

EMU RECTOR PROF. DR. OSAM VISITS MINISTER OF LABOUR AND SOCIAL SECURITY



Eastern Mediterranean University Cyprus (TRNC) Minister of Labour and Social Security Faiz Sucuoğlu visited Turkish Republic of Northern in his office on Thursday, the 5th of

December 2019. Underlining that the university continues to grow and develop with every passing day, Prof. Dr. Osam provided Minister Sucuoğlu with information about the latest developments at EMU. Prof. Dr. Osam relayed that EMU is the best educational institution on the island and one of the best in the world. Highlighting that EMU's number of accredited programs are constantly increasing whilst its position on World University Rankings improves, Prof. Dr. Osam relayed that they have left behind some of the world's best universities with some of their programs. Minister Sucuoğlu expressed his satisfaction regarding EMU's success.

EMU ACADEMIC PERSONNEL RECEIVE PUBLICATION ACHIEVEMENT PLAQUES AND RESEARCH INCENTIVE AWARDS



The Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) held an award ceremony for academic personnel who earned the right to receive Publication Achievement Plaques and Research Incentive Awards. The said ceremony commenced at 15:30, on Wednesday, the 4th of December 2019 at the EMU Senate Meeting Room. A total of 40 academic personnel received their awards at the ceremony which was attended by EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam and the Vice Rectors Prof. Dr. Halit Tanju Besler, Prof. Dr. Naciye Doratlı and Prof. Dr. Sonuç Zorlu Oğurlu. Every May, The Research

Support Office examines the Web of Science publications of academic personnel throughout the previous year. Publication Achievement Plaques are presented to researchers from every faculty or school with the highest Web of Science (SCI, SCI-Expanded, AHCI, SSCI) publication points.

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The Research Incentive Awards are delivered to instructors who have proven their competence based on their scientific research, work and events by which they have contributed to science and art as decided according to the Research Incentive Principles prepared by the Research Advisory Board. Every year, candidates can apply by the end of April if they have fulfilled a minimum of three different activities that fit the criteria. Applications are evaluated by the Research Advisory Board who decide upon those who earn the right to receive the award. In the opening speech of

the ceremony, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam started by touching upon the Engineering Faculty's important achievement in Estonia and congratulated the whole team for their success. Relaying that their dream of 4-5 years ago has become a reality Prof. Dr. Osam stated: "New achievements always make us happy, happiness increases when it is shared"

Love Your Work

Underlining that the Times Higher Education (THE) way of thinking has been adopted by everyone a long-time ago Prof. Dr. Osam noted that the university's THE

success and the Business and Economics and Tourism Faculty's achievements on the Shanghai List are indicative of the university moving in an even better direction.

Highlighting that loving what you do, feeling a sense of responsibility towards your institution and recognizing and supporting good work are all important for success and development, Prof. Dr. Osam expressed his belief that the university's achievements will continue to increase: "You have played a big part in EMU being where it is today. We are trying to bring our

university to a place where we can reach all of our goals. I ask you, our valuable scientist to continue on your path with great desire. Let us absorb scientific norms without political stances. Universities are here to serve the public. I wholeheartedly congratulate you all and wish the continuation of your success."

The ceremony came to an end after Rector Prof. Dr. Osam and the Vice Rectors delivered the awards and took a group photo with the academic personnel.

EMU IEEE ROBOTICS TEAM WINS THE “ROBOTEX INTERNATIONAL” COMPETITION



Initially founded by important scientists of the era such as Alexander Graham Bell and Thomas Edison, today the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) has more than 430 thousand members in 160 different countries. IEEE’s Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Student Branch won the “Robotex International Competition” which took place between the 28th of November and the 1st of December 2019 in Estonia’s capital of Tallinn.

