



EMU RECTOR'S OFFICE RELEASES STATEMENT ON THE RECENT NATURAL DISASTER



take effect as soon as possible.

Reminding that planned development is of vital importance for overcoming possible natural disasters with the least damage and destruction, we extend our condolences and sympathies to the families of those who perished in this devastating event.

Aid Campaign

With the aim of or raising money to support people affected by the recent floods caused by bad weather conditions in regions including Lapta, Alsancak and Dikmen, our University has launched an aid campaign.

In this regard, a bank account has been opened and the proceeds will be delivered to those affected via the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) Prime Minister's Office Coordination Center.

All sensitive members of the society wishing to support the campaign are invited to submit their donations to the bank account (account number 11-304-6170537 (TL)) titled "No More Floods" at the Cyprus Turkish Cooperative Central Bank (KOOPBANK).

The said campaign which is carried out by EMU with #NoMoreFloods hashtag will continue until 24 December 2014.

EMU-SRC is With Gazimağusa

Eastern Mediterranean University Search and Rescue Club (EMU-SRC) was on guard alongside Gazimağusa Civil Defence Regional Directorate during the flood disaster throughout Northern Cyprus which resulted with loss of life and destruction at various settlements. With the decision of EMU to suspend the university for two days and start an aid campaign, EMU-SRC team was next to Civil Defence Squad, ready to assist. EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam accepted the EMU-SRC team on 7th December 2018 Friday at his office and thanked them for their devoted work.

#NeverAgain

THE FLOOD DISASTER HELP CAMPAIGN
CYPRUS TURKISH COOP CENTRAL BANK
11-304-6170537 TL ACCOUNT

Eastern Mediterranean University Rector's Office released a statement on the recent natural disaster. The statement reads as follows:

"We have been deeply saddened over the loss of lives and destruction in many settlements as a result of the recent natural disaster encountered in Northern Cyprus. The flood disaster has led to far worse results than a past catastrophe which took place on February 26, 2010, named as the 'catastrophe of the century'. The changing climatic conditions have a significant effect on the very heavy rainfall accompanied by thunderstorms. However, it seems that the realization of construction plans without taking into account the natural features,

irregular, pervasive and distorted construction activities becoming a form of development, construction of buildings and roads to the river beds increase the impact and destruction of a natural event and result in loss of lives and damages to property. We believe that the catastrophe occurring eight years apart, rather than being a fate, is the result of the stakeholders not perceiving or understanding the importance or not giving enough care to planned development. In this regard, all relevant actors involved in the system should stop and think for a moment and contribute to the work on the Development Plan.

With these feelings and thoughts, we support the revision of the Gazimağusa, İskele Yeniboğaziçi Construction Plan and Mandate, which causes great controversy, to

EMU HONOURS ITS PERSONNEL OF 25 YEARS



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Personnel Affairs Directorate organised a Service Award Ceremony under the patronage of the Rector's Office on December 10th 2018, Monday (14:30) at the Activity Center. At the ceremony, 25 year staff and retired personnel were presented with complimentary platelets. EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam, Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Sonuç Zorlu Oğurlu, Vice Rector for International Affairs and Promotion Prof Dr. Cem Tanova, Vice Rector for Administrative and Technical Affairs Prof. Dr. Naciye Doratlı, Personnel Affairs Director Özlem Avcı, administrative directors and staff attended the ceremony.

Support to the Crisis Referral Desk

During his opening speech, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam mentioned that EMU and its staff had used all resources and joined hands after the flood disaster for Famagusta and the entire country. Prof. Dr. Osam stated that all EMU units provided support to the Crisis Referral Desk formed at the Turkish Republic of North Cyprus (TRNC) Prime Ministry and that EMU TV's drones were also used to provide visuals during the situation

assessment period. Prof. Dr. Osam also said that they started the #NoMoreFloods aid campaign and that EMU members provided significant financial and moral support to the campaign.

Fırat Çırak was Remembered

After thanking the EMU personnel on active duty for 25 years and those got retired, Prof. Dr. Osam stressed his love, admiration and appreciation of all EMU staff. After his opening speech, Prof. Dr. Osam first presented late Fırat Çırak's daughter with a platelet. Çırak was the Revolving Funds Director at EMU and passed away on March 9, 2018 due an illness. Prof. Dr. Osam presented Çırak's daughter with the platelet for her father's contributions to this university. During the presentation of the platelet, the hall was filled with emotions. Prof. Dr. Osam mentioned that Fırat Çırak was a very hardworking and good-hearted person and that they were extremely happy to have worked with him. He expressed that Çırak's loss was keenly felt. The event ended following the platelet presentation, group photo and cocktail.



EMU SIGNS A PROTOCOL WITH THE CYPRUS TURKISH JOURNALISTS' ASSOCIATION

A collaboration protocol was signed between Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) and the Cyprus Turkish Journalists' Association (KTGB). Rector of EMU Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam and President of KTGB Sami Özuslu signed the said protocol at EMU Rector's Office at a meeting which took place at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, 5 December 2018.

Speaking at the protocol signing ceremony, Prof. Dr. Osam highlighted the importance EMU attaches to civic involvement and academy and added that the protocol will yield positive outcomes. Extending his congratulations to Özuslu on being re-elected as the president of the KTGB, Prof. Dr. Osam added that the collaboration between the two institutions will continue in a stronger fashion.

