

## TRNC MINISTER OF FINANCE OLGUN AMCAOĞLU VISITS EMU



Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) Minister of Finance Olgun Amcaoğlu paid a visit to EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hoca'nın. The meeting about the COVID-19 pandemic and the new academic year was held on Thursday, 27 August, 2020, at 11:00 a.m.

In a statement made to the press members before the meeting, Prof. Dr. Hoca'nın expressed his pleasure regarding the visit of the Minister of Finance and noted that they will exchange views on new measures taken and to be taken during the

pandemic process. Referring to the results of the Higher Education Institutions Exam (YKS), Prof. Dr. Hoca'nın stated that 26% more students have been placed in EMU programs compared to the former year. Underlining that EMU has achieved great success, Prof. Dr. Hoca'nın explained that EMU has the highest number of equivalent students amongst all TRNC universities. Prof. Dr. Hoca'nın noted that the task of EMU as a result of the aforesaid student placements, through taking the necessary measures, is to ensure that students register. Prof. Dr. Hoca'nın emphasized that

the health of the staff and students is the top priority. TRNC Minister of Finance Olgun Amcaoğlu stated in his speech that both parties have come together to discuss the steps and measures to be taken in line with the latest developments. Minister Amcaoğlu stated that the support they have put in as the Ministry of Finance since the beginning of this period will continue.

Drawing attention to the importance of the tourism sector and higher education for the TRNC economy, Minister Amcaoğlu stated that steps have been taken for the survival

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## EMU BECOMES THE TOP UNIVERSITY WITHIN THE TRNC INCREASING THE NUMBER OF STUDENT PLACEMENTS



According to the student placement results of the 2020-2021 Higher Education Institutions Examination (YKS) announced on Wednesday, 26 August 2020, Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) has become the top university among the universities of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus increasing the student placements both in terms of number and percentage compared to the previous year. A total of 1,635 students have been placed in EMU for the 2020-2021 Academic Year. While there has been an increase of 7.43% in YKS student placement results in TRNC

universities compared to the previous year, it is worth mentioning that there has been an increase of 26.06% in the number of students placed at EMU. EMU also became the most preferred university considering the equivalent number of students. In his statement on the subject, EMU Rector Aykut Hoca'nın expressed his satisfaction with the remarkable success achieved and said, "I would like to thank all our staff, especially the Promotion Committee and the Promotion Office of our University. I wish that the 2020-2021 Academic Year brings positive outcomes for our country."

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of these sectors. Minister Amcaoğlu also ended his speech by thanking EMU administration for the work carried out during the pandemic period. Following the statements made to the press members, Prof. Dr. Aykut Hoca'nın presented a memorial plate to the Minister of Finance, Olgun Amcaoğlu, to mark his visit.

Among notable officials present at the visit were TRNC Ministry of Finance Undersecretary Özdemir Kalkanlı, President of EMU Board of Trustees Dr. Erdal Özçenk, EMU Board of Trustees members Ersun Kutup, Halil İ. Orun, EMU Vice Rectors Prof. Dr. Hüseyin Aktuğlu, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Serhan Şensoy and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Deniz İşçioğlu.

## MEMBERS OF THE PARLIAMENT DENKTAŞ, ATAOĞLU VE ARABACIOĞLU VISITED EMU

Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) Member of the Parliament representing Democratic Party Serdar Denktaş, Member of the Parliament and Party Chairperson Fikri Ataoğlu and Former Member of the Parliament Dr. Mustafa Arabacıoğlu visited Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU). The visit took place on Thursday, 27 August, 2020, at 2:30 p.m.. During the courtesy visit, views were exchanged on the state of higher education during the pandemic process.

### “The Number of Students Placed at EMU Increased”

Speaking at the press conference held before the meeting, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hoca'nın stated that they are happy to be hosting valuable politicians at EMU. Prof. Dr. Hoca'nın noted that according to the placement results of the 2020-2021 Higher Education Institutions Examination (YKS), EMU, as a state university, has increased the number of students placed compared to the previous year. Prof. Dr. Hoca'nın stated that the increase in the total number of students placed at EMU as a result of YKS is 26% compared to last year.

