



## TURKEY'S NICOSIA AMBASSADOR ALİ MURAT BAŞÇERİ VISITS EMU



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam hosted Republic of Turkey Ministry of Foreign Affairs Nicosia Ambassador Ali Murat Başçeri in his office. EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam provided Ambassador Başçeri with the latest information about the university and its activities.



## KAZIM KARABEKİR PASHA'S DAUGHTER TİMSAL KARABEKİR DELIVERS A CONFERENCE AT EMU



The series of events organized by the Eastern Mediterranean University Atatürk Research and Application Center (EMU-ATAUM) in celebration of the 100th anniversary of 19 May 1919, the starting date of Turkish national struggle are continuing. Within the scope of these events a conference was delivered by Turkish National Struggle commander Kazım Karabekir Pasha's daughter Timsal Karabekir at the EMU Prof. Dr. Mehmet Tahiroğlu Hall at 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, the 8th May 2019. Before the conference commenced, EMU-ATAUM President Asst. Prof. Dr. Turgay Bülent Göktürk provided information about the events organized by the Center in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the National Struggle whilst announcing that the "Record-Breaking Blood Donation" campaign organized of Friday, the 3rd of May 2019 reached its goal by collecting 112 units of blood and breaking the TRNC record.

### Emotional Moments

Asst. Prof. Dr. Göktürk then went on to thank Timsal Karabekir for supporting their event before reading the biographies of Timsal Karabekir and her father Kazım Karabekir Pasha. In the conference titled "Don't Forget Yesterday so That you are Entitled to a Tomorrow" Timsal Karabekir touched upon what Mustafa Kemal Atatürk's comrade in arms Kazım Karabekir and other commanders went through during the National Struggle whilst showing pictures from the period. Students experienced emotional moments during the conference which had a significantly large turnout. At the end of the



conference EMU-ATAUM President Asst. Prof. Dr. Turgay Bülent Göktürk presented Timsal Karabekir a bouquet of flowers.

### "We Are Proud"

Before the conference EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam hosted Timsal Karabekir in his office. Indicating that she is very happy to be in EMU and Cyprus, Karabekir gifted Prof. Dr. Osam a book introducing the Kazım Karabekir Foundation of which

she is a founding member. Prof. Dr. Osam stated that it is a great honor to be hosting the daughter of a National Struggle commander and presented Timsal Karabekir a board with traditional Cypriot Lefkara lace. Also present at the said meeting were Kazım Karabekir Foundation General Secretary Sadık Tekel, EMU Vice Rector for Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Halit Tanju Besler and EMU-ATAUM President Asst. Prof. Dr. Turgay Bülent Göktürk.



## 9<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL DESIGN WEEK COMMENCES IN EMU



Organised annually by Eastern Mediterranean University Faculty of Architecture, 9th International Design Days have commenced with the theme “IN/DEPENDENCE” at Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, 8 May 2019.

At the opening ceremony of the event which will continue until 10 May 2019, EMU Architecture Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Özgür Dinçyürek provided information about ‘Design Week’ and this year’s theme. Stating that they are hosting guests from different countries, programs and cultures during the Design Week, Prof. Dr. Dinçyürek also expressed his pleasure in seeing the participation of a considerable number of

architects and design professionals in the event. Prof. Dr. Dinçyürek also thanked all those who contributed to the organisation of the event and wished all a fruitful week.

Delivering a speech at the event opening, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam told the participants that he remembers the first years of the event, which was then a simple organisation. Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam added that the event has evolved into an international organisation and acts as an important platform for the students regarding innovations and new trends in their field. Providing information about EMU, Prof. Dr. Osam added that their aim is to offer high quality study opportunities at international standards.

Prof. Dr. Osam stated that EMU is getting ready to celebrate the 40th anniversary of its foundation in October 2019. Prof. Dr. Osam put forth that EMU is maturing day by day.

Following the opening addresses, world-famous Alireza Taghaboni delivered a presentation at the end of which Prof. Dr. Osam presented a plaque of appreciation to him.

The 9th International Design Week taking place under the sponsorship of Kalebodur continued with a panel titled ‘Talks with Architects’ under the moderatorship of Prof. Dr. C. Abdi Güzer at Rauf Raif Denktaş Culture and Congress **cont. p. 4**



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Center at 1:00 p.m. During the said event, managers of NORM Architects Prof. Dr. Ahmet Tercan and Esin Tercan met with the participants at a talk on the current architectural and design practices. At Faculty of Architecture Conference Hall, Prof. Greg Keeffe of Queen's University in Belfast delivered a talk titled 'Biomimetic Cities' at 7:00 p.m. Following a cultural trip inside Famagusta Walled City under the guidance of Prof. Dr. Kokan Grchev and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Hacer Başarır Dindic, the first day of the event was completed with a cocktail taking place at Namık Kemal Square at 7:30 p.m. with the contributions of Famagusta Municipality.

