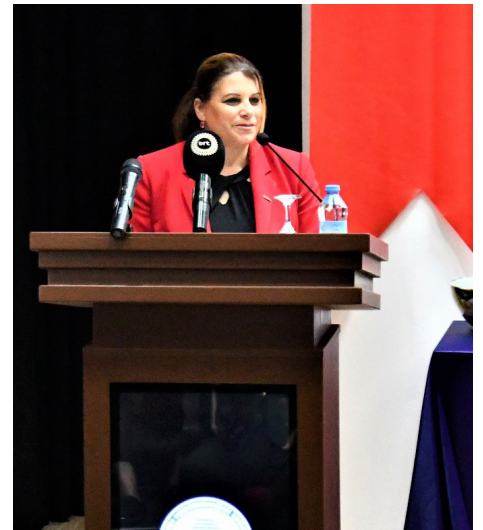


## VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS COMPETITION HELD AT EMU



The Eastern Mediterranean University (DAU) hosted the Knowledge and Skills Competition amongst Vocational High Schools organized in collaboration with the Ministry of National Education and Vocational Technical Education Department of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC).

The competitions took place on 14 April, 2023, at 9:00 am in EMU Tourism Faculty's application kitchens, Tower Barista Cafe, and EMU School of Computing and Technology electric-electronic laboratory and computer laboratory. The students who ranked high in the competition were presented with their awards at the Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall at 3:00 pm, in the presence of the TRNC Minister of National Education, Nazım Çavuşoğlu. The ceremony was attended by Şifa Çolakoğlu, the Republican Turkish Party Famagusta Deputy, Dr. Süleyman Uluçay, the Mayor of Famagusta, Dr. Erdal Özenc, President of EMU Board of Trustees, Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın, Rector of EMU, Gülşen Hocanın, Director of Vocational and Technical Education Department, Anıl Kaya and Ersun Kutup, members of EMU Board of Trustees, Prof. Dr. Hüseyin Aktuğlu and Prof. Dr. Serhan Şensoy, vice rectors, Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç, Dean of Faculty of Tourism, and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ece Çelik, the Director of School of Computing and Technology, as well as high school principals, teachers, and students.

### EMU Awarded Scholarships to the Winners of the Competition

The ceremony began with a moment of silence and the national anthem. Gülşen Hocanın, Director of Vocational and Technical Education Department of the TRNC Ministry of National Education, stated that their sole goal is to create a productive country and youth. She emphasized that lifelong education is an indispensable element of their activities.

EMU Rector, Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın, stated that in the former year's Knowledge and Skills Competition between Vocational High Schools, the students who ranked were awarded scholarships to EMU's related programs, and added that this has become a tradition that will continue this year as well. Prof. Dr. Hocanın also put forth that with its all possibilities, EMU is always ready to support all the children and citizens.

TRNC Minister of National Education, Nazım Cavusoglu, thanked EMU for hosting the competition and providing educational opportunities for Dr. Fazıl Kucuk Industrial Vocational School students on campus in collaboration with Famagusta Municipality after the Adiyaman Earthquake. Minister Cavusoglu emphasized the importance of having a certain level of know-how in every country, especially after the pandemic, and

noted that the participating students have become capable of producing. After the opening speeches, the protocol presented awards to the students who ranked in the competition. Students showed their skills in the fields of culinary arts, electrical/electronics, service, general tourism, information technology, computerized accounting, cocktail, barista, construction, and graphics/photography in competitions held at DAU's Faculty of Tourism and the School of Computing and Technology. The students who competed in the graphics/photography field presented their work on "Vocational Education" to the jury for evaluation.

12 vocational high schools participated in the competition, namely Sedat Simavi Vocational High School, Atatürk Vocational High School, Osman Örek Vocational High School, Haydarpaşa Commercial High School, Güzelyurt Vocational High School, Cengiz Topel Vocational High School, Kyrenia Tourism Vocational High School, Iskele Commercial High School, Karpaz Vocational High School, Famagusta Vocational High School, Famagusta Commercial High School, and Dr. Fazıl Industry Vocational High School. More than 130 vocational high school students competed in the competition, which was evaluated by 65 expert jury members from the industry and representatives from universities in Northern Cyprus.



## VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS COMPETITION HELD AT EMU



Electrical - Electronics / Installation Competition – First place: Eyüp Bingöl (Güzelyurt Vocational School), Second place: Mustafa Çapuk (Dr. Fazıl Küçük Vocational School), Third place: Necat Şenkurt (Karpaz Vocational School)

Electrical - Electronics / Electronic Competition – First place: Emirhan Barış Özşahin (Cengiz Topel Vocational School), Second place: Cumali Şengül (Dr. Fazıl Küçük Vocational School), Third place: Cemilcan Üngüder (Sedat Simavi Vocational School)



Informatics – First place: Arda Çelik, Semih Esmekboğa, Kutluhan Akyol, Nevzat Aslan, Kuzey Yiğen, Baran Serbülen (Dr. Fazıl Küçük Vocational School), Second place: Alper Yüksel, Atik Kerim Altın, Mert Altunsoy, Halil Batık, Yiğit Egemen Durmaz, Mehmet Deniz Demirdelen (Sedat Simavi Vocational School), Third place: Yusuf Ziya Gündüz, Efe Erol Dulkadir, Ali Kemal Zorkun, Seyit Hastürk, Bartuğ Bahar, Erdem Kıranel (Cengiz Topel Vocational School)

