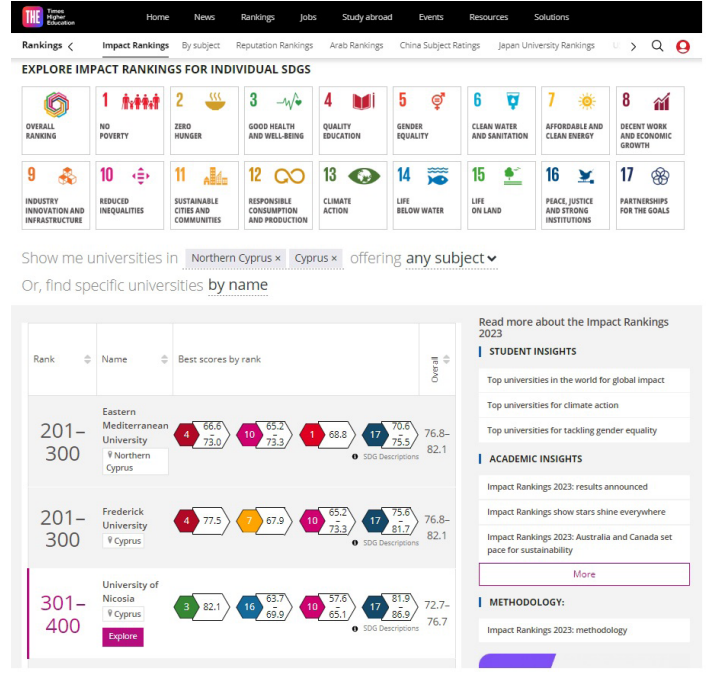
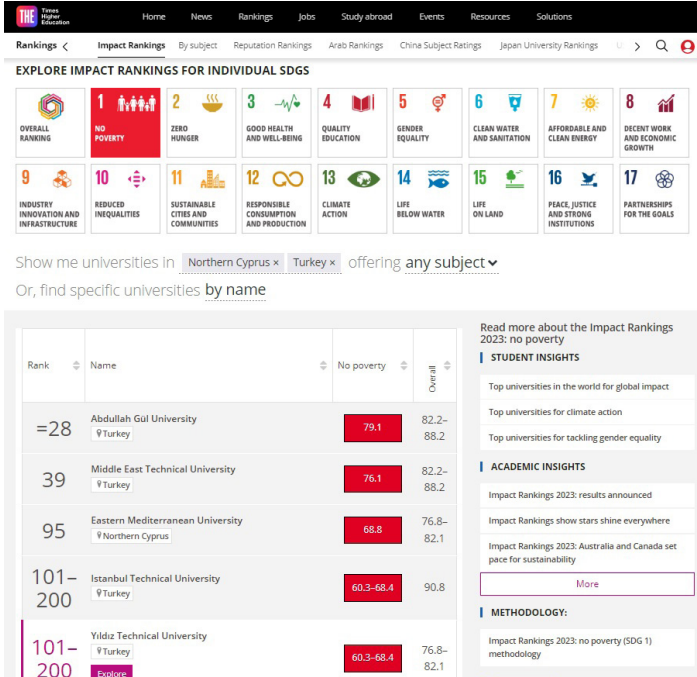




## EMU BECOMES THE BEST UNIVERSITY IN CYPRUS IN THE WORLD UNIVERSITY IMPACT RANKINGS 3<sup>RD</sup> IN TURKEY AND IN THE 201-300 BAND WORLDWIDE



Times Higher Education (THE), the publisher of the world’s most widely-referenced university rankings, announced the university impact rankings according to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals on Thursday, 1 June, 2023, at 13:30. According to the results, Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) ranked in the 201-300 band with a score of 77.1. Furthermore, EMU has been included for evaluation in all 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

### 1st in Cyprus, 3rd in Turkey

Western Sydney University from Australia has become the world’s top university in the list, which included 1,591 universities worldwide. Among the five universities from the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) that made it to the list, EMU has achieved the top position. Additionally, in the overall list of eight universities on the island of Cyprus, EMU has shared the top position with Frederick University, demonstrating its success in being ranked 1st on the island. Among the Turkish universities on the list, Istanbul Technical University (ITÜ) ranked 58th globally, securing the first position. Abdullah Gül University and Middle East Technical University (METU) ranked within the 101-200 band, claiming the second position. EMU, Hacettepe University, and Yıldız Technical University secured the third position in the 201-300 band. In total, 84 universities from Turkey made it to the list.

### 1st in Poverty Alleviation on the Island, 95th in the World

EMU has achieved its highest scores in the areas of “No Poverty,” “Quality Education,” and “Reduced Inequalities.” This year, as in the previous year, the most successful target was accomplished in the field of “No Poverty,” EMU’s support for students in need, the programs it has established to fight poverty, the social responsibility projects it has undertaken, and the work carried out on the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 1, “No Poverty,” played a role in this success. Among the 876 universities that earned a place in the ranking, EMU climbed to the 95th position with a score of 68.8. While three universities from the TRNC appeared on the list in this field, no universities from South Cyprus made it to the ranking. In Turkey, among the 46 universities listed, EMU has secured the 1st position both in the TRNC and throughout the island of Cyprus, while ranking 3rd in Turkey.

### EMU Continues to Excel in Quality Education Worldwide

In the area of “Quality Education,” EMU has ranked in the 101-200 range among the 1,304 universities included in the global ranking. The university’s success in this area can be attributed to factors such as promoting lifelong learning among students, the competence of EMU graduates in providing education, and the work carried out on United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 4, “Quality Education.”

In the area of “Reduced Inequalities,” where only two universities from the TRNC demonstrated success, EMU’s efforts has been placed in the top band throughout the TRNC, the island of Cyprus, and Turkish universities.

This particular ranking lists universities worldwide based on their activities aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. The UN has set 17 goals for sustainable development by the year 2030. These goals are listed as follows:



Source: <https://www.tr.undp.org/>

EMU carries out various activities and research related to all of these topics. Information about EMU’s activities aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals can be accessed at <https://sdgs.emu.edu.tr/en>, and the THE World University Impact Rankings 2023 can be found at <https://www.timeshighereducation.com/impactrankings>.

## FORMER REPUBLIC OF TURKEY MINISTER OF NATIONAL EDUCATION PROF. DR. ZİYA SELÇUK GAVE A CONFERENCE IN EMU



Former Minister of the Republic of Turkey National Education, Prof. Dr. Ziya Selçuk, participated in a conference organized by the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Education. The conference took place on Thursday, 1 June, 2023, at 10:30 am at the Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall. Among the attendees were Major General Fethi Oltulu, the

Commander of the 28th Mechanized Division, Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın, the Rector of EMU, Ekrem Toklucu, the Education Advisor of the Embassy of the Republic of Turkey in Nicosia, Ersun Kutup, Member of the EMU Board of Trustees, Şirin Zaimağaoğlu, the Director of the Department of Culture at the TRNC Deputy Prime Ministry's Office,

Ministry of Tourism, Culture, Youth, and Environment, Prof. Dr. Hüseyin Aktuğlu, Prof. Dr. Deniz İşçiöğlü, and Prof. Dr. Serhan Şensoy, EMU Vice Rectors, deans, vice deans, department chairs, and young teacher candidates studying at the Faculty of Education.

