



## EMU RECTOR'S OFFICE PAID A VISIT TO TRNC MINISTER OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS AYŞEGÜL BAYBARS



Eastern Mediterranean University courtesy to Minister of Internal Rector's Office paid a visit of Affairs Ayşegül Baybars. Among

those present in the visit were EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam, Vice Rector for Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Hüseyin Özkaramanlı and Vice Rector for International Affairs Prof. Dr. Cem Tanova.

### "EMU Is The Apple Of The TRNC's Eye"

During the visit, Professor Dr. Osam provided information about EMU and emphasized that with almost 20 thousand students from 106 different countries, EMU is the only university in the TRNC to have been ranked by the Times Higher Education (THE) in 2017 - 2018 Academic Year World University Rankings. Indicating that EMU features within the top 601-800, Prof. Dr. Osam stated that they are proud of this achievement which should be seen as a coincidence. Emphasizing that EMU is the best university on the island, Prof.

Dr. Osam highlighted that the institution is constantly growing and developing. "EMU is the apple of TRNC's eye. It is also featured top amongst Turkish universities after the universities Koç, Sabancı, Bilkent and Boğaziçi.

### Wishes of Success from EMU Rector

Rector of EMU Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam extended his wishes of success for Minister Baybars in her endeavors and also exchanged views with Minister Baybars regarding the enhancement of relations between the university and the Ministry of Internal Affairs. Extending her appreciation regarding the visit, Minister Baybars wished EMU all the further success in reaching their targets. At the end of the visit, Prof. Dr. Osam presented Minister Ayşegül Baybars a crow statue, which is a symbol of Famagusta.

## EMU COMPLETES ISO 9001:2015 AND ISO 10002:2014 INSPECTIONS

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) underwent inspections of the world renowned IQ Net member Turkish Standards Institute (TSE) ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management System and ISO 10002:2014 Student Satisfaction Management System. Under the guidance of the EMU Total Quality Management Center which is in charge of setting up management systems, implementation, revision, propulsion, giving reports to senior management and inspection coordination, the inspections finished with a closing meeting that took place at the EMU Rector's Office Senate Hall at 15:30 p.m. on the 31st of May 2018. The meeting was attended by EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam, Vice Rector for International Relations and Promotion Prof. Dr. Cem Tanova, Turkish Standards Institute TRNC Director Kemal Kızıltan, TSI Chief Inspector Mehmet Ali Göksel, EMU Total Quality Management Center Director Hasan Kavaz, Trainer and Advisor Latif Sakar, EMU Public Relations and Press Office Acting Director Murat Aktuğralı and quality unit representatives.



### Inspections Completed Successfully

At the closing meeting, TSI Chief Inspector Göksel stated that the three-day inspections came to an end and thanked all those for their devoted participation in the process. Göksel also added that the university successfully completed ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management System and ISO 10002:2014 Student Satisfaction Management System inspections. Göksel also put forth that during the upcoming year

EMU will take necessary actions in obtaining ISO certification regarding the Environment and Management System, Job Safety and Health Management System and Information Security. TSI TRNC Director Kemal Kızıltan delivered a speech at the closing meeting and thanked EMU for their hospitality throughout the 3 day inspection process. Stating that EMU has successfully passed the ISO 9001:2015 and ISO

10002:2014 inspections, Kızıltan expressed their pride in certifying EMU as a prominent institution of higher education with high levels of student satisfaction. In a speech of his own, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam highlighted the importance paid towards accreditation and external inspection by EMU and added that their aim is to bring up workforce in the best way possible. At the end of his speech, Prof. Dr. Osam thanked all those who took part in the inspection process.

## INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE STUDENTS COMPLETE THEIR STUDIES IN EMU



8 international students are preparing to say goodbye to the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) where they completed their 2017-2018 Academic Year Spring Semester studies via student exchange programs as a result of the EMU's collaboration protocols with over

20 universities. After completing their final exams, the students that came to the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) from China and Kazakhstan are preparing to return to their countries with fond memories. EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam received the students preparing to bid farewell to the

university in his office on Friday, the 1st of June 2018 at 10:00.

