



EMU RECTOR PROF. DR. AYKUT HOCANIN ATTENDS THE 256TH INTERUNIVERSITY BOARD MEETING



Haldun Göktaş, Higher Education Executive Board members Prof. Dr. Naci Gündoğan and Prof. Dr. Ömer Açıkgöz, YÖK member Prof. Dr. Hüseyin Karaman, Interuniversity Board Chair Prof. Dr. Mustafa Alişarlı and rectors of the universities operating within the body of YÖK.

Delivering the opening speech of the meeting, the President of YÖK Prof. Dr. Erol Özvar noted that they will call for projects to diversify and accelerate R&D (research-development) studies for universities in the earthquake region. Moreover, Prof. Dr. Özvar stated that they will continue to support the redevelopment of the regions damaged by the earthquake, together with all internal and external stakeholders.

Following the speech, the rectors of Association of European Universities member universities and Prof. Dr. Özvar met with the rectors including EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın.



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın attended the 256th Interuniversity Board Meeting which was held in İzmir this year. The meeting was held at Prof. Dr. Yusuf Vardar Pre-Vocational Basic Sciences Institute Culture Center in Ege University and was attended by Republic of Türkiye Council of Higher Education (YÖK) President Prof. Dr. Erol Özvar, YÖK Deputy President Prof. Dr. H.

L.N. GUMILYOV EURASIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY FROM KAZAKHSTAN VISITS EMU



Vice Rector of Kazakhstan L.N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University Zhanna Kurmangaliyeva, Department of International Cooperation Director Anastassiya Karmelyuk and, Commercialization and Innovation Department Director Assel Jexembayeva paid a visit to Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Rector's Office.

The visit took place on Thursday, 30 March 2023 at 14:30 where EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın and Vice Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Demirel met with L.N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University officials and exchanged opinions for the continuation of the existing cooperation protocol between the two educational institutions and for new collaborations.

During the visit, the focus was on strengthening academic cooperation, and discussions were held to conduct research together. Moreover, it was stated that Kazakhstan government officials attach great importance to scientific research, and it was noted that the research to be carried out with successful, leading and educational institutions with high educational standards is supported by the Kazakhstan government. Within this context, underlining that they want to conduct joint research with the faculty members and research centers at EMU, L.N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University officials emphasized that they believe they will achieve many successful projects together.

Prof. Dr. Hocanın and Prof. Dr. Demirel expressed their contentedness on hosting L.N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University officials here in EMU. At the end of the visit, Prof. Dr. Hocanın presented EMU and Cypriot souvenirs to the guests.

EMU HOSTS AN EVENT TITLED “5 WOMEN – 5 ARCHITECTS- 5 VIEWS, 5 WOMEN – 5 DESIGNERS- 1 EXHIBITION”



Vice Rector for Social and Cultural Affairs Prof. Dr. Deniz İşçioğlu, students from Lefke Gazi High School and Lapta Yavuzlar High School, EMU Architecture Faculty undergraduate and postgraduate students, faculty members and graduates also attended the event.

During the panel which took place under the moderation of Prof. Dr. Türkan Ulusu Uraz and Assist. Prof. Dr. Seyit Ermiyagil, the journeys of women architects in their professional practice were questioned within the scope of their ‘places’ and roles in the family and society. How the socio-cultural environment affects the daily life practices of architect women and their practice areas in the architectural profession, the roles that women undertake in the architectural profession and the concept of gender were points of focus.



Anıl Çağdan, an occupational health and safety expert, who works in the Municipality of Kyrenia and who took part in the public project ‘Girne Municipality Service Building, Cultural Center and Recreation Project’, which was awarded the first ‘Green Building’ certificate in the TRNC, Ayşe Bolkaner, the construction site project manager who has carried out field applications of many hotel and corporate building projects in the TRNC, EUL Faculty of Architecture and Design, Department of Interior Architecture and Environmental Design Chair Assist. Prof. Dr. Selen Ermiyagil Abbasoğlu, Isı Metal Çelik Ltd.’s Lead Project Manager and Executive Board Member of the Chamber of Architects Simzer Kaya, and Miro Designroom Director and Chair of the Editorial Board of the Chamber of Architects Münevver Özgür Özersay delivered presentations in the event.