In a speech of his own, Özuslu thanked EMU on behalf of KTGB and expressed his pride in collaborating with EMU as a prominent and rooted institution. Özuslu



also put forth that the protocol is only the first step towards fruitful achievements.

Vice Rector of EMU Prof. Dr. Cem Tanova was also present at the ceremony.

"GOLD MEN" OF EMU

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam received Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) Jiu-Jitsu team members who are also the students of EMU, and the team trainer Selman Özcan in his Office upon their completion of the 2018 tournament season with success. The team has been operating for 9 years on Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu in TRNC, under the

organization of EMU Sports Affairs Directorate under the name "Academy Cyprus". The club achieved great success in the process by participating in numerous international events. The successful Jiu-Jitsu team consists of the following members: Berk Ekensoy – TRNC (Faculty of Health Sciences), Kadir Kaan Şenyurt – Turkey (Faculty of Engineering) and Tariş Rasljanin – Serbia

(Faculty of Business and Economics).

One Heart

Despite they are from different countries and cultures, they successfully represented their countries, club and university as one heart and earned a recent success. EMU Faculty of Health Sciences, Department of Sports Sciences student Berk Ekensoy who was praised greatly at Paris Spring International Open 2018 Tournament, earned gold, silver and bronze medals at Middle-Heavyweight category and represented EMU and his country with pride. EMU students won 5 gold, 2 silver and 1 bronze medals out of a total 41 medals in competitions which took place in Munich, Limassol, Barcelona, Paris, Tel Aviv, Moscow, Split, London, Vienna, Amsterdam and Madrid in 2018.



EMU UNDERGOING TSI OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SECURITY AUDIT



Eastern Mediterranean University is undergoing the Turkish Standards Institute's (TSI) "OHSAS18001 Labor Health and Security" audit. Having successfully undergone the audit of ISO 9001-2015 Quality Management System and ISO 1002-2014 Student Satisfaction Management System since 2015 and certified accordingly, EMU is now pursuing quality assurance in the field of Occupational Health and Security. The first meeting of the aforesaid inspections which will continue until 20 December 2018 was held at EMU Rector's Office Senate Meeting Room. Attended by Vice Rector for International Affairs and Promotion Prof. Dr. Cem Tanova, TSI Cyprus Personnel and System Certification Director Ahmet Kemal Kızıltan and EMU Total Quality Management Center Director Hasan Kavaz, the meeting also hosted the representatives of EMU Quality Units.

"EMU will be the First"

Delivering the opening speech of the meeting, TSI Cyprus Personnel and System Certification Director Ahmet Kemal Kızıltan stated that they have been continuing their joint journey with EMU for quality and student satisfaction for three years and now they have added occupational health and security dimension into the journey. Kızıltan added that at the end of their audit, EMU will be the first university in Cyprus receiving a certificate of Occupational Health and Security. In his speech, Vice

Rector for International Affairs and Promotion Prof. Dr. Cem Tanova stated that "Being evaluated and reviewing what we do with the feedback of an external eye have always been amongst of our priorities as a university. Our academic units developed themselves through accreditations and our administrative units managed to keep themselves updated with TSI audits. Today, we have also initiated an evaluation process on occupational health and safety which we attach great importance to. What is important for us is not only to gain the document, but also to eliminate the shortcomings by experiencing this process and to reduce the risks to the health and safety of our staff and other stakeholders."

"We are Setting Samples for Other Universities"

Prof. Dr. Tanova stated that EMU has always become an example for other universities in the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) regarding its progress towards the right targets. Prof. Dr. Tanova also added that many new universities in our country are sometimes formed with commercial concerns. However, as a state university, we have to inspire other newly established universities with a genuine goal of high quality education, community services and research in its true sense. While doing these as EMU, it is important not only for us, but also for other universities to do and achieve these goals before other universities.



EMU IEEE ROBOTICS TEAM WINS ROBOTEX 2018



Eastern Mediterranean University, Electrical and Electronic Engineering Institute's Student Branch (EMU-IEEE) won first place at the "Robotex International 2018" Competition, held in Tallinn, Estonia.

Pride of EMU

Electrical and Electronics, Software Systems and Mechatronics Engineering students Hüseyin Çeçe, Shehabeldin E. M. Housein, Farhang Naderi, Burak Özarslan and Yazan M.A.L. Abuaiша

were supervised by EMU Faculty of Engineering, Electrical and Electronics Engineering Chair Prof. Dr. Hasan Demirel during their preparation phase for the competition. The EMU IEEE Student Branch Robotics Team became the pride of EMU by winning the first place with their mind-controlled robot named 'EMU Crow'.

The Only Team to Complete the Competition

Robotex, the biggest robotics competition in the world, was held this year in Estonia's capital Tallinn for its 18th time. During this year's robotics competition, there was a record-breaking participation of 1750 robots, 35.000 competitors, over 100 companies and 4000 engineers. The competition was held in 25 different categories. The EMU IEEE Student Branch had been preparing and designing 'EMU Crow' for the last year and became the only team managing to finish the competition within the standard 2 minutes. In Mind Controlled Robotics competitions, the robots are controlled with brain waves detected by sensors placed on the forehead area. The detected electronic signals are transmitted to a computer via Bluetooth. Here, the signals are processed and transmitted to the robot via Wi-Fi Wireless Networking; allowing the robot to move. The competitor wearing the sensor receiver must concentrate and focus since these factors are essential for accurate classification of the signals.

