their fellow students studying on the island. Putting forth that Chadian students studying in EMU expressed

their happiness in studying in EMU, Djerou thanked Rector Prof. Dr. Osam for the provision of an ideal environment of study for Chadian students. During the visit, Djerou also provided information about Chad and invited Prof. Dr. Osam to an organisation set to take place in Kayseri Erciyes University during the upcoming days.

During the meeting, Prof. Dr. Osam stated that Eastern Mediterranean University hosts around 20,000 students from 106 different countries. Prof. Dr. Osam also expressed his hope to see more Chadian students in EMU. Talking about scholarship opportunities offered to international students, Prof. Dr. Osam also added the possibility of increasing the scholarships to be awarded to Chadian students in the near future. At the end of the meeting, Prof. Dr. Osam congratulated the visiting Chadian students for their good command of the Turkish language.

## EMU Walks for Stray Animals



Students and staff of Eastern Mediterranean University have taken another step toward becoming an "Animal-friendly Campus". EMU Animal Rescue Club and Neuter-Vaccinate-Let Live Project volunteers organized a walk with the slogan "Don't Buy, Adopt! Don't Leave, Own". A crowded group of students and academic staff, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam, Vice Rectors Prof. Dr. M. Yaşar Özden ve Prof. Dr. Özgür Eren attended

the said walk. The walk commenced at EMU Sabancı Dormitory with animal activists carrying banners with unique statements including "EMU is My Home, too"; "Don't Buy, Adopt"; "Don't Leave, Own"; "My Place is Next to You"; "One Plate of Food, One Cup of Water". For the past four years, EMU Animal Rescue Club has undertaken the feeding of stray cats and dogs on campus as well as their parasite elimination. On its fourth year,

the Neuter-Vaccinate-Let Live Project volunteers continue with their relentless efforts in improving the situation of stray animals, including their neutering. As part of the project also supported by EMU Rector's Office, ill, pregnant, old and new born animals on campus are being taken care of at the temporary facilities. At the end of the walk, project volunteers thanked all supporters for their financial support, stating that they are successfully maintaining

the protection of stray animals based on the understanding of them living together with humans. EMU Rector's Office stated that they will continue their support for the project which should be taken as an example by other Turkish Cypriot universities as well as institutions and individuals in all walks of life.

# Bob Geldof Rocks EMU!



Organised annually by Eastern Mediterranean University Social and Cultural Activities Directorate operating under the Vice Rector's Office for Student Affairs, 7th "Rock'n EMU" took place at EMU Stadium on 21 April 2017 with the participation of the legend of rock music Bob Geldof and his band 'The Boomtown Rats'.

At the beginning of the organization, first EMU Music Club and local music group Famagusta Music Band took the stage. Then, world-famous rock legend, Irish singer Bob Geldof and his band 'The

Boomtown Rats' gave an unforgettable concert for rock lovers. During the two-hour concert, rock lovers had exhilarating moments that will stay in their memories for a long period of time.

## "Unite the Island"

During the concert, Bob Geldof and his group The Boomtown Rats stated that "We don't like nationalism. It kills people. In Ireland, we suffered a lot for this reason. We have lost more than 3000 people". Geldof then urged people to ignore politicians and relics and unite.

Geldof added that Cypriots have wasted almost 40 years just to come from Larnaca to Famagusta. He also thanked everyone for ignoring what the Greeks say about the event and for attending the concert here at Eastern Mediterranean University.

## South Cyprus Criticises Bob Geldof's Concert

Bob Geldof's concert in the TRNC attracted harsh criticisms from South Cyprus. Stating their reactions over

internet and via press, Greek Cypriots opposed to Bob Geldof's concert taking place in the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus. Bombarding Bob Geldof's social media accounts and internet page with thousands of messages, Greek Cypriots tried their best efforts until the last moments to have the said concert cancelled.

## Who is Bob Geldof?

Robert Frederick Xenon "Bob" Geldof (Bob Geldof) was born to a Catholic family in 1951. In 1975, he formed the group The Boomtown Rats in Ireland. The Irish lead singer was a songwriter in Pink Floyd's 1982 film *The Wall* in which he also acted. In September 1981, he performed the solo version of the song "I Don't Like Mondays" at The Secret Policeman's Other Ball upon invitation from Amnesty International. Artists like Sting, Eric Clapton and Phil Collins also attended the event. On the 13th of July 1985, Bob Geldof organized a "Live Aid" organization with Midge Ure in aid of African children. After achieving the impossible and pulling the whole world's attention to Africa with his persistence and music Geldof was granted knighthood by the Queen of England.