### 9th International Design Week Activities Continued

In scope of the 9th International Design Week, the award ceremony of the high schools video competition titled 'Strange Designs'



took place at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, 9 May 2019. At 11:00, the event continued with an exhibition opening. At 1:00 p.m. Tonguç Gökarp's performance show titled EPSILON took place at Rauf Raif Denктаş Culture and Congress Center. The event was followed by a panel taking place under the moderatorship of Prof. Dr. Güven Arif Sargın and the participation Abdurrahman Çekim -

BARAKA and Emre Özgüder – GROTESK. Following the workshops took place on Friday, 10 May 2019, three short presentations by Banu Uçak, Barış Atiker and Emre Güneş took place under the theme "FREE TALKS" at 2:00 p.m. at Rauf Raif Denктаş Culture and Congress Center. The 9th EMU International Design Week finished with a closing ceremony.

## EMU HOSTS YOUNG UKRAINIAN FOOTBALLERS



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam hosted Ukrainian youth team footballers and representatives who are visiting the island as guests of the Yeniboğaziçi Primary School. The visit to Prof. Dr. Osam's office took place at 11:00 on Tuesday, the 7th of May 2019. Also present during the visit were EMU Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Sonuç Zorlu Oğurlu, Yeniboğaziçi Primary School Principal Mehmet Ali Karahasan and Ukrainian football youth team representatives.

During the visit, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Osam expressed his satisfaction regarding hosting the young footballers in the Mediterranean's pearl which is the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) and EMU. Prof. Dr. Osam also thanked Yeniboğaziçi Primary School for the part they played in bringing the footballers to the island. The young footballers indicated that they really liked the TRNC and EMU. At the end of the visit Prof. Dr. Osam and Prof. Dr. Oğurlu presented the footballers gifts. Yeniboğaziçi Primary School Principal Mehmet Ali Karahasan also presented EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam a plaque of appreciation for his contributions to the school.



## 4<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL EMU GENETICS CLUB STUDENT SCIENCE SYMPOSIUM WAS HELD

The “4th International EMU Genetics Club Student Science Symposium” organized by Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Genetics Club operating under EMU Social and Cultural Activities Directorate was held last week. The symposium that took place in Consensus Meeting Hall in Kyrenia Acapulco Resort & Convention & Spa was participated by a large number of students, as well as academic staff members from various universities both in Turkey and Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC). The first day of the event ended with a dinner following the presentations of EMU Arts and Sciences Faculty, Department of Biological Sciences students Golsa Baridlatif, Meena Husainy, Omar Sherif Barakat, Adili Abulimiti and Safa Zaatari.

### Cancer Studies were shared

The second day of the symposium commenced with the opening speech of EMU Genetics Club Chairman Yara Mazloum and EMU Genetics Club Introductory Film screening. Following the opening speech, EMU Arts and Sciences Faculty, Department of Biological Sciences academic staff member and Vice Dean of Dentistry Faculty Prof. Dr. Şükrü Tüzmen made the presentation entitled “Identification of Novel Signatures as Drug Targets in Cancer Treatment” during the first session of the day. During the highly attention attracting presentation, Prof. Dr. Tüzmen stated that he has started conducting cancer research after he worked on cholesterol biosynthesis. Tüzmen



also added that the common ground for two disciplines were published in January 2019 within SCIE index articles in the scientific journal, Personalized Medicine. Prof. Dr. Tüzmen informed the participants regarding the research and findings of his studies conducted in the field of cholesterol and cancer. Moreover, Prof. Dr. Şükrü Tüzmen provided information on biomarkers that can be used to identify candidate genes. Following the presentation and speech of Prof. Dr. Tüzmen, Bilkent University Molecular Biology and Genetics Department academic staff member Prof. Dr. İhsan Gürsel’s presentation titled “Therapeutic Oligonucleotide Research Lab – THORLAB” took place. Prof. Dr. Gürsel touched on his cancer research studies during his presentation and, presented detailed information on the vaccinations being developed that aims to provide protection from

cancer. Presentations of the following academic staff members took place during the second day of the symposium; Acıbadem University academic staff members Prof. Dr. Uğur Özbek, Prof. Dr. Cengiz Yakıcıer and Prof. Dr. Uğur Sezerman, Boğaziçi University academic staff member Prof. Dr. Nursel Aşan Baydemir, Erciyes University academic staff member Prof. Dr. Yusuf Özkul, Dr. Emine Sporel Özakat from Sporel Beslenme, EMU Arts and Sciences Faculty research assistant Arwa Abou Rajab and Near East University research assistant Erol Eyüpoğlu. A cocktail event was organized following the presentations. All the speakers were presented plaques and, certificates were presented to all the participants of the symposium. The symposium event ended with a tour of Karpaz region on the third day of the symposium.

## SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS OF DEPARTMENT OF VISUAL ARTS AND VISUAL COMMUNICATION DESIGN RECEIVE CERTIFICATES



Successful students of the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Visual Arts and Visual Communication Design, Animation and Game Design Program of the 2018-2019 Academic Year

Fall Semester received honor and high-honor certificates at a ceremony. A total of 53 honor and 56 high honor certificates were presented to successful students at the ceremony.