Prof. Dr. Demirel included the following in his statement: "EMU Robotics Team, consisting of students and academicians, has once again proven what they are capable of achieving when provided with the necessary support and facilities. EMU Management, a supporter of similar organisations and projects, deems this result as a great step. EMU's participation in such organisations and projects will increasingly continue in the international arena.

EMU FACULTY OF TOURISMAT THE CROWN OF THE INTERNATIONAL ARENA

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Tourism and Hospitality, Department of Gastronomy and Culinary Arts Faculty Member and Expert Pastry Chef Pınar Barut won the gold medal at the Villeroy & Boch World

Culinary and Pastry Cup lately held in Luxemburg.

Barut competed at the quadrennial Villeroy & Boch World Culinary and Pastry Cup that is considered as the most difficult culinary competition in the world. At the competition, in which many teams and individuals from 5 continents and 75 countries competed, Barut earned the gold medal by winning first place in the “Pastry Artistic” field.

In her statement, Barut said: “I am extremely happy for winning the gold medal that I

missed in the last years. Mostly, I am proud of representing EMU and TRNC”.

In his statement, EMU Faculty of Tourism and Hospitality Dean Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç said that he previously mentioned Barut’s potential for setting a higher standard at the competition and that this victory did not come as a surprise.

Mentioning that their aim is to achieve the same success at the World Culinary Olympics in 2020, Prof. Dr. Kılıç said: “We are certain of Barut’s upcoming success. When they announce the results, her victory will not be a surprise”. Lastly, Prof. Dr. Kılıç thanked EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam for EMU’s moral and financial support in enabling their attendance in such international competitions and events.



EMU FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE CONTINUES ITS ‘LIFE-LONG LEARNING’ ACTIVITIES



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Architecture organised a seminar for its faculty members and students. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Şükrü Tüzmen, EMU Faculty of Arts and Sciences faculty member and Research and Publication Ethics Board

President, gave a seminar titled “Ethics in Academia” during the “Life-Long Learning” themed event. As the event examined ethics, different stages of production and obstacles in academia, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Tüzmen discussed academic freedom, contents of the ethics and

science policies and limits based on several research examples.

By asking relative questions, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Tüzmen encouraged the participants into thinking about academic ethics and research authenticity. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Tüzmen also conveyed his own experience, ethical approaches in universities and some examples during the seminar the aim of which was to generate awareness in academicians and graduate students. At the end of the event, EMU Faculty of Architecture Dean Prof. Dr. Özgür Dinçyürek presented Assoc. Prof. Dr. Tüzmen a complimentary certificate and a poster of the seminar as a memento. Prof. Dr. Dinçyürek also stated that collaborative efforts were to be made on maintaining contact between the Ethical Board and the Faculty of Architecture; and to solve the problems highlighted during the seminar.

EMU IMPROVES ITS DISABLED-FRIENDLY CAMPUS

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Vice Rector's Office for Administrative and Technical Affairs, Prof. Dr. Naciye Doratlı made a statement regarding the 3rd of December – International Day of Persons with Disabilities which was initially declared in 1992 by the United Nations (UN). Touching on the necessity of bearing the people with disabilities in mind not only on the 3rd of December but every day of the year, Prof. Dr. Doratlı also mentioned: “As EMU family, sustainability is the most important notion in our strategic plans. In this context, we have prepared a master plan and reached the final phase of our studies. One of the most important features of the plan is all the precautions that our university has been taken regarding people with disabilities”.

“Barrier-free Campus”

Stating that the reconstruction work on sidewalks around the campus has commenced with the aim of improving the accessibility for people with disabilities, Prof. Dr. Doratlı continued her speech with the following: “As the Vice Rector's Office for Administrative and Technical Affairs, we are aiming to gradually complete all the reconstruction work. If we get necessary opportunities for financial issues, the second step in process is to do reconstruction work inside the



buildings in order to obtain better conditions for the visually impaired or orthopedically handicapped individuals. Our main goal is to create a campus which is viable for people with disabilities offering opportunity for them to reach wherever they want without having any obstacles”. Emphasizing the importance of being aware



towards disabilities not only on the 3rd of December but on all days of the year, Prof. Dr. Naciye Doratlı ended the statement by saying: “Being an individual with disabilities is not a choice. We are all possible candidates to have disabilities. Therefore, we shall do whatever is needed to take precautions to ease the lives of people with disabilities”.

EMU RECTOR'S OFFICE ISSUES STATEMENT ABOUT THE CONSTRUCTION PLAN AND MANDATE



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Rector's Office issued a statement about the Construction Plan and Mandate on the current agenda. The statement included the following:

“If requested/invited by the Ministries or Municipalities, Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), as a institution contributing to the public, would consider all kinds of support to planned development for quality-life and a habitable environment among its duties.

In this scope, Nicosia construction Plan, Famagusta Walled City Rehabilitation Plan, Territorial Physical Planning and Cittaslow works on Yeniboğaziçi (Agios Sergios), Mehmetçik (Galateia) and Geçitkale

(Lefkoniko) villages are only a part of works EMU contributes to.

In scope of the current Famagusta, İskele (Trikomo), Yeniboğaziçi (Agios Sergios) Construction Plan works, the situation assessment procedures on the 23 included villages were collaboratively conducted by our university's Department of Architecture and the Urban Planning Department; and are now in the completion phase. In the next phase, decision making and public attendance stages will be given the necessary contribution and support.