Supervised by EMU Faculty of Engineering, Electrical and Electronic Engineering Department Chair Prof. Dr. Hasan Demirel,

EMU Electrical and Electronic, Mechatronics and Industrial Engineering students Farhang Naderi, Zeynep Soylu, Mossab Hamdi and Harun Tuna competed for the team titled “EMU Crows” with their robot and drone (developed at EMU) in the categories of “Mind Control” and “Drone Race”.

“Robotex International 2019” is known as the world’s largest robotics competition. It featured 3000 competitors from 11 different countries who were successful in regional competitions. Indicating that the EMU IEEE Student Branch Robotics Team came first in the Mind Control category of 2018’s

competition Prof. Dr. Demirel stated that they are proud to reveal that they finished first in this category once again, improving on their time from last year with a new time of 1 minute and 10 seconds.

Visit to Tallinn’s Turkish Ambassador

After, their success, the “EMU Crows” team was hosted by Tallinn’s Turkish Ambassador Hayriye Kumaşçıoğlu in her office. During the visit, Ambassador Kumaşçıoğlu congratulated the team for their success. The students were accompanied by Prof. Dr. Demirel who underlined that EMU is very happy about this important achievement.

EMU REPRESENTED AT “BAUHAUS 100th ANNIVERSARY DESIGN FESTIVAL”



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Architecture Vice Dean Prof. Dr. S. Müjdem Vural represented EMU at Bauhaus 100th Anniversary Design Festival organized by Yıldız Technical University

(YTU) Faculty of Architecture, Department of Architecture between 11 and 24 November 2019. As the most extensive “Bauhaus 100th Anniversary” event organized in Turkey, the event hosted talks, exhibitions, a total of

750 participants and 33 workshops. During the festival, Prof. Dr. S. Müjdem Vural held a workshop titled “Walking-İstanbul 3: City Rally; Tracing the Bauhaus Design Philosophy”. In the workshop, Bauhaus Design Philosophy was discussed with the participating students, details of the field work were presented, the first field studies were conducted for the preparation of individual perception maps and individual perception maps were discussed. During the festival, workshop organisers and all participants further discussed Bauhaus design philosophy and worked in groups. On the last day of the festival, presentations on the 33 workshops were held.

2ND NATIONAL PROSTHETICS AND ORTHOTICS SYMPOSIUM COMMENCES IN EMU



2nd National Prosthetics and Orthotics Symposium organized by the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Health Sciences, Department of Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation in cooperation with the Orthopedic Prosthetics and Orthotics Association, Bilimop and Ottobock commenced on December 6, 2019 at 09:00 a.m. with an opening ceremony which took place at Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Conference Hall.

Taking place under the theme ‘Diabetic Foot’, the said symposium will continue on 7 December 2019. Following the presentations made by academicians and field experts in line with the scientific program, workshops will be held on the second day of the symposium under the supervision of instructors.

During the conference which started with a moment of silence and the national anthem, Dean of Faculty of Health Sciences and Symposium Chair Prof. Dr. Mehtap Malkoç welcomed all those participating in the symposium and highlighted the importance of the symposium which is participated by experts working in this field both in the Republic of Turkey and the TRNC. Prof. Dr. Malkoç also emphasised the significance of the symposium’s theme, which is ‘Diabetic

Foot’ and added that the scientific studies to be presented in the event will shed light on many important issues.

Ottobock Turkey General Manager Orkun Taşkın also delivered a speech and expressed his satisfaction in being in EMU and highlighted the importance on the evaluation of ‘Diabetic Foot’ issue in the light of scientific data.

General Director of ‘Bilim Ortopedi’ and Executive Board Member of Turkish Orthopedic Society for Prosthetics and Orthotics Osman Söyler thanked all those organising the symposium and added that the issue of diabetics is a very important one. Wishing everyone a successful symposium, Söyler stated that the symposium will yield productive outcomes. Following the opening addresses, EMU Faculty of Education, Department of Fine Arts Education, Music Teaching Program students entertained the participants with a musical performance.