### “Our Vision is to be the Best Faculty of Education in the Region”

In his opening speech at the conference, Prof. Dr. Ahmet Pehlivan, the Dean of the Faculty of Education, discussed the importance of Prof. Dr. Ziya Selçuk's work and the significance of the conference. Prof. Dr. Pehlivan stated that the vision of the faculty is to be the best Faculty of Education in the region and that the aim of the faculty is to educate teachers who are progressive, modern, lifelong learners, entrepreneurial, and critical thinkers.

### “EMU is an International University”

During his speech, Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın, Rector of EMU, emphasized that as a state university, EMU undertakes important responsibilities in providing quality education and serving the community. Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın mentioned that EMU organizes various seminars to contribute to the vision of different fields in the TRNC. Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın stated that Prof. Dr. Ziya Selçuk would deliver an important presentation on new educational paradigms, which is one of the most crucial main tasks of EMU. Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın also highlighted the significant impact of Prof. Dr. Selçuk's innovative work during his tenure as the Minister of National Education of

the Republic of Turkey on the education system in the TRNC. Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın emphasized that EMU continues to work towards advancing higher education and creating an international environment where students can receive a solid education and develop themselves in a multicultural setting. Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın thanked Prof. Dr. Selçuk for his visit and expressed his belief that the conference would have positive reflections at EMU and in the TRNC.

### “The Future of the Education System and the New Generation”

Following the opening speeches, Prof. Dr. Ziya Selçuk, the former Minister of National Education of the Republic of Turkey, came together with teacher candidates in a presentation titled “New Generation Educational Paradigms.” Prof. Dr. Selçuk discussed the importance of artificial intelligence in education, how teachers should approach the new generation of students, and the need to adapt the current education system to meet the needs of the new generation. Prof. Dr. Ziya Selçuk also highlighted that artificial intelligence will dominate the future of education, and traditional diploma and grading systems will become outdated, while employment policies will be entirely based on skills and competencies. After the highly anticipated presentation, Prof. Dr. Selçuk responded to the questions from students. At the end of the event, Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın, Rector of EMU, presented a silver plate to Prof. Dr. Ziya Selçuk, the former Minister of National Education of the Republic of Turkey.

## EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN UNIVERSITY SIGNS COLLABORATION PROTOCOL WITH CYPRUS SCIENCE AND INTELLIGENCE FOUNDATION



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) and Cyprus Science and Intelligence Foundation (KIBZEV) signed a collaboration protocol on Tuesday, 30 May 2023 at 10:30 at EMU Rector's Office. The protocol was signed by EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın and Cyprus Science and Intelligence Foundation Director Recep Günaydın. With the protocol, it is aimed to improve studies on entrepreneurship, digital transformation,

technology and innovation ecosystem. EMU Arts and Sciences Faculty, Physics and Chemistry Departments' Chair Prof. Dr. İzzet Sakallı, Entrepreneurship and Innovation Centre (EMU-GIMER) Chair Prof. Dr. Mustafa Tümer, Department of Chemistry Vice Chair Prof. Dr. Mustafa Gazi, Business and Economics Faculty, Business Department academic staff member Assoc. Prof. Dr. Burak Erkut and KIBZEV officials were present during

the signing session. Delivering a speech during the event, Prof. Dr. Hocanın stated that KIBZEV has done very valuable work especially for the development of young people and children, and that he believed that successful work would be carried out between the two institutions with the cooperation protocol to be signed. Stating that EMU, as a state university, does all its efforts to meet all the needs of the society, Prof. Dr. Hocanın expressed that EMU attaches great importance to meeting the needs of all segments of society, not just in terms of quality education and research. Underlining that EMU has sufficient infrastructure and opportunities both in terms of entrepreneurship and science, Prof. Dr. Hocanın emphasized that it is very important for the teacher to have experience in the fields that

children and young people are interested in. Underlining that as EMU, they are ready to support activities so that young people and children can benefit from the activities to be carried out, Prof. Dr. Hocanın wished the protocol to be good.

Günaydın also delivered a speech and said that they are happy to cooperate with EMU, emphasizing that as a foundation, they try to carry out studies that will make young people love science and technology. Adding that he believes they will improve the work to be done thanks to EMU, Günaydın stated that they are very happy with the cooperation. Good morning, giving information about the work of the foundation, he wished that the protocol would be beneficial for both institutions.

## TURKEY'S MEDITERRANEAN FOREIGN POLITICS DISCUSSED AT EMU BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS FACULTY

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Business and Economics Faculty organized a panel on “The Effects of the Republic of Turkey’s Foreign Policy in the Mediterranean on Regional Stability and Security” on Wednesday, 31 May 2023 at 10:00 at EMU Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall.

Personal Representative of the President Ergül Olgun, Famagusta Consul General İlyas Çetin, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Political Affairs Director Aysan Mullahasan Atılgan, EMU Vice Rector for Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Hasan Demirel, Business and Economics Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Mustafa Besim, Vice Deans, academic staff members and students attended the event.

The event commenced with the opening speeches. EMU Business and Economics Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Mustafa Besim welcome the attendees and stated that the Business and Economics Faculty has made it a responsibility to organize events that affect the society and related to environmental issues, as well as academic activities. Expressing that the panel is to focus on important issues with panelist who are experts in the field, Prof. Dr. Besim thanked everyone who has contributed to the realization process of the panel.

In his speech, Prof. Dr. Demirel stated that EMU always pays attention to be active enough in the fields of education, research and community service, which are the three main functions of universities. Stating that EMU has reached a very high level in terms of education and training activities in recent years, Prof. Dr. Demirel emphasized that in the field of research, the scientific studies carried out by EMU can be found in important platforms and are followed by citations made by different scientists from around the world. On the other hand, saying that EMU has always been active in serving the society and humankind, Prof. Dr. Demirel stated that the panel in question addresses a wide range of individuals. Stating that success in politics affects the existence, current situation and future of the country, Prof. Dr. Demirel underlined that science must be used to make this success possible. Prof. Dr. Demirel conveyed his thanks to those who contributed to the realization of the event and wished the panel to be productive.