The Famagusta, İskele (Trikomo), Yeniboğaziçi (Agios Sergios) Mandate, prepared for PUBLIC WELFARE in order to control development pressures and maintain the sustainability of development until the İskele (Trikomo), Yeniboğaziçi (Agios Sergios) Construction Plan enters into force under the Construction Law, has caused a number of rather serious arguments and social media comments that are not associated with scientific or legal facts; and we have been observing this situation with great worry and concern.

This controversial situation is caused by the

lack of confidence emerging from the perennial maintaining of Mandates that go beyond their purpose and almost supplant the Construction Plans. Planned development traditions and manners have not yet taken hold in our country and the necessary infrastructure for planning has not yet been achieved; and these factors also contribute to the controversies.

As the Eastern Mediterranean University, we believe that the best option is to have the Mandate (that is an interim period planning tool of the Construction Law) appropriately simplified and re-regulated in accordance with its description and purpose, and enforced as soon as possible in order to allow the İskele (Trikomo), Yeniboğaziçi (Agios Sergios) Construction Plan to be enforced. Afterwards it should be abolished. Additionally, eliminating the deficiencies and malfunctions in the Planning System would help the planning stages receive support instead of negative reactions. As an island with limited resources, planned development should be both the right and the priority of people from all areas. Eastern Mediterranean University will continue to provide all kinds of support as it has always done before”.

EMU SCT AND KTEMB INTRODUCE JOINT CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS



Eastern Mediterranean University School of Computing and Technology (SCT) and Cyprus Turkish Electrical Contractors Union introduced “Short-term Certification Training Programs” taking place under the sponsorship of the European Union at a joint event which took place at 9:30 on Tuesday, 11 December 2018.

In the event which took place at EMU SCT, a detailed presentation was made about the program and vocational education. Speaking at the event, Director of EMU-SCT Prof. Dr. Mustafa İlkan stated that vocational education constitutes an important part of the educational system. Also providing information about SCT, Prof. Dr. Mustafa İlkan talked about the latest status of education, things to be done and problems encountered. Professor Dr. İlkan emphasized the importance of vocational high school-SCT educational chain and added that ‘intermediate workforce’ and ‘vocational education’ should be valued more. Director of SCT also put forth that pointed out that the class, scale and other relevant arrangements in labor laws should be evaluated separately to include the graduates of SCT. Prof. Dr. İlkan stressed that these legal arrangements would increase the interest and quality in vocational programs in higher education and vocational high schools. He stated that they brought the issue to the attention of many ministers. Dr. İlkan also emphasized that the new government and the minister in charge were also presented information

and their evaluations on the issue. Stating that the sector is in need of high quality intermediate staff with vocational education. Dr. İlkan emphasized that the elements that encouraging vocational education should be implemented.

KTEMB Project Coordinator and Electrical Engineer Osman Asilzade, who also delivered a speech, provided information on the programs. Responding to questions, Asilzade stated that programs may be offered in Famagusta and EMU depending on the number of participants. Highlighting the importance of certification in the profession, Asilzade added that the scope of the training to be offered may be extended depending on the interest. Putting forth that their aim is to disseminate the programs in all regions, Asilzade stated the importance of EMU and SCT’s contributions to the program which is also a project of the European Union.

In a speech of his own, President of KTEMB Bora Karaçam stated that he is a graduate of EMU-SCT and highlighted the importance of expanding students’ targets in real life. Emphasizing that he was aiming at the point he is at today in his student years, Karaçam said that EMU-SCT is an important catalyst in achieving this goal. Karaçam emphasized that the training programs to be launched in January 2019 will be free of charge and certificates will be given to the participants. Karaçam also stated that depending on the groups and demands, the scope and period of the training will be expanded. The promotion program ended with a question-answer session.

Institutions Carrying out the Project and Project Team:

The recruitment project titled as ‘Electrical Field’ is carried out by the Executive Board of the Turkish Cypriot Electrical Contractors Union (KTEMB) and the Cyprus Licensed Electrical Contractors Association (SEHK).

The project team is as follows: Electrical-Electronic Engineer: Osman Asilzade, Project Assistant: Electrical-Electronic Engineer: Ahmet Dağbaşı, Project Support Staff and Energy Experts.

Aims of the Project:

The objectives of the project include

the development of entrepreneurship, minimisation of the unemployment rate, the increase of competitiveness, the use of new technologies, the increase of employability, raising social awareness, the increase of the quality of the sectoral services and the number of qualified personnel, the development of bi-communal activities, the development of lifelong learning activities and competence and increase the success rate in certificate (Technician) exams .

Project Budget and Duration: 199,234.08 € and 30 months.

Topics of Training:

Certificate of authority in the field of electric (Technician), Exam Preparation Courses, “15kVA (house+industry), 30kVA (house+industry) and 50kVA ve more (house+industry)”, House and industry installation, Lighting techniques and energy productivity, grounding techniques, Protection from high voltage and lightning, Getting to know electrical equipment and measurement techniques, installation regulations, local laws and regulations, automation and control- smart buildings, medium voltage applications, labor health and security laws, setting and installation of boards, solar power installations, compensation, KNX (trainer) and KNX (Personnel). Target groups (field of contractors) Electrical engineers, electrical technicians, students of electrical programs, workers of electricity, interns, support staff and anyone who is suitable for the aforesaid areas within the profession.

Place and time of training sessions: The training sessions will take place in Nicosia outside the working hours. Depending on demand, training sessions may be offered in Famagusta, Kyrenia and Guzelyurt.