Prof. Dr. Hoca'nın also put forth that as a result of the YKS, a total of 1,635 students have been placed in EMU.

### “We Are Getting Ready For The New Academic Year”

Drawing attention to the fact that EMU ranks first in the number of students placed with equivalent grades through the YKS results, Prof. Dr. Hoca'nın said “In addition to our scholarship programs, our non-scholarship programs were also preferred. This is an indication of the interest shown towards our university’s programs ”. Prof.

Dr. Hoca'nın emphasized that the pandemic process has caused difficulties in higher education, but EMU is continuing to ensure the necessary preparations for the 2020-2021 Academic Year.

In his speech, Member of the Parliament from Democrat Party Serdar Denktaş stated that they are happy to be visiting EMU, which is the first university of the island. Denktaş stated that they are visiting the institution to extend their congratulations to the new administration of EMU and to exchange ideas.





## JOB-GUARANTEED SUPPORT FROM CALIFORIAN RESTAURANTS TO EMU'S NEW SCHOLARSHIP SYSTEM

Californian Restaurants are also supporting the New Scholarship System launched by the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) on 23 July 2020. Californian Restaurants have made an important contribution to the project by providing students scholarship opportunity with job guarantees after their graduation.

A Student Scholarship Agreement was signed at Vice Rector for Student Affairs Assoc. Prof. Dr. Deniz İşçioğlu's office on Tuesday, 25 August 2020. Vice Rector Assoc. Prof. Dr. Deniz İşçioğlu and Salih Kayım, owner of Californian Restaurants, signed the aforesaid agreement.

### "I Thank Californian Restaurants"

Speaking at the signing ceremony Assoc. Prof. Dr. İşçioğlu stated that through the scholarship system developed by EMU, successful students with financial difficulties are provided with the support of charitable business people, institutions and organizations. Drawing attention to the contribution of communication between

the university and business people to the city, Prof. Dr. İşçioğlu thanked Californian Restaurants for their contribution to the New Scholarship System of EMU.

### "Their Jobs are Ready"

Salih Kayım, the owner of Californian Restaurants, who signed the contract, said, "If we have earned through universities,

we have to give it back as a service to the society. I thank EMU for carrying out such a meaningful project. We stand behind the scholarship we provide. We also provide job guarantees to students to whom we provide scholarship. If they also wish, their jobs will be ready at Californian Restaurants as soon as they graduate".



## SEMRA GROUP SUPPORTS EMU'S NEW SCHOLARSHIP SYSTEM

Support for the New Scholarship System launched by Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) continues. Another institution supporting the Scholarship System was Semra Group. Semra Group Director Semral Erel paid a visit to EMU Vice Rector for Social and Cultural Affairs Assoc. Prof. Dr. Deniz İşçioğlu in her office on Monday, 24 August 2020, at 11:00 a.m.

Assoc. Prof. Dr. İşçioğlu thanked Semral Erel for their support towards EMU's New Scholarship System. In her speech, Semral Erel said, "We are in need of educated workforce in our country. As the Semra Group family, we attach importance to education and

health. We are happy to support the people who will develop and serve our country. We have reached these days, thanks to our

community and we want to serve the society in return. We thank EMU for launching such a project".



## AN UNMISSABLE POSTGRADUATE STUDY OPPORTUNITY FROM EMU AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK, ONE OF THE TOP 10 UNIVERSITIES OF THE U.K.



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opportunity to obtain a master's degree from one of the best universities in the world.

These prestigious master's (MSc) degrees can be completed in one academic year at EMU campus. Students are also offered the option to take 2 modules out of 9 modules they are obliged to take during their graduate education at the University of Warwick in the UK or any other University of Warwick centers (subject to visa and location eligibility). The master's degrees and diploma offered are identical to the diploma of the University of Warwick and is the same as the diploma awarded to students studying at the university's UK campus.

### Executive Management Experience

Students participating in the program come from many different fields such as Engineering, Business, Tourism, Architecture and Information Technology. In addition to obtaining a master's degree from one of the top 100 universities in the world, students continue their education with the motivation to acquire the practical knowledge and skills expected from executive managers in business life.