Following the opening speeches, EMU Business and Economics Faculty Research Assistant Dilek Kalaycı provided information on topics to be discussed during the panel. Moderated by EMU Political Science and International Relations Department Head Prof. Dr. Ahmet Sözen, the panel consisted of various presentations; “Eastern Mediterranean Geopolitics and the Blue Homeland” by Blue Homeland theorist Retired Major-General Cem Gürdeniz, “Re-reading Cyprus



within the Framework of Changing Approaches of the Old and New Actors” by EMU Political Science and International Relations Department academic staff member Prof. Dr. Kudret Özersay, “Legal Perspective on Marine Area Limitation Activities in the Eastern Mediterranean on the Axis of Cyprus” by Cyprus International University Law Faculty academic staff member Assist. Prof. Dr. Mustafa Erçakıca, “Turkey’s Mediterranean Policy: Regional Equation and Dynamics” by Near East University Vice Dean of Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences and

Political Science Department Chair Prof. Dr. Nur Köprülü and lastly, “New Regional Order in the Middle East and Eastern Mediterranean and Turkey’s Strategic Preferences” by Istanbul Aydın University, Arts and Sciences Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Hızır Tarık Oğuzlu.

A question-answer session was held at the end of the presentations. The panelists were presented souvenirs of EMU by Prof. Dr. Besim and Business and Economics Faculty Vice Dean Assoc. Prof. Dr. Berna Numan.

## EMU FACULTY OF TOURISM COMPLETES 24<sup>TH</sup> TOURISM DAYS WITH THE THEME “ZERO WASTE AND ENVIRONMENT”



“Eastern Mediterranean University (DAÜ) Faculty of Tourism held the 24th Tourism Days which started on 22 May, 2023, with the theme of “Zero Waste and Environment.” The 24th Tourism Days finished with various activities on 29 May, 2023.

### **Chef Ali Ronay Shared His Career Journey in Gastronomy**

The 24th Tourism Days commenced on Monday, 22 May, 2023, at 10:30 am at the EMU Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall, with a presentation by Chef Ali Ronay, the owner of Ronay’s Deli Restaurant in Istanbul. Chef Ronay delivered a seminar titled “Career Journey in Gastronomy” and provided advice to the graduates on how to plan their careers. Emphasizing the importance of starting from the lowest position in the profession and gradually

advancing over time, Chef Ronay advised the students, saying, “Develop yourselves and work with different chefs. Each chef has different points to learn from.”

Following the seminar, EMU Faculty of Tourism presented honor and high honor certificates to the successful students of the Gastronomy and Culinary Arts Program and the Pastry and Bakery Program for the 2022-2023 Academic Year Fall Semester. Speaking at the opening of the certificate ceremony, Dean of the Faculty of Tourism, Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç, mentioned the theme of the 24th Tourism Week and highlighted the importance of sustainability and zero waste. Providing career planning advice to the students, Prof. Dr. Kılıç emphasized the significance of Career Days as an

invaluable opportunity for the students. Prof. Dr. Kılıç underscored that education is not limited to the classroom but can take place anywhere and emphasized that the students at EMU Faculty of Tourism are equipped not only with professional knowledge in the classrooms but also with an understanding of preserving and carrying forward resources for the future through their engagement with the nature and history of Northern Cyprus, contributing to the formation of their life philosophies. At the end of his speech, Prof. Dr. Kılıç expressed his best wishes for a productive 24th Tourism Career Days for all students.

### **“The Future of the Aviation Industry and Tourism Management Discussed**

As part of the 24th Tourism Days, a seminar titled “The Future of the Aviation Industry” was held on Tuesday, 23 May, 2023, at 11:30 am in seminar room TH108 at the Faculty of Tourism. The seminar was conducted by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Cengiz Mesut Bükeç, the Head of Aviation Management Department at Girne University. Following that, Farid Hazari, the Former Station Manager and Ground Handling Specialist at Dubai International Airport, delivered a presentation on “Airport Ground Handling” and interacted with the students. After the presentations, honor and high honor certificates were presented to the successful students of the Aviation Cabin Services Program and the Tourism and Hotel Management 4-year and 2-year programs for the 2022-2023 Academic Year Fall Semester.

### **Beach Cleaning Activity**

The 24th Tourism Days continued on Wednesday, 24 May, 2023, with various colorful activities. As part of the Beach Cleaning Project, participants went to the EMU Beach Club at 10:00 am to clean the beach. Following the beach cleaning, a seminar on Environmental Cleanup was conducted by Serdar Atai, the President of Famagusta Walled City Association (MASDER), and Cemile Kocareis, the MASDER Project Assistant. Additionally, presentations on “Underwater Cleaning and Scuba Diving” were delivered by Erol Adalier and Mine Adalier, the owners of Deep Dive Diving Center.

## EMU FACULTY OF TOURISM COMPLETES 24<sup>TH</sup> TOURISM DAYS WITH THE THEME “ZERO WASTE AND ENVIRONMENT”

### Seminar on Food Waste and Zero Waste in Kitchens

Nazan Hocanın, the Head of EMU Housing and Guest Houses Unit, conducted a seminar titled “Food Waste and Zero Waste in Kitchens” at 09:00 am in seminar room TH108. The presentation, which particularly drew the interest of Gastronomy and Culinary Arts students, included real-life examples of recycling within the kitchen, utilization of every ingredient, preservation, and composting of waste materials.

### Thursday Market and Excursions

On 25 May, 2023, Thursday, a visit to the Thursday Market in the old Lemar area of Famagusta was organized from 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm as part of the Zero Waste Project. Waste products at the market were made use of and served by the EMU Gastronomy Club. Additionally, various excursion activities were organized on 25-26 May, 2023. Participants went on an overnight trip to Güzelyurt - Lefke - Gemikonağı and Yeşilirmak regions. During the trip, they visited the Güzelyurt Archaeology and Nature Museum, St. Mamas Monastery, Güzelyurt Bandabuliyi, Soli Ancient City, historical sites in Lefke, including Ottoman Mansions and Aqueducts, Cengiz Topel Monument, Lefke Dam, and Yeşilirmak Strawberry Fields.”

### “Job Placement and Internship Interviews Organized

During the Tourism Days, a series of meetings were held between industry representatives and current students as well as graduates to help them secure employment and find internships. Managers from Limak, Concorde, Artemis, Arkn Group, and Riverside hotels met with students and delivered presentations. The hotel managers also provided information about job opportunities to the graduating candidates who are about to embark on their professional careers.

### Support for Champion Angels Association

Furthermore, on Monday, 29 May, 2023, a series of activities were organized in the garden of the EMU Faculty of Tourism to support the Champion Angels Association. The event began with opening speeches by EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın, Dean of the Faculty of Tourism Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç, President of the Turkish Cypriot Association of Travel Agents (KITSAB) Orhan Tolun, and General Manager of Kaya Artemis Resort & Casino Tevfik Yılmaz at 10:00 am. In his speech, Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın emphasized that in addition to the Faculty of Tourism being famous for producing highly successful and well-equipped graduates, it also plays an



important role in creating solutions and raising awareness about social issues, highlighting the importance of choosing the theme of zero waste and the environment. Orhan Tolun, President of KITSAB, commended the EMU Faculty of Tourism for bringing such an important issue to the forefront of society with their dedication to addressing environmental issues and efficient use of resources. Tevfik Yılmaz, General Manager of Kaya Artemis Resort & Casino, emphasized the theme of zero waste and also provided advice to students regarding their future careers, sharing

insights on potential challenges and developments they may encounter. After the opening speeches, volleyball matches were played on the grass area in the garden of the Faculty of Tourism in honor of Champion Angels. Subsequently, American football competitions were held. Following the competitions, participants had the opportunity to visit cultural and food stands. The event featured a total of 70 stands and various recreational games. All the proceeds collected from the stands have been donated to the Champion Angels Association.”