A panel and exhibition titled ‘5 Women - 5 Architects - 5 Views, 5 Women - 5 Designers - 1 Exhibition’ was held at the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Architecture on the occasion of the International Women’s Day. The event, held in cooperation with the EMU Architecture Faculty Housing Education and Research Center (HERA-C) and the EMU Urban Research and Development Center (URDC),

highlighted the transformative role of women in society and the importance of producing together with the slogan “Together We Are Stronger”.

The panel started after the opening addresses of the HERA-C Executive Board Chair and URDC Executive Board Vice Chair Assist. Prof. Dr. Pınar Uluçay and EMU Architecture Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Alpar Atun.. EMU

After the panel, Faculty of Architecture, Department of Interior Architecture academic staff members Assoc. Prof. Dr. Guita Farivarsadri, Prof. Dr. Nil Paşaoğulları Şahin, Prof. Dr. Ozlem Olgac Turker, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Zehra Ongül and Miro Designroom Director and Chair of the Editorial Board of the Chamber of Architects Münevver Özgür Özersay’s works on paintings, patterns and sketch works met with the participants in the Hüseyin Ateşin exhibition hall of the Faculty of Architecture. The exhibition is open for visitors between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. until 31 March 2023.

AMERICAN EMBASSY PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR GIVES A CONFERENCE AT EMU FOREIGN LANGUAGES EDUCATION DEPARTMENT



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Education, Foreign Language Education Department brought together the American Embassy Public Relations Director, Zennia Paganini, with the students. At the event that took place at the EMU Ali Hikmet Civelek Conference Hall, Paganini gave a conference titled “U.S. Public Diplomacy and Technology”. EMU Education Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Ahmet Pehlivan and Vice Dean and Chair of Foreign Language Education Department Assist. Prof. Dr. Fatoş Erozan also attended the event.

Talking about the place of artificial intelligence in diplomacy at the conference, Paganini shared up-to-date information about the widely used artificial intelligence application Chat GP and the practice areas of this application. Paganini continued the conference interactively with the students. Questioning the importance of cooperation, working together and commitment in the eyes of the students, Paganini also responded to the questions while commenting on the creative ideas of the students. The conference, which was quite productive, ended with a discussion on whether the production of artificial intelligence robots, which are getting smarter every year, will replace human power in the future.

After the conference, Prof. Dr. Pehlivan, Assist. Prof. Dr. Erozan and Prof. Dr. Naciye Kunt presented Paganini with a plaque of appreciation and flowers.



EMU RANKS SECOND ISLANDWIDE IN NATURE INDEX'S CYPRUS 2022 UNIVERSITY RANKINGS

Top 10 institutions from Cyprus by Share

Institution	Count	Share
1. University of Cyprus	75	8.95
2. Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU)	7	5.42
3. The Cyprus Institute (Cyl)	27	1.82
4. Cyprus Institute of Neurology and Genetics (CING)	2	0.83
5. Cyprus University of Technology (CUT)	4	0.83
6. European University Cyprus	6	0.29
7. University of Nicosia	4	0.17
8. Wargaming Group Limited	1	0.13
9. Centre for the Study of Haematological and other Malignancies (CSHM)	1	0.12
10. Evangelismos Hospital	1	0.08

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) was named the best university in Northern Cyprus and the second best higher education and research institution in the whole island in the Physical Sciences category of the 2022 universities and institutes ranking of Nature Index. Whilst EMU Faculty of Arts and Sciences has achieved significant success in Nature Index in the last five years,

the Department of Physics, which is under the roof of the faculty, continued to be the department contributing the most to this success. Nature Index makes monthly and annual success rankings by indexing articles on Medicine, Health, Physics and Astronomy, Chemistry, Earth and Environmental Sciences published in 82 of the world's most respected academic journals.

The academic staff members of the Physics Department operating under the EMU Faculty of Arts and Sciences have contributed greatly to the achieved success. All of the 7 scientific articles published in prestigious academic journals in 2022, scanned by the Nature Index and addressed to EMU, were produced by the faculty members of the Physics Department.