Method of Application: Those interested may fill in the application form on the brochures and submit it in person or via e-mail. Alternatively, the application form on www.kte mb.org website may be completed and submitted to info@kte mb.org, kte mbmail@gmail.com or kte mbmail@yahoo.com. Detailed information is available at KTEMB Main Office Tel/Fax: 223 93 45/223 40 21 Address: Şht. İlmiye Şakir Sk. Ersoy Apt. No:2 Göçmenköy-Nicosia, KTEMB Famagusta Office Tel: 366 40 17, Address: Vatan Sk. Dumlupınar-Famagusta.

RENOWNED WRITER METIN HARA MET EMU STUDENTS



In scope of the series activities to be held by Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Social and Cultural Activities Directorate, world-renowned writer, actor, personal development specialist Metin Hara met EMU students at a session about his books: “Invasion of Love – The Path”, “Invasion of Love – The Breath”, “Science of Goodness” and “Action for Goodness”. The event

was held in Turkish at EMU Activity Hall. Beginning his seminar by briefly familiarising the audience about himself, Hara explained that he has been giving training for 18 years about how people can change their lives. Metin Hara said that what he does could not be identified as ‘Personal Development’. He mentioned that he is a physiotherapist graduated from İstanbul University Çapa Faculty of Medicine, Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Department, and that he teaches people techniques for self-obtaining very clear results. After a very pleasant conference, EMU students and other conference attendees asked Hara questions. At the end of the event, EMU Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Sonuç Zorlu Oğurlu presented Metin Hara with a Lefkara lace decorated board pertaining to Cyprus.

Who is Metin Hara?

He was born on the 14th of June 1982 in İstanbul. After completing his primary education at 50. Yıl Cumhuriyet Primary School, he went to Üsküdar American College for his secondary and high school education. After Üsküdar American College, he studied

at Çapa Faculty of Medicine, Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Department. While in college, he took roles in commercials to make his living and appeared in many promotional campaigns of several national and global brands both in Turkey and abroad. In 2007, he took a leading role in ‘Listen from the Nay: Separations’ (Dinle Neyden) and was presented at the International Ankara Film Festival the best young actor award. After putting the “Trusthuman” project into practice in 2008, he continued to touch people’s lives by personal sessions or group seminars with the “A Different World is Possible” philosophy. In 2014 “The Path”, the first book of his “Invasion of Love” trilogy, sold over 100.000 copies in the first 3 months alone, and remained on the bestsellers list for 8 months. He also draws the attention by planting a tree for every life he touches, adopting dolphins, his visits and donations to prisons, orphanages and retirement homes. As a member of many environmental and social responsibility associations, Metin Hara is also an executive-board member of the Cancer-Free Life Association.

A VISIT TO THE ELDERLY FROM EMU FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND ENGLISH PREPARATORY SCHOOL



The ‘Care for the Elderly’ project, organised by Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Foreign Languages and English Preparatory School ‘Social Responsibility Projects’ Team Leader and faculty member Mehşen Ercanlar and lead by academic staff members Şerife Nalbantoğlu, Mehşen Ercanlar and Eylem

Akim, held its first observational field trip to Özen Elderly Home in scope of civic involvement.

During this trip, the students got the opportunity to converse, observe and take photographs with the residents of the center. Also, the students and their lecturers acquired information from the Özen Elderly

Home staff about life at the center.

Many of the students stated said that they were happy to have visited an elderly home for the first time in their lives and from now on, they wanted to carry out these visits regularly. The students also got to get acquainted with students and lecturers form different groups.

EMU URDC TO ORGANISE A COMPOSITION COMPETITION FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL AND DRAWING COMPETITION FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Urban Research and Development Center (EMU-URDC) will organise two competitions in scope of its social responsibility projects. These competitions aim to both create awareness in youngsters about public issues and our urban areas; and to encourage creativity.

The **Drawing Competition** focuses on traffic safety in urban areas and has the slogan '**City –Child-Traffic: Join Hands for Safe Travel!**'. It is organised by the TRNC Ministry of Education in memory of children/youngsters who died in traffic accidents. The participators of the competition will be of 3rd, 4th and 5th year primary school students. By highlighting traffic safety problems as they become continuously more serious in our day, this competition aims to draw attention to the importance of safety in traffic and inform our children about this topic since they are the ones most affected by it. Accordingly, the basic aim of this competition is to create awareness in all

individuals and enhance responsibility. The winning works of the competition will first be displayed at the award ceremony which will take place on December 26, 2018; then during the 'TRAFFIC WEEK' (May 7 – 13, 2019) in Nicosia and Famagusta. The jury of the competition will include EMU Department of Architecture Faculty Member Prof. Dr. Mukaddes Polay, EMU-URDC Vice-President Asst. Prof. Dr. Nevter Zafer Cömert, EMU-URDC Board Member Asst. Prof. Dr. Müge Rıza, Artist Zehra Şonya, Artist Nilgün Güney, Artist and Arts Teacher Simge Uygur and a representative of the TRNC Ministry of Education.