## EMU SUCCESSFULLY PASSES ISO 9001 QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, ISO 10002 STUDENT SATISFACTION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND ISO 45001 OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AUDITS



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) has successfully passed the audits of three management systems, namely ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management System, ISO 10002:2018 Student Satisfaction Management System, and ISO 45001:2018 Occupational Health and Safety Management System, conducted by the Turkish Standards Institution (TSE) from 29 May to 2 June, 2023, without any non-conformities. The management systems process, which commenced in 2015, was evaluated during a 5-day audit, coordinated by the Total Quality Center Directorate and completed by a 43-member quality team responsible for their respective units. During the audit process, the inspection team examined the units from both a documentation and infrastructural

perspective. In addition to the management system activities, academic reviews and evaluations were conducted during the five-day audit. On 2 June, 2023, Friday, a Closing Meeting was held at the Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall, attended by EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın, Vice Rector for Administrative and Technical Affairs Prof. Dr. Serhan Şensoy, Total Quality Management Center (TQMC) Director, and Purchasing and Inventory Control Unit Director Mahmut Dağtekin, along with Quality Representatives of all units and Management Systems Consultant Latif Sakar. During the Closing Meeting, the findings of the audit team were shared.

### “EMU in a Leading Position”

Speaking at the Closing Meeting, Dağtekin provided information about the audit process and expressed his gratitude to everyone involved in the process. Then, TSE Auditor Tuncay Çimen thanked EMU for their hospitality. Sharing his findings regarding the Occupational Health and Safety Management System, Çimen stated that they observed good practices in this area. Highlighting that EMU is in a leading position in this field, Çimen emphasized that every practice conducted here will serve as a guiding example in Cyprus. At the end of his speech, Çimen expressed his wish for EMU to achieve even bigger success.

In his speech, TSE Auditor Fatih Sağdıç shared his findings regarding the Student

Satisfaction Management System and Occupational Health and Safety Management System. Sağdıç stated that good practices have been implemented in both management systems and emphasized the importance of adopting a problem-solving approach towards student satisfaction at EMU. Stressing the significance of activities aimed at increasing motivation, Sağdıç highlighted the value of the events organized in this context. Expressing that they have encountered excellent examples at EMU and witnessed a strong motivation within the institution, Sağdıç emphasized their desire to see EMU at even better positions.

### “EMU is a Leading University”

Prof. Dr. Şensoy, EMU Vice Rector for Administrative and Technical Affairs, provided information about the university, highlighting that EMU has long emphasized quality and initiated ABET accreditation efforts in the late 1990s. Prof. Dr. Şensoy also stressed that EMU’s commitment to quality and its culture date back many years, and in this regard, the university has opened its doors to audits conducted by the Turkish Standards Institution (TSE). Prof. Dr. Şensoy added that EMU is a pioneering university that recognizes the value of external audits, utilizing the process to contribute to its development. At the end of his speech, Prof. Dr. Şensoy underscored that they will continue to work towards taking this process to further steps.

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### “Quality Processes Never Stop”

During his speech at the meeting, Prof. Dr. Hocanın expressed his gratitude to the staff responsible for quality at the university, stating that EMU places great importance on quality processes in every area it serves. Emphasizing that EMU is a source of pride in Northern Cyprus and one of the most esteemed universities among the Turkish Cypriot community, Prof. Dr. Hocanın also highlighted that quality is an integral part of EMU’s vision,. Prof. Dr. Hocanın stated that EMU is in a guiding position in higher education, setting standards, providing quality education, engaging in research, and serving the community to the best of its abilities.

Highlighting that EMU places importance on quality and accreditation efforts in both academic and administrative fields, Prof. Dr.



Hocanın emphasized that quality assurance processes are not to be approached as a burdensome task. Prof. Dr. Hocanın stated that the aim of the audit processes is to identify areas for improvement through external perspectives and ensure the continuous cycle of improvement. Prof. Dr. Hocanın stressed

that quality processes never cease. Regarding TSE’s role in quality processes, Prof. Dr. Hocanın stated that TSE is always regarded as a reputable and trustworthy institution, and the evaluations by TSE have been ongoing for a long time.

## STUDENTS OF EMU TOURISM FACULTY ATTENDED AEHT YOUTH PARLIAMENT



Atahan Tahsiner from the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Tourism Faculty, Gastronomy and Culinary Arts program and Özkan Uygur from Tourism and Hotel Management program represented EMU at the European Association of Hotel and Tourism Schools (AEHT) Youth Parliament. This program aims to provide young people with information about diplomacy and international relations, to increase global awareness of contemporary issues in travel and tourism, and to develop effective international communication skills on

issues such as sustainability, green skills and employee shortage. During the five-day intensive program, role plays and many discussions in which the Members of the European Parliament (MEP) were simulated were held.

### Held in Slovenia

More than 50 representatives from 15 different countries from AEHT the European Association of Hotel and Tourism Schools (AEHT) participated in the event hosted by the Vocational College for Hospitality and Tourism

Maribor (VSGT) in Maribor, Slovenia. The speakers of the event, consisting of prominent names, presented important information and experiences in the sector to the participants. Director of VSGT Maribor, Dr. Tanja Angleitner Sagad, Member of the European Parliament Irena Joveva, Head of Domestic Relations of the World Tourism Organization Livija Kovač Konstantinovič and 2nd Director of Gymnasium Maribor, Dr. Marko Jagodič played an important role as youth mentors.

### “Young People Shape the Future of the Tourism Sector”

EMU Tourism Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç evaluated the active participation of his students in the AEHT Youth Parliament. Prof. Dr. Kılıç stated that Atahan Tahsiner from the Gastronomy and Culinary Arts program and Özkan Uygur from the Tourism and Hotel Management program attended the AEHT Youth Parliament to represent EMU. Prof. Dr. Kılıç emphasized that this program aims to provide young people with information about diplomacy and international relations, to develop their international communication skills, and to increase global awareness of contemporary issues in the field of tourism. Expressing that the active role of the students in this international event plays an important role in shaping the future of the tourism sector and strengthening international cooperation, Prof. Dr. Kılıç stated that the students have made the university community proud with their participation in an event like this.