During the ceremony, Department of Visual Arts and Visual Communication Design graduate Abderrahman Zahid held a seminar titled “You Have Graduated from a Design School, What Now?” During the seminar Zahid touched upon the difficulties and opportunities students could face after graduation, also providing advice and relaying some of his own experiences.



# EMU IS READY FOR THE 24<sup>TH</sup> SPRING FESTIVAL



The 24th Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Spring Festival will be taking place between the 15th and 18th of May 2019 on the EMU Campus. In order to relay extensive information about the 4-day festival that will be taking place with North Cyprus Turkcell's sponsorship and the events that will be taking place within the scope of EMU's 40th anniversary, the Rector's Office held a press conference at EMU Beach Club on Tuesday, the 7th of May 2019 at 12:30.

## “For us it is a Point of Honor”

The opening speech of the press conference held to inform the public about the 24th Spring Festival and EMU's 40th Anniversary Events was delivered by EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam. Indicating that EMU's reaching its 40th Anniversary is a point of honor for them, Prof. Dr. Osam highlighted that the Rector's Office and the Social and Cultural Activities Directorate have carried out very careful work.

## “Very Rich Program”

In a speech of her own, EMU Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Sonuç Zorlu Oğurlu noted “We are celebrating our 40th anniversary in exhilarating fashion. The Spring Festival has a very rich program including great artists, talks and other activities. Since the beginning of the year we have been celebrating our 40th year with a cultural and artistic understanding. We believe that social, cultural and sporting activities are very important as well as education.” Prof. Dr. Oğurlu also provided information about the 40th anniversary events such as CSO and Mor ve Ötesi concerts, Harun Tekin – Koray acoustic concert, 40th Year Opera, Zengin Mutfak featuring Şener Şen and Mert Firat, State Theater and

Nicosia Municipality Theatre plays, 40th year dance event and workshop, a “Portraits, Styles and Stories” themed art exhibition comprising of art pieces from 40+3 (no longer alive) Cypriot artists, 40th year EMU short film, from past to present EMU catalogue, cocktail for those who contributed to EMU in the last 40 years, inviting famous Cypriots such as Osman Alkaş, Hazal Ergüçlü, Hüseyin Çağlayan, Hüseyin Köroğlu and Raşit Bağzıbağlı, 40th Year Bicycle Race, 40th Year Marathon and weekly hosting of 1 writer from TRNC and Turkey.

## “We Would Like to Express our Gratitude to EMU”

Special Olympics Turkey Executive Board Chair Mehmet Civelek indicated that they are in collaboration with a total of 25 Turkish Universities before noting “We don't receive the support and hospitality shown from EMU at any of these universities. EMU shows great support in our activities that use sports as a tool to integrate mentally challenged individuals into society. Therefore, we would like to express our gratitude to EMU.”

## “Friends from EMU”

The slogan for this year's Spring Festival is “Gommaz of EMU” which translates to “Friends from EMU”. “Gomma” is a colloquial term often used on the island to describe a friend. This year's theme reflects EMU's animal friendly campus and love for animals.

The animals on the poster design do not only represent our strong bond with animals but also our universities' slogan of virtue, knowledge and advancement. The crow symbolizes knowledge and wisdom whilst the key it is carrying in its mouth symbolizes power. This key reminds us that







people with knowledge and wisdom can open every door.

Brightness, skill, curiosity, flexibility and adapting are just a few of the characteristics associated with cats. Drives such as scouting, leading a group and adapting to any environment can be interpreted as a form of easily moving forward. The computer mouse in the cat's mouth symbolizes adaptation and reminds us that we need to adapt to ever-changing environments.

When the characteristics of dogs are taken into consideration we can see that it is fitting that they symbolize the university's principle of virtue. The important characteristics of dogs such as loyalty, sincerity, dependability, rebelliousness, unconditional acceptance and love, bravery, friendship, protection and fighting injustice should shed us light on moral perfection.

#### The Parade Walk is on the 15<sup>th</sup> of May

The 24th Spring Festival will begin with a parade walk starting from in front of the Famagusta Developmental Academy (MGA) and ending on the EMU Campus. The walk on the 15th of May 2019 will begin at 17:30. The official opening ceremony will take place at 19:00 with the participation of EMU Board of Trustees' President Boysan Boyra, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam, Board of Trustees Members, Vice Rectors and Special Olympics Turkey Executive Board Chair Mehmet Civelek at the Festival Area.

**Koray Avcı, MFÖ, Edis and DJ Kura will**



#### be Performing at EMU Yasin Düşüner Stadium

On the first day of the festival which is the 15th of May 2019, famous Turkish singer Koray Avcı will be performing on the main stage from 22:00 and onwards. Meanwhile Mavra will be performing on the second stage.