Publications made by EMU Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Physics Department academic staff members can be accessed at <https://www.nature.com/nature-index/institution-outputs/cyprus/eastern-mediterranean-university-emu/519d6f64140ba08e3b000000>.

Scientific articles that contributed to EMU's being ranked 2nd in the Nature Index Cyprus 2022 list have been produced by EMU Physics Department Vice Chair Prof. Dr. Seyedhabibollah Mazsarimousavi, Distinguished Professor of Physics Prof. Dr. Mustafa Halilsoy, Faculty Members of the Physics Department Prof. Dr. Omar Mustafa, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ali Övgün and Research Assistant Mert Mangut.

EMU SPECIAL EDUCATION CLUB HOSTS EMİRALİ EVCİMEN



Within the scope of the event organized by the EMU Special Education Club operating under the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Social and Cultural Activities Directorate, Famagusta Special Education and Vocational

Training School Director Emirali Evcimen gave a conference to EMU students under the title "Special Education in the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC)". The conference, which took place at the

EMU Activity Center Conference Hall, was attended by EMU Education Faculty, Special Education Department Head Prof. Dr. Berrin Baydik and many students. Emirali Evcimen started his speech by providing information about the history of special education in the world and the TRNC. Evcimen, who has shared information about the workshops he has participated in, conveyed his ideas about laws and regulations to the students. Evcimen concluded his speech by talking about the schools opened for special education students in the TRNC and the past and present programs and practices of the said schools. After the Q&A session, the conference ended with the presentation of a plaque of appreciation by Damla Kütük, President of EMU Special Education Club, to Emirali Evcimen.

OPEN MIC POETRY RECITATION AT EMU



Within the scope of 21 March World Poetry Day and 27 March World Theatre Day and, with the collaborations of Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Theatre Society operating under EMU Social and Cultural Activities Directorate and Özgür Sanat Theatre and Culture Association, "Open Mic Poetry Recitation"

event was held on Monday, 27 March 2023 at 19:00 at EMU Activity Hall. Cypriot poets and students attended the event which featured the unifying power of art.

Statements were read

The event commenced with the World Theatre Day

statement prepared by EMU Theatre Society Chair Beyza Çelik. Then, continued with statement of Özgür Sanat Theatre and Culture Association Director Meryem Uygur and, International Theatre Institution member, Egyptian theatre and cinema artist Samiha Ayoub's statement read by EMU Theatre Society member Cansın Buldu.

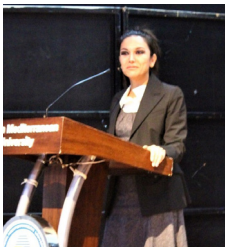
Poetry Recitation from Prof. Dr. İşçioğlu

Delivering the opening speech of the event, EMU Vice Rector for Social and Cultural Affairs Prof. Dr. Deniz İşçioğlu stated that as a state university, EMU continues to support art and artists through its mission of serving the society, which it has always prioritized. Stating that she learned art and artist from her valuable teachers Zübeyde Giritli and Mehmet Ulubatlı, Prof. Dr. İşçioğlu thanked her teachers. Prof. Dr. İşçioğlu recited the poem "Magic" by poet Erdoğan Alkan in the event.

Cypriot Poets Performed Their Works

After the opening speeches, Cypriot poets Arif Albayrak, Bedia Bales, Dervişe Güneyyeli Kutlu, Dolgun Dalgıçoğlu, Fatma Akilhoça and Umut Ayman performed their own poems and poems they liked to the participants. The event continued with dance performance by EMU Theatre Society and theatrical poetry recitals by members of the association and society. At the end of the event, the participants had the can to perform their poems during an open mic session.

"SERGİDE BİR GÜN" BOOK LAUNCH HELD AT EMU



"Book Meeting with EMU 2023" events are being organized with the aim of increasing reading culture and awareness with the cooperation of Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Press and, Social and Cultural Activities Directorate. The second event of the series to be carried out all year long with the slogan of "Book on the Path Way of Knowledge" focused on "Sergide Bir Gün" (A Day at the Exhibition) which was published by EMU Press in 2022. "Sergide Bir Gün" book launch

was held on Tuesday, 28 March 2023 at 17:30 at EMU Activity Center Hall.