## EMU FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND ENGLISH PREPARATORY SCHOOL HELD 8<sup>TH</sup> WORKSHOP FESTIVAL



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Foreign Languages and English Preparatory School (FLEPS) organized the 8th Workshop Festival sponsored by Pearson and Saydam Berberoğlu and Kardeşi Ltd., at the English Preparatory School Building B. During the event, various presentations were held concurrently in three different halls.

The workshops, carried out under the theme of Recovery and Recreation, aimed to explore how the effects of the recent negative events, such as earthquakes and losses, have influenced language education and learning in the process of recovery and recreation. The goal was to share solutions, recommendations, and experiences.

The workshops, which lasted throughout the day, started with opening speeches by FLEPS Workshop Festival Coordinator Instructor Betül Eren and Assistant Director Assist. Prof. Dr. Nazan Doğruer. The first presentation was delivered by Hemani Naran on the topic of "Lessons Learned from MENA

Educators during COVID and Strategies for Post-Pandemic Hybrid Learning." The closing presentation was delivered by Sinem Atamsoy Koşar on the theme of "Together We Grow, Together We Heal!" Atamsoy emphasized the empowering effect of participating in professional development activities for teachers.

Throughout the day, simultaneous presentations were delivered by instructors and students on topics such as "Embracing Artificial Intelligence in Education," "How to Make Stress Our Friend," "Identity Reconstruction of Language Teachers: From EFL to ESP Teaching," "sing Google Tools for Collaborative Learning," "Adult Students' Anxieties about Learning English," "Fostering Positive Teacher Experience: Empathy Maps," "Language and the Brain," "Gamifying the Classroom with Wordwall," "Exploring

Screenpal Technology," "Crafting Effective Letters of Intention," "A Brainstorming about CoP and Cross-Cultural Practices in Emergency Online Education," "Dialogue-Based Learning: Translating Learning into Concrete Numbers: A Motivational Technique for English Language Learners," and "Unmasking Cognitive Fallacies and Biases: Enhancing Critical Thinking Skills." The event concluded with the participation of EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın and Vice Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Demirel, followed by closing speeches.





## AWARD-WINNING ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY PROFESSOR PROF. DR. MUSTAFA REŞAT APAK GIVES A SEMINAR IN EMU



11th International Career Days, organized by the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Alumni Communication and Career Research Directorate (MIKA) in cooperation with faculties and schools, continued with EMU Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Physics and Chemistry Departments. British Royal Academy of Sciences Chemistry Society Consulting Member, Turkish Academy of Sciences Full Member and TÜBİTAK Science Award Winner Prof. Dr. Mustafa Reşat Apak gave a seminar to the students of EMU Physics and Chemistry Departments. Prof. Dr. Apak, one of Turkey's most famous Analytical Chemistry Professors, also served as the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering at Istanbul University and the Director of the Institute of Marine Sciences.

### The Seminar Garnered Great Interest

Delivering the opening speech of the seminar, EMU Faculty of Arts and Sciences Dean Prof. Dr. Mehmet

Ali Ozarslan, expressed his pleasure that a very important scientist like Prof. Dr. Apak has come to EMU to give a seminar. Then Prof. Dr. Apak gave his speech titled "Principles of Sensor and Nanosensor Design for Analytical Applications". Prof. Dr. Mustafa Reşat Apak, a prominent scientist not only successful in conveying information, also impressed the audience with his general level of knowledge, deep love for his field, communication with the audience and especially his ability to speak in two languages (both English and Turkish). Prof. Dr. Apak also provided information on "Practical Advice for Postgraduate Students in Chemistry". Attracting a lot of attention with his speech, Prof. Dr. Mustafa Reşat Apak carefully listened and responded to those who asked him questions. At the end of the talk, EMU Physics and Chemistry Department Chair Prof. Dr. İzzet Sakallı, presented of a plaque of appreciation to Prof. Dr. Mustafa Reşat Apak.

Prof. Dr. Reşat Apak has been working as a Professor of Analytical Chemistry at Istanbul University for 29 years. He is the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering at Istanbul University and the Director of the Institute of Marine Sciences. He was the director of the Analytical Chemistry Department and the Food Antioxidants Application and Research Center at the same university. He is currently working under the research and teaching contract jointly provided by the Council of Higher Education (YÖK) and the IUC Rectorate. He is currently the representative of Turkey in IUPAC: International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry, Department of Analytical Chemistry as the most senior member. Prof. Dr. Apak is the author of 306 peer-reviewed research papers, 17 book chapters and reviews, three textbooks and one textbook on antioxidant analysis. He has authored 9 articles in the most influential experimental analytical sciences journal and 1 article in ACS-Sensors. In addition to being a principal member of the Turkish Academy of Sciences (TUBA), Prof. Dr. Apak is a Consultant Member of the British Royal Academy of Sciences Chemistry Society (RSC). He is also the owner of the TÜBİTAK Science Award, Turkey's most prestigious science award, for his contribution to Chemistry Science. Prof. Dr. Apak is the inventor of the CUPRAC antioxidant capacity determination method, and his two leading articles have received more than 3,700 citations. He also produced the first Turkish multi-explosive detection test kit in the field. During the 2020-22 pandemic years, when most lecturers could not come to their offices in person, Prof. Dr. Apak has shown that he is a Scientist who should be taken as an example by keeping his laboratories open to all undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate students from all over Turkey and publishing 54 research articles.

## THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS RIO GRANDE VALLEY ACADEMIC STAFF MEMBER DR. ATEŞİN GIVES A SEMINAR AT EMU



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Arts and Sciences Faculty, Physics and Chemistry Departments organized a series of event on the occasion of the Chemists Week. Within the scope of the events, EMU Chemistry Undergraduate Program graduate Dr. Abdurrahman Çağrı Ateşin from the University of Texas Rio Valley in the United States of America (USA) gave an online seminar titled "Organometallic Compounds in Catalysis: Mechanistic Studies and Catalytic Development". The seminar commenced with opening speeches delivered by EMU Arts and Sciences Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Mehmet Ali Özarslan and EMU Physics and Chemistry Departments' Chair Prof. Dr. İzzet Sakallı.

Following the speeches, Dr. Ateşin shared his experience and knowledge about organometallic compounds and their mechanisms. Dr. Ateşin also advised students on scholarship opportunities in the USA at the seminar. At the end of the seminar, Dr. Ateşin answered questions from the participants. Within the scope of the Chemists Week, EMU Arts and Sciences Faculty, Physics and Chemistry Departments' academic staff member Prof. Dr. Osman Yılmaz made a presentation on internship training for chemistry students and, provided basic information on the issue. Moreover, Prof. Dr. Yılmaz answered the questions asked by the students.

As the closing event, the movie named 'Radioactive' of 2019, which is about the life of the world-famous scientist Marie Curie, who won the Nobel Prize in two branches, was watched by the participants.