Multidisciplinary Approach

Chaired by Prof. Dr. Yavuz Yakut and Prof. Dr. Mehtap Malkoç, the first panel titled “Multidisciplinary Approach in the Management of Diabetics” was followed by the second panel titled “Treatment of the

Diabetic Foot’ by Prof. Dr. Gülden Polat and Assist. Prof. Dr. Ender Angın.

Then, another panel titled “New Technology in Orthosis and Wound Treatment’ and chaired by Prof. Dr. Nur Tunalı and Assist. Prof. Dr. Yasin Yurt was held. The first day of the symposium ended with a panel titled “Care and Rehabilitation” by Prof. Dr. E. Handan Tüzün and Sen. Inst. H. Onur Karakuş.

Workshops on the Second Day

2nd National Prosthetics and Orthotics Symposium will continue on 7 December 2019 with two workshops taking place with the participation of instructors. The first workshop to be delivered by Prof. Dr. Gülden Polat, Prof. Dr. Mehtap Malkoç and Sen. Inst. İlker Yatar will focus on exercising in diabetics. The participants will receive information on the role of exercise in diabetics (which patient? in what condition? when?), application of exercise tests and development of an exercise program. The second workshop to be offered by Dr. Hakan Uysal, Assist. Prof. Dr. Yasin Yurt and CPO Reyhan Tuygun will focus on orthotics in diabetes. Participants will be trained on orthosis, off loading and pedobarographic analysis.

EMU-MİKA'S CAREER PROGRAM COMMENCES



A Career Development Program organised by the Eastern Mediterranean University Alumni Communication and Career Research Directorate (EMU-MİKA) commenced. organized a Career Development Program. Within the scope of the Career Development Program which will take place between 2 and 12 December 2019 at EMU Prof. Dr. Mehmet Tahiroğlu Hall, academic staff of EMU, experts and EMU graduates who are successful in their careers will be giving seminars to students to support their decisions on their career paths.

Director of EMU-MİKA Derviş Ekşici released a statement which reads as follows "The aim of the Career Development Program is to increase student satisfaction. We organise these events in order to show our students the difference of graduating from EMU before embarking on their future careers. Before their graduation, we increase our students' awareness about our university's special applications and accreditations" Expressing his

satisfaction on the students' interest towards the program, Ekşici added that 'following their graduation, our students will be our reference. That's why we develop these programs to ensure that we have very good references.

Career, Development and Entrepreneurship

On 2 December 2019, between 14:30 and 16:00, EMU Tourism Faculty academic staff member Turan Değirmencioğlu gave a seminar titled "Interview Techniques – Educational and Job Purposes". On 3 December 2019, between 10:30 and 12:00, EMU graduate and Director of Creditwest Bank Human Resources Fatma Zorlu Çelebi delivered a talk on "Hints on Career and Job Interviews". On the same day between 14:30 and 16:20, EMU Business and Economics Faculty academic staff member Prof. Dr. Cem Tanova gave a seminar titled "Accreditations, Recognitions, Rankings and Memberships". On 4 December 2019, between 14:30 and 15:20, a seminar titled "Organizational Behaviour" by EMU Business and

Economics Faculty academic staff member Prof. Dr. Cem Tanova was held. On the same day between 15:30 and 16:20, the Turkish version of the seminar was offered to Turkish speaking participants. On 5 December 2019 between 10:30 and 11:20, Deniz Şenyiğit, who is responsible for EMU -MİKA Network and Mahdi Alnunu gave a seminar in English and Turkish under the title "EMU Alumni Network". Between 14:30 and 15:20 Entrepreneurship Training Expert Dr. Beste Sakallı gave a seminar titled "Are You an Entrepreneur?" followed by EMU Human Resources Director Özlem Avcı's seminar "Are You Ready for Your Future?" On Friday, December 6, 2019, between 14:30 and 16:00, Uğurcan Taşdelen from EMU Faculty of Communication gave a seminar titled "Communication Skills and Writing Techniques".