EMU Press Publications Meet with the Community

Delivering the opening speech of the event, EMU Press Executive Board Director Prof. Dr. Şebnem Hoşkara noted that the main purpose of these events is to increase the visibility of EMU publications, which are a reflection of the value EMU places on science, art and society, and

to introduce these publications to the society. EMU Vice Rector for Social and Cultural Affairs Prof. Dr. Deniz İşçioğlu also delivered a speech and thanked everyone who has contributed to the project.

Brief Information on the Book

The event commenced following the opening speeches. The editor of the book and project curator EMU Art Coordinator Zehra Şonya talked about the project and its goals. Author of the book Ceyda Alçıoğlu Kozal touched on the writing process of the book on the other hand, educational counsellor of the book EMU Education Faculty academic staff member Assoc. Prof. Dr. Eda Yazgın made an evaluation of the book in the context of education. After the talk, the event continued at the foyer area of the EMU Activity Directorate where the author of the book, Ceyda Alçıoğlu Kozal, signed "Sergide Bir Gün" books that were bought by the participants.

About the "Sergide Bir Gün" Book

The book, written by Ceyda Alçıoğlu Kozal, came to life in the context of the "Portraits, Styles and Stories" project carried out by the EMU Rector's Office. The book started out from the exhibition of portraits by Cypriot artists in line with the project's aims. While targeting the art of portraiture, styles and techniques, "Sergide Bir Gün" also tries to instill in children the culture of visiting exhibitions in a creative environment. Containing information about the art of portraiture and the artists in the exhibition, the book tries to convey the teachings of looking at the works, interpreting and making sense of the works in a fun and active way.

EMU CLINICAL PRACTICE AND RESEARCH CENTER CONTINUES TO OFFER OUTPATIENT SERVICES WITH ITS EXPERT STAFF



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Dr. Fazıl Küçük Faculty of Medicine, Clinical Practice and Research Center continues to provide outpatient ser-

vices with its expert staff. EMU Dr. Fazıl Küçük Medicine Faculty Clinical Practice and Research Center accepts patients in the fields of Pediatrics and Diseases, Newborns, Neurology, Internal Diseases, Orthopedics and Traumatology, Ophthalmology and Clinical Psychology, with its expert staff in the field and academic staff members of the Faculty of Medicine. The center also provides Alzheimer's screenings and breastfeeding counseling services.

Receives Patients with Appointment

In the Clinical Practice and Research Center, patients are admitted with an appointment system in order to provide better service to patients and reduce waiting time. Those who wish to schedule an appointment can do so by contacting (0392) 630 3851.

Discounts for EMU Staff

EMU staff and their first degree relatives (spouse, children, parents) receive a 25% discount. Cash payments are not accepted at the Clinical Practice and Research Center and all payments are made by credit card.

Outpatient Training Will Be Given to Students

At the Clinical Practice and Research Center, Dr. Fazıl Küçük Medicine Faculty students are also provided with outpatient training. Within the scope of the "Introduction to Clinical Practices" course in the first 3 years of their medical education, Marmara University - Eastern Mediterranean University International Joint Medicine Program students have the opportunity to observe clinical applications, practice and gain first-hand patient experience by examining patients with their expert instructors.

EMU FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES HOSTS A PANEL TITLED "MARATHON RUNNING"



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Health Sciences held a panel titled 'Marathon Running' at 13:30 on Thursday, 30 March, 2023 at the Faculty of Health Sciences.

In the panel, Yeliz Ay Yıldız, the champion of Turkey in the racewalking branch and represented the Republic of Turkey as a national athlete in various international sports tournaments such as the European and World Championships, Mediterranean Games, Universitat, 2004 Athens Olympic Games, delivered a presentation on "Current Approaches in Marathon Running Theory and Practice".

