The U.K. based Times Higher Education (THE), the publisher of the world’s most widely referenced university rankings announced the 2020 Best Young University rankings of the world. The rankings include universities which started their educational activities in the last 50 years. The Eastern Mediterranean University is the only university from the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus to succeed a place on the rankings, entering at the 251-300 band. Rankings allow comparisons of younger institutions, especially in terms of publication, citation, quality of education and internationalization.

In the list where 23 Turkish universities have taken place and EMU is within the top 5, the world’s number one university has been declared as Hong Kong of Science and Technology. On the list, the increase in the universities of developing countries is remarkable. While 26 from India, 11 from Malaysia and 6 from China are included in the ranking, only 4 young universities from the USA were included in the list. While EMU from the TRNC was the only university on the list, two universities from Southern Cyprus also managed to enter the list.

Evaluating young universities under the age of 50 in terms of quality of education, scientific research, bibliographic references, international visibility and industrial income, THE announced its best Young Universities Ranking from its official website. The same performance scales were used in the general THE World List in the ranking. As it is known, EMU is the only university to enter the list from the TRNC by preserving its position in the 801-1000 band in the Times Higher Education (THE) 2020 World University Rankings, which includes only 1376 universities among more than 25 thousand universities.

“I am Proud”
Making a statement on the subject, EMU Rector. Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın expressed the pride he felt when he received the letter sent to him from the THE Editor, with the information that EMU once again took place in the said rankings. Underlining that EMU is a world class institution of higher education, Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın emphasized that this is confirmed by the accreditations obtained and this success is an indicator of the importance given to an institution.

Stating that success is never a coincidence and EMU continues to grow and develop day by day, Prof. Dr. Hocanın stated that EMU aims to be the leader on the island and one of the best in the world as a university. Prof. Dr. Hocanın thanked all the teachers who contributed to EMU’s success.

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EMU RECTOR PROF. DR. AYKUT HOCANIN CONTINUES WITH COURTESY VISITS

Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın, taking over the task of the new Rector at the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), from 17th June 2020, is paying a series of visits to state and government officials. On Wednesday, 24th June 2020, Rector Prof. Dr. cont. p. 2
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Hocanın paid a courtesy visit to the TRNC President Mustafa Akıncı, Prime Minister Ersin Tatar, Minister of National Education and Culture Nazım Çavuşoğlu and General President of CTP and Member of Parliament, Tufan Erhürman at their offices. During the visits, Prof. Dr. Hocanın gave information about the tendency determination process, adding that EMU is one of the most important scientific institutions of the TRNC, and that he took over the task in a mature and democratic manner and will work to take EMU further together. With State and government officials wishing Prof. Dr. Hocanın success in his new task, memorial plaques were presented during the visits.

Visit to Assembly President
Prof. Dr. Hocanın visited the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) Assembly President Teberrüken Uluçay at his office on Thursday 25th June 2020.

During the visit, Rector Prof. Dr. Hocanın gave information in relation to the tendency determination process, stated that EMU is one of the most important institutions of TRNC in education, teaching, research and services to the society. Underlining that he is determined to cooperate with government institutions, Prof. Dr. Hocanın Stressed that the necessary will be done to speed up the work on EMU Laws and Public Procurement Laws, he also emphasized that they have requested contributions from the TRNC Assembly in order to complete the law amendments in the future, opening the way for the university and facilitating their breakthrough.

Reminding that EMU is the first and only State University to be established, Prof. Dr. Hocanın stated that he has established a young and dynamic Rectorate team and that they will work dynamically to develop and push EMU forward.

“EMU is our Country’s Source of Pride.”
Speaking after Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın, TRNC Assembly President Teberrüken Uluçay emphasized that EMU is a source of pride that carries the TRNC to international platforms in a number of areas, and congratulated and thanked all of those that took on the EMU Rectors duty to date. Stating that “This is a service race. A new Rector has been appointed in a democratic environment at EMU” Uluçay went on to say that the TRNC Assembly will do everything they can to contribute. “Our country should protect its important values such as EMU. We should consider EMU as having a special place and make serious efforts for the development of EMU. As the TRNC Assembly, we will make this effort. I would like to congratulate the new Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın, and wish him every success in his new role.” During the visit, Assembly President Teberrüken Uluçay presented Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın a memorial plate, while Prof. Dr. Hocanın presented Uluçay with a memorial plaquet.