Continues with a Full Program

The seminars to be held within the scope of EMU-MİKA Career Development Program will be continued on Monday, December 9, 2019 between 14:30 - 16:20 with Assist. Prof. Dr. Nilgün Suphi's seminar titled 'Business and Professional Writing'. On Tuesday, December 10, 2019, between 14:30 - 15:20 AIESEC Eastern Mediterranean President Abdullah Alperen Çerçi and AIESEC Eastern Mediterranean Affiliated Board Member Ayşenur Yılmaz will deliver a seminar in English titled "Global Internship" followed by the same seminar in Turkish between 15:30 and 16:20. On 11 December 2019, between 14:30 and 15:20, Entrepreneurship Expert Dr. Beste Sakallı will give a seminar titled "Are We Entrepreneurial? Why Do We Need An Entrepreneur?". EMU-MİKA Career Development Program will continue on 12 December 2019 with a "Graduate Studies at EMU" seminar to be held in Turkish between 14:30-15:20 and in English between 15:30 and 16:20 by EMU Educational Expert Kutlay M. Halkseven.

EMU JOINS THE GLOBAL CLIMATE STRIKE MOVEMENT



The Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) joined the “Global Climate Strike” movement that took place at the same in many different regions of the world. During the Global Climate Strike which took place on the EMU Campus, the Interaction Club operating under Social and Cultural Activities Directorate delivered the message: “Don’t change the climate, change the system”. English and Turkish declarations were read at the event which was supported by numerous student clubs such as the Molecular Biology Club and the Cinema Club. Those attending the strike planted a pine tree in the garden to send the message “Produce oxygen and support green”. The activists walked to the main entrance of campus whilst reciting slogans. The declaration which was read indicated that the strike was deliberately held on “Black Friday” a day when consumption is increased.

“Don’t Change the Climate Change the System”

The EMU Interaction Club declaration reads as follows: “We are the future of our planet and on the fourth Global Climate Strike held in our country we are taking to the streets with children and young people across the world to protest climate change and ecological crisis. The Global Climate Strike has chosen the 29th of November especially because of “Black Friday” which encourages us to consume via sales applied to numerous products. With this strike, we hope to make our voices heard at the 25th United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP25) that is going to be taking place on the 3rd of December 2019 in

Madrid. According to an Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) report, 1 million of the 1.7 million species on earth will face the risk of extinction if measures are not taken.”

“We Want Our Future”

The declaration continued as follows: “We want climate justice in other words we want to secure human rights and development in terms of climate change, fair sharing of climate change effects and a search for fair and joint solutions to climate change. If we don’t halve CO2 emissions of greenhouses gases which are currently 53.5 billion tons per year by 2030 the temperature will increase by 1.5 °C by 2040 and 2 °C by 2060. The movement started by our activist friend Greta Thunberg which involves striking instead of going to school on Fridays has brought about big achievements as more and more young people from across the world are making their voices heard with the goal of protecting their future. As Greta said: “Change is coming whether you like it or not!” On this day of “Global Climate Strike” we invite municipalities to re-evaluate the Famagusta – İskele – Yeniboğaziçi City Development Plan which is directly related to the environment and climate. During the strike the slogans “The climate is in a state of emergency!”, “Stop the usage of fossil fuels!”, “Don’t save corporations, save the planet”, “No carbon future or no future!”, “Last 11 years to reduce greenhouse gasses”, “We want our future” and “We don’t have another planet” drew great attention.



EMU INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING GRADUATE RECEIVED “2019 BEST STARTUP” AWARD



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Engineering, Department of Industrial Engineering graduate Barış Bayoğlu, won the “Best B2B Startup” Award at Mobilefest 2019 which took place between the 21st and 24th November 2019 in İstanbul. The awards were presented by Republic of Turkey Minister of Industry and Technology Mustafa Varank and Vice Minister of Transportation

and Infrastructure Dr. Ömer Fatih Sayan. Barış Bayoğlu introduced the “Shopping Platform Independent of Time and Space” Moneymo to hundreds in a curious audience.

