



EMU'S 3RD TRNC INTERNATIONAL CHORAL FESTIVAL COMES TO AN END



An Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) organization, the 3rd Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) International Choral Festival which took place in Famagusta between the 9th and 14th of July 2018 has come to an end. The festival was attended by 28 choirs and 1000 chorists and guests from the TRNC and Turkey. Amongst the many in attendance of the festival opening ceremony were TRNC Parliamentary Speaker Teberrüken Uluçay, Minister of Tourism and Environment Fikri Ataoğlu, Minister of Agriculture and Natural Resources Erkut Şahali, Famagusta District Governor Dürdane Acı, Famagusta Mayor İsmail Arter, Head of the

Department of Culture Nilay Tunçalp, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam, Vice Rectors and members of the general public. The festival to which attendance was significantly high came to an end with the Gala Concert. The guest choirs stayed on the EMU campus and premises for a week. During their time in the country they obtained the opportunity to carry out sightseeing activities and view historical monuments and natural beauty.

At the festival, the participating choirs performed the Cypriot ballad "Bahçada Guzu" in unison. The ballad was arranged by Turkish Cypriot composer Oskay Hoca. The

concerts took place at the Rauf Raif Denktaş Culture and Congress Center between the 9th and 13th of July 2018.

Festive Atmosphere

The choral festival that featured the contributions of numerous educators and artists took place in a festive atmosphere. The concerts took place in memory of Kamran Aziz, Cemaliye İrfan Kıyıcı, Muzaffer Arkan, Saip Egüz and Gülsen Çobanoğlu Hoca. In addition, a bi-communal concert was delivered by the "Papageorgio String Quartet" during the opening of the festival. During the festival the "Eastern Mediterranean University Service to

Choral Music Award" was presented to EMU Faculty of Education, Department of Fine Arts Education Chair and composer Prof. Memduh Özdemir as well as Turkish composer Asst. Prof. Dr. Nedim Yıldız and Asst. Prof. Dr. Aykut Önder Sarçiftçi. Festival Director and conductor Erkan Dağlı indicated that this year's festival was celebrated with even more excitement and passion stating that there were a range of different concerts, workshops and training in addition to the choral concerts every night. The TRNC International Choral Festival will be taking place in Famagusta next year, once again as an EMU organization.

2 NEW POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMS FROM THE EMU FACULTY OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS



The Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Business and Economics has brought two new postgraduate programs to the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC). The

postgraduate programs “Diplomacy and Conflict Management” and “Human Resources Management” have been approved by the Higher Education Planning, Accreditation and Coordination Council as well as

the Republic of Turkey Council of Higher Education. Applications for the Fall Semester of the 2018-2019 Academic Year have commenced. According to a statement released by the EMU Institute of Graduate Studies and Research, students with an undergraduate diploma can apply for the new postgraduate programs until the 15th of September 2018 via the website <http://grad.emu.edu.tr>.

Providing Global Opportunities

The “Diplomacy and Conflict Management” English postgraduate program with a thesis offered by the EMU Faculty of Business and Economics, Department of Political Science and International Relations is comprised of 7 courses, a seminar course and a thesis. It includes a range of disciplines such as International Law and Global Management in a theoretical as well as practical

framework. The program produces knowledge and skills required for careers such as local intermediary or relating to international human aid and peace-building organizations. The program also establishes useful local, regional and global connections for students participating in the program.

The “Human Resources Management” English postgraduate program without a thesis offered by the EMU Faculty of Business and Economics, Department of Business Administration is comprised of ten courses and a project. The program aims to graduate students that will solve the problem of a lack of personnel in businesses and institutions whilst providing well-equipped graduates that possess the necessary knowledge to ensure that human resources are managed in a more productive and professional manner.



EMU RECTOR PROF. DR. NECDET OSAM HAS A MEAL WITH ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTORS

The Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Rector’s Office arranged a social meeting with the universities’ Administrative Directors. A meal took place at the EMU Beach Club on the evening of Wednesday, the 18th of July 2018 which was attended by EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam, Vice Rector for Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Halit Tanju Besler, Vice Rector for International Affairs and Promotion

Prof. Dr. Cem Tanova, Vice Rector for Administrative and Technical Affairs Prof. Dr. Naciye Doratlı, Vice Rector for Financial Affairs Prof. Dr. Sevin Uğural, Rector’s Coordinator Asst. Prof. Dr. Arif Akkeleş, Academic Affairs Coordinator Asst. Prof. Dr. Mustafa Tanel Babagil, Student Affairs Coordinator Assoc. Prof. Dr. Derviş Subaşı and EMU’s administrative directors.

The Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) hosted 4 Chadian MPs who are in the country as guests of the TRNC Ministry of Foreign Affairs within the scope of the 20th of July Peace and Freedom Day in addition to 18 members of the press from 16 different countries. The journalist from their countries’ leading institutions such as ABC, Danas, Nacional and 24 Hours N went on a tour of the EMU campus on Thursday, the 19th of July 2018. Following the campus tour a meal was organized for the MPs and journalists that came to our country from Hungary, Qatar, Pakistan, Kuwait, Bangladesh, Tunisia, Kyrgyzstan, Croatia, Azerbaijan, Spain, Serbia, Bulgaria, Moldova, Kazakhstan, Zimbabwe and South Africa at the EMU Beach Club. The meal was attended by EMU Vice Rector for International Affairs and Promotion Prof. Dr. Cem Tanova.

“We are very happy to be hosting you in our country”

Speaking at the meal, Prof. Dr. Tanova stated that they are very happy to be hosting the Chadian MPs and journalists in the TRNC also providing information about the history country and EMU. Prof. Dr. Tanova emphasized that EMU is a state university which provides English language education with programs that have obtained important accreditations from independent and respectable international institutions whilst also featuring on the Times Higher Education world university rankings and receiving 5 stars from QS Star in the field of education and internationalization. Prof. Dr. Tanova wished the guests an enjoyable stay in the TRNC.

EMU HOSTS FOREIGN MPS AND JOURNALISTS



EMU DEPARTMENT OF GASTRONOMY AND CULINARY ARTS STUDENTS ATTEND THE "4TH NATIONAL COOKING CAMP"



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Tourism, Department of Gastronomy and Culinary Arts students attended the "4th National Cooking Camp" that had 230 participants from 56 universities and 72 departments. Along with EMU Faculty of Tourism research assistant Tanya Kilitkayalı, Department of

Gastronomy and Culinary Arts students attended the camp organized by the Mengen Municipality with the support of the sectors' leading producers. EMU Faculty of Tourism Dean Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç indicated that those who participated in the camp were very lucky as the camp featured many of Turkey's best chefs. Revealing that



approximately 1.5 tons of white meat and 1 ton of red meat were used at the camp in addition to sea food and other products, Prof. Dr. Kılıç stated that this is an important indicator of the camp's quality. Prof. Dr. Kılıç concluded by underlining that they will be continuing to attend the camp in future years. EMU research assistant Tanya

Kilitkayalı who led the group during the camp stated: "We received fundamental education throughout the week. We participated in all sorts of education involving everything from bulgur wheat to rice, from sushi to lamb, from beef to chicken and duck. This allowed us to reinforce our knowledge and skills".

EMU GASTRONOMY AND CULINARY ARTS DEPARTMENT GRADUATE TO RECEIVE EDUCATION AT EL CELLAR DE CAN ROCA"



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Tourism, Department of Gastronomy and Culinary Arts 2017-2018 Academic Year Spring Term graduate Cem Mengüllüoğlu will be receiving education for eight months at the El Cellar de Can Roca restaurant run by the Roca brothers. El Cellar de Can Roca is a three Michelin starred restaurant which took second place in the 2018 edition of the World's Best 50 Restaurants List.

The Aim Is To Train Chefs That Will Have A Global Impact

EMU Faculty of Tourism Dean Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç stated that EMU students have previously travelled to Italy, South Korea, America and the UK noting that the first student from the TRNC to go to El Cellar de Can Roca will be from EMU. Indicating that they expect this success to continue Prof. Dr. Kılıç described their aim as training chefs that will have a global impact. Prof. Dr. Kılıç noted that with over 850 students, the EMU Faculty of Tourism will continue to stand out with its different opportunities and education. Revealing that the EMU Faculty of Tourism, Department of Tourism and Hospitality Management gained over 30 students after the 2018 Entrance and Scholarship Exam including the student who got the highest points in the Sport Special Skill Test, Prof. Dr. Kılıç emphasized that tourism education in TRNC is reaching the level it deserves as a result of their promotional efforts. Indicating that over 120 students chose the Gastronomy and Culinary Arts program after the EMU Entrance and Scholarship Exam Prof. Dr. Kılıç emphasized that this program is receiving a great deal of student interest.



What is El Cellar de Can Roca?

Located in Girona, Spain the restaurant run by the Roca brothers Joan, Joseph and Jordi features amongst the top three restaurants on the Top 50 Restaurants List every year. This year it appeared in second place on the list. At the restaurant which has had 3 Michelin stars since 2009, the

cuisine chef is the oldest brother Joan, the wine expert and sommelier is the middle brother Joseph and the pastry chef is the youngest brother Jordi. In order to get a seat at the restaurant which accommodates only 50 people for lunch or dinner, reservation is required months in advance.