General Tourism – First place: Furkan Çalışır, Sinem Aydın (Kyrenia Tourism Vocational School), Second place: Habibe Karagün, Nevran Selen Güçlü (İskele Trade School), Third place: Turan Tuna, Sevgi Çalış (Haydarpaşa Trade School)

Photography – First place: Berke Çağıl, Second place: Gülhanım Karlitepe, Third place: Batuhan Zahteroğlu (Atatürk Vocational School)



Poster – First place: İnga Chirilenco, Second place: Zeynep Su Altınok, Third place: Eylül Başlı (Atatürk Vocational School)

Barista – 1st place: Başar Hacıoğulları (Haydarpaşa Trade Vocational High School), 2nd place: Yeliz Şahin (Haydarpaşa Trade Vocational High School), 3rd place: Melda Nur Yılmaz (Kyrenia Tourism Vocational High School)

Cocktail – 1st place: Mert Aslantürk (Kyrenia Tourism Vocational High School), 2nd place: Çağkan Kurşun (Kyrenia Tourism Vocational High School), 3rd place: Nuray Birinci (Güzelyurt Vocational High School)

Kitchen – Service – 1st place: Ramazan Rustamov (Kyrenia Tourism Vocational High School), 2nd place: Ayten Nur Gündoğ (Haydarpaşa Trade Vocational High School), 3rd place: Görkem Özgürer (Famagusta Trade Vocational High School)

Kitchen – Local Cuisine – 1st place: Banu Selim Babaoğulları, Akasya Günel (Haydarpaşa Trade Vocational High School), 2nd place: Aysel Kasap, Çıgıl Cambaz (Haydarpaşa Trade Vocational High School), 3rd place: Kader Kurnaz, Yaren Kara (İskele Trade Vocational High School)

### Winners of the Competition:

Computerized Accounting – First place: Feride Algin (Famagusta Trade School), Second place: Arda Behlül (Haydarpaşa Trade School), Third place: Gamze Ceylan (Haydarpaşa Trade School) and Dicle Biçer (Famagusta Trade School)

Construction (AutoCAD) – First place: İllia Mamamiev (Güzelyurt Vocational School), Second place: Mehmetali Yıldız (Sedat Simavi Vocational School), Third place: Ertan Şoforoğlu (Dr. Fazıl Küçük Vocational School)

Construction (Hand Drawing) – First place: Mustafa Çevik (Dr. Fazıl Küçük Vocational School), Second place: Sabri Can Sokollu (Sedat Simavi Vocational School) and Mert Özalkan (Dr. Fazıl Küçük Vocational School), Third place: Yağmur Asilkan (Dr. Fazıl Küçük Vocational School)

Electrical - Electronics / Control Competition – First place: Salih Giritli (Güzelyurt Vocational School), Second place: Kerem Düzgün (Dr. Fazıl Küçük Vocational School), Third place: Cengiz Ceyhan (Cengiz Topel Vocational School)



## A COLLABORATION PROTOCOL HAS BEEN SIGNED BETWEEN EMU AND FAMAGUSTA MUNICIPALITY



A collaboration protocol has been signed between the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) and Famagusta Municipality. The said protocol was signed by EMU Board of Trustees President Dr. Erdal Özcenk, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın, and Famagusta Mayor Dr. Süleyman Uluçay at a ceremony which took place at the Famagusta Municipality on Monday, 10 April, 2023, at 10:00 am.

The signed protocol aims to facilitate the provision of in-service training needed by Famagusta Municipality through EMU, contribute to capacity building through staff training at workplaces, help cater for the need for qualified technical staff in the municipal sector, collaborate on any technical, social, and cultural projects and mutual support in events, and to carry out effective cooperation regarding the joint management of Rauf Raif Denktaş Culture and Congress Center.

In his speech, Mayor Dr. Süleyman Uluçay expressed that they have come together to collaborate on joint projects between EMU and Famagusta Municipality and to work together on future projects. Stating that EMU is the first university established in the university sector and one of the indispensable institutions in terms of both quality and trust among the universities in the country, Dr. Uluçay emphasized that EMU is not only important for Famagusta but also for the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC).

In his speech, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın stated that they were pleased to sign a cooperation agreement at Famagusta Municipality upon Mayor Süleyman Uluçay's invitation and to contribute to the efforts for Famagusta to become a modern city. Prof. Dr. Hocanın thanked Mayor Dr. Uluçay for leading the collaboration efforts and emphasized that EMU, as a state university, always



undertakes responsibilities in quality education, research, and community service. Prof. Dr. Hocanın further stated that EMU would contribute as much as possible to the further development of Famagusta and that the articles included in the protocol formed a basic framework, and more work aimed to be realised with separate protocols. Prof. Dr. Hocanın also wished that today would be a start and that the institutional structure of EMU would always work in collaboration with Famagusta Municipality to be effective in both the services provided to students and the

citizens of the city. In his speech, EMU Board of Trustees President Dr. Erdal Özcenk stated that EMU is the jewel of Northern Cyprus in general and Famagusta in specific. Dr. Özcenk emphasized that EMU is the driving force of higher education and is also an indispensable part of Famagusta. Dr. Erdal Özcenk added that the aim of the protocol is for the public benefit. Dr. Özcenk stated that he believed that Famagusta and its citizens would achieve a better future and receive better services with the protocol.