What is Moneymo?

It is a mobile shopping platform that allows the order, payment, campaign and loyalty programs of brands over all bank applications and e-wallets. It transforms offline channels such as shops, billboards, magazines, INSERT and TV to online channels. Whilst banks provide their customers with new campaigns and experiences, the customers shop easily and safely without sharing any credit card information or addresses inside the whole consumption ecosystem.

EMU Industrial Engineering Chairman Assoc. Prof. Dr. Gökhan İzbirak stated that contrary to the popular belief of Industry and Management Engineers only working at factories, they also work in the service industry (consultancy, transportation,

telecommunication, energy, logistics, finance, banking, hospitals, education, software, tourism, brand management, marketing, human resources etc.) construction, oil, natural gas and mining. Assoc. Prof. Dr. İzbirak underlined that Industry and Management Engineers contribute to companies in the way that they to produce cheaper and higher quality goods/services at lower prices.

Accredited by ABET

The EMU Industrial Engineering program also provides its successful students with the opportunity to obtain Mechanical Engineering or Business Administration diplomas. The program is accredited by ABET (abet.org) which currently only provides accreditation for 5 universities in Turkey. Since its first graduates in 1998, the graduates of the program work in top firms in the manufacturing, service and construction sectors. They are also being accepted to postgraduate programs of the most famous universities in the world such as MIT and Cambridge.

EMU PUBLIC RELATIONS AND ADVERTISING DEPARTMENT HOLDS “SIGN LANGUAGE” AWARENESS SEMINAR



Another social responsibility project has taken place under the umbrella of the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Community Involvement Centre. For the 3rd of December which is the International Day of Disabled Persons, The Genesis IMC Agency operating

under the supervision of EMU Department of Public Relations and Advertising Chair Assoc. Prof. Dr. Anil Kemal Kaya, with the coordination of research assistant Mürüde Özen organized a “Sign Language Awareness” seminar with volunteer students. Cyprus Hearing and Speech

Impaired Foundation Education Representative Asst. Prof. Dr. Emrah Soykan was speaker at the seminar which took place at the Communication Faculty, FCMS 011 Hall on Monday, the 2nd of December 2019. The seminar touched upon the development and importance of sign language. Asst. Prof. Dr. Soykan noted that sign language isn't universal and shows differences according to regions and cultures like spoken language. Indicating that everyone should know sign language in order to be able to communicate with hearing and speech impaired individuals, Asst. Prof. Dr. Soykan highlighted the importance of showing unity, solidarity and cooperation in educational,

health related, professional, cultural, sporting, legal, artistic and social issues.

At the end of the seminar, EMU Public Relations and Advertising Chair Assoc. Prof. Dr. Anil Kemal Kaya thanked Asst. Prof. Dr. Soykan for providing the prospective communication professionals with information about how they can communicate with hearing and speech impaired individuals. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Kaya concluded by stating: “We must unite to reduce the factors that make life difficult for disabled individuals.” Students who attended the seminar then made an “I Love You” sign and took a photo.

EMU DENTISTRY FACULTY RELEASES A STATEMENT ON THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Dentistry Faculty, Paediatric Dentistry Academic Staff Member Asst. Prof. Dr. Ece Öztoprak released the following statement on the 3rd of December, International Day of Persons with Disabilities:

In 1992, the United Nations General Assembly recognized the 3rd of December as the International Day of Persons with

Disabilities. This day aims to increase awareness of the gains to be derived from the integration of people with disabilities in every aspect of political, social, economic and cultural life. Today approximately 15% of the world's population is comprised of people with disabilities. This substantial percentage shows that the rights of disabled people should be protected and that society's awareness should be raised in order to increase prosperity. Pursuant to the day's importance and meaning I would like to provide some information about the oral care of disabled citizens.