### "EMU is a World University"

Congratulating the students for choosing EMU and successfully completing their studies at the university, Prof. Dr. Osam asked for their opinions about the university and how it differs from other

universities. The students spoke one by one indicating that they had a wonderful time at EMU and that they were very satisfied to see that EMU is a world university no different from universities in Europe or the USA. The students also expressed that they are sad to be leaving the university. EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Osam stated that he is happy that the students are leaving with pleasant memories and also told them not to feel sad as they will always find an open door if they want to come back to the university for a master's or doctorate degree. During the visit, Prof. Dr. Osam also presented the students a commemorative gift.

### 13 More Students are coming

As EMU bids farewell to the 8 foreign exchange students it also prepares to welcome 13 more for the 2018-2019 Academic Year Fall Semester. In addition to the 13 students who will be coming to the university, EMU students will be going to South Korea, Canada, USA, Germany, China and Turkey within the scope of Student Exchange Programs. Within the scope of the Student Exchange Program, students of EMU are provided the opportunity to receive education at one of the collaborating universities for a semester or full academic year.

## FAMAGUSTA TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT ZONE TECHNOPARK HOLDS 12TH GENERAL MEETING

Established by the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Lefke European University (LEU) and Cyprus Turkish Chamber of Industry (CTCI) in 2005 with the aim of increasing innovation and entrepreneurship, contributing to the production of brands and patents, developing the university-industry collaboration and ensuring the development of competitive environment in the area of technology in the TRNC, Famagusta Technology Development Zone held its 12th general meeting at Lefke European University on Friday, 25 May 2018.

Among those attending the said meeting were EMU Rector Prof.

Dr. Necdet Osam, LEU Rector Prof. Dr. Mehmet Ali Yükselen, Cyprus Turkish Chamber of Industry representative and Executive Board member Atilla Bulancak, Vice Rector Prof. Dr. Cem Tanova, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Akın Cellatoğlu, Cyprus Turkish Chamber of Industry secretary Doğa Dönmezer and Administrative Company Executive Board members Necdet İcil, Prof. Dr. Işık Aybay, Prof. Dr. Mustafa Tümer, Assist. Prof. Dr. Mustafa Rıza and Assist. Prof. Dr. Mehmet Ali Egemen.

During the meeting the company's 2017 activity report and financial situation were discussed and approved. The meeting ended at 1:30 p.m.



## EMU IEEE STUDENT CHAPTER DEVELOPS MIND-CONTROLLED ROBOTIC SYSTEM



Eastern Mediterranean University Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers - IEEE (The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers) Student Chapter has added another remarkable achievement to their existing ones through their participation in one of the largest robotics competition, Robotex 2018, with their mind controlled robot system. EMU IEEE Student Chapter formerly participated in IEEE Region 8 Acceleration Program and represented EMU at the said organisation with the training they provided. Alexander Graham Bell and Thomas Edison are among notable founders of IEEE, a reputable organisation which boasts over 430 thousand members in 160 countries. IEEE's EMU Student Chapter formerly received an award for the training they offered

under the title of "Robotic Operating System". Having organised numerous seminars, training sessions, career and technical trip organisations, EMU IEEE Student Chapter participated in IEEE Region 8 Acceleration Program and provided training on "Robotics Operation System", for which they received the second place award within Region 8 in the "University Education Category".

### Mind-Controlled Robotic System Developed

IEEE EMU Student Chapter Robotic Team developed a Mind-Controlled Robotic System with the support they received from EMU Rector's Office and Electrical and Electronic Department. Through the software platform they developed on the Robotic Operation System, the team analyzed the signals they received from the brain sensor

and created an infrastructure that could control different functions, providing a controllable robot capable of performing many different functions and controlling the humanoid robot, which is the NAO Robot. Through the developed system, the electrical brain waves generated during different brain functions are detected by a sensor and classified by Artificial Intelligence algorithms after being encoded by Digital Signal Processing methods. After the classification process, it is possible to realize the desired movements on the robot by wirelessly transferring the electrical decision signals corresponding to different functions. IEEE EMU Student Chapter Robotic Team paid a visit to EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam with the Chair of Electrical and Electronic Engineering Department Prof. Dr. Hasan Demirel. During the

said visit the team asked for support regarding their participation in the largest robotics competition of the world, Robotex 2018.