## EMU PHYSICS DEPARTMENT ACADEMIC STAFF MEMBER PROF. DR. İZZET SAKALLI RECEIVES OUTSTANDING REVIEWER AWARD FROM CANADA



**Canadian Science Publishing**

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We are delighted to inform you that you've been selected as one of the Outstanding Reviewers for Canadian Journal of Physics in 2022.

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Canadian Journal of Physics  
Chief Editors




also includes special issues devoted to current research in a particular field of Physics. In October 1998, CJP became the official journal of the Canadian Association of Physicists (CAP). Within the scope of this regulation, the approval of the CAP is sought for the selection of the Editor-in-Chief and Associate Editors.

CJP, the editors-in-chief of which are the world-renowned physicist Prof. Dr. Robert Mann (University of Waterloo) and Prof. Dr. Marco Merkli (Memorial University of Newfoundland), announced the Outstanding Reviewers of 2022 the other day. Outstanding Reviewers, selected according to the quality, up-to-dateness and number of the reviews completed in the former year, have been named as Prof. Dr. İzzet Sakallı from Eastern Mediterranean University and Prof. Dr. Bivudutta Mishra from Birla Institute of Technology and Science (India). CJP awarded the Outstanding Reviewers a digital badge along with a certificate.

Expressing his happiness and honor to be included in the Canadian Science Publishing Outstanding Reviewers list (<https://rb.gy/cja8e>), which includes only EMU's name amongst Turkish and Northern Cyprus universities, Prof. Dr. Sakallı was also selected as the Outstanding Reviewer of the "Classical and Quantum Gravity" journal, another world-renowned Physics magazine in England, in two consecutive years, as 2018 and 2019. Today, with 235 reviews verified in the Web of Science database, Prof. Dr. Sakallı is among the most influential (99th percentile) reviewers in the world,.

Prof. Dr. İzzet Sakallı's Web of Science profile is available at:

(Prof. Dr. Sakallı: <https://www.webofscience.com/wos/author/record/K-2077-2013>)

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Department of Physics academic staff and Physics and Chemistry Department Chair Prof. Dr. İzzet Sakallı has been awarded the Outstanding Reviewer of the Year 2022 by the Canadian Journal of Physics, one of the scientific journals of Canadian Science Publishing, Canada's oldest and largest publishing house.

Canadian Journal of Physics (CJP) is a world-renowned Physics journal published monthly under the umbrella of Canadian Science Publishing since 1929 and is one of the first SCI journals of Web of Science. This journal publishes research and review articles and quick communications contributed by world-renowned experts covering topics in almost all fields of Physics. It

## ENTREPRENEURSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR EMU STUDENTS FROM EMU-GIMER AND AFİK GROUP



At an event hosted by the Eastern Mediterranean University Entrepreneurship and Innovation Center (EMU-GIMER), Guy Bar, CEO of the international fitness company HYGear, which is part of the AFİK Group's portfolio, delivered a seminar on

entrepreneurship to EMU students. The event, which was held at the EMU Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall, was attended by EMU-GIMER Chair and EMU Faculty of Business and Economics, Business Department Chair

Prof. Dr. Mustafa Tümer, EMU-GIMER Executive Board Members Prof. Dr. Cem Tanova and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Burak Erkut, as well as EMU Entrepreneurship Club coordinator and Business Department academic staff member Dr. Jülide Erdal Üngör, member students of the club, and students interested in entrepreneurship.

### \$20,000 Partnership for the Top 10 Ideas from AFİK Group

In addition, within the scope of the event, an idea portal has been created in partnership with AFİK Group and EMU-GIMER, where students can submit their creative entrepreneurship ideas that can be put into practice. Students can seize the opportunity to realize their dreams by entering their entrepreneurship ideas into this portal. So far, 23 business ideas have been submitted to the portal. At the end of the event, the best 10 ideas selected by the AFİK Group will be provided with a \$20,000 financial partnership and mentorship support for ideas in various fields such as life centers, fitness, cosmetics, real estate, and many others. At the same time, the winners will be provided with a free office at the CAESAR Resort, owned by the AFİK Group.



## EMU FACULTY OF TOURISM ACADEMIC STAFF MEMBER PROF. DR. OSMAN M. KARATEPE ATTENDS MTCON CONFERENCE AS AN INVITED SPEAKER

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Tourism, Academic Staff Member Prof. Dr. Osman M. Karatepe, attended the “The 4th Conference on Managing Tourism Across Continents” (MTCON 2023) held in Istanbul as an invited speaker and chaired the “Editors’ Panel” session.