Mazhar Fuat Özkan (MFÖ) will be performing their unforgettable hits during their concert which will be commencing at 22:00 on Thursday, the 16th of May 2019. Emre Fırat and Route 66 will be performing on the second stage from 19:20.

DJ Kura will be constructing unforgettable memories for those in attendance on the 17th of May 2019 at 22:00. Yağız and Koli Band will be on the second stage from 19:05 and onwards.

On the final night of the festival which is Saturday, the 18th of May 2019 Edis will be taking to the stage at 22:00 to perform his recent hits.

#### A Conference and Workshop Will Be Taking Place

Prof. Dr. Meltem Yalınay will be delivering a conference titled "Intestinal Microbiota: What Kind of Nutrition Should We Have? Which Probiotic?" at the Dr. Fazıl Küçük Faculty of Medicine Conference Hall at 14:30 on the 15th of May 2019. In addition Prof. Dr. Mehmet Sungur will be delivering a conference titled "Satan's Triangle: Love, Marriage, Infidelity" at the Activity Hall. The said conference will commence at



11:30 on Thursday, the 16th of May 2019 Mert Gürkan will be coming together with students to deliver a workshop on "Pixelart".

#### Tugay Kerimoğlu, Rezzan Kiraz, Emre Canbazoğlu, Burak Özdemir and Dr. Ender Saraç Will Be Delivering Talks

Turkey's famous sports commentator and former national team football player Tugay Kerimoğlu will be delivering a talk on "Devoted Lives" in the Activity Hall on the 15th of May 2019 at 15:00.

Famous astrologist Rezzan Kiraz will come together with students during a talk she will be delivering in the Activity Hall at 13:30 on the 16th of May 2019. Mildmania CEO Emre Canbazoğlu and co-founder Burak Özdemir will be delivering a talk titled "Indie Game Developer's Guide to the Galaxy" at 14:30.

Famous Turkish thespian, director and journalist Orhan Alkaya will be delivering a talk at the Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall titled "What Would Happen If I Didn't Write" at 14:30 and Dr. Ender Saraç will be delivering a talk at 17:30.

#### Nasuh Mahruki, Tijen Karas, Nebahat Çehre and Güneri Civaoglu Will Be Meeting With Their Audience

Turkish mountaineer, writer and photographer Nasuh Mahruki will be delivering a talk in the Activity Hall at 11:30 on Friday, the 17th of May 2019. Then at 13:00 Tijen Karas who become known to millions of people after she was forced to read the 15 July Coup Manifesto at gun



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16 Mayıs 2019 | 17:30  
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17 Mayıs 2019  
15:00  
Aktivite Salonu

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point on TRT will be meeting with her audience at 13:00. At 17:30 famous Turkish thespian Nebahat Çehre will be delivering a talk of her own. One of Turkey's leading journalists and writers Güneri Cıvaoglu who prepares and hosts the program "Şeffaf Oda" will be delivering his talk at the Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall. This talk will be commencing at 17:00.

#### Gülse Bırsel and Enis Arıkan Will Be Meeting Their Fans

Turkey's famous theatre thespian Ercan Kesal will be delivering a talk at 12:30 on Saturday, the 18th of May 2019 in the Activity Hall.

On the same day at 13:30 social media phenomenon and Jet Sosyete actor Enis Arıkan will be coming together with his fans at the Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall. This will be followed by a talk from Esra Erol at 16:00. Meanwhile popular

screenwriter, actor and writer Gülse Bırsel will be delivering a talk at the Rauf Raif Denktaş Culture and Congress Centre at 17:00 on the same day.

#### Theatre Performance

The theatre performance "Don Kişot'um Ben" including Ozan Güven and Günay Karacaoğlu will be performed on the 16th and 17th of May 2019 at 19:30.

#### EMUATHLON on Friday, the 17<sup>th</sup> of March 2019

The annual EMUATHLON competition organized by the EMU Sports Affairs Directorate will be taking place on Friday, the 17th of March 2019 this year. The competition is set to commence at 15:00 and participation is expected to be significantly high.

#### Special Olympics are at EMU Once Again



Special Olympics Turkey who have been carrying out a range



of activities at EMU and participating in the Spring Festival in recent years with the slogan "Play Together, Live Together" will be carrying out Mixed Basketball Project activities in this year's festival. The opening ceremony of this event will be taking place at 16:30 on Friday, the 17th of May 2019. Within the scope of this event special education students will be playing 3 vs 3 mixed basketball games.

## COLOR FEST on Sunday, the 19<sup>th</sup> of March

"Color Fest" known as the world's most colorful festival will be taking place at 16:30 on Sunday, the 19th of May 2019 at the EMU Golf Course. At the said event, students will be enjoying themselves in the dream like atmosphere that combines DJ music and colours.



