

8 MARCH INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY SPECIAL PANEL HELD AT EMU WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN MEMBERS OF THE PARLIAMENT



On the occasion of 8 March, International Women's Day, Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Business and Economics Faculty, Business Department organized a special panel event with the participation of women members of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) Parliament. The panel took place on Friday, 15 March 2024 at 09:30 a.m. at Business and Economics Faculty, BEA-5 Hall.

The panel moderated by EMU Business and Economics Faculty, Business Department academic staff member Prof. Dr. Deniz İşçiöğlü hosted TRNC Parliament, National Unity Party (UBP) members of the parliament İzlem Gürçağ Altuğra and Yasemin Öztürk, Republican Turkish Party (CTP) member of the parliament Dr. Dt. Filiz Besim and independent parliament member Ayşegül Baybars.

Important topics such as gender equality, representation of women in politics and the role of women members in TRNC Parliament were discussed during the event. EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç, Board of Trustees member Ersun Kutup, Business and Economics Dean Prof. Dr. Mustafa Besim, Director of the Institute of Distance Education and Chair of Computer Education and Instructional Technology Department Prof. Dr. Ersun İşçiöğlü, Business Department Chair Assoc. Prof. Dr. Burak Erkut, faculty members and students attended the event. In his opening remarks at the event, Chair

of the EMU Department of Business Assoc. Prof. Dr. Erkut extended a warm welcome to all participants of the panel organized in honor of the International Women's Day on 8 March, expressing heartfelt congratulations to the valuable women, who are humanity's first teachers, for their sacrifices, efforts, struggles, and love. Emphasizing the significant importance of women's participation in education, work, and social life, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Erkut underscored the necessity of providing active support to women against all forms of discrimination and violence. He pointed out that the panel was organized to cultivate awareness and train students to be sensitive to women's rights, with the goal of fostering a future where all children, regardless of gender, can live in a world of equal opportunities. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Erkut concluded by extending his best wishes for a fruitful panel discussion.

Also delivering a speech during the event, Business and Economics Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Besim highlighted the significance of 8 March as an important day to support the struggles of women, noting that in economies where women are more active in economics, leadership, and management, per capita income and welfare tend to be higher. Prof. Dr. Besim pointed out that in the European Union, the labor force participation rate of women is 67%, while in the United States it is 57%, compared to 35% in Turkey and 38.3% in the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, indicating a relatively low

figure. Highlighting that the proportion of female staff in the Faculty of Business and Economics is 41%, Prof. Dr. Besim emphasized the importance of women being more involved in the economy and having more leadership and decision-making roles. Expressing his belief in the necessity of supporting women in these areas, Prof. Dr. Besim extended his gratitude to those involved in organizing the event and emphasized their support for the struggles of women for equality and justice.

Addressing the audience, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Kılıç emphasized the importance of 8 March for raising awareness, stating that the gathering aimed to listen to the experiences of successful women lawmakers who have excelled in their fields and crowned their achievements with politics. Prof. Dr. Kılıç highlighted that at EMU, there is a 53.8% female workforce, underlining the significant role of women in the successes achieved by EMU. Expressing gratitude to everyone who contributed to the organization of the event, Prof. Dr. Kılıç conveyed hopes for a successful panel.

Following the opening speeches, Dr. Dt. Filiz Besim, Yasemin Öztürk, İzlem Gürçağ Altuğra and Ayşegül Baybars respectively shared their experiences with the audience. A question-answer session took place following the speeches of the panelists. Prof. Dr. Kılıç presented the panelists souvenirs unique to EMU.

BİRGÜL FEYZİOĞLU VISITED EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN UNIVERSITY TO DISCUSS AND CONTRIBUTE TO THE TOPIC OF CULTURAL HERITAGE



Birgül Feyzioğlu, the ambassador of the Republic of Turkey Nicosia Embassy, paid a courtesy visit to Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç on Tuesday, 12 March 2024 at 11:00 a.m. EMU Vice Rector for Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Osman Karatepe was also present during the meeting. Expressing the university's contentment on hosting Birgül Feyzioğlu, Prof.