The conference, co-chaired by Prof. Dr. Fevzi Okumuş from Central Florida University and Prof. Dr. Başak Denizci Guillet from Hong Kong Polytechnic University, and organized under the leadership of the Association of Tourism Academics, was participated by approximately 200 academics from 20 different countries.

At the conference, Prof. Dr. Osman M. Karatepe chaired a session attended by the chief and associate editors of Spanish Journal of Marketing (Prof. Dr. Carlos Flavian),

The Service Industries Journal (Prof. Dr. Levent Altınay), Tourism Review (Prof. Dr. Catherine Prentice), Journal of Hospitality Marketing and Management (Prof. Dr. Doğan Gürsoy), and Consumer Behavior in Tourism and Hospitality (Assoc. Prof. Dr. Serena Volo). The session focused on topics such as “Why Submitted Studies Are Rejected or Not Published in Scientific Journals,” “What is Sought in an Original Scientific Study,” “How to Respond to Reviewer Comments,” and “Which Topics Stand Out for New and Future Research.” In the same session, Prof. Dr. Karatepe also provided information to the participants about the “Journal of Hospitality and Tourism Insights,” for which he is the managing editor, and the “International Journal of Contemporary Hospitality Management,” for which he is the regional editor responsible for the Middle East and Africa.



## MODULAR COURSES BY WORLD FAMOUS INTERNATIONAL CHEF'S AT EMU FACULTY OF TOURISM

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Tourism continues to increase the quality of theoretical and practical education during the current year, as in every year. The Gastronomy and Culinary Arts Program Modular Training, offered at EMU Tourism Faculty since the 2018-2019 Academic Year, was held with the participation of British Chef Richard O'Connell, German Chef Rene Klinkmüller, Italian chef Nicola Quirani and Turkish Chef H. Hazar Alici. World-renowned chefs, who come together with the students of EMU, shared the recipes for Italian cuisine, à la carte cuisine, à la carte pasta and dessert dishes with the students, whilst at the same time, including recipes from the Southeastern Anatolian cuisine in their courses. Offering its students the opportunity to work in the most important organisations of the world, EMU Tourism Faculty continues to contribute to the development of its students with modular education. During the one-week training period, during which different cultural flavors were experimented on, different cooking techniques and important hints were shared. The students expressed their pleasure in receiving training from professional chefs.

### Bringing Up Fully-equipped Graduates is Our Goal

EMU Tourism Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç emphasized that according to the goals they set within the framework of the vision they created as the faculty with the strongest infrastructure in the country, they brought together the professional experts of the sector, both nationally and internationally, with the students, and that they work to ensure that the students graduate well-equipped. Emphasizing that quality in education is not a coincidence, Prof. Dr. Kılıç stated that staff, planning, experience and strong international connections bring quality and that quality means EMU. Prof. Dr. Kılıç conveyed his thanks to everyone who contributed to the realization of the aforesaid training.

### Who is Chef Rene Klinkmüller?

Rene Klinkmüller won 4 gold medals in Culinary Olympics and Culinary World Cup with 100 full points. He served as the captain of the German Culinary



National Team for 6 years. For 10 years, he worked in Switzerland, Luxembourg, Austria and Germany's most luxurious patisseries, and then he took over his 35-year-old Klinkmüller patisserie and bakery in Luckau, Germany in 2017 from his family. He served as jury chair in many international competitions. Klinkmüller is a food consultant for the television program “Pastry with the Professionals” in Germany and has also worked as the head of new product development department of Starbucks in China and Malaysia and for many other companies.

### Who is Chef Richard O'Connell?

Born and educated in Ireland, Chef Richard O'Connell later came to England in 1992. He first worked with Michelin Star Chef Andrew McLeish at The Landmark Hotel. Then, he went on to work at some of London's most reputable restaurants, such as Indigo at One Aldwych and The Famous Groucho Club in Dean Street Soho, and also founded and operated ETM Group's Chiswell Street Dining Rooms and The Jugged Hare in Barbican. Earlier in his career, he was the Director and Executive Chef of Dylan's Restaurants in Hertfordshire. He operated two AA Rosette fine dining restaurants and two Gastro-bars. He became the Head Chef of Tom's Kitchen in August 2014. Now, after 25 years in the industry, he has decided to work solo as a chief consultant helping people in the industry achieve their goals.



### Who is Chef Nicola Quirani?

Chef Nicola Quirani was born in 1972 in Italy. He worked as a Chef de Partie (section chief) in many restaurants and hospitality businesses. He provided workshops and training support in many businesses and educational institutions. Since 2000, he has worked as Sous Chef (Assistant Kitchen Chef) in Michelin-starred restaurants and then served as Exec. Chef (Kitchen Chef). He continues to promote the delicacies of Italian Cuisine for foreign nationals at the ICIF (Italian Cuisine Institute for Foreigners).

### Who is Hüseyin Hazar Alici?

Alici graduated from the Middle East Technical University in 2008. After a short period of experience in the financial sector, he started working in the culinary sector, following the family tradition, after receiving education. After working in different kitchens of Ankara JW Marriott Hotel, he worked as a chef in Ankara's well-established restaurants. Between 2017 and 2020, he worked as a demo chef at Uno S.p.a in Turkey and abroad. Since 2016, he has been providing vocational training as a trainer chef at the Chef Academy Ankara and EMU, as well as providing corporate training and consultancy services for the sector.