### Who is Dr. Abdurrahman Çağrı Ateşin?

Born in 1976 in Beirut, Lebanon, Abdurrahman Çağrı Ateşin spent his early years in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, and settled in Nicosia, Cyprus in 1987. After graduating from secondary and high school at Nicosia Turkish Maarif College, he completed the EMU Chemistry Undergraduate Program with a Computer Science minor program in 1997. In 1999, Dr. Ateşin completed EMU Chemistry graduate program under the supervision

of Assist. Prof. Dr. Mehmet Garip and started his doctorate program at Bilkent University in Ankara, Turkey between 2000 and 2002. Dr. Ateşin continued his doctoral studies in 2003 by moving to the University of Rochester, New York, USA. Dr. Ateşin received his PhD in Inorganic/Organometallic Chemistry in 2008. He worked on the synthesis and catalytic activity of chiral iridium complexes under the supervision of Dr. Richard Eisenberg. Dr. Ateşin completed his post-doctoral studies at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, WI, USA. with Charles P. Casey between 2008 and 2009, and from 2009-2013 with Dr. Tobin J. Marks at Northwestern University, IL, USA. During his research with Dr. Casey, Dr. Ateşin studied the hydrogenation mechanism of benzaldehyde using an iron-based bifunctional catalyst. On the other hand, he worked with Dr. Marks to develop a tandem catalyst system to cleave etheric CO bonds.

Dr. Ateşin joined University of Texas-Pan American (UTPA), Edinburg, TX, USA as a Instructor in 2013. After the merger of UTPA and the University of Texas-Brownsville in 2015, he continued his studies as an Instructor at the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley and he promoted to Senior Instructor in 2021. Nowadays, he uses NMR and DFT calculations to study metal-catalyzed reactions in soil.

## WORLD NURSES WEEK ACTIVITIES ORGANISED AT EMU DEPARTMENT OF NURSING



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Faculty of Health Sciences, Department of Nursing organized various events within the scope of the International Nurses Week. The activities, which took place after the opening ceremony of the Champion Angels Amphitheater, commenced with the opening speeches of Prof. Dr. Mehtap Malkoç, the Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences, and Prof. Dr. Sevinç Taştan, the Chair of the Nursing Department.

### “Our Nursing Students are Very Fortunate”

Prof. Dr. Malkoç emphasized the crucial role of nurses in the healthcare team and congratulated all nurses, students, and academicians of the department on the occasion of the International Nurses Week. Prof. Dr. Malkoç noted that the Nursing Department is the strongest department of the Faculty of Health Sciences

at EMU in terms of student numbers, academic staff, and laboratory facilities. She reminded the students that they are very fortunate to receive education at world standards at the Nursing Department.

### “You Are the Future of My Honorable Profession”

In her speech, Prof. Dr. Taştan started by sharing the history of International Nurses Week with the participants. Prof. Dr. Taştan mentioned that the world has experienced significant traumas such as COVID-19, wars, and earthquakes in recent years, and nurses have been at the forefront, providing healthcare services wherever they are needed. Prof. Dr. Taştan emphasized the necessity of investing in nurses and empowering them to achieve sustainable health goals. She stated that the Nursing Department at EMU continues to grow steadily, aware of its responsibilities, and mentioned that

a total of 626 students are enrolled in the department, including 591 undergraduate and 35 postgraduate students. Addressing the students, Prof. Dr. Taştan said, “Dear students, you are the future of my honorable profession, of which I have always been proud to be a member. It is your responsibility to prepare yourselves for the future in the best possible way. This responsibility is also crucial for your participation in decision-making mechanisms related to your profession in the future.”

### Prof. Dr. Duygulu and Dr. Cevheroğlu Delivered Presentations

Following the speeches, Prof. Dr. Sergül Duygulu delivered a presentation titled “Career Journey in Nursing: Our Opportunities.” In her presentation, Prof. Dr. Duygulu discussed career opportunities for nurses in today’s world. She also shared examples from her own career development process and goals.

Then, Dr. Seda Cevheroğlu delivered her presentation on the theme of the 2023 International Nurses Council: “Our Nurses: Our Future.” Dr. Cevheroğlu addressed the nursing theme set by the International Council of Nurses in her presentation. After their presentations, Prof. Dr. Sergül Duygulu and Dr. Seda Cevheroğlu responded to questions from the students.

Following the event, a charity bazaar was organized by the Faculty of Health Sciences to raise funds for the Champion Angels Association. The said organisation received significant participation and interest from students and academicians.

## 5<sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONAL EMU GENETICS CLUB STUDENT SCIENCE SYMPOSIUM HELD



Operating under the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Social and Cultural Activities Directorate, the Genetics Club successfully organized the “5th International EMU Genetics Club Student Science Symposium,” at the Activity Center.

The EMU Genetic Club, operating under the Student Clubs Unit, is supervised by Prof. Dr. Şükrü Tüzmen, the Vice Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry. The club is led by Ezel Evren, a second-year student at the Faculty of Dentistry, and actively managed by Dilek Husi, Tekay Toluk, Resul Ballyyev, Dilara Çil, Fatma Evrim Gonce, Sahand Azizan Rouhi, and Berkay Gümüş, who are students from the Faculty of Dentistry and the Molecular Biology and Genetics Program. With nearly 100 members, the EMU Genetic Club has been making

a name for itself through various scientific and social activities since 2014. This scientific student club event, carried out in line with international standards and has the potential to serve as an example for other EMU clubs and related departments, saw the participation of 7 experts from universities in Northern Cyprus and the Republic of Turkey. These experts, who are specialists in their fields, delivered speeches related to their scientific research. Additionally, İhsan Özalan, a first-year student from the Faculty of Dentistry, also gave a speech. The EMU Genetic Club takes the lead in raising awareness through health and genetic-themed seminars conducted by Prof. Dr. Şükrü Tüzmen, the Supervisor of the DAÜ Genetic Club, both on and off the EMU campus. These seminars aim to promote scientific development among students and their ability to adapt to such international platforms.

The symposium commenced with opening speeches by Ezel Evren, the President of the EMU Genetic Club, and Prof. Dr. Deniz İşçiöğlü, EMU Vice Rector for Social and Cultural Affairs followed by a series of presentations including Prof. Dr. Şükrü Tüzmen’s, the Vice Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry, presentation on “Molecular Diagnostics in Rare Diseases: Beta-Thalassemia,” and Prof. Dr. Hikmet Solak’s, the Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry, presentation on “Esthetic Restorations.” The following presentations were also delivered: Prof. Dr. Nursel Baydemir from Kırıkkale University - “Life on Earth at the Anthropocene Era,” Prof. Dr. Selçuk Çömlekçi from Süleyman Demirel University- “Recent Developments in Electromagnetic Therapy,” Prof. Dr. Nedime Serakıncı, academic staff member at the International University of Cyprus and the Health Advisor to the President of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, - “Genetic Markers for Early Detection of Prostate Cancer,” Assoc. Prof. Dr. Cemal Gürkan, the Director of the Turkish Cypriot DNA Laboratory at the Office of the Turkish Cypriot Member of the Presidency’s Committee on Missing Persons, - “Forensic and Population Genetics Investigation in North Cyprus: The Turkish Cypriot DNA Laboratory Experience,” Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nahit Rızaner from the International University of Cyprus, - “Bioelectricity and Cancer,” and İhsan Özalan, a first-year student from the Faculty of Dentistry, - “Charcot Marie Tooth Disease.” At the end of the symposium, the EMU Genetics Club presented plaques of appreciation to the speakers who contributed to the event.