### The Team to Compete in Robotex

Visiting EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam in his office at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, 28 May 2018, IEEE EMU team provided information on their project which received Prof. Dr. Osam's appreciation. Among those present at the said meeting were Vice Rector for Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Hüseyin Özkaramanlı and Rector's Coordinator Assist. Prof. Dr. Arif Akkeleş. At the end of the visit, Prof. Dr. Osam expressed the university's full support regarding the team's participation in Robotex 2018's "Mind-Control Category" in November 2018.



## EMU ENTRANCE AND SCHOLARSHIP EXAM HELD IN EMU WITH RECORD BREAKING PARTICIPATION

Eastern Mediterranean University's (EMU) Entrance and Scholarship Exam for Turkish Cypriot high school students and nationals of the Turkish Republic who received uninterrupted education at a Turkish Cypriot high school or an equivalent school was held with record-breaking participation at EMU Campus in Famagusta and Turkish Maarif College in Nicosia

between 10:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, 31 May 2018. A total of 1572 candidates took part in the exam (872 candidates in Famagusta exam center and 700 candidates in Nicosia exam center). According to a statement from EMU Rector's Office, 35 candidates applied for exam-free admission to EMU. In total, 1607 candidates submitted their program choices during the exam.

## EMU BANKING AND FINANCE STUDENTS DOMINATE “INVESTIMATE” COMPETITION



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Business and Economics, Department of Banking and Finance students occupied 4 of the top 5 places in Turkey’s prestigious virtual investment competition “INVESTIMATE”. This year a total of 3079 students from Turkey and the Turkish Republic of

Northern Cyprus (TRNC) attended the competition organized by the Boğaziçi University Business and Economics Club. Asem Allobani, Omar Ali Almagouri, Mohammed Saeed Al-Kindi and Reema Wael AlShurafa from the EMU Faculty of Business and Economics were presented their awards by Turkish

Bank executives and members of the jury at a ceremony hosted by Turkish Bank. The EMU Business and Economics Faculty, Department of Banking and Finance was also awarded the jury special prize for displaying the best performance of universities that attended the competition. The EMU Business and Economics Faculty, Department of Banking and Finance had also won the said competition last year.

### Sponsored by Important Institutions

During all stages of the competition students were provided counselling by The EMU Business and Economics Faculty, Department of Banking and Finance academic staff members Assoc. Prof. Dr. Korhan Gökmenoğlu and Bezhn Rustamov. The first stage of the competition took place between the 12th of March and 20th of April 2018. Competitors made virtual investments for a period of six weeks using a range of investments instruments. 50 students who made the most profit earned the right

to compete in the second stage of the competition. During the second stage of the competition students compiled a financial report containing trade strategies and presented their reports to a jury. After jury evaluation, 5 competitors presented to 8 jury members from Turkish Investment, Deutsche Securities, Boğaziçi University, Economist Magazine and Anadolu Agency. After the final stage of the competition the competitors earned the right to receive a range of prizes.

### Visit to Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam

The successful students paid a visit to EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam along with Department of Banking and Finance Chair Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nesrin Özataç and academic staff member Assoc. Prof. Dr. Korhan Gökmenoğlu. During the visit that took place on Tuesday, the 29th of May 2018, Prof. Dr. Osam was informed about their success. Prof. Dr. Osam congratulated the students and wished them the continuation of their success.

## EMU AWARDS SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS AT EMU FINANCE DAY ORGANISATION

Organized by Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Business and Economics, Banking and Finance Department, “Finance Day” was held at Prof. Dr. Mehmet Tahiroğlu Hall. Members of the Faculty of Business and Economics and the students demonstrated great interest towards the event. The opening speech of the event, which was attended by around 200 participants, was delivered by EMU Banking and Finance Department Chair Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nesrin Özataç. Pointing out the importance of financial-based projects and activities that students carried out both during and after the academic term, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Özataç underlined that these activities will provide great contributions to the career path of the students in the future.