## “BEFORE AND AFTER THE EARTHQUAKE” PANEL HELD AT EMU FACULTY OF LAW



With the cooperation of the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Law, EMU Law Club and EMU Children's Rights Club, a panel titled “Before and After the Earthquake” was held on Thursday, 13 April 2023 at 14:30 at EMU Faculty of Law LA 1 Amphitheatre. Organized with the slogans of “#İSİASADALETNÖBETİ” (İsias Justice Watch) and

“#İSİASORTAKDAVAMIZ” (İsias – Our Common Cause), the panel has been dedicated to the Champion Angels Team, among the members of whom was EMU Faculty of Law academic staff member Assoc. Prof. Dr. Pervin Aksoy İpekçiöğlü's daughter Serin İpekçiöğlü, and EMU Faculty of Law alumni Lawyer Sevcan Dulda, Lawyer İlkin Emir, Lawyer Mustafağa Çağan, Lawyer

Uğur Uçurum, Lawyer Ceylan Gülkan Dünder and Lawyer Kemal Fatih Özdemir who sadly passed away in the earthquake disaster.

The presentations delivered during the panel included; “Architects’ Responsibility for Earthquake Resistant Design” by EMU Faculty of Architecture, Department of Architecture member Prof. Dr. Yonca Hürol, “Real Responsibilities for Damages from Earthquake: Actors of the Construction Sector” by EMU Engineering Faculty, Civil Engineering Department member Assoc. Prof. Dr. Mehmet Cemal Geneş, “Responsibility of the Administration” by EMU Faculty of Law member and panel’s session moderator Assist. Prof. Dr. Can Azer, “‘Casualty’ in Earthquake and Criminal Liability” by EMU Faculty of Law member Assist. Prof. Dr. Nurcan Gündüz and “Evaluation of Legal Liability” by EMU Faculty of Law member Assist. Prof. Dr. Emine Koçano Rodoslu.

## EMU DEPARTMENT OF PHYSIOTHERAPY AND REHABILITATION DEPARTMENT ORGANISED A PANEL TITLED “A MULTIDIMENSIONAL LOOK AT AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER”

On the occasion of April being declared as the Autism Awareness Month, Eastern Mediterranean University, Faculty of Health Sciences, Department of Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation organized a panel titled “A Multidimensional Look at Autism Spectrum Disorder” on Wednesday, 12 April, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. at the EMU Department of Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation. Expert speakers shared information about the Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) during the panel moderated by Prof. Dr. Emine Handan Tüzün. In addition to the Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences Prof. Dr. Mehtap Malkoç and the Head of the Department of Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation Assoc. Prof. Dr. Berkiye Kırmızıgil, academics, specialists, students, special education teachers, families, and individuals who work with people with ASD also attended the event.

### The Increasing Prevalence of ASD

Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist Dr. Ayşe Zeki provided information about risk factors, causes, and symptoms of ASD in her speech titled “ASD from a Doctor’s Perspective.” Dr. Zeki also mentioned the increasing prevalence of ASD and the importance of early diagnosis and intervention. Prof. Dr. Berrin Baydık, Head of the Department of Special Education at EMU, talked about “Supporting Communication and Social Interaction in ASD” and discussed communication problems and

limitations in social interaction that individuals with ASD experience. Prof. Dr. Baydık suggested solutions, stating that the limited and repetitive behaviors and deficiencies in verbal and non-verbal communication seriously restrict daily participation in life.

### Education and Health Problems Addressed

Assist. Prof. Dr. Hatice Bilmez, Head of the Department of Special Education at Lefke European University, addressed the topic of “Approaching Behavioral Problems in Children with ASD.” Assist. Prof. Dr. Bilmez shared information about how to control the behavioral problems of these individuals by providing examples from their behavioral problems. Assist. Prof.

Dr. Ünal Değer, academic staff in the Department of Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation at EMU Faculty of Health Sciences, discussed the importance of physiotherapy in ASD, explaining the sensory, perception, and motor problems in these individuals, the importance of sensory integration therapy, and the benefits of physiotherapy. Ceyda Püsküllü, a parent of an 18-year-old individual with ASD and representative of families, also shared her thoughts on the problems and expectations of families with children with ASD. Püsküllü discussed the problems they face in education and health and stated that solutions must be found to address education-related issues in our country to enable children with ASD to be included in society.





## MODERN PROGRAMMING WORK AT EMU DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER ENGINEERING WITH THE STUDENTS OF BÜLENT ECEVİT ANATOLIAN HIGH SCHOOL

Eastern Mediterranean University Faculty of Engineering, Department of Computer Engineering carried out its first laboratory project as part of its social responsibility initiative with students from Bülent Ecevit Anatolian High School. The laboratory project titled “Application Development with Modern Programming Languages” was participated by 39 students who aim to study Computer Engineering and Software Engineering, accompanied by computer instructors Meltem Yağlı, Duygu Akarsu, and Deputy Principal Fatoş Tuncay. The four-hour workshop was led by experienced research assistant Tansel Sarihan. In this workshop, high school students learned about the applications developed by Computer Engineering and Software Engineering students using modern programming languages, and also took their first steps in programming.