Prof. Dr. Hocanın is to continue his visits next week.
EMU RECTOR PROF. DR. AYKUT HOCANIN ANNOUNCES TEAM

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), the locomotive of higher education, which is one of the leading input sources of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus’ (TRNC) economy, elected Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın as its new rector after a highly democratic and highly participated election process, and with the subsequent presentation of Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın as the new Rector by the EMU Senate to the EMU Board of Trustees, the EMU Board of Trustees appointed Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın as the new Rector of EMU on Wednesday 17th June 2020. Following his appointment and the Handover Ceremony, Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın announced his team on 19th June 2020.

The Vice Rectors have been Announced
EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın determined his team by receiving authorisation from the EMU Board of Trustees on the 19th June 2020, for the Vice Rectors of Academic Affairs, Student Affairs, Social and Cultural Affairs and Administrative and Technical Affairs. According to this, the Vice Rector responsible for Academic Affairs is Prof. Dr. Hasan Demirel, the Vice Rector responsible for Student Affairs is Prof. Dr. Hüseyin Aktuğlu, the Vice Rector responsible for Social and Cultural Affairs is Assoc. Prof. Dr. Deniz İşcioğlu and the Vice Rector responsible for Administrative and Technical Affairs is Assoc. Prof. Dr. Serhan Şensoy. The Vice Rectors began their new roles on the 22nd June 2020.

YOUTH EXHIBITION BETWEEN EMU DEPARTMENT OF ARCHITECTURE AND YENİBOĞAZİÇİ MUNICIPALITY

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Architecture, Department of Architecture and the Yeniboğaziçi Municipality have collaborated on an exhibition on Friday, June 19, 2020, held at the Yeniboğaziçi beach resort, consisting of the presentation and exhibition of youth center projects developed in cooperation with the EMU Faculty of Architecture students (program without thesis) for the needs of young people in the region. Attending the opening were different stakeholders and especially the local community.

Shaped by the Local Youth
At the event, EMU Faculty of Architecture, Architecture Department Chair, Prof. Dr. Resmiye Alpar Atun, while emphasizing the importance of these works carried out on the basis of participation between universities and local governments, Yeniboğaziçi Mayor Mustafa Zurnacılar stated that they will make every attempt to create such opportunities for future works of this kind to be implemented, and will continue to be involved with such works to be an example for future studies. Hasan Eren, the Director of the Youth Department, stated at the opening of the exhibition that he support these works and he cared about such future collaborations.

While the project has been shaped with the contributions of the young people from the first stage, the views and evaluations of the young people from the region, Yeniboğaziçi Mayor, EMU Faculty of Architecture, Department of Architecture instructor Asst. Prof. Dr. Harun Sevinç and part-time instructor Architect Cenk Atun and students who developed the project said they will work on the basis of participation in the implementation of the selected project.
Registration has begun for students who have won the right to register to the Eastern Mediterranean University, within the framework of the Student Selection, Placement and Scholarship System, who have been placed without examination based on their High School Grades, or who have been placed as a result of the entrance examination for the international cooperation (Faculty of Medicine and Faculty of Dentistry) programs.

In an announcement where it was explained that registration will continue till the 18th July 2020, it was expressed that new students should apply to the Registrars Office to complete the necessary procedures. Information in relation to application procedures and student fee’s can be obtained from the Eastern Mediterranean University Official Website, at address http://www.emu.edu.tr.

It was also expressed within the same announcement that the applications via the Student Selection, Placement and Scholarship System continues for student placements with High School Grade Points, who were unable to make their applications, or for students who wish to apply with IGCSE, GCE A/AS Level exam results for Students of TRNC nationality or Republic of Turkey students who completed their High School Education in the TRNC for 4 years without a break.

Applications Continue for GCE A Level Quota Placements for the Dr. Fazıl Küçük Faculty of Medicine and the Faculty of Dentistry

At the same time, applications with GCE A Level for the EMU Dr. Fazıl Küçük Faculty of Medicine and Faculty of Dentistry, for the 2020 – 2021 Academic Year continues.

According to the announcement made by the EMU Rectorate, GCE A Level applications to the EMU Faculty of Medicine and Faculty of Dentistry, can be made online till Monday 3rd August 2020, 23:59, with placements being made 5 days after the GCE A Level result announcement. For detailed information in relation to this subject, you may visit the EMU Registrars Office, call them on 630 12 17, or email them at registrar@emu.edu.tr email address.

This Week’s Academic Publications

Faculty of Business & Economics

Faculty of Communication and Media Studies

Faculty of Engineering
4- Solyali, Davut. “A Comparative Analysis of Machine Learning Approaches for Short-/Long-Term Electricity Load Forecasting in Cyprus.” Sustainability 12, no. 9 (2020): 3612.

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