Dr. Kılıç provided detailed information about EMU during the said visit. Adding more, Eastern Mediterranean Cultural Heritage Research Center Chair Assoc. Prof. Dr. Bülent Karaduman provided information about the country's cultural heritage and cultural assets, explaining the Kaleburnu Kral Tepesi excavation and surface research projects, which were carried out with the support of the

Development and Economic Cooperation Office of the TR Nicosia Embassy. Particularly emphasized was the evaluation of data obtained from the prehistoric periods of the island up to the end of the Ottoman period in these projects. In addition, during the visit, information was provided about the conservation and restoration efforts carried out under the roof of EMU, and possible collaborations related to education and museum studies were discussed.

On the other hand, the visitors paid a visit to EMU Movable Cultural Heritage Conservation and Restoration Laboratory, in company with EMU Faculty of Architecture's Dean Prof. Dr. Resmiye Alpar Atun, receiving information from research assistants Elif Doğru and Kemal Keledi about the restoration and conservation processes of movable cultural assets. EMU Faculty of Education academic staff member Prof. Dr. Sibel Dinçyürek also attended the said meetings. At the end of the said visit, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Kılıç presented Birgül Feyzioğlu souvenirs unique to EMU and Cyprus.

"TÜRK'ÜN ÖZÜ AKİF'İN SÖZÜ" CONFERENCE HOSTED BY EMU



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) hosted "Türk'ün Özü Akif'in Sözü" (Essence of Turks, Words of Akif) conference organized within the collaborations of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) Ministry of National Education, Republic of Turkey Nicosia Embassy, Development and Economic Collaboration Office and, Ankara Social Sciences University North Cyprus Campus. Organized on the occasion of İstiklal Marşı (Independence March) adopted on 12 March 1921, the event took place on Monday, 11 March 2024 at 10:30 at Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall.

The conference aimed to provide a better understanding of the Turkish National Anthem, İstiklal Marşı, and its poet Mehmet Akif Ersoy on the 103rd anniversary of its acceptance. The goal was to interpret the anthem and the messages of its poet within the context of the current century. The event was attended by the Famagusta Consul

General of the Republic of Turkey İlyas Çetin, the Nicosia Education Counselor of the Republic of Turkey Ekrem Toklucu, EMU Vice Rector for Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Osman Karatepe, the Chair of the Department of Turkish Language and Literature at the EMU Faculty of Arts and Sciences Prof. Dr. Adnan Akgün, faculty members, and students.

Delivering a speech at the beginning of the event, Ankara Social Sciences University, North Cyprus Campus Vice Rector Dr. Zeki Akçam stated that he is also an EMU alumni member and that he is sincerely content to be organizing an event in collaboration with EMU. Vice Rector Dr. Akçam thanked EMU for hosting the event held at Famagusta. Commenced with a Moment of Silence and the National Anthem, the event featured a presentation titled "Türk'ün Özü, Akif'in Sözü" by two prominent figures in the field of Turcology Studies, Prof. Dr. Mustafa Argunşah and Prof. Dr.

Hülya Argunşah. Expressing his contentment on being at EMU, Prof. Dr. Mustafa Argunşah stated that both him and Prof. Dr. Hülya Argunşah had served at EMU for some time and that they always take pride in their association with EMU. Prof. Dr. Mustafa Argunşah also emphasized that EMU is one of the most esteemed universities in both the island and Turkey. In their presentation, they highlighted Mehmet Akif Ersoy as the poet of the Turkish National Anthem, which has been proudly sung uninterrupted for 103 years in both Turkey and TRNC, emphasizing that the gathering was convened today to commemorate Mehmet Akif Ersoy.

At the end of the highly attended event, Prof. Dr. Karatepe and TR Nicosia Embassy, Famagusta Consul General İlyas Çetin respectively presented Prof. Dr. Mustafa Argunşah and Prof. Dr. Hülya Argunşah souvenirs unique to EMU.