**ENİS ARIKAN**

18 MAYIS 2019  
13:30  
MUSTAFA AFSİN ERSOY SALONU



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# GÜLSE BİRSEL



18 Mayıs 2019  
17:00  
Rauf Raif Denктаş  
Kültür ve Kongre Sarayı

Not: 16:15-16:55 saatleri arasında DAÜ-2 Yurdu önü ile Ana Giriş önünden ring servisleri yapılacaktır.

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# ESRA EROL

18 Mayıs 2019  
16:00  
Mustafa Afsin Ersoy Salonu



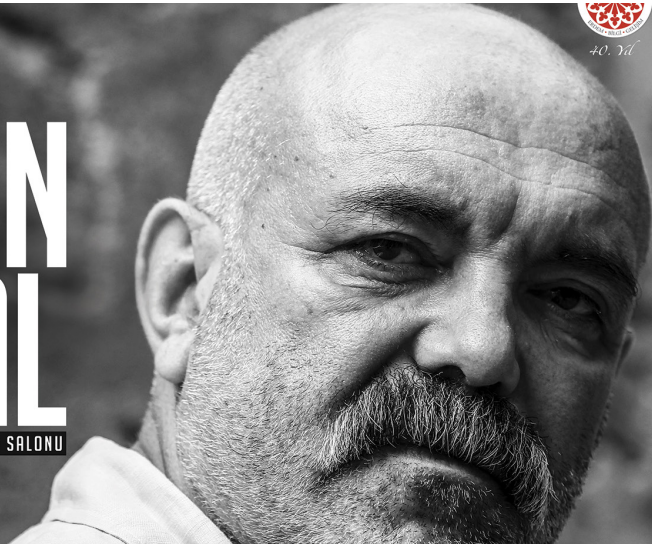
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18 MAYIS 2019 | 12:30 | AKTİVİTE SALONU





# EMU DR. FAZIL KÜÇÜK FACULTY OF MEDICINE RELEASES WORLD ASTHMA DAY STATEMENT



The Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Dr. Fazıl Küçük Faculty of Medicine continues to inform the community about matters of public health whilst providing answers to commonly asked questions. EMU Dr. Fazıl Küçük Faculty of Medicine academic staff member and pulmonology specialist Prof. Dr. Turgay Çelikel released a statement concerning 7 May, World Asthma Day. In the statement Prof. Dr. Çelikel described asthma as a chronic disease which occurs when airways are blocked indicating that between attacks patients can return to a completely normal state, however incorrect and insufficient treatment can even lead to death.

## It Affects 7-10% of the Population

Prof. Dr. Çelikel stated that asthma is a disease which affects 7-10% of the population. "It is the most common chronic disease amongst children and young adults. Allergic diseases and asthma are more common amongst children whose mothers had a vitamin D deficiency or smoked during pregnancy as well as children who didn't come across germs." Speaking on the connection between allergy and asthma Prof. Dr. Çelikel stated: "Asthma can be hereditary or acquired. Asthma in children and young adults is mostly related to predisposition towards allergies. This is called atopy. Allergic rhinitis and eczema are also in this group and it is common to see them occur together. These children have a family history of severe asthma. Children with a genetic predisposition can suffer from asthma when they are exposed to house dust mites, pets inside the home or cockroaches."


## Environmental Factors

Prof. Dr. Çelikel said the following regarding environmental factors that lead to asthma: "Weed and pollen dust from trees in the spring can trigger asthma as well as the fungus that emerges after leaves rot in the fall. Allergic diseases are more common amongst people who live within 150 meters of busy highways as a result of exhaust pollution. Respiratory diseases and infections increase significantly when biomass is used

for heating and cooking inside the home. Therefore, this is one of the most important asthma triggers for children who commonly suffer from respiratory viral infections. Cat hair exposure is also an important factor."


## Smoking Triggers Asthma

Touching upon whether it is possible to prevent the development of asthma before birth, during pregnancy or directly after pregnancy Prof. Dr. Çelikel noted: "Hereditary factors don't change. However, allergic symptoms and weakness in lung development can be seen in the babies of mothers who smoked during pregnancy. The importance of Vitamin D supplements for those who are pregnant has also been demonstrated. Prof. Dr. Çelikel indicated that he doesn't find the use of scientifically non-proven plant based substances for asthma treatment correct when there are so many conveniences and developments, highlighting that these substances could potentially have unwanted side-effects. Also addressing the relationship between smoking and asthma Prof. Dr. Çelikel stated: "Smoking stimulates asthma and causes Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease after a long period of time. Asthma can develop afterwards. It can be closely related to Obesity and Reflux. We also know that more than 100 substances cause vocational asthma. Baker asthma is the best known example of this."