Yıldız touched upon subjects such as exercise physiology, athlete nutrition, history, sociology, psychology and racing strategies based on current scientific articles and helped to look at Marathon running from different perspectives in her presentation. Responding to the questions from the participants after her presentation, Yıldız also touched upon the Famagusta Marathon event that will be held on 14 May, 2023. At the end of the panel, Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences Prof. Dr. Mehtap Malkoç presented Yıldız a certificate of appreciation for her participation in the event.



EMU BECOMES CHAMPION IN BASKETBALL, WRESTLING AND FUTSAL

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Women's Basketball Team, Men's Wrestling Team and Men's Futsal Team operating under the EMU Sports Affairs Directorate became the champions in the interuniversity tournaments organized by Northern Cyprus University Sports Federation (KKÜSF).

EMU Women's Basketball Team was crowned champion after defeating Girne American University with a score of 72-35 on Monday, 27 March 2023 at 18:30 during a match held at Kyrenia Ertuğrul Apakan Sports Complex. Making a statement following the match, EMU Women's Basketball Team Coach Enver Tatlıcıoğlu expressed that the team has been continuing their preparations since the first semester and stated that they have clinched the success they have achieved in the regional league in the Republic of Türkiye in the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC).

Men's Wrestling Team Holds the Championship Award for the Last 4 Years

EMU Men's Wrestling Team obtained a total of 185 points and became the champion in the wrestling competition also organized by KKÜSF which was held at Rifat Şener Wrestling Hall. EMU Wrestling Team members İsmail Kurşun in 57 kg, Mertcan Yılmaz in 61 kg, Serhat Atlı in 74 kg, Adnan Özcevhler in 86 kg and Derda Torun in 125 kg completed their matches in first place. On the other hand, Cenk Kaya in 65 kg, Ali Kurşun in 70 kg and Bahadır Özcan in 97 kg completed the competition in second place. Talking on the subject, team coach Beha Evren Karabulutöğlü stated that the EMU Men's team has been the champion in wrestling for the last four years and has not left this championship to any other team, adding that if the necessary conditions are met, their aim is to participate in international organizations, to represent the TRNC in tournaments to be held in Bulgaria and Moldova, and to achieve similar successes.

Men's Futsal Team is the Undefeated Champion

16 teams competed in four groups in the inter-university futsal tournament organized by KKÜSF. In the tournament where the group winners qualified for the semi-finals, EMU Futsal Men's Team, which finished first in their group, qualified for the final by beating Final International University 12-2 in the semi-finals. The final match took place on Thursday, 30 March 2023 at Nicosia Atatürk Sports Complex where EMU Men's Futsal Team defeated Near East University with a score



of 7-4. Team coaches Osman Konnolu and Beha Evren Karabulutöğlü stated that a very good team was formed in futsal and a championship that became a habit was experienced again. Konnolu and Karabulutöğlü also noted that the EMU Men's Futsal Team was aiming for a championship in the inter-university futsal tournament that is planned to be held in the Republic of Türkiye this year, but that they will not be able to participate in this tournament this year due to the earthquake disaster. They also emphasized that they want to maintain the championship habit in the Republic of Türkiye.

"EMU is a School of Champions"

Making a statement on the achievements of EMU sports teams, EMU Sports Affairs Directorate Cemal Konnolu congratulated all the coaches and athletes on their success. Emphasizing that EMU sports teams always take the field with the aim of becoming a champion in national and international tournaments, Konnolu stated that EMU is a school of champions. Konnolu also pointed out that the support given by EMU to its students in the field of sports will continue to increase.

EMU ARCHERY CLUB DEMONSTRATES SUCCESSFUL PERFORMANCE IN A COMPETITION



Operating under the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Social and Cultural Activities Directorate, Student Clubs Unit, the Archery Club demonstrated successful performance in the Archery Competition organized by Kyrenia Hunting and Shooting Sports Club in memory of the Champion Angels Team.

Sıla Tatar, Aslı Derin Heimeleers, Beste Su Özaran, Varol İlker Ersalan, Oğuz Buğra Çelik, Bedirhan Köksal and Hasan Döger from EMU Archery Club competed in the said competition. In the competition held in all categories, Sıla Tatar, who competed in the Olympic bow young women's category, came third and qualified for the medal.

This Week's Academic Publications

Source: *Web of Science*

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