Those who want to receive more detailed information about this opportunity and apply for the 2020-2021 Academic Year September term should visit WMG - EMU Office (IE-C-111) at EMU Engineering Faculty, Industrial Engineering Department on weekdays between 09:00 - 17:00 or visit [warwick.edu.tr](https://warwick.edu.tr) or apply online via <https://warwick.edu.tr/en/apply/online-application-form>.

In line with the collaboration between the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) and Warwick University, Warwick Production Group's (WMG) Engineering Business Management and Supply Chain and Logistics

Management graduate (MSc) programs have been carried out at EMU campus since 2011. According to The Guardian 2020 university rankings, Warwick University ranks 9th in the UK. These programs offer candidates the



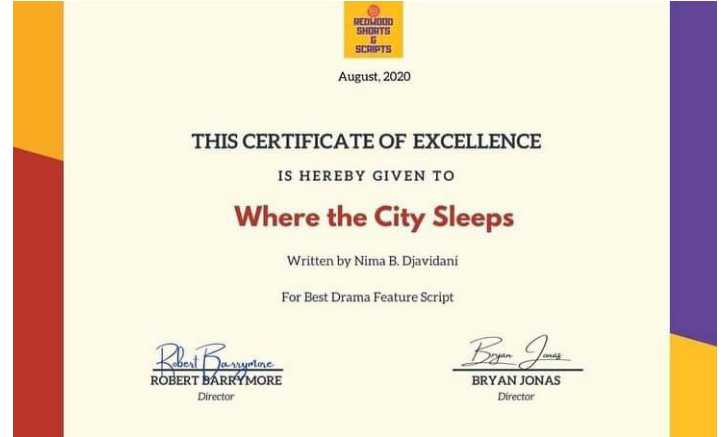
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## EMU CINEMA AND TELEVISION DEPARTMENT STUDENT NİMA DJAVIDANI RECEIVES THE BEST SCREENPLAY AWARD

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Communication Faculty, Department of Cinema and Television student Nima B. Djavidani received the Best Screenplay Award at the “Redwood Shorts and Scripts” Festival in California, USA, with the movie script “Where The City Sleeps”. Signed by Redwood Shorts and Scripts Directors Robert Barrymore and Bryan Jonas, the Award for Best Feature-Length Film in Drama was presented to Nima B. Djavidani on Monday, 24 August, 2020. Redwood Shorts and Scripts, with awards in 37 different categories, stands out as an online film festival. Redwood Shorts and Scripts enables artists to share and promote their films digitally. Detailed information about the competition can be found on the Redwood Shorts and Scripts website <https://www.redwoodshortsandscripts.com/> or Instagram (@redwood\_shorts\_and\_scripts).



## EMU GRADUATE'S PROUD ACHIEVEMENT



With his photo featuring Eber Lake in 2017, Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Tourism, Tourism and Hotel Management Program year 2000 graduate Murat Ozcelik became the winner of the the Wiki Loves Earth photography contest in Turkey.

Photographs from Turkey has been submitted to the international photography contest organised by Wikipedia for the first time this year. Murat Ozcelik's 'Eber Lake', along with other selected 9 photos, will represent Turkey at “Wiki Loves Earth”. Wiki Loves Earth is an international photo contest organized around the world in May and June by members of the Wikipedia community with the help of local Wikimedia members.





## EMU-CEC VISITS DEĞİRMENLİK MUNICIPALITY



education of the society both through in-service training and courses they offer to the public. Putting forth that the educational cooperation with the municipalities will continue, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ersoy stated that they employ all facilities of the university in line with the educational vision of EMU-CEC. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ersoy also thanked the Değirmenlik Municipality, Social Activity Center Supervisor Laika Çakır for all types of contributions in the organization of the aforesaid courses. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ersoy noted that they will continue to offer training opportunities on different subjects in the upcoming days.



Eastern Mediterranean University Continuing Education Center (EMU-CEC) Chair Assoc. Prof. Dr. Metin Ersoy and the accompanying delegation visited the Mayor of Değirmenlik Ali Karavezirler in his office and provided information about the English courses completed recently. During the visit, certificates of appreciation were presented to two academic staff members of EMU, Assist.