# Famagusta Turkish Maarif College Wins the 23rd EMU High School Mathematics Competition



## The Famagusta Turkish Maarif College team consisting of Arda Hepgüler, Elmaziye Ramazan and Mehmet Çağmel came first.

The finals of the '23rd High Schools Mathematics Competition', which was organized by the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Arts and Sciences Faculty, Mathematics Department with the support of the Onay Fadıl Demirciler Education and Science Foundation, was completed at EMU Prof. Dr. Mehmet Tahiroğlu Hall. The said competition took place amongst Famagusta Turkish Maarif College, Nicosia Turkish Maarif College, Bülent Ecevit Anatolian High School and 19 May Turkish Maarif College in front of a large audience. EMU Mathematics Department Chair Prof. Dr. Nazım Mahmudov, who gave a speech prior to the competition, provided information about the history of the competition and congratulated all participating schools. Prof. Dr. Mahmudov also thanked the Onay Fadıl Demirciler Education and Science Foundation for their financial support. EMU Vice Rector Prof. Dr. Hüseyin Özkaramanlı also delivered a speech, thanking the Mathematics Department for organizing this successful competition for 23 years. Prof. Dr. Özkaramanlı congratulated the teams who made it to the finals and wished them good luck.

As for the results of an exciting and competitive final,

Famagusta Turkish Maarif College Team consisting of Arda Hepgüler, Elmaziye Ramazan and Mehmet Çağmel took 'First Place', Bülent Ecevit Anatolian High School Team consisting of Cennet Kaçucam, Onur Enes Gündoğdu and Ömer Faruk Alp took 'Second Place', Nicosia Turkish Maarif College Team consisting of Ahmet Harper, Ercem Yeşil and Selin Semin took 'Third Place', and 19 May Turkish Maarif College Team consisting of Ceren Erdoğan, Oğuz Yıldırım and Pelinsu Hakalmaz took 'Fourth Place', winning the 'Onay Fadıl Demirciler Special Award'.

The 20 July Science High School Team comprising of Açelya Özata, Kâmil Koca and Serkan Arslan came second in the semi-finals and was awarded the 23rd Year Special Award

The awards were presented by; EMU Vice Rector Prof. Dr. Hüseyin Özkaramanlı to the Famagusta Turkish Maarif College for first place, EMU Arts and Sciences Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Mehmet Ali Özarslan to the Bülent Ecevit Anatolian High School Team for second place and EMU Mathematics Department Chairman Prof. Dr. Nazım Mahmudov to the Nicosia Turkish Maarif College Team for third place. 19 May Turkish Maarif College Team who won the Onay Fadıl Demirciler Special

Award by taking the fourth place in the competition, received their award by Onay Fadıl Demirciler's wife Serpin Demirciler, and the 20 July Science High School Team who won the 23rd Year Special Award received their award from EMU Mathematics Department Chair Prof. Dr. Nazım Mahmudov.

## Guest of Honor-1996 Graduate Necmi Şerbetcioğlu

A plaque of honor was awarded to 1996 Department of Mathematics graduate, guest of honor Necmi Şerbetcioğlu for being one of the two individuals who came up with the idea of the High School Mathematics Competition in 1995. Şerbetcioğlu is currently a Planning Director at Shell Oil Company. During his short speech Şerbetcioğlu expressed his happiness regarding being invited to the competition, thanking the Department of Mathematics and describing a few fond memories from when he was a student at the department.

## Individual Awards also presented

On the 12th of April 2017 Arda Hepgüler from Famagusta Turkish Maarif College and Ercem Yeşil from Nicosia Turkish Maarif College came joint first in the individual category of the 23rd High School Mathematics Competition. Sermet Ersöz from

Famagusta Turkish Maarif College came second and Ahmet Harper from Nicosia Turkish Maarif College came third. They were presented their awards by EMU Vice Rector Prof. Dr. Hüseyin Özkaramanlı, Arts and Science Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Mehmet Ali Özarslan and former Arts and Science Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Rza Bashirov. Ömer Faruk Alp (Bulent Ecevit Anatolian High School) came fourth and was awarded the 23rd Year Special Award. Finally, Kâmil Koca (20 July Science High School) came fifth and was awarded the Onay Fadıl Demirciler Special Award. They were presented their awards by Mathematics Department Chair Prof. Dr. Nazım Mahmudov and Onay Fadıl Demirciler's wife Serpin Demirciler. At the end of the Award Ceremony Famagusta Turkish Maarif College were presented the Onay Fadıl Demirciler Shield by Vice Rector Prof. Dr. Hüseyin Özkaramanlı and Serpin Demirciler.

## Up-To-Date Onay Fadıl Demirciler Shield Statistics

The Onay Fadıl Demirciler Shield was set up in 2014, to last for a period of five years. The shield was won by the Nicosia Turkish Maarif College twice; in 2014 and 2016. Bülent Ecevit Anatolian High School won the shield in 2015 and the Turkish Maarif College in 2017. The permanent owner of the shield will be determined next year.