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**19 Mayıs Milli Mücadele'nin 100.Yılı Etkinlikleri**

**MİLLİ MÜCADELE ORATORYOSU**

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Onlara Kahraman,  
Yüzlere Destan"

Oratoryo Metin Derleme :  
Murat ATA  
Ahmet Alper AYANA

Yöneten  
Ahmet Alper AYANA



ORATORYO, HALK OYUNLARI, MÜZİK ETKİNLİĞİ, ARAMA KURTARMA TİMİ GÖSTERİSİ  
13 Mayıs 2019 Pazartesi, Saat: 19.30 Yer: Rauf Raif Denktaş Kültür ve Kongre Sarayı

## NATIONAL STRUGGLE ORATORIO FROM EMU-ATAUM

The series of events organized by the Eastern Mediterranean University Atatürk Research and Application Center (EMU-ATAUM) in celebration of the 100th anniversary of 19 May 1919, the starting date of Turkish national struggle are continuing. Within the scope of these events a "National Struggle Oratorio" will be taking place at Rauf Raif Denktaş Culture and Congress Center at 7:30

p.m. on Monday, the 13th of May 2019. The National Struggle Oratorio is expected to have a significantly high attendance and a cocktail will be taking place before it commences. The oratorio's script was arranged by Murat Atak along with Ahmet Alper Ayana who is also the director. The oratorio will also feature folk dances, musical performances and a show by the Search and Rescue team.



# EMU DR. FAZIL KÜÇÜK FACULTY OF MEDICINE RELEASES STATEMENT ON “OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH WEEK”



The Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Dr. Fazıl Küçük Faculty of Medicine continues to inform the community about matters of public health whilst providing answers to commonly asked questions. EMU Dr. Fazıl Küçük Faculty of Medicine academic staff member Asst. Prof. Dr. Levent Eker recently released a statement on “Occupational Safety and Health Week” which takes place between the 4th and 10th of May every year with the goal of raising awareness. Asst. Prof. Dr. Eker highlighted that “Worker Health and Safety” includes a range of activities and measures that aim to protect against and minimize occupational hazards.

## Work Accident Rates

Indicating that work related accidents and diseases have negative effects on human beings and also the economy. Asst. Prof. Dr. Eker stated: “We see this as a problem on a global level. International Labour Organization data indicates that more than 3.2 million people lose their lives each year as a result of work related accidents or diseases. Every year there are 160 million

new cases of occupational diseases and 300 million non-deadly work accidents. According to Social Security Institution data there has been a significant decrease in the work accident rates of Turkey over the last 40 years. However, this rate is still high when compared with other developed countries. “Occupational Safety and Health Week” activities are organized to encourage the establishment of safe and healthy working environments via public education that increases awareness.”

## Legislative Regulations

Asst. Prof. Dr. Eker also drew attention to the fact that governments are making legislative regulations in order to not leave precautions taken to protect employers from risks to the initiative of employers: “The liability of employers and the rights and obligations of workers have been arranged by the 6331 numbered “Occupational Health and Safety Act” which took effect in 2012 in Turkey and the “Work Health and Safety Act” which entered into effect in 2008 in the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus. When we look at work

accidents, 2014 International Labour Organization data indicates that nearly half of the accidents (44.7%) take place during production, manufacturing, processing and storage activities. Approximately 1 out of 10 accidents take place during excavation, construction, repair and demolition activities. Injuries in work accidents are most common in the arms, legs and head region. 38.7% percent of injuries are arm injuries and 1 out of 5 are leg injuries.”

## Occupational Diseases

Drawing attention to occupational diseases which are just as important as work accidents, Asst. Prof. Dr. Eker stated the following: “Occupational diseases can be physical or mental. They are diseases that stem from something that is repeated at the workplace or workplace conditions. Occupational diseases are below the anticipated rate in Turkey. It is clear that there is lack in data. When we look at global rates of occupational diseases we see that they are present in 4-12 of 1000 workers. According to 2014 International Labour Organization data occupational diseases are only seen in 00.4 out of 1000 workers in Turkey. Most occupational diseases are seen in men. In 2014, 470 out of 494 cases were seen in men and only 24 in women. The two most common types of occupational diseases are dust related pneumoconiosis and noise related loss of hearing. The primary form of protection from occupational diseases is periodical health checks that begin upon entry. In addition workers and employers must be educated on protective measures, workers must be encouraged to use personal protection and environmental regulation must be carried out.”



## FAMOUS ACTRESS AYLA ALGAN IN EMU



In scope of an activity organised by Eastern Mediterranean University, Faculty of Communication, Department of Radio, Cinema and Television, famous theatre player, actress and singer Ayla Algan came together with students and her fans at FCMS 011 at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, 8 May 2019.

### Algan Talked about Her First Starring Experience

The talk started with the presentation of a section from the internationally acclaimed film “Ah Güzel İstanbul”, which was made in 1966. Algan commented that she co-starred the film with Sadri Alışık and they received the “Silver Tree’ award at the 10th International Bordighera Humor Films Festival in San Remo, Italy. Algan said “This is my first film in cinema after my theater. In those years, color films were shot in Europe and America. Yeşilçam had no money. If our film was not black and white, it would have been crowned with a degree beyond the first place. But the black-and-white camera that our director of photography used was much better than the color one. As a result,

we achieved an important success in an area where we were competing with international master directors such as Fellini.