### Programs with Prestigious ABET Accreditation

In the certificate ceremony held after the laboratory project, Head of the EMU Department of Computer Engineering Prof. Dr. Zeki Bayram, provided information about Computer Engineering and Software Engineering Programs, most sought after professions of



today and the future, to the participants and instructors. Prof. Dr. Bayram also explained that the quality of education provided by EMU’s Computer Engineering and Software Engineering programs has been accredited by the American organization ABET, and they are

recognized abroad. Prof. Dr. Bayram emphasized that the Faculty of Engineering, Department of Computer Engineering at EMU is determined to continue similar laboratory projects with students from other schools who are interested in social responsibility initiatives.”

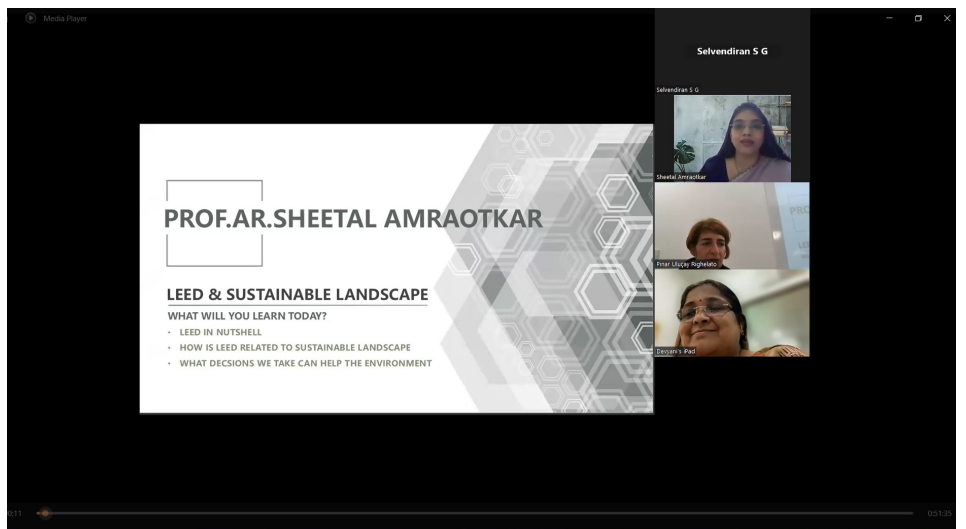
## “SUSTAINABILITY” THEMED SEMINARS HELD AT EMU

With the cooperation of Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Architecture, Housing Education, Research & Advisory Center (HERA-C), Department of Architecture and Sathyabama Institute of Science and Technology, Department of Architecture in Chennai, India, seminar series titled “Architecture and City Seminars” was organized.

‘Ecological Issues in Architecture’ (ARCH 213) course students and course instructor Assist. Prof. Dr. Pinar Uluçay Righelato was present during the seminar series which was held online and focused on the main theme of “Sustainability”.

Dr. Iliona Outram Khalili from University of Kent in England, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Sheetal Amraotkar from Chembur Trombay School of Architecture in Mumbai and Sathyabama Institute of Science and Technology, Architecture Faculty Dean Dr. Devyani Gangopadhyay respectively attended the events.

The first seminar of the online series was delivered by Dr. Iliona Outram Khalili on “A Sustainable Home for the Soul”. Dr. Khalili stated that returning to the earth as the oldest building material in the age of climate change is important both for its role in creating sustainable built environments and for its potential to spiritually empower human beings who will shape this material and reorganize their relationship with the natural environment. Expressing that the soil should be re-discovered



as a building material in our age, and that the architectural schools have an important role in this sense, Dr. Khalili shared soil practices with students.

Landscape architect Assoc. Prof. Dr. Sheetal Amraotkar delivered the second seminar of the series which focused on important points to be considered in project design, material selection and applications in order to create LEED AP certified sustainable urban design projects. Moreover, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Amraotkar presented examples of LEED certified campus projects during the seminar. On the other hand, Sathyabama Institute of Science and Technology, Architecture Faculty

Dean Dr. Devyani Gangopadhyay talked about the transformative effects of smart and sustainable cities on climate change and touched upon the city experiences of India. Starting his speech with the words of Danish urban design expert Jan Gehl, “We Create Cities, But They Also Create Us”, Dr. Gangopadhyay talked about how the concept of ‘Smart City’ is effective in the crisis management in cities during the Covid-19 period. Stating that digital technology is widely used by government institutions in order to better serve the citizens in many areas of daily life, Dr. Gangopadhyay focused on how Indian cities are transformed in this context.



## WORKSHOPS HELD FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS CONTINUE IN EMU



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) continues to offer "Workshop Activities" aimed at high school final year students in Northern Cyprus. The Workshops, which will be attended by nearly 2000 high school final year students from across the country, will continue until 18 April, 2023. The said students who attend the Workshop Activities participate in various events at different academic units on the EMU campus between 09:30 and 12:00.

participated in the said workshops. On the second day, 11 April, 2023, 380 students from Polatpaşa High School, Cumhuriyet High School, Namık Kemal High School, and Doğa College had the opportunity to experience the workshop activities.