Disabled citizens are in a high-risk group for oral and dental health. Therefore, it very important for them to protect oral and dental health. It is observed that dental cavities, gum problems and resulting tooth loss can lead to

problems in speaking, chewing and nutrition for these individuals. A number of precautions can be taken to prevent these problems:

- As soon as they appear in the mouth teeth should be cleaned with a damp gauze after eating.
- After the age of two, dental care should be provided with a small and soft bristled toothbrush.
- Special triple bristle and electrical toothbrushes are advised because of their easy use.
- A large number of disabled individuals cannot apply effective oral care because of skeletal and muscular disorders. For this reason, brushing teeth should be done with an assistant.
- Food substances with sugar and acid which stick onto teeth and gums easily are the primary causes of cavities. In the absence of a special dietary recommendation, food substances with lots of

sugar and carbohydrates should be avoided between meals. These foods should be consumed during main meals.

-If disabled individuals who have to eat soft and sticky foods cannot have their teeth brushed they should gargle after meals or get rid of food particles by wiping.

-As most syrup based drugs contain sugar, individuals who regularly use these drugs should take extra care for oral and dental health.

-Patient follow-ups should be carried out by the same doctor at regular intervals in order to provide confidence to these individuals.

The most important thing we can do is to be aware. We mustn't forget that there are no obstacles to sharing life!”

EMU IS ORGANIZING A CONCERT IN AID OF CHILD CANCER PATIENTS

The Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Communication Faculty, Department of Public Relations and Advertising has started a campaign to aid cancer patients under the guidance of the EMU Community Involvement Centre. 20 TL donations made to the “One Donation One Hope” campaign will provide hope to child cancer patients. Within the scope of the campaign organized for the Nicosia Dr. Burhan Nalbantoğlu State Hospital Child Oncology and Haematology Service and the Kemal Saraçoğlu Foundation for Children with Leukemia and Fight Against Cancer a solidarity concert will be held at the EMU Atatürk Square. The concert will commence at 18:00 on the 19th of December 2019.

Solidarity Concert

The “One Donation One Hope” campaign aims to raise approximately 120,000 TL via donations, ticket sales, stands and sponsors. Volunteer EMU academic staff and students will be trying to provide hope for children by purchasing tickets for the “One Donation One Hope” campaign. The proceeds will go to the Nicosia Dr. Burhan Nalbantoğlu State Hospital Child Oncology and Haematology Service and the Kemal Saraçoğlu Foundation for Children with Leukemia and Fight Against Cancer. Entrance to the solidarity concert will be free of charge and feature our country’s valuable artists and groups such as Grup Rast, Oğulcan Başarı, Passnote, Voice of Cyprus, Dilara Ferit, Desibel, Grup Otantik, DJ Haşim

Volkan, DJ Bouncer and DJ Ümit Akdeniz.

“We Need Community Support”

A statement by the EMU Communication Faculty indicates: “As EMU tries to provide a ray of hope for our children we need the support of you our beloved community. You can provide support by purchasing a ticket or by making a donation to our bank account “DOĞU AKDENİZ

ÜNİVERSİTESİ (BİR BAĞIŞ, BİR UMUT)” via the ACCOUNT NO: 11-304-6206267 and UBAN NO: CT16 1200 0011 0000 0000 0052 4179.” Tickets can be procured from the EMU Communication Faculty, Department of Public Relations and Advertising, the EMU Social and Cultural Activities Directorate, the Municipality of Famagusta Thursday Market, Rioverde Famagusta, Caffè Pascucci Famagusta or the Rüstem Bookstore.



EMU ARCHITECTURE FACULTY DEAN PROF. DR. DAĞLI RELEASES A STATEMENT ON THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Architecture Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Uğur Ulaş Dağlı released a statement on the 3rd of December, International Day of Persons with Disabilities. The statement which emphasized that the International Day of Persons

with Disabilities is a day that aims to draw attention to the problems faced by those with disabilities reads as follows:

“To our regret, most of the problems faced by those with disabilities are caused by environmental design. It is for this reason that responsibility is shared between decision makers and those whose profession it is to design structures. Good designs are those which are responsible and humanistic.