**Successful Students were Awarded**  
Students presented their group projects, which were carried out



during the academic term, as part of the Finance Day activities. Amongst the micro-finance projects which emphasize the importance of finance in everyday life and society, the projects entitled “Helping Hands for Old People” and “Traditional Taste Sales” were awarded. Among the

debate series on different finance topics, Morgan Manjonjori was presented an award. “The Impact of the Government Expenditure on Education and Economic Growth: The Case of France” was chosen the best academic research conducted by students in the field of finance. Under

the theme of Creativity Projects, the best work of art award was given to Anas Nasir for “Describe the Finance Discipline with a Creative Work of Art”. At the end of the Finance Day event, successful Banking and Finance students were presented Honor and High Honor Certificates.

## EMU PRESENTS SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS CASH AWARD



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) awarded students who demonstrated outstanding success during the 2017-2018 Academic Year Spring Semester. Over 100 students who managed to make it into the top 10 at their Schools and Faculties were presented cash awards in three different categories at a ceremony which took place at the Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall at 15:00 on Friday, the 25th of May 2018. Speaking at the opening of the

ceremony EMU Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Halit Tanju Besler welcomed everyone to the important event highlighting that they are very happy to be together with students, honoring them for their important success. Sincerely congratulating all the students Prof. Dr. Besler indicated that the university will continue to motivate them in order to contribute to and lead to the continuation of their success. Following the opening speeches,

Prof. Dr. Besler presented Faculty of Business and Economics students Sahar Iqbal, Malak Tareq Abd Alalah Shibeian and Ayşe Uslu their symbolic checks. The ceremony continued with students receiving their cash awards from Faculty Deans, School Directors and members of academic staff. Those who obtained first place prizes received 3 times the gross minimum wage. Those who qualified for the second place prizes received twice

the gross minimum wage. Those who obtained third place prizes received the gross minimum wage. Students who managed to rank within the top three at the 2017-2018 Academic Year Fall Semester Foreign Languages and English Preparatory School English Proficiency Exam were presented notebook computers. The event was attended by many members of academic staff who shared the joy of students.

## NİDAİ ŞEMİ PRESENTS EMU RECTOR PROF. DR. NECDET OSAM HIS BOOK

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam hosted in his office EMU Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Department of Mathematics

academic staff member Asst. Prof. Dr. Nidai Şemi. During the said visit Asst. Prof. Dr. Nidai Şemi presented Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam his book titled "Anılardaki Efsaneler".



## IMPORTANT ACHIEVEMENT FROM EMU AT CANNES FILM FESTIVAL



The short film "Kismet" filmed under Eastern Mediterranean University's (EMU) sponsorship and directed by EMU Faculty of Communication, Department of Visual Arts and Visual Communication Design doctorate student Doğuş Özokutan and Faculty of Communication doctorate student Vasvi Çiftcioğlu has been accepted to the 71st world

famous Cannes Film Festival's Short Film Corner. Since 2004, the Short Film Corner has been open to festival guests and accredited sector representatives. "Kismet" is the first and only Turkish Cypriot made short film to be accepted in this anthology. From the 14th to the 19th of May, the Short Film Corner of the Cannes Festival will allow producers and

distributors from all over the world to come together and watch the films.

### An Impossible Will

Kismet's script was written by Doğuş Özokutan. The film's leads are Deniz Çakır, Osman Ateş and Mehmet Kumser. The director of cinematography is Pieter Verburg and its editing was carried out by Tim

Klok. The short film portrays a dad whose will that asks for him to be cremated leaves his wife and son with an impossible mission. The visual effects of the film were handled by EMU Department of Visual Arts and Visual Communication Design Vice Chair Fırat Tüzünkan whilst its poster design was carried out by Department of Visual Arts and Visual Communication Design Chair Senih Çavuşoğlu. Hüseyin Özinal was responsible for costume and set design. Mertcan Kıranda and Çağıl İşgüzar were in charge of music.

### Their First Film Participated in Oscar Nominations

Doğuş Özokutan and Vasvi Çiftcioğlu's first short film "Olağan Denemeler" which was shot completely through their own means won three international awards; two from America and one from Brazil. Olağan Denemeler which was screened at 41 international film festivals in 23 different countries is the first and only Turkish Cypriot made film to participate in Oscar nominations.