On the first day of the Workshop Activities, more than 400 high school students from Güzelyurt Turkish Maarif College, Kurtuluş High School, Cengiz Topel Industrial Vocational High School, Anafartalar High School, 19 Mayıs Turkish Maarif College and Kyrenia Tourism Vocational High School

On 12 April, 2023, 260 students from Dr. Fazıl Küçük Industrial Vocational High School, Famagusta Vocational High School, and Nicosia Turkish High School, and on 13 April, 2023, over 200 students from Bekirpaşa High School, İşkele Evkaf Turkish Maarif College, Erenköy High School and Karpaz Vocational High School, and on 14 April, 2023, more than 150 high school students from Anadolu Fine Arts High School, Levent College, İşkele Trade High School, and Atatürk Vocational High School participated in the workshop activities.



The aim of the Workshop Activities, carried out in 102 different areas, is to reveal the existing abilities of high school final year students and contribute to their development by dividing them into groups according to their preferred career and specialization areas and allowing them to experience various activities with academic experts at the relevant faculty.





## WORKSHOPS HELD FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS CONTINUE IN EMU

### What Did Students Say?

#### Alev KATIRCIOĞLU – Eastern Mediterranean Doğa College

Dentistry is a field that interests me. I came here to get to know the field better. Participating in the workshop activities was very beneficial for me. I learned more about the field. EMU was amongst my options before coming here. Now I say I will choose EMU.



#### İsmail KIRAL – Dr. Fazıl Küçük Industrial Vocational High School

I am thinking of choosing the School of Computing and Technology. I am very pleased with the Workshop Activities. We have learned useful information about the field here. I thank our instructors very much. I am planning to choose EMU.



#### Kardelen SAYGINSOY – Lefkoşa Turkish High School

I am hesitating between Industrial Engineering or Nutrition and Dietetics. That's why I visited the Nutrition and Dietetics Department today. The department is very beautiful and has many opportunities. Workshop Activities were very well. I am thinking of choosing EMU.



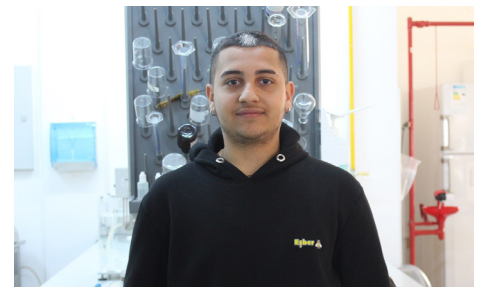
#### Ulviye ARTAN - Polatpaşa High School

I am very interested in the Gastronomy in the field of Tourism. The workshop activities that took place today were very productive for me. Next year, I am thinking of choosing EMU Gastronomy and Culinary Arts Department.



#### Eşber SERAKINCI – Eastern Mediterranean Doğa College

Today we have experienced a good workshop in the Faculty of Pharmacy. The workshop activities definitely helped me in my choices. I am sure EMU will have a great impact on me in the field of Pharmacy.



#### Adacan YAĞMUR - Namık Kemal High School

I am considering the Cinema and Television Department. There is a very warm atmosphere here, and the professors are very close and friendly in terms of communication. Thanks to the workshop activities, we received information about cameras, cinema, and television. I am thinking of choosing EMU.





## WORKSHOPS HELD FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS CONTINUE IN EMU



### **Kevser TEKDAŞ - Dr. Fazıl Küçük Vocational High School**

Today we learned about the Faculty of Architecture. It was an impressive organisation for me. We gained additional information regarding the field of architecture. I am thinking of studying architecture at EMU next year.



### **Yağmur GÜLMEZ - Nicosia Turkish High School**

I want to study in the field of law. Thanks to the workshop activities, I have had the chance to get to know the faculty closely. I found the workshops productive and successful. I am thinking of studying law at EMU.



### **Münise BÜLBÜLLER - İskele Evkaf Turkish Maarif College**

Workshop activities were very productive. The academic staff was very interested in us. I want to receive education in the field of engineering. EMU is one of my university preferences.



### **İlgi ŞENKURT - Erenköy High School**

I wanted to participate in the workshop activities of the Faculty of Business and Economics because I am interested in the field of business. It was a very nice workshop for me personally. We have gained productive information on business, especially political science.



### **Alperen OKUR - Bekirpaşa High School**

Workshop activities were very enjoyable and fun. I participated in the activities of the Faculty of Education and I was very pleased. Everyone was very interested. EMU is amongst my university preferences.



### **Sabina KERİMOVA - Nicosia Turkish High School**

I want to study in the field of mathematics. The multiple laboratories here impressed me a lot. The workshop activities were very beneficial for me. I have gained very good information here. I am thinking of choosing EMU.



### **Evrım BULANCAK - Levent College**

I participated in the workshop activities of the Faculty of Medicine. I found them very productive and useful. We were welcomed very warmly here. We have gained information on injection and emergency aid topics. EMU is among my university choices. I feel close to EMU because my sister also studied here, so I want to study here.