### “Cinema does not Resemble Theatre”

In addition to cinema and theater, Algan introduced the poems of Yunus Emre to the world by reading and singing poetry in German, French and English. Algan stated that she started to sing after 1972. Algan also added that Şehnaz Longa is the most beautiful piece of Ayşe in the film ‘Ah Güzel İstanbul’. Algan continued by saying that acting in cinema is not like acting in theater and also emphasized the importance of assembled acting for cinema. Touching on the importance of existentialism in training activities, Algan added that the curricula of Istanbul Drama Art Academy is based on Hegel philosophy.

### “I Wouldn’t Star in Bad Commercials Even If I am Broke”

Algan stated that she played only in one commercial during her life and that she chose to do it because it would be beneficial for the society. Algan went on to state that “I

wouldn’t star in bad commercials even if I am broke”. Algan added that her profession in arts started as a hobby for her. Providing recommendations for students, Algan said that “If you have hobbies in your daily life, go on, learn and improve yourself. While doing so, realize your shortcomings and don’t give up.” At the end of the talk, EMU Communication Faculty, Radio, Cinema and Television Department Chair Prof. Dr. Bahire Özad presented famous actress Ayla Algan a gift. The event came to a close after a group photo was taken.

### Visit to EMU Rector’s Office

Prior to the talk, famous actress Algan paid a visit to Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Sonuç Zorlu Oğurlu. EMU Communication Faculty, Radio, Cinema and Television Department Chair Prof. Dr. Bahire Özad was also present at the said visit. Prof. Dr. Oğurlu thanked Ayla Algan for giving a talk at the university and presented her a crow statue as a symbol of Famagusta. Algan stated her pleasure in visiting EMU and the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus.



## EMU ACM STUDENT CHAPTER HOSTS DR. HASAN SARI FROM HARVARD

The Eastern Mediterranean University Association for Computing Machinery Student Chapter (EMU ACM) operating under the Social and Cultural Activities Directorate hosted Harvard Medical School research assistant Dr. Hasan Sarı. The event titled “ACM Tech-Talks 3.0: Application of Machine Learning in Medical Imaging” took place at the EMU Computer Engineering Amphitheatre at 14:30 on Friday, the 3rd of May 2019. The event was attended by EMU Engineering Faculty, Department of Computer Engineering Chair Prof. Dr. Işık Aybay, academicians, ACM Student Chapter and many students. At the end of the conference Dr. Hasan Sarı was presented a plaque.



## EMU-SCT VISITS AKDOĞAN POLATPAŞA HIGH SCHOOL



Eastern Mediterranean University School of Computing and Technology (EMU-SCT) carried out a visit to Akdoğan Polatpaşa High School to increase collaboration in vocational education between the schools as well as to provide information to students.

During the visit, EMU-SCT Director Prof. Dr. Mustafa İlkan delivered a presentation titled “Possibilities, Opportunities and Guidance in Vocational Education”. In the said presentation Prof. Dr. İlkan emphasized

the importance of vocational education and relayed future projections. Prof. Dr. İlkan also expressed the possibilities, opportunities and advantages provided by EMU-SCT.

Akdoğan Polatpaşa High School officials also highlighted the importance of collaboration. Indicating that they are very pleased to be collaborating with EMU to improve vocational education in the country as to bring it to the desired level, they added that they will be creating new workspaces in the upcoming

period. EMU-SCT Computer Programming and Information Technology and Information Systems Program Coordinator Akile Oday and Vice-Coordinator Şensev İlkan also provided extensive information about their programs. Academic staff member Ramadan İyikal provided information about the Construction Technology and Mapping and Cadastral Survey programs, also answering student questions.



## EMU NURSING DEPARTMENT ORGANISING “NURSEVIVOR”

Eastern Mediterranean University, Faculty of Health Sciences, Department of Nursing, in collaboration with the Cyprus Turkish Nurses and Midwives Association will be holding an activity under the title “Nursevivor – The Game Awaits You” at EMU Yasin Düşüner Stadium between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, 12 May 2019.



The International Nurses Association, in memory of Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing, specified 12-18 May as the International Nursing Week. Each year, a theme is identified by the aforesaid association, and in this context, the problems of the profession and health system are discussed and solutions are proposed in all member countries.

Within the scope of the activities to be held in celebration of the Nursing Week, the second NURSEVIVOR competition will be held on Sunday, 12 May with the participation of 108 students from 6 universities. “Nursevivor”, which is

expected to be quite colorful as in the past year, is preparing to offer students a day filled with fun by combining nursing practices and sports. Awards will also be presented to students with successful performance at “Nursevivor”.