On the other hand, a Composition Competition will be held including 6th, 7th and 8th year students from all TRNC Ministry of Education subjected secondary schools with the title 'City-War/Peace'. The competition's goal is to get youngsters to think about how wars, resulting from international disagreements, affect and change people. It aims to highlight the importance of peace in the development of both individuals and cities. In this context, young competitors are invited to question how wars affect our cities (constructed – natural environment and people), the post-war problems of urban areas and the roles of individuals/organisations in overcoming these problems. Basically, the competition will be held to contribute the young generation's questioning, research and written expression skills; will develop their point of view about the cities, the world, war, peace; and create awareness on urban change. The seven jury members of the composition competition will



include EMU Department of Turkish and Social Sciences Education Chair Prof. Dr. Ahmet Pehlivan, EMU-URDC Vice-President Asst. Prof. Dr. Pınar Uluçay, EMU Department of Architecture Faculty Member Asst. Prof. Dr. Ceren Boğaç, EMU URDC Board Member Asst. Prof. Dr. ;Nurcan Gündüz, Literature Teacher Bingül Sakallı, Port-Writer Mehmet Kansu and a representative of TRNC Ministry of Education. A total of 15 compositions (5 from each class) will be chosen at the end of the competition. As the specification calendar dictates, the results will be announced on February 11, 2019 and the awards will be presented during the ceremony on February 20, 2019.

Detailed information about the competitions can be obtained from EMU URDC Vice-Presidents Asst. Prof. Dr. Nevter Zafer Cömert or Asst. Prof. Dr. Pınar Uluçay. (Telephone: 0 392 630 2262; or EMU-URDC website: www.urdc.emu.edu.tr).

EMU FACULTY OF COMMUNICATION KEEPS SETTING A SAMPLE WITH ITS SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY PROJECTS



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Civic Involvement Center adds a new project under its roof. As per the Dissertation Project and Marketing Communication for Social Responsibility courses given by EMU Faculty of Communication, Department of Public Relations and Advertising Vice-Chair and Eastern Mediterranean Doğa Schools Kindergarten and Primary School Parent-Teacher Association President Asst. Prof. Dr. Umut Ayman and her students have carried out several social projects.

In scope of Universal Children's Day, the project with the objective "Making the world of children a colourful place" was

carried out between November 17 and 20 2018 with the cooperation of Eastern Mediterranean Doğa Schools Kindergarten and Primary School Parent-Teacher Association. Accordingly, a pilot classroom in Şehit Osman Ahmet Primary School was chosen. Its walls were re-painted and the wooden cabinets were cleaned. As their cooperation, Eastern Mediterranean Doğa Schools Kindergarten and Primary School Parent-Teacher Association purchased the wall paint for the classroom. EMU Faculty of Communication, Department of Public Relations and Advertising Vice-Chair Asst. Prof. Dr. Umut Ayman; EMU Faculty of

Architecture, Department of Interior Design Faculty Member and Doğa Schools PTA Board Member and Caricaturist Leyla Çınar Algül and the students actively participated in the event and turned the pilot classroom into a colourful room.

Asst. Prof. Dr. Ayman provided information on how they chose the pilot classroom: "The students of the class, led by their class teacher Esra Uluçaylı, set up a stand in front of Famagusta Development Academy in order to purchase their classroom tools. Their sensitivity was deeply touching. That day, we decided to paint their class and contribute to these students' studies since we could not buy any of the items they were selling. Thus, we carried out this project".

The final leg of the project was held on December 5th 2018, Wednesday as Caricaturist Faculty Member Leyla Çınar Algül painted a drawing of the world and a clock on the walls of Şehit Osman Ahmet Primary School. 4th year students of Doğa Primary School also attended the project with their Visual Arts Teachers and contributed as a sign of their sensitivity. In her statement, Ayman said "We painted a world in green and blue. The clock we made was at 9:05 and the date was December 5th". This way, we wanted to draw attention to December 5th, the anniversary of Atatürk enabling votes for women on World Women's Rights Day. During the same hours, EMU Official Facebook page published a video of another project held with a different class on World Women's Rights Day.

“INSPIRED BY PAPER” EXHIBITION MET ART LOVERS AT EMU



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) continues to participate not only in local art events but also international ones as an art-cherishing institution. The Cyprus Paper Artists Association, a touring organisation to which our local artist İnci Kansu served as the honorary president this year, met art-lovers in Cyprus. This touring exhibition is contributed by the International Association of Hand Papermakers and Paper Artists (IAPMA). This exhibition titled “Inspired by Paper”, arrived for the first time in the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) and hosted by the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU).

The opening ceremony of the exhibition was held on November 30th 2018, Friday (18:00) at Rauf Raif Denktaş Culture and Congress Center. EMU Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Sonuç Zorlu Oğurlu, EMU Center for Cyprus Studies (DAÜ-KAM) Art Coordinator and Exhibition Curator Zehra Şonya, IAPMA Exhibition Supervisor Helene Tschacher and President of Cyprus Paper Artists Association İsmet Tatar were among notable names attending the ceremony.

“I Thank All Who Supported Us”

During her opening speech, the President of Cyprus Paper Artists Association İsmet Tatar said: “We are happy to have brought this exhibition to Cyprus. It was organised for the 30th anniversary of IAPMA and has been travelling across Europe’s museums for two years. This project was realised with the TRNC, EMU and IAPMA’s cooperation. I thank all supporters of the project”. IAPMA Exhibition Supervisor Helene Tschacher also expressed her joy about the opening of the exhibition and thanked all attendees and EMU. EMU Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Sonuç Zorlu Oğurlu said

the following in her speech: “I thank all the Cyprus Paper Artists Association members who helped EMU host this exhibition. I also want to thank İsmet Tatar and her fellow artists for their contribution to maintaining art in Cyprus.