EMU LAUNCH ONLY ENGLISH LANGUAGE ACTUARY SCIENCES PROGRAM IN TURKEY AND ON THE ISLAND

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 the Fall Semester of the 2018-2019 Academic Year. The program which is the only English language Actuary Sciences program in Turkey and Cyprus aims to train qualified professionals for the sector. A meeting between the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) Association of Insurance and Reinsurance Companies Executive Board and EMU regarding the program that will contribute to the development of the private sector was attended by EMU Faculty of Arts and

Sciences Dean Prof. Dr. Mehmet Ali Özarslan, Business and Economics Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Eralp Bektaş, Mathematics Department Chair Prof. Dr. Nazım Mahmudov and Banking and Finance Department Chair Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nesrin Özataç. The meeting took place at the Association of Insurance and Reinsurance Companies headquarters in Nicosia.

Favorable Opinions of Sector Representatives

Association of Insurance and Reinsurance Companies' Chairman of the Executive Board Ülker Fahri stated that they are very happy about the foundation of the new program highlighting that they are always ready to carry out sectoral collaborations. During the meeting sectoral representatives



also gave favorable opinions about the foundation of the program. There is a serious demand for actuaries from the 34 insurance companies in the sector. State institutions are also expected to hire program graduates. Wages of actuaries can

reach up to 40 thousand TL per month. The Actuary Sciences Program approved by the Higher Education Planning, Accreditation and Coordination Council as well as The Council of Higher Education will proceed with private sector collaborations.

EMU CONTINUES TO LEAD BABY CARETTA CARETTAS TO THE SEA



The annual release of baby Caretta Carettas to the sea, jointly organized by the Eastern Mediterranean University Underwater Research and Imaging Center (SAGAM) and the Famagusta Mesarya Lions Club took place in the İskele region on Tuesday, the 17th of July 2018 with the contributions of the Eastern Mediterranean Branch of AIESEC. The project ran by center representative Asst. Prof. Dr. Burak Ali Çiçek located the nesting areas of sea turtles and put them under protection which allowed them safe passage from their nests. AIESEC Eastern Mediterranean provided the participation of 16 volunteer students from 8 different countries.

Increased Chance of Survival

An event which took place in the İskele region that released baby Carettas to the sea included the participation of the Famagusta Mesarya Lions Club, the EMU Underwater Research and Imaging Center, AIESEC Eastern Mediterranean and the local community. Research which suggests that the chance of baby Caretta Carettas surviving after they reach the sea is only 1-2% sheds light on just how important the volunteer work carried out actually is. Participants indicated that the increase of social responsibility projects which raise awareness about being more sensitive to the environment and living beings is promising for our future.

This Week's Academic Publications

Source: Web of Science

Faculty of Engineering

1 - Ahmad Haseeb Payab, and Umüt Türker. "Analyzing temporal-spatial characteristics of drought events in the northern part of Cyprus." Environment, Development and Sustainability 20, no. 4(2018): 1553-1574.

Faculty of Arts & Sciences

1 - Hamzeh Mujahed, Benedek Nagy. "Hyper-Wiener Index on Rows of Unit Cells of the BCC Grid." Comptes Rendus De L Academie Bulgare Des Sciences. 71 no. 5 (2018): 675-684.

Faculty of Pharmacy

1 - Burcu Kılıç, Hayrettin O. Gulcan, Fatma Aksakal, Tugba Ercetin, Nihan Oruklu, E. Umit Bagriacik, and Deniz S. Dogruer. "Design and synthesis of some new carboxamide and propanamide derivatives bearing phenylpyridazine as a core ring and the investigation of their inhibitory potential on in-vitro acetylcholinesterase and butyrylcholinesterase." Bioorganic chemistry 79 (2018): 235-249.

Faculty of Business & Economics

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Juncal Cunado, and Rangan Gupta. "The role of economic and financial uncertainties in predicting commodity futures returns and volatility: Evidence from a nonparametric causality-in-quantiles test." Journal of Multinational Financial Management 45 (2018): 52-71.

2 - Christophe Andre, Mehmet Balcilar, Tsangyao Chang, Luis Alberiko Gil-Alana, and Rangan Gupta. "Current account sustainability in G7 and BRICS: Evidence from a long-memory model with structural breaks." The Journal of International Trade & Economic Development 27 no. 6 (2018): 638-654.

Faculty of Medicine

1 - Elisa A Colombo., Nursel H. Elcioglu, Claudio Graziano, Pamela Farinelli, Elisabetta Di Fede, Iria Neri, Elena Facchini, Mariangela Greco, Cristina Gervasini, and Lidia Larizza. "Insights into Mutation Effect in Three Poikiloderma with Neutropenia Patients by Transcript Analysis and Disease Evolution of Reported Patients with the Same Pathogenic Variants." Journal of clinical immunology 38 no. 4 (2018): 494-502.



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