Only with an equalitarian approach that appeals to all segments of society can cities,

buildings and living spaces become more habitable for those with disabilities. We mustn’t forget that designs that will make life easier for disabled people will contribute to everybody’s lives. Inclusive designs appeal to all segments of society such as children, the elderly and the pregnant. Ramps for public transportation and buildings don’t only help those in wheelchairs and crutches but also those pushing prams or carrying heavy objects.

Unfortunately, our towns and public domains are not convenient for many groups of society. Streets, schools, work spaces

and recreation areas are often not accessible to disabled people. For this reason they cannot be as socially active as other citizens. This can only be changed by inclusive, human-centred design approaches.

In this regard, the EMU Architecture Faculty is aware of its responsibility as we try to raise our students to be aware and well-informed architects of the future. We are also prepared to actively participate in projects that aim to make our country and towns more accessible to everyone.”

AWARENESS CONFERENCE WITH EMU AND QUEER CYPRUS ASSOCIATION



In scope of the three-year “Diversity of Colours Project” started by the Queer Cyprus Association in December 2018, funded by the EU under Cypriot Civil Society in Action VI” Programme and implemented by Queer Cyprus Association, EMU hosted a conference titled “Diversity in Academia”. The said conference was organised to improve access of LGBTI+’s to human rights and to raise awareness in the society.

Among those who attended the conference which took place at Rauf Raif Denktaş Culture and Congress Center Arsinoe Hall at 9:30 a.m. on 30 November 2019 were EMU Deputy General Secretary Rıza Ömer Çinkılıç, academicians and students from different universities, and representatives of Queer Cyprus Association. Delivering an opening speech at the conference, Queer Cyprus Association Diversity of Colours Project Coordinator Erman Dolmacı provided information about the project and emphasised the importance of breaking prejudices based on sexual orientation and gender identity in society. Dolmacı added that they plan to



hold this meeting regularly every year. The keynote speaker of the conference, Emilie Crozet, Director of the Civil Society Program of the European Union Support Office, stressed that their support for the Queer Cyprus Association will continue.

Four Sessions Held

The opening presentation of the conference was delivered by Dr. Clara Barker. In her presentation titled ‘LGBTI + Inclusion in Academia’, Barker talked about the challenges that LGBTI + individuals face in the US and UK and provided samples from the challenges she faced in her career. Dr. Barker added “The most cited academic articles are multidisciplinary and diverse. However, there is a negative attitude towards gender diversity in the world of science. This is a contradiction in itself.” Following the opening speeches, the first session titled “Human Rights of LGBTI +s and Awareness” was held. During the session moderated by Artist Özgül Ezgin, EMU Faculty of Arts and Sciences Department of Psychology academic staff member Assoc. Dr. Şenel

Hüsnu Raman, Queer Cyprus Association Lawyer Adv. Faika Deniz Pasha and Near East University Faculty of Law academic staff member Assoc. Dr. Eylem Atılğan delivered presentations.

Fezile Osum Delivered the Closing Speech

The second session of the conference titled “Academy and Activism” took place under the moderation of EMU Faculty of Communication New Media and Journalism Department academic staff member Assoc. Dr. Hanife Aliefendioğlu. In the second session, LAU Psychological Counseling and Guidance Experts Raşit Kutlu and Fatoş Erkiyaç and Cyprus University Master’s Student Sarah Adra Petridou delivered presentations. The third session titled “Science and Literature” was held under the moderation of EMU Faculty of Communication Department of Cinema and Television academic staff member Assist. Prof. Dr. Yetin Arslan. In the third session, activist, interpreter, project manager and cyclist Aydın Mehmet Ali, SPoD Academy Assistant Coordinator Sevcan Tiftik and Pride in STEM Founder Dr. Alfredo Carpineti made a presentation. The fourth and final session of the conference titled “Youth and Education” was moderated by Kaan Berkan, Research Assistant at the Faculty of Arts and Sciences. In the session, Queer Cyprus Association Psychologist Ziliha Uluboy, Queer Cyprus Association Member Doğukan Gümüşatam and Mesarya Women’s Initiative Activist Hare Yakula made presentations. Following the completion of the sessions, the closing speech of the conference was delivered by Fezile Osum, President of the Queer Cyprus Association. President Osum thanked all those who contributed to the organization of the meeting as well as the participants.