## International Jury Membership from EMU Academic Staff Members

Eastern Mediterranean University Architecture Faculty, Interior Architecture Department academic staff member Assoc. Prof. Dr. Banu Tevfikler (in the field of Interior Architecture) and Communication Faculty, Visual Arts and Visual Communication design Department Acting Chair and academic staff member Assoc. Prof. Dr. Senih Çavuşoğlu (in the field of Graphic Design) became international jury members in the 19th International Contemporary Art and Design Fair and Competitions-Russian Art Week Competition.

The said fair and competition which took place between 17 and 23 April 2017 were organised by the "Creative Union of Artists of Russia", an organisation which has around 15,000 members. The competition categories specified in the fields of design and art are participated by thousands of professional artists and designers from many different countries. The said event also creates a platform through workshops and talk organisations bringing together students of design and arts from different corners of the world.



## Dean of EMU Health Sciences Faculty Prof. Dr. Malkoç Attends SABDEK



6th Health Sciences Faculties' Deans Council Meeting (SABDEK) was hosted by Eskişehir Anadolu University between 21 and 22 April 2017. Along with 55 deans from Turkey and the TRNC, training coordinators of the National Core also participated in the meeting. Eastern Mediterranean University was represented at the said meeting which attracted a total of 82 participants by the Dean of Health Sciences Faculty Prof. Dr. Mehtap Malkoç, who is also a member

of SABDEK Executive Board. Following the opening addresses of the meeting, a workshop titled "Vocational Applications in Health Sciences" was held. During the said workshop, problems were discussed and recommendations for solutions were put forward. A report featuring the outcomes of the workshop was presented on 22 April 2017 with the participation of the Acting President of YÖK Prof. Dr. Safa Kapıcıoğlu, Afyon Kocatepe University Rector and Medicine Health Sciences

Education Council Chair Prof. Dr. Mustafa Solak, and Anadolu University Rector Prof. Dr. Naci Gündoğan.

Following the presentation of the report, Acting President of YÖK Prof. Dr. Safa Kapıcıoğlu delivered a speech during which he touched upon the importance of SABDEK's important role in the prevention of the uncontrollable and rapid growth of the field of health sciences. Prof. Dr. Safa Kapıcıoğlu also stated that despite the fact that the

Council was established recently, it has achieved a lot in a short span of time. Prof. Dr. Safa Kapıcıoğlu added that Core Education programs of "Nutrition and Dietetics", "Midwifery", and "Audiology" departments have been approved by YÖK. Prof. Dr. Kapıcıoğlu concluded his speech by stating that they will provide relevant support regarding the elimination of problems encountered in application practices caused by the regulations in the field of health sciences.

# Fire of Anatolia to Perform at EMU



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## Fire of Anatolia



### This Week's Academic Publications

Source: Web of Science

#### Faculty of Education

I.Gülen Onurkan Aliusta and Bekir Özer. "Student-centred learning (SCL): roles changed?." *Teachers and Teaching* 23, no. 4 (2017): 422-435.

#### Faculty of Medicine

I.K. Ak, E. Ak, O. Dericioglu, T. Canak, J. Akbuga, N. Ozkan, S. Cetinel, S. Isbir, S. Arsan and A. Cobanoglu. "Tacrolimus-Eluting Suture Inhibits Neointimal Hyperplasia: An Experimental In Vivo Study in Rats." *European Journal of Vascular and Endovascular Surgery* 53, no. 3 (2017): 431-437.

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) prepares to host the dance performance "Fire of Anatolia", also known as the dance of legends. Organized by the Social and Cultural Activities Directorate under the Vice Rector's Office for Student Affairs the performance is set to take place at the EMU Stadium on Friday, the 28th of April 2017, at 20:30.

The performance of the 45 person dance group headed by Mustafa Erdoğan will last for approximately two hours. The performance will comprise of two acts, the first comprising of two scenes and the second of three. The main concept of the Fire

of Anatolia is the meeting of civilizations. The dance show aims for cultures of the West and East to meet and contain global messages of peace. It synthesizes folk dancing, modern dance and other disciplines of dance to present a modern cultural celebration. Fire of Anatolia is an authentic project that uses the mythological and cultural history of Anatolia as a source. It contains 3000 folk dance moves as well as folk music. The project that bears Mustafa Erdoğan's signature aims to promote to the world Anatolia's thousands of years old culture and historical mosaic, spreading to the world the fire of peace. The Fire of Anatolia has been promoting

Anatolian culture since 2001 via shows all over the world. Each year the world famous Fire of Anatolia Dance group performs twice a week at their own location Antalya Aspendos Arena between April and November. With its squad of 250 dancers, the group can perform in three locations around the world at the same time.

The Fire of Anatolia performance at EMU will take place on Friday, the 28th of April 2017 at the EMU Stadium. The performance that will commence at 20:30 will be free of charge and open to members of the general public.