## EMU COMMUNICATION CLUB HOSTED FAMOUS DIRECTOR NİZAM EREN AND ACTOR NECMİ YAPICI

Operating under the Social and Cultural Activities Directorate and carrying out its activities under the supervision of Assistant Chair of Department of Public Relations and Advertising Asst. Prof. Dr. Umut Ayman and Research Assistant Safiye Bağkur, Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Communication Club hosted the famous director Nizam Eren and actor Necmi Yapıcı. The conference titled "The Journey of Cinematic Knowledge" was held at the Communication Faculty FCMS 011 Hall at 3:00 p.m. on May, 24th 2018. Eren began his conversation by stating his pleasure in meeting university students and dragged his listeners into a deep cinematic journey. Eren first pointed out how important knowledge is in our lives and in the cinema, he emphasized that the starting point of the cinema is the knowledge. Eren added that the importance of science such as mathematics, physics and chemistry is important for cinema and also noted that people are coming to

the present days by transferring their knowledge to each other. Eren pointed out the necessity of people improving themselves, saying that it is very important for university students to add new information for their own sake by staring at information eagerly. Stating that choosing the right target audience is a key for cinema marketing, Eren also emphasized the significance of journalists and media in promoting movies and, in order to achieve at this point, concluded by saying, "The person who does what nobody can do for the first time wins."

Yapıcı started his words by giving information about the sector to inform the university students, and said that the cinema is a field which constantly develops and changes. He noted that cinema has an artistic characteristic and that it is very different from television because television is just used for entertainment purposes and that there may always be a restriction. Saying that the increase in good practices in cinema depends



on the literate audiences, Yapıcı emphasized that the audience has a great importance at this point. Yapıcı also said that the cinema is influenced by the development of the internet, and highlighted that watching movies on the internet will never be able to match the feelings that pass through the cinema screen. Last but not least, Yapıcı gave the participants a piece of good news that he will take part in the new series titled

"Kocaman Ailem" in the near future. At the end of the event, EMU Faculty of Communication, Department of Public Relations and Advertising Department Assistant Chair and Communication Club Advisor Asst. Prof. Dr. Umut Ayman thanked Necmi Yapıcı and Nizam Eren for the information provided and presented them a plaque of appreciation. The event ended with group photo.

## EMU HOSTED A PANEL TITLED “GLOBAL CHAOS AND ITS REFLECTIONS ON THE PROFESSION OF NURSING”



Eastern Mediterranean University Health Sciences Faculty hosted a panel titled “Global Chaos and Its Reflections on the Profession of Nursing”. The event which took place at Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall attracted interest from students and academic staff.

Commencing with a moment of silence and the national anthem, the panel’s opening address was delivered by EMU Department of Nursing Chair Prof. Dr. R. Selma Görgülü, who provided information about the International Council of Nurses. Stating that the theme of this year’s International Nurses Day is “Health is a Human Right”, Görgülü added that the profession of nursing is a human-targeted profession. Prof. Dr. Görgülü also provided information on the importance and requirements of the profession. At the end of her speech, Prof. Dr. Görgülü addressed the students and stated that “You are the future of the profession

and we are obliged to prepare you for this future in the best way possible.” President of the Cyprus Turkish Nurses and Midwives Association Gülcem Sala Razi expressed her happiness in participating in this organisation in EMU and highlighted the importance of bringing up highly qualified nurses who have the skills to express themselves. Sala Razi also put forth that the nursing profession not only touches the lives of patients but also their families, the community and health of the future generations. Sala Razi also provided information on their association and their mission. Also delivering a speech, Vice Dean of EMU Health Sciences Faculty Assist. Prof. Dr. Seray Kabaran provided information on the International Nurses Day. Assist. Prof. Dr. Kabaran also added that EMU Nursing Department is committed to bring up ethical and conscious health professionals who act in line with science and professional principles. Following the opening addresses,



EMU Political Science and International Relations Department Chair Prof. Dr. Ahmet Sözen, Lefke European University academic staff member Prof. Dr. Sevgi Hatipoğlu, expert nurse from Dr. Burhan Nalbantoğlu State Hospital Fatma Çeki and Military Nurse Emel Akgönül participated in

the panel titled “Global Chaos and Its Reflections on Nursing”. Following the panel, various activities by the students of the Nursing Program took place. The panel came to an end following the presentation of awards to students who won a competition titled Nursevivor and a cocktail.