THIS WEEK IN TURKEY'S PROMOTION



The Diyarbakır Artı Fair took place on the 2nd of December 2019. Our university was represented by Şanlıurfa Liaison Office Personnel Mehmet Bozanoğlu.



Our university was represented by Şanlıurfa Liaison Office Personnel Mehmet Bozanoğlu at the Artı Fair in Mardin on the 4th of December 2019.



The Unilook Kayseri Fair took place on the 2nd and 3rd of December 2019. Our university was represented by Mersin Liaison Office Personnel Giray Asutay.



Education seminars on “The Effects of Studying Environments in Exam Success” were delivered by Education Specialist Süleyman Beledioğlu in İstanbul on the 5th and 6th of December 2019. After the presentation İstanbul Liaison Office Personnel Çağla Kucur delivered our university’s promotional presentation.



Education seminars on “The Effects of Studying Environments in Exam Success” were delivered by Education Specialist Süleyman Beledioğlu in Rize, Trabzon and Giresun from the 2nd to the 4th of December 2019. After the presentations Samsun Liaison Office Personnel Tan İskeleli delivered our university’s promotional presentation.



The Ankara Çayyolu Bilgen College Fair took place on the 6th of December 2019. Our university was represented by Ankara Liaison Office Personnel Fatma Erik Çankaya.

EMU-URDC ORGANIZES A PRESS CONFERENCE ON THE FAMAGUSTA – İSKELE – YENİBOĞAZIÇI CITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN



Famagusta - İskele – Yeniboğaziçi City Development Plan. EMU Vice Rector for Administrative and Technical Affairs / EMU-URDC Board Member Prof. Dr. Naciye Doratlı and EMU-URDC President Prof. Dr. Şebnem Önal Hoşkara shared EMU's evaluation report on the city development plan. In her speech, Prof. Dr. Doratlı stated that they came together to express their opinions about the Famagusta - İskele – Yeniboğaziçi City Development Plan. Prof. Dr. Doratlı underlined that the EMU Rectorate and URDC found out that there were many mistakes regarding the zoning plan.

Prof. Dr. Hoşkara stated that EMU could not be a direct actor in national physical planning, but unfortunately weren't allowed to make any contributions. Prof. Dr. Hoşkara concluded by inviting the relevant department to re-examine the plan.

Eastern Mediterranean University Urban Research and Development Center (EMU-URDC) organized a press conference on Wednesday, the 4th of December 2019, at 11:00 in the EMU Board of Trustees Meeting Room and released information about the

This Week's Academic Publications

Source: Web of Science

Faculty of Arts & Sciences

- 1- Daniel Djida, Arran Fernandez, Ivan Area. "Well-posedness results for fractional semi-linear wave equations." Discrete and continuous dynamical systems-series b 25, no. 2 (2019): 569-597
- 2- W. Javed, R. Babar, and A. Övgün. "Effect of the dilaton field and plasma medium on deflection angle by black holes in Einstein-Maxwell-dilaton-axion theory." Physical Review D 100, no. 10 (2019): 104032.
- 3- F. S. Mirekhtari, and I. Sakalli. "Quantum tunneling of fermions from Grumiller black hole." Indian Journal of Physics 100, no. 10(2019): 1-7. (Early Access)

Faculty of Engineering

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