EMU RECTOR PROF. DR. HASAN KILIÇ RELEASES A STATEMENT ON THE 109TH ANNIVERSARY OF 18 MARCH ÇANAKKALE VICTORY AND COMMEMORATION OF MARTYRS DAY

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kiliç released a statement on the 109th anniversary of 18 March – Çanakkale Victory and Commemoration of Martyrs Day. The statement reads of follows:

“Çanakkale Victory, also referred as the Victory of Gallipoli, which carries the significance of being a pivotal moment in world history, is the result of immense struggle and unwavering belief. This victory demonstrated to the entire world that even states with the most advanced technological weapons and vast overseas colonial empires could be defeated. Sir Edward Grey, the British Foreign Secretary of the time, emphasized the historical importance of the Victory of Çanakkale with the words: ‘No event in history has nullified plans and forecasts, or disrupted decisions and strategic rules as much as the Gallipoli Campaign did’.

The Çanakkale Victory, a great triumph won through the brilliance and foresight of

Anafartalar Group Commander, Lieutenant Colonel Mustafa Kemal, the unforgettable hero of the Gallipoli Campaign, holds immense importance in Turkish history. This victory not only spread Mustafa Kemal’s success nationwide and sowed the seeds of unwavering confidence in him but also paved the way for his future role as the leader of the Independence War. Mustafa Kemal’s command to the soldiers with depleted ammunition to ‘fix bayonets’ and his iconic words ‘I do not order you to attack, I order you to die’ have been engraved in history.

The victory achieved after a long time has shown that every struggle fought with unity and solidarity will end in victory. Thus, the spirit of the National Struggle of the Turkish nation has been revived. This spirit of struggle ensured the triumph of the War of Independence and in the subsequent period, the Turkish Nation was able to establish a new and modern state with the Principles and Reforms of Atatürk. On this important day, the



109th anniversary of 18 March Victory of Çanakkale, we commemorate Gazi Mustafa Kemal Atatürk and all the martyrs and veterans who defended our homeland, with great longing and gratitude.”

EMU VICE RECTOR PROF. DR. OSMAN M. KARATEPE RELEASES A STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF EMU-ATAUM ON THE 109TH ANNIVERSARY OF 18 MARCH ÇANAKKALE VICTORY AND COMMEMORATION OF MARTYRS DAY

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Vice Rector for Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Osman M. Karatepe released a statement on behalf of EMU Atatürk Research and Application Center (ATAUM) on the 109th anniversary of 18 March, Çanakkale Victory and Commemoration of Martyrs Day. The statement reads as follows:

“The Republic of Turkey, which celebrates its 100th anniversary today, was established as a result of a great struggle led by Mustafa Kemal Atatürk. The turning point of this struggle was the Çanakkale Battles, which consisted of naval, land, and minor air operations, and it ignited the first spark of the National Struggle. The Çanakkale Naval Victory of 18 March, 1915, holds a distinguished place in Turkish history as the first major victory won by the Ottoman Empire, once described as the ‘sick man’ by Europe, after a long period. It was a battle of life and death, where the strength of the Turks and Mustafa Kemal was demonstrated with a resounding victory over the great powers. Mustafa Kemal had the opportunity to showcase his military genius and leadership qualities in Çanakkale, earning a special place in the heart of the Turkish nation. With the trust of the Turkish people, Mustafa Kemal was crowned as the leader of the National Struggle following this success. The Çanakkale Victory paved the

way for the Independence War, the Republic, and the Reforms. The Turkish Nation, under the leadership of Mustafa Kemal, rebuilt their shattered world into a completely new order, vibrant and revitalized.