Prof. Dr. Mutlu Kale and Sen. Inst. Mustafa İpekçioğlu, who taught English courses organized by Değirmenlik Municipality and EMU-CEC. Chair of EMU-CEC Assoc. Prof. Dr. Metin Ersoy, after thanking the Mayor of Değirmenlik Ali Karavezirler for the importance they attach to education as a municipality, stated that the municipalities pose a significant contribution to the lifelong

Mayor of Değirmenlik Ali Karavezirler, on the other hand, mentioned that they are a family as a municipality who attaches great importance to education and that they have furthered the vision of the municipality with the training they have received. Emphasizing that everyone receives equal and fair service from Değirmenlik Municipality, Karavezirler stated that the participants of the English courses given by EMU-CEC instructors at Değirmenlik Municipality Social Activity Center are quite satisfied with the education they received. Karavezirler added that their goal is to provide better quality services to the citizens by completing the in-service training of the municipality personnel and stated that they will continue their work in line with this vision.

Also present during the visit were EMU-CEC Coordinator Assist. Prof. Dr. Aybike Yektaoğlu, academic staff members Assist. Prof. Dr. Mutlu Kale and Mustafa İpekçioğlu and EMU-CEC Executive Assistant Çiğdem Anatulu.



## EMU-ATAUM'S 30 AUGUST VICTORY DAY STATEMENT



Eastern Mediterranean University Atatürk Research and Application Center (EMU-ATAUM) Chair Assist. Prof. Dr. Turgay Bülent Göktürk released a statement on the 98th anniversary of the 30th of August Victory Day. Asst. Prof. Dr. Turgay Bülent Göktürk's statement reads as follows:

Today, as we are celebrating the 98th anniversary of Victory Day, the day when the last step of the Action Phase of our National Liberation Struggle started by Great Leader Atatürk by stepping into Samsun. Today is the day when a nation succeeded in the National Liberation Struggle, which started with the motto "Either independence or death ..." despite all the difficulties, and saved the country from the imperialist occupation forces. In Atatürk's own words, 'The August 30 Victory is the most important turning point in Turkish History. Our national history is

full of great, wonderful victories, but I do not remember a pitched battle that was as decisive as the victory of the Turkish Nation here, which was absolutely effective in giving a new trend not only to our history but to world history. Obviously, the new Turkish state, the foundation of the young Republic of Turkey, was strengthened here, its existence was immortalised here.'

After the successful conclusion of the "Great Offensive", also known as the Commander-in-Chief Pitched Battle in international literature, as the chief commanders of both armies were actually on the battlefield, Greek armies were followed up to Izmir; With the liberation of Izmir on 9 September 1922, Turkish lands were completely cleared from the occupation forces. With this victory, it was once again shown to the world that there is no power to break the will of the Turkish

Nation to exist. In unity and solidarity, our nation, which has given an unforgettable lesson with the August 30 Victory to those who want to erase it from the stage of history, has made the whole world accept once again that it will never compromise its independence and freedom and that it will exist forever.

On this meaningful day, one should remember the Supreme Leader's words: "Victory is for those who can say "Victory is mine". Success is for those who can begin saying "I will succeed" and say "I have succeeded" in the end." We commemorate all our martyrs who fell to the ground for the sake of making this land a homeland, especially the Great Commander-in-Chief Gazi Mustafa Kemal Atatürk and his comrades in arms, with feelings of mercy, gratitude and respect. Happy 30 August Victory Day to you all. "





## This Week's Academic Publications

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**Faculty of Arts & Sciences**

1. **Faisal Suleiman Mustafa, Gizem Şanlıtürk, Mümtaz Güran, Fadwa Odeh, Walhan Alshaer, Rula Al Buqain, and Mustafa Gazi.** "Fabrication of a novel nontoxic trichlorophenol-epichlorohydrin-based compound with high antimicrobial activity and thermal stability." *Journal of Environmental Science and Health, Part A* (2020). (Early Access).
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**Faculty of Business & Economics**

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Panel evidence from an Agrarian state." *International Journal of Finance & Economics* (2020). (Early Access).

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