## EMU DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR ARCHITECTURE HOSTS EXPERTS IN THEIR FIELDS

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Architecture, Department of Interior Architecture hosted two important guests who are experts in their fields. Successful Interior Architect Özde Güröz and Fashion Designer Zerrin Akıncı gathered with the students and shared their career journeys, experiences and much more.

### Details of Interior Architecture Profession Discussed

In the event organized within the scope of the ITAS 410 – Profession Management and Ethics course, Güröz shared her professional experiences and knowledge with the students. Delivering a very encouraging speech for the Interior Architecture Department students, Güröz touched on many issues regarding being an interior architecture including the challenges and paths to success. Güröz commenced her speech by emphasizing that the interior architecture profession is an exciting and creative field, and by explaining the various projects she has implemented. Expressing that it is important for students to constantly improve themselves in the field of interior architecture and to be open to learning, Güröz stated that it is extremely important to follow the changing design trends, learn new technologies and closely follow the developments in the sector. Moreover, Güröz emphasized that investing in one's own development is an important factor that increases professional success and satisfaction. Güröz, who also shared important information on professional ethics, conveyed the necessity for interior architects to establish a relationship based on trust with their customers. Telling the students that their first customers in life are their teachers during the university years, Güröz, emphasized that working in good communication with the customer has a great effect on the emergence of successful projects.

### Fashion Design Discussed

On the other hand, Fashion Designer Zerrin Akıncı met with the students within the scope of the Interior Architecture Studio V. Within the scope of the fashion



academy projects that the students had to design with the theme "Fashion Academy of a Fashion Designer: Meeting Point for Art-Oriented Education and Culture", she gave explanations to the students from the perspective of the fashion designer. Akıncı, who was invited to understand the subject in depth from a fashion designer's point of view, to understand professional needs better and to make spatial decisions more accurately, held a workshop

by sharing the mission, vision and target audience of her own brand "Made by ZA". Sharing her collections with examples in her presentation, the designer talked about her partnerships and understanding of working in her own workshop. Emphasizing the prominent design trends in fashion design for 2023, Akıncı shed light on the students with the information and examples she shared.

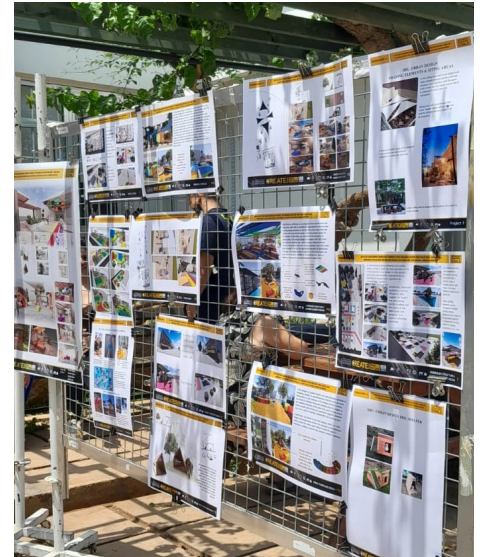
## EMU FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE STUDENTS PRESENTED DESIGN SUGGESTIONS FOR DAUSEN LOCAL PUBLIC OPEN SPACE

Within the scope of the 10th International Design Week organized by the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Architecture, EMU Academic Staff members Prof. Dr. Şebnem Hoşkara, Prof. Dr. Özlem Olgaç Türker, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Müge Rıza, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ercan Hoşkara and faculty member Dr. Leyla Çınar organized a workshop within the partnership and sponsorship of the Eastern Mediterranean University Academic Trade Union - DAUSEN. The workshop occurred between 31 May and 2 June 2023 at DAUSEN Local.

In the workshop organized with the theme "Join the Sustainable Development Goals Action Campaign with a Tactical Urbanism Approach: Design Your Public Space", five

projects were designed for the public open space in front of the DAUSEN Local building. Designed projects will be evaluated in four categories; holistic design, floor paving design, overhead design, and dog food-water-resting elements design. The projects will be evaluated by 3 separate groups: users (student/public) voting, DAUSEN Executive Board voting and jury voting. The selection of each group will be announced separately on Monday, 5 June 2023, on social media platforms.

Those who wanted to vote for the projects designed by five different student groups of the Faculty of Architecture participated in the voting by using the QR code on the exhibition boards.



## FAMOUS DIRECTOR BİKET İLHAN CARRYING OUT A FILM PROJECT WITH EMU CINEMA AND TELEVISION DEPARTMENT STUDENTS

Within the scope of the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Communication Faculty, Cinema and Television Department academic staff member, producer and director Ömer Evre's "Introduction to Film and TV Production" course, famous film producer and director Biket İlhan who is the producer and director of many important productions such as "Mavi Gözlü Dev", "Kayıkçı" and "Sokaktaki Adam" delivered a training course to EMU Cinema and Television Department students.

Within the scope of Ömer Evre's "Introduction to Film and TV Production" course, a team consisting entirely of EMU Cinema and Television Department students and professionals meet on the set of feature films every semester in order to provide students with experience and to live the film set environment. Evre, who produced, premiered and screened the movie "Angonim'in Mürveti" with EMU Cinema and Television Department students last year, is carrying out another project under the supervision of Biket İlhan this semester.



Successful directors Biket İlhan and Ömer Evre gave lectures to EMU Cinema and Television Department students, and paid a visit to EMU Cinema and Television

Department Head Prof. Dr. Bahire Efe Özad. Head of Department Prof. Dr. Özad stated that she is honored to host İlhan who has an important place in Turkish Cinema.

## EMU FLEPS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ASSIST. PROF. DR. NAZAN DOĞRUEK ELECTED AS A MEMBER OF THE ILA-ICC EXECUTIVE BOARD

Assist. Prof. Dr. Nazan Doğruer, Assistant Director of the Eastern Mediterranean University Foreign Languages and English Preparatory School (FLEPS) attended the International Language Association - International Certificate Conference (ILA-ICC) meeting for the election of executive board members and the president in May. EMU FLEPS has been invited to the candidacy for Executive Board Membership for the ILA-ICC, of which it has been a member for three years. In the ILA-ICC, which included 31 educational institutions from 15 different countries and was held in Belgrade, the capital of Serbia, Assist. Prof. Dr. Nazan Doğruer accepted the candidacy for the Board Membership and has been elected as

a member of the ILA-ICC Executive Board for a period of three years.