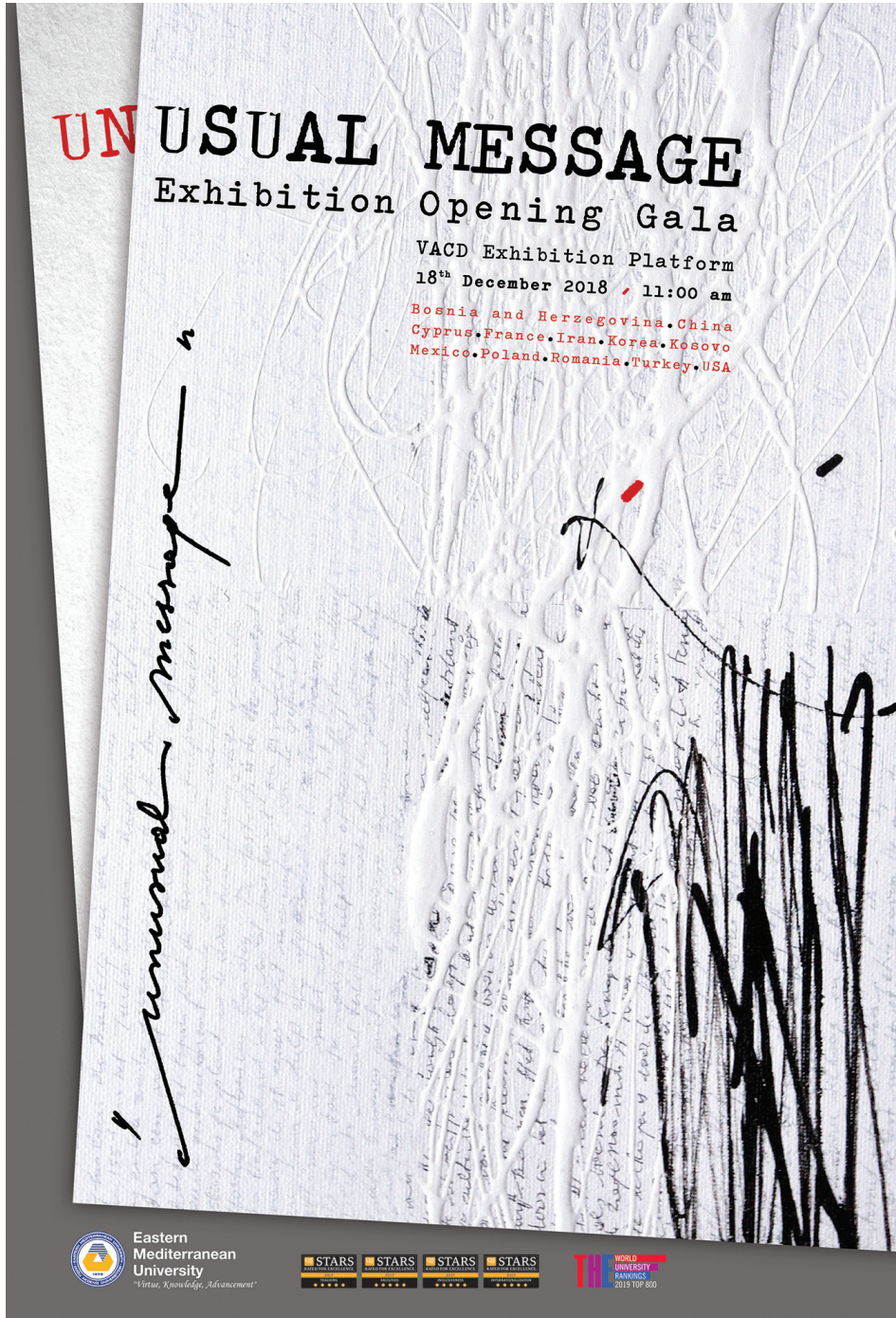
Will be Open for Visitors until February 15th

The exhibition will be open for visit on weekdays until December 28th, 2018 during the following hours: 10:00 – 13:00 and 14:00 – 17:00. The second leg of the exhibition’s journey will take it to Nicosia Atatürk Congress Center on February 4th, 2018 at 18:00. There, it will be open for visitors until February 15th, 2019 on weekdays during working hours.

Since its inception in April 2016, the “Inspired by Paper” exhibition has travelled through Austria, Bulgaria, Finland, Germany, Israel, Poland and Sweden and received great attention. IAPMA was formed in Düren, Germany (1986) and has been led by Nicole Donnelly since 2015. The exhibition supervisor is famous artist Helene Tschacher.



EMU TO HOST INTERNATIONAL “UNUSUAL MESSAGE” EXHIBITION



objects were sent to universities, where the teams selected by every institution consisting of 6 members (artist/designer) chose 1 of the objects and developed their work of art. The artists turned the objects to stories with fantastic unusual new meanings by using new and exciting ideas with manipulations.

International “Unusual Message” exhibition will be presented to the viewer with a printed catalogue prepared by EMU. “Unusual Message” art project will meet art-lovers from all over the world with international follow-up exhibitions at participating universities from different cultures and continents during the 2018-2019 Academic Year.