## EMU IS GOING TO BRING THE WORLD TOGETHER AT A GRAND EVENT



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BUSES TO WALLED CITY WILL LEAVE EVERY 30 MINUTES FROM 17:30 TO 20:00 FROM EMU MAIN GATE AND RETURN FROM PETEK AT 00:15



The Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) is preparing to host International Night 2019, one of the biggest and most colorful cultural festivals on Friday, the 10th of May 2019. The event will be taking place at the Famagusta Namık Kemal Square with the participation of thousands of students from 113 different countries. The 18th annual International Night will feature cultural dancing, music and cuisine of students from all over the globe. The event which will be taking place with the contributions of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) Ministry of Tourism and Environment as well as cultural associations will commence at 20:00. During the event, students will obtain the opportunity to mix with students from different cultural backgrounds. Buses

to the Walled City will be departing from the main gate of EMU every half an hour between 17:30 and 20:00. The return buses will be departing from in front of Petek Patisserie at 00:15.

The sponsors of International Night 2019 are as follows: Ramen Dormitory, Akdeniz Dormitory, Alfam Dormitory, Golden Plus, Pop Art Dorm, Novel Center Point, Nural Dorm, New Form Gym, Palm Beach Hotel, Port View Hotel, Salamis Hotel, İtimat, Turkcell, Lala Mustafa Paşa Gym, Ekor, EMU-KOOP, Table D'Hote, Roof Restaurant, Happily, White Queen, Koton, Citymall, Bianchi Cafe, Yojo Cafe, Oriento Cafe, Solmaz, Gymaholic, Rouge 21, Deniz Plaza and Strike Zone.



## THIS WEEK'S PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES IN TURKEY



Education seminars on “Motivation and Exam Success” were delivered by Education Specialist Süleyman Beledioğlu in Çorum on the 6<sup>th</sup> of May 2019 and in Yozgat on the 7<sup>th</sup> of May 2019. Our university’s promotional presentation was delivered by Ankara Liaison Office Personnel Ahmet Ümit Ünal.



The Van Unilook Fair took place on the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> of May 2019. Our university was represented by Şanlıurfa Liaison Office Personnel Faruk Öncel.



## THIS WEEK'S PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES IN TRNC

Education Faculty, Department of Music Teaching academic staff member Alekzandr Zabolotkov came together with Anadolu Fine Arts High School students on the 6<sup>th</sup> of May 2019.



### This Week's Academic Publications

Source: Web of Science

#### Faculty of Engineering

1- Mohsen Shahaki Kenari, and Murude Celikag. "Correlation of Ground Motion Intensity Measures and Seismic Damage Indices of Masonry-Infilled Steel Frames." Arabian Journal for Science and Engineering 44, no.5 (2019): 5131-5150.

2- Amir Bahador Nataj, Serhan Şensoy, and Ghani Razaqpur. "Seismic behaviour and strength of reinforced concrete columns with embedded drain pipe." Magazine of Concrete Research 71, no.11 (2019): 577-586.

3- Fikri Yucelgazi, and İbrahim Yitmen. "An ANP Model for Risk Assessment in Large-Scale Transport Infrastructure Projects." Arabian Journal for Science and Engineering 44, no. 5 (2019): 4257-4275.

3- Sepehr Alizadehsalehi, and Ibrahim Yitmen. "A concept for automated construction progress monitoring: technologies adoption for benchmarking project performance control." Arabian Journal for Science and Engineering 44, no. 5 (2019): 4993-5008.

5- Adham Ahmad Mackieh, and Faeza Saleh A. Dihin. "Evaluating the employability skills of industrial engineering graduates: a case study." The International journal of engineering education 35, no. 3 (2019): 925-937.

#### Faculty of Arts and Sciences

1- H. Gürsel, G. Tokgöz, and İ. Sakallı. "Linear stability of Mandal-Sengupta-Wadia black holes." Modern Physics Letters A 34, no.12 (2019): 1950094.

2- Donald Douglas Atsa'am, and Ersin Kusur Bodur. "Knowledge mining on the association between psychological capital and educational qualifications among hospitality employees." Current Issues in Tourism (2019): 1-5. (Early Access)

#### Faculty of Architecture

1- Beser Oktay Vehbi, Hülya Yüceer, and Yonca Hürol. "New Uses for Traditional Buildings: The Olive Oil Mills of the Karpas Peninsula, Cyprus." The Historic Environment: Policy & Practice 10, no. 1 (2019): 58-82.

#### Faculty of Tourism

1- Taegoo Terry Kim, Osman M. Karatepe, and Gyehee Lee. "Test of an integrative model of travel-related social media users' switching intentions." Service Business 13, no.2 (2019):339-361.

## EMU WOMEN'S SWIMMING TEAM BECOMES CHAMPIONS



The women's swimming team of the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) operating under the Social and Cultural Activities Directorate became Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) champions after scoring higher than 6 other universities at a competition organized by the University Sports Federation in Nicosia. At the competition where the EMU men's swimming team finished in fourth place, EMU women's swimming team athlete Dilahan Tezel broke the 200 meter short course medley TRNC record. The EMU Social and Cultural Activities Directorate released the following statement: "We would like to thank all of our athletes and our new-record holder for their efforts in the championship."



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