The impact of this significant conflict on Cyprus unfolded in a unique manner. Unfortunately, the reunion of Turkish Cypriots, who harbored the belief that one day they would reunite with Turkish administration, with the Turks who arrived from the mainland after a long time occurred under bitter circumstances when Turkish prisoners of war from the Çanakkale battles were brought to the Karakol Prison Camp in Famagusta by the British authorities. These Turkish prisoners endeavored to break free from captivity and reach Anatolia before being apprehended by the British. The primary support and assistance in this endeavor originated from within the Turkish Cypriot community. Notably, the Sadrazam family, presently residing in the village renamed Sadrazamköy in our community, offered aid to the prisoners in their quest to cross to Anatolia. Utilizing boats they had constructed, the Sadrazam family facilitated the escape of the Turkish prisoners. The renaming of the village to Sadrazamköy stands as a tribute to the invaluable assistance provided by this family. We hold deep



respect and gratitude for the Turkish Cypriots who selflessly supported the Çanakkale war prisoners brought from the mainland.

On the 109th anniversary of the Çanakkale Victory, we commemorate with gratitude and reverence our Great Leader Mustafa Kemal Atatürk and his comrades, who achieved a great victory for the Turkish nation.”

18 MARCH ÇANAKKALE VICTORY AND COMMEMORATION OF MARTYRS DAY EXHIBITION HELD AT EMU



Eastern Mediterranean University, Atatürk Research and Application Center (EMU-ATAUM) and EMU Atatürk Ideology Club (EMU AIC) co-organized an exhibition titled “18 March Çanakkale Victory and Commemoration of Martyrs Day” on the 109th anniversary of Çanakkale Victory. The event which was held on Monday, 18 March 2024 at 11:00 a.m. at Rector’s Office building entrance area was attended by EMU Vice Rector for Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Osman M. Karatepe, Vice Rector for Promotion and Institutional Communication Prof. Dr. Ali Öztüren, Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Sonuç Zorlu, department heads and many students.

The event commenced with a Moment of Silence and National Anthem followed by EMU AIC Chair Yağmur Gözder’s speech.

Stating that they gathered to celebrate the 109th year of victory of Çanakkale and to commemorate the martyrs, Gözder welcomed everyone attending the event. Gözder also noted that the martyrs who sadly lost their lives on 18 March 1915 are remembered with respect.

EMU-ATAUM member and academic staff member Dr. Devran Kaya provided information about the Victory of Çanakkale, highlighting its importance in terms of world history as well as history of Turkey. Noting that a great struggle was put up during the Gallipoli War, Dr. Kaya stated that the war acts as a turning point in world history. Dr. Kaya emphasized that the 18 March, Çanakkale Victory, is considered as the prologue of the War of Independence. Moreover, Dr. Kaya stated that we commemorate Mustafa Kemal

Atatürk and the martyrs who lost their lives for the sake of the homeland, with respect and gratitude. Also addressing the participants, EMU Vice Rector Prof. Dr. Osman M. Karatepe reminded the saying of; “Stop, traveler! This soil you tread unknowingly is where an era has ended. Bow down and listen, this silent heap is where the heart of the homeland beats” and said that this sentence emphasizes the importance of Çanakkale Victory. Prof. Dr. Karatepe conveyed that the decisions made by Mustafa Kemal Atatürk as a commander played a significant role in achieving victory, while also expressing our gratitude and respect for the martyrs. Following the opening speeches, the exhibition was visited. Materials collected from the Çanakkale Battlefield were also displayed at the exhibition.



EMU DR. FAZIL KÜÇÜK MEDICINE FACULTY ORGANISES ACTIVITIES FOR 14 MARCH MEDICINE DAY



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Dr. Fazıl Küçük Medicine Faculty and Marmara University International Joint Medicine Program organized an event on Thursday, 14 March 2024, on the occasion of Medicine Day which is observed every year on the 14th of March in the Republic of Turkey, documenting the problems encountered by healthcare professionals as well as emphasizing their contributions to science and society. The said event took place at 03:00 p.m. at Dr. Fazıl Küçük Medicine Faculty Amphitheatre.

EMU Vice Rector for Promotion and