Belgian artist Prof. Martin R. Baeyens will be the curator and EMU Department of Visual Arts and Visual Communication Design Chair Assoc. Prof. Dr. Senih Çavuşoğlu will be the coordinator of the “Unusual Message” art project. It is stated that, another aim of the project is to bring together institutions and artists from different cultures of the world and form a wide art and design network which will lead to the forming of a wide international environment of cooperation consisting of common art design projects and student-academician exchange programs in the future.

The participating countries at “Unusual Message” art project are as follows: USA, Bosnia Herzegovina, China, France, Iran, Cyprus, Korea, Kosovo, Mexico, Poland, Romania and Turkey.

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Communication, Department of Visual Arts and Visual Communication Design is hosting an exhibition titled “Unusual Message” consisting of the works of 70 academicians, artists and designers of universities from 12 different countries. The opening ceremony of the “Unusual

Message” exhibition will take place on 18th December 2018 Tuesday, at 11:00 a.m., at Department of Visual Arts and Visual Communication Design Exhibition Hall with the participation of Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) President Mustafa Akıncı. Within the scope of the project, 10

THIS WEEK AT TURKEY PROMOTION



Bahçelievler Ram promotion days event took place on 2nd – 4th December 2018 at İstanbul.

İstanbul Promotion, Contact and Registration Bureau personnel Emrah Sarıiz represented our university at the expo.



Education Specialist Süleyman Beledioğlu gave a seminar titled “Advanced Methods on Efficient Studying” at various high schools in İzmir, Denizli and Aydın on 3rd – 7th December 2018.

İzmir Promotion, Contact and Registration Bureau personnel Gülçin Yayan İrdem realized a promotion presentation prior to the seminars.



Zonguldak Eket Expo took place on 3rd December 2018.

Ankara Promotion, Contact and Registration Bureau personnel Fatma Erik Çetinkaya represented our university at the expo.



Bolu Unilook Expo took place on 4th December 2018.

İstanbul Promotion, Contact and Registration Bureau personnel Emrah Sarıiz represented our university at the expo.



In scope of Turkey promotion, Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) was represented at the event titled “Traditional Career and Profession Festival Antalya” event on 3rd – 7th December 2018 by Antalya Promotion, Contact and Registration Bureau personnel Tufan Otuzaltı.



Gölbaşı Anadolu High School Career Days event took place on 5th December 2018.

Ankara Promotion, Contact and Registration Bureau personnel Fatma Erik Çetinkaya represented our university.

THIS WEEK AT TURKEY PROMOTION



Student education seminar event took place on 8th – 11th December 2018 at Burdur-Isparta where our university lecturer Alexander Zobolotkov gave a seminar titled “Methods for Coping With Failure”. Also, Antalya Promotion, Contact and Registration Bureau personnel Tufan Otuzaltı realized a promotion presentation.



İzmir Promotion, Contact and Registration Bureau personnel Gülçin Yayan İrdem represented our university on 10th – 11th December 2018 at Kütahya Unilook Expo.

THIS WEEK AT TRNC PROMOTION



Our university academic personnel Prof. Dr. Ülker Vancı Osam and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Javanshir Shibliyev gave a seminar titled “Multiple Intelligence and Career Choice” at the education seminar which took place in Şanlıurfa on 10th – 12th December 2018.

Also, Şanlıurfa Promotion, Contact and Registration Bureau personnel Mehmet Bozanoğlu realized a promotion presentation prior to the seminar.

Namık Kemal High School Promotion Days took place on 12th December 2018.

Hüseyin Ögünçer and Pakize Bilgen Ermes from EMU Promotion Office, as well as Zalihe Oza and Deniz Gökensel from Student Affairs Directorate represented our university.

EMU CUP OF NATION BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT 2018 COMMENCES

The time-honored Cup of Nation Basketball 2018, the international basketball tournament of Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) commenced with an opening ceremony organized on Monday, the 3rd of December, 2018 at 17:00 at Lala Mustafa Paşa Sports Complex. 11 men's groups and 6 women's groups are participating in the 8th Cup of Nation Tournament organized this year. The champions of the tournament for each category (men's and women's) will be determined by the Final Matches set to take place on the 17th of December, 2018. Men's Group A consists of 6 teams (Jordan, Zimbabwe, Turkey, Egypt, Pakistan and Cameroon) and Men's Group B consists of 5 teams (Iran, Nigeria, Palestine, Lebanon and Congo). Women's matches will take place in one group containing 6 teams (Pakistan, Botswana, Turkey, Palestine, Iran and Russia). The first four teams on the list at the end of the matches in Women's category will move on to Semi-finals; on the other hand, for the Men's category, first two teams in each Group will play in the Finals. Matches for the third and fourth places as well as the



championship matches will take place on the final day of the events.

“A Bridge between Cultures”

The international Cup of Nation Basketball Tournament 2018 organized by EMU Sports Affairs Directorate commenced with a glorious opening ceremony. Following a moment of silence and the Turkish National Anthem, teams consisting of EMU students from different countries were introduced to the audience. EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam delivered the opening speech of the event. Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam referred to the

event as a bridge between different cultures which reinforces the friendship between and among the countries. During his speech, Prof. Dr. Osam wished all the students an academic year full of success as well as good luck to all participants in the event. EMU Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Sonuç Zorlu Oğurlu, Vice Rector for Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Halit Tanju Besler, Rector's Coordinator Assist. Prof. Dr. Arif Akkeleş, Student Affairs Coordinator Assoc. Prof. Dr. Derviş Subaşı and Sports Affairs Director Cemal Konnolu were present during the opening ceremony.

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