## EMU TOURISM FACULTY STUDENTS RECEIVED THEIR CERTIFICATES



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Tourism Faculty, Gastronomy and Culinary Arts Department and, Tourism and Hospitality Department students received "Weekly Work Experience" certificates in a ceremony organized in Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall.

Within the project carried out in line with the cooperation between EMU and Limak Cyprus Delux Hotel, 75 students from Gastronomy and Culinary Arts Department and, 20 students from Tourism and Hospitality

Department completed a 10-week long "Weekly Work Experience" project in Limak Cyprus Delux Hotel located in Bafra region that started providing services by 2017-2018 Academic Year, Spring Semester. General Director of Limak Cyprus Delux Hotel, Mehmet Mülayim was also present during the ceremony.

By stating that Limak Cyprus Delux Hotel and EMU has signed a cooperation protocol, General Director Mehmet Mülayim mentioned their "We Arrived to the Island"

motto which aims to make a difference. Mülayim also expressed their pleasure to support the "Weekly Work Experience" project applied in EMU Tourism Faculty. EMU Tourism Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç made a speech after Mehmet Mülayim and during his speech, he said; "The curriculums applied in EMU Tourism Faculty Tourism and Hospitality Department and Gastronomy and Culinary Arts Department are unique. In addition to the compulsory internships applied in summer periods following the first and third years, students of Tourism and Hospitality Department go through a semester long "Weekly Work Experience" project along the students of Gastronomy and Culinary Arts Department whom go through an 8-semester long "Weekly Work Experience" project either in hotels or restaurants with the aim of gaining experience and knowledge regarding their field of studies." Moreover, Prof. Dr. Kılıç also stated that during the work experiences students of Tourism and Hospitality Department gain experiences by getting an extensive training in fields of bars, feasts, housekeeping services and reception services. With the

signed protocol Limak Cyprus Delux Hotel, offers EMU Tourism Faculty students weekly work experiences and summer internships as well as job opportunities for the graduates. At the end of his speech, Prof. Dr. Kılıç thanked Mehmet Mülayim for such opportunities arose from the protocol.

### Successful Students received High Honour and Honour Certificates:

During the "Weekly Work Experience" certificate ceremony, EMU Tourism Faculty Gastronomy and Culinary Arts Department students who gained the right to receive High Honour and Honour Certificates for 2017-2018 Academic Year Fall Semester were presented their certificates. By stating that the students succeeded as a result of their high performances both in theoretical course and in applied studies, Prof. Dr. Kılıç added that such students are taking firm steps forward to become future chefs. Mehmet Mülayim, Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç, EMU Tourism Faculty Vice Deans Assist. Prof. Dr. Güven Ardahan, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ali Öztüren and academic staff members presented the "Weekly Work Experience" and "High Honour and Honour" certificates.



## EMU DEPARTMENT OF GASTRONOMY AND CULINARY ARTS STUDENTS VISIT THE IZMIR CHOCOLATE FESTIVAL



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) School of Tourism and Hospitality Management, Department of Gastronomy and Culinary Arts students organized a cultural trip to İzmir with the aim of learning about the city's history and cultural heritage. A total of 35 students from Jordan, Iran, the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) and Turkey attended the trip.

Within the scope of the trip, students attended the chocolate festival in Bayraklı participating in workshops and talks as well as gaining the opportunity to taste a range of different chocolates. The workshops that were very useful for Department of Gastronomy and Culinary

Arts students allowed them to be informed about the steps of chocolate production. During the trip students also visited historical locations such as the İzmir Clock Tower, Foça, Ayvalık, Cunda Island, Wind Turbines, Greek Houses, Şeytan Sofrası and Asansör as well as tasting local cuisine.

At the end of the trip led by EMU School of Tourism and Hospitality Management academic staff members Asst. Prof. Dr. Nazenin Ruso and Turan Değirmencioğlu the students stated that the trip was very enjoyable as well as useful. EMU Faculty of Tourism Dean and School Director Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç underlined that the organization of such trips will continue in upcoming years.



## EMU FACULTY OF TOURISM STUDENTS ARE GOING TO KOREA

The Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Tourism continues to stand out with its international connections. EMU Faculty of

Tourism students are going to Korea for the first time in the 2018-2019 Academic Year Fall Semester within the scope of exchange programs.