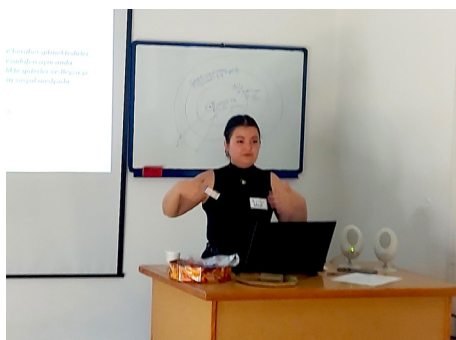
### "We Are Proud"

During their term, the Executive Board Members will protect the interests of the ILA-ICC while having a say in the management of activities and resources. Releasing a statement regarding this matter, EMU FLEPS expressed their pride in announcing the election of Nazan Doğruer as a member of the ILA-ICC Executive Board. FLEPS also wishes her success in representing the school on such a prestigious international platform for a period of three years.



## EMU-PDRAM COMPLETES GROUP WORK ON "COPING WITH ANGER HEALTHILY"

The group work on "Coping with Anger Healthily" organized by the Eastern Mediterranean University Psychological Counseling Guidance and Research Center (EMU-PDRAM) for EMU students was held in May by EMU-PDRAM Psychologists, Dr. Ps. Haşım Haşimoğulları and Exp. Ps. Gökçe İnce. The said group work included information sharing and interactive work on various topics including "What is Anger?", "Reasons, Types and Effects of Anger", "What is Violence?", "Types of Violence and Violence Prevention Methods" and "Coping with Anger Healthily".



## EMU FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE, DEPARTMENT OF ARCHITECTURE CARRIES OUT A SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY PROJECT ON 1 JUNE WORLD CHILDREN'S DAY

On 1 June World Children's Day, Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Faculty of Architecture, Department of Architecture, in collaboration with EMU Academic Trade Union (DAUSEN), EMU Faculty of Tourism, and EMU Urban Research and Development Center (URDC), prepared a social responsibility project in line with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

Within the scope of the elective course titled "UN Sustainable Development Goals: An Interdisciplinary Approach for the Future of our Planet," offered by the Department of Architecture, a visit was organized to Famagusta Şehit Osman Ahmet Primary School. The visit aimed to contribute to the global goals, namely no poverty (SDG1), zero hunger (SDG2), good health and well-being (SDG3), quality education (SDG4), and reduced inequalities (SDG10) by students from various departments participating in the elective course, with the support of DAUSEN, EMU Faculty of Tourism, and EMU-URDC. As part of the visit, breakfast was provided to 250 students studying at Famagusta Şehit Osman Ahmet Primary School. During the visit, coordinated by Prof. Dr. Şebnem Hoşkara, the coordinator of the aforesaid elective course, academic staff of the Department of Architecture, and the Director of EMU URDC, a poster introducing the Sustainable Development Goals, prepared by the students of the elective course, was presented as a gift to Şehit Osman Ahmet Primary School. In addition, the students from the elective course had the opportunity to interact with the 5th-grade students, informing them about the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. Prof. Dr. Hoşkara, who organized the event together with her students, emphasized that EMU is an important asset for Gazimağusa and Northern Cyprus in every aspect. Highlighting that universities are at the forefront of institutions that can provide solutions to the environmental degradation and societal issues we face today, Prof. Dr. Hoşkara emphasized the importance of conducting research in universities to support sustainable development, designing and implementing all activities in line with the Sustainable Development Goals, and ensuring that it is structured in a way that raises



awareness among all segments of society. In this context, Prof. Dr. Hoşkara expressed that universities have a greater responsibility due to their critical influence on the attitudes and behaviors of future generations and their role in guiding society. Prof. Dr. Hoşkara also thanked the students in her class for developing and engaging in this social

responsibility project. İlkey Karıcı Dereboylu, the Principal of Şehit Osman Ahmet Primary School, expressed gratitude to EMU and the students for their meaningful support of their school. Stating that environmental awareness and social consciousness start at a young age, Dereboylu emphasized the significance of any contribution in that regard.

## EMU-ATAUM ORGANIZES A TRIP TO ERENKÖY



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Atatürk Research and Application Center (EMU-ATAUM) organized a trip to the village of Erenköy, also known as “the Çanakkale of Cyprus” within the scope of Turkish Cypriot National Struggle taught in Principles of Atatürk and History of

Turkish Revolution course. The event was organized with the collaborations of Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) Security Forces Command (GKK) and EMU-ATAUM, and attended by EMU-ATAUM President Assist. Prof. Dr. Turgay Bülent Göktürk, Senior

Instructors Süheyla Göktürk and Mustafa Erbilen as well as 40 students. The excursion group going from Famagusta to Erenköy was welcomed by GKK officials in Erenköy. During the said visit, a minute’s silence was held for the martyrs after a wreath was laid at the Erenköy Martyrs’ Cemetery on behalf of the EMU Rector’s Office. Emotional moments were experienced when Fadıl İncirli, one of the mujahids of Erenköy, told the students about his experiences with the defense of Erenköy, which was the gate of the Turkish Cypriot people to Turkey, during the years when the Turkish Cypriots struggled for existence. Then,

carnations were left on the graves of the martyrs by the lecturers and students. Following the visit to the martyrdom, historical information was conveyed by mujahid Fadıl İncirli and military personnel in the museum located at the village center and a cine-vision show was performed. Then, the caves, which the people of Erenköy, who worked in the mines during the struggle for existence, prepared by digging and continued their lives during the conflict, were shown to the visitors. Finally, the tour came to an end after going out to the cruise area, witnessing the magnificent view of the region and taking a souvenir photo.

## EMU ADMINISTRATION PAYS A CONGRATULATORY VISIT TO THE SPORTS AFFAIRS DIRECTORATE DUE TO THE SUCCESSFUL ACHIEVEMENTS IN SPORTS



The administration of Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) paid a visit to the EMU Sports Affairs Directorate to congratulate them on the successful achievements of the EMU women’s and men’s sports teams during the 2022-2023 Academic Year. Present at the visit were Dr. Erdal Özçenk, the President of the EMU Board of Trustees, Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın, Rector of EMU, Prof. Dr. Hasan Demirel, Vice Rector for Academic Affairs, Prof. Dr.

Deniz İşçioğlu, Vice Rector for Social and Cultural Affairs, and Cemal Konnolu, the Director of EMU Sports Affairs, and his team. During the visit, the EMU administration congratulated the EMU Sports Affairs Directorate on their achievements in sports and assured that they would continue to support the EMU sports teams in any way possible in the future. As part of the congratulatory visit, the EMU administration presented baklava to Konnolu and his team.

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