## EMU-PDRAM ORGANIZES GROUP STUDY TITLED “PSYCHOLOGICAL RESISTANCE IN HARD TIMES”

Within the scope of the post-earthquake psychosocial support and psychoeducation studies, Eastern Mediterranean University Psychological Counselling, Guidance and Research Center (EMU-PDRAM) organized a group study titled “Psychological Resistance in Hard Times” towards EMU students.

Carried out by EMU-PDRAM personnel members Specialist Psychologist Güler Ataş Buldu and Social Services Specialist Halide Sarp, the study included information sharing and interactive studies on topics such as psychological resilience, factors determining psychological resilience, developing psychological resilience and coping skills. Following the group study, EMU-PDRAM presented the students with a certificate of participation. In a statement released by EMU-PDRAM, it was stated that group work was determined in the context of students’ psychological support needs



and EMU-PDRAM psychologists’ areas of expertise. The group studies organized with a quota of 10-12

participants are to continue with various topics during the 2022-2023 Spring Semester.

## LANGUAGE AND CULTURE ACTIVITY FROM EMU FOREIGN LANGUAGE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Eastern Mediterranean University, Faculty of Education, Foreign Language Education Department organized an Easter activity specific to the target language and culture as part of the “Teaching Foreign Language to Children II” course. Prof. Dr. Naciye Kunt, faculty member of EMU Foreign Language Education Department, emphasized that one of the most important goals of the course is to create awareness about the culture to which the target language belongs, in addition to teaching the foreign language, and to integrate the positive effects of that culture in language learning. Prof. Dr. Kunt stated that intercultural relations are increasingly intensifying in the globalizing world and pointed out the need for individuals to approach both their own culture and the culture of the target language with tolerance and respect. Prof. Dr. Kunt also drew attention to the fact that such approaches make language learning and acquisition more effective and active.

### Exhibition Organised

Prof. Dr. Kunt added that as part of the traditional cultural events, the Foreign Language Education Department includes different cultural events such as Halloween, Thanksgiving, New Year and other similar events every year, taking into account the place and importance of American and British cultures in English language education. According to the information given by Prof. Dr. Kunt, the Easter activity consisted of two separate stages as in-class and out-of-class activities. In the in-class activity, three-dimensional materials developed by English language teacher candidates to teach Easter and English were covered. In the out-of-class activity, an “Easter Materials” exhibition was organized at the Foreign Language Education Department, again with the contributions of the same students.





## THE NEW PLAY "COLONEL BIRD" BY THE CYPRUS TURKISH STATE THEATERS STAGED AT EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN UNIVERSITY



The new play "Colonel Bird" by the Cyprus Turkish State Theaters was staged at Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU). EMU Social and Cultural Activities Directorate brought the play to EMU and Famagusta. Written by Hristo Bohtchev and directed by Istanbul State Theater artist and Cyprus Turkish State Theaters Director Hakan Elmasoğlu, "Colonel Bird" was performed on Tuesday, 11 April, 2023 at 20:00 at the Rauf Raif Denktaş Culture and Congress Center. EMU Vice Rector for Social and Cultural Affairs Prof. Dr. Deniz İşçiöğlü and Cyprus Turkish State Theaters Director Nazım Ced were also present at the play.

### Great Interest towards the Play

Generating great interest, the play, which is an original black comedy written by the author during the Bosnian War in 1996, takes place in

a psychiatric clinic made from a monastery in a remote location in the Balkan mountains, where there is a shortage of medicine, proper clothing, and food. Deniz Aslım, Pınar İnanç, Zehra Evliya, Ali Şaşkara, Nazım Bayraktaroğlu, Cansev Gürsoy, Mehmet Samer, and Diren Özdoğan starred in the play.

Garnering great interest, the theater play was free for all students and the public. The audience filled the hall, and after the play ended, they gave a standing ovation to the actors. The audience then greeted the participants, and EMU Vice Rector for Social and Cultural Affairs Prof. Dr. Deniz İşçiöğlü and Cyprus Turkish State Theaters Director Nazım Ced presented a plaque of appreciation to the "Colonel Bird" team.

## "1<sup>ST</sup> SAMİTTİN KILIÇ BACKGAMMON TOURNAMENT" TO BE HELD AT EMU



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 **15 Nisan**

 **11.00**

 **DAÜ Atatürk  
Meydanı (CL)**

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Backgammon Club operating under EMU Social and Cultural Activities Directorate Student Clubs Unit is organizing "1st Samittin Kılıç Backgammon Tournament".

To be organized in memory of EMU School of Computing and Technology, Information Technology Department student and club member Samittin Kılıç who lost his life in the earthquake disaster in Türkiye, the tournament will take place on Saturday, 15 April 2023 between 11:00 and 17:00 at EMU Atatürk

Square. Following a drawing session for matchups, the tournament will commence and losing party will be eliminated from the tournament. 4 top players will be granted trophies and the Best Female Player of the tournament will receive a plaque of appreciation.

The tournament can be attended by both EMU students and EMU personnel members. Persons wishing to participate in the tournament must fill the participation form accessible at [bit.ly/3nZqkPy](http://bit.ly/3nZqkPy).

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