With its undergraduate, postgraduate and doctorate education in Tourism and Hospitality Management as well as Gastronomy and Culinary Arts, the EMU Faculty of Tourism with over 850 students continues to stand out with the opportunities it provides. In a statement released before the 2018 EMU Entrance Exam, Faculty of Tourism Dean Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç indicated that their faculty is fourth in Europe and thirteenth in the world as well as first in Europe and second in the world in terms of academic staff member publications.

### The aim is to produce globally competitive graduates:

Indicating that EMU students have been to Italy, China, America and the UK, Prof. Dr. Kılıç announced that Tourism and Hospitality Management and Gastronomy students will be going to the Far East for the first time to receive education and witness different cultures. Students have been accepted to South Korea's Woosong University within the scope of exchange programs which are a first because they span to the Far East. Indicating that they greatly value these exchange

programs Prof. Dr. Kılıç emphasized that they aim to develop international relations and expand the vision of students in order to produce globally competitive graduates.

### World Famous Michelin Starred Chef in TRNC for the first time:

Indicating that the education provided in Gastronomy and Culinary Arts gets better each year as well as the education provided in Tourism and Hospitality Management, Prof. Dr. Kılıç stated that hosting double Michelin starred chef Tom Aikens made a tremendous impression not only on the island but also in the international gastronomy community. Also highlighting the importance of 3 students being accepted to Aikens's double Michelin starred restaurant for the first time Prof. Dr. Kılıç noted "This shows that our education is world class." Prof. Dr. Kılıç wished students who will be taking the entrance exam the best of luck highlighting that the correct choice for students interested in the field of tourism is the EMU Faculty of Tourism.



## EMU TO LAUNCH ACTUARY SCIENCES PROGRAM



The Actuary Sciences Program, which will be jointly run by the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Mathematics Department and Faculty of Business and Economics, Department of Banking and Finance, will start its academic life in Fall Semester of the 2018-2019 Academic Year. The four-year program which will offer undergraduate study opportunities in the medium of English will start admitting new students via EMU Entrance and Scholarship Exam to be held on 31st May 2018.

### Would you Like to Become an Actuary?

Actuarial Sciences Program is carried out, upon the approval of the Turkish Higher Education Council (YÖK) only at Eastern Mediterranean University at the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus and two universities in the Republic of Turkey. The program, which will be offered in EMU for the first time, will provide high quality study opportunities with the expert faculty working under the Department of Mathematics. The science of Actuary is regarded as a scientific discipline with an increasing emphasis on the risky

economic conditions of today's world, although the foundations are based on the 1870s. In this area of science, risk assessment is made in many areas of the economy, especially in the fields of insurance and finance, by using mathematical and statistical methods as well as dealing with finance. "Actuaries" mainly use statistics to predict non-specific events such as accidents, premature deaths and natural disasters. Actuaries are professionals who can evaluate financial risks, offer solutions, and examine the long-term outcomes of each solution. The actuary does not only evaluate financial uncertainties in the present but also in the future. Proposals for strategic decisions are made by making forward projections.

### 5th Place Amongst 10 Most Popular Jobs

EMU Faculty of Arts & Sciences Dean Prof. Dr. Mehmet Ali Özarslan and Faculty of Business and Economics Dean Prof. Dr. Eralp Bektas provided information about the new program which will be launched at the beginning of the upcoming term and stated that Actuary profession is in the first five among the top ten professions in terms of money, prestige and job satisfaction in the United States of America (USA) and Europe. Özarslan

and Bektas also emphasized that it is in the highest Occupational Security in 2017 according to News & World Report in USA, ranked 23rd place among the first 26 jobs (97.070 US dollars as average annual income). According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Prof. Dr. Özarslan and Prof. Dr. Bektas stated that the employment rate of actuaries is foreseen to grow by 22% between the years of 2016-2026 and according to the "Actuarial Regulations" in Turkey, they underlined that every insurance company that operates under the area of life needs to employ an actuary registered to Actuary Registry.

### Ready with its Expert Faculty and Opportunities

It is highlighted that Actuary Sciences program will be offered by 13 Professors (5 Mathematics, 3 Computer, 5 Banking and Finance), 5 Associate Professors (2 Mathematics, 3 Banking and Finance) and 12 Assistant Professors (10 Mathematics, 2 Banking and Finance). It is also emphasized that the program is ready to welcome the new students with modern classrooms, 3 computer laboratories, a trade laboratory, a research laboratory, the main library and a departmental library.

## EMU FACULTY OF EDUCATION STUDENTS DELIVER "END-OF-YEAR CONCERT"



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Education, Department of Fine Arts Education, Music Teaching Program students delivered an "End-of-year concert".

The concert which took place at the Rauf Raif Denktaş Culture and Congress Hall attracted the attention of students, parents,

academicians, administrative staff and members of the general public. Music Teaching Program students put on a musical feast for those in attendance at the end of their education year. Delivering the opening speech at the concert, Department of Fine Arts Education Chair Prof. Memduh Özdemir stated the

students are excited to share what they have learned throughout the year with the public. Also underlining the importance of continuing to organize similar events Prof. Özdemir thanked everyone who contributed in the organization of the concert. The performances delivered at

the concert under the conduction of academic staff member and choir master Erkan Dağlı were as follows: Academic staff member; Serkan Çankaya's Quartet, Lale Langel's Folk Music Community and Aleksandr Zabolotkov's students' Yaylı Sazlar Orchestra. In addition the concert featured final year student; Deniz Amcazade's piano recital as well Şevval Altay and piano accompanist academic staff member Maka Rothery's vocal concert.

At the end of the concert, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam indicated that the student performances get better each year underlining his belief that the department will continue to improve in upcoming years. Prof. Dr. Osam noted that he was very happy about the concert, thanking everyone involved in its organization.



## AFRICAN CULTURE NIGHT ORGANIZED AT EMU

The Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) African Student Association (ASA) organized an African Culture Night hosted by the International Office operating under the Vice Rector's Office for International Affairs and Promotion.

Many African students attended the event which took place at the Rauf Raif Denктаş Culture and Congress Centre also following the results of the cultural art

competition that took place a day before. Students were presented awards in different categories. At the event which included a range of cultural activities, students who came to the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) from all over Africa wore local garments adding colour to the night with traditional dance and music. There are currently, 11 different African student societies at EMU that actively participate in the universities' activities.

## EMU INTERNATIONAL OFFICE HOLDS THANK YOU MEAL

The Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) International Office operating under the Vice Rector's Office for International Affairs and Promotion held a thank you meal for personnel and students who contributed to one of the universities' biggest and most colorful cultural festivals- EMU International Night 2018. The 17th annual EMU International Night was attended by thousands of students from 106 different countries. The said organization was held at the EMU Beach Club

on Tuesday, the 22nd of May 2018. Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. H. Tanju Besler attended the meal on behalf of the EMU Rector's Office. The meal included a range of games and activities. During the night that also included prize draws, a certificate ceremony also took place. Companies providing sponsorship distributed prizes to winners of the draws and games. Those attending the night sang songs and danced throughout the night, adding color to the event.



### This Week's Academic Publications

Source: *Web of Science*

**Faculty of Arts and Sciences**  
**1 - Koray Duztaş.** "Group theoretical formulation of free fall and projectile motion." *European Journal of Physics* 39, no. 4 (2018): 045009.

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**Faculty of Business & Economics**  
**1 - Amin Sokhanvar, Serhan Çiftçioğlu, and Elyeh Javid.** "Another look at tourism-economic development nexus." *Tourism management perspectives* 26 (2018): 97-106.

**Faculty of Tourism**  
**1 - Amin Sokhanvar, Serhan Çiftçioğlu, and Elyeh Javid.** "Another look at tourism-economic development nexus." *Tourism management perspectives* 26 (2018): 97-106.

## THIS WEEK IN TURKEY'S PROMOTION



EMU Education Faculty Academic Staff Member Asst. Prof. Dr. Sertan Kağan delivered a presentation at the Counsellor Education Seminars in Antalya on the 26th of May 2018.



Izmir Liaison Officer Gülçin Yayan İrdem delivered a promotional university presentation at the İzmir Oğuzhan Özkaya Education Institutions Career Days on the 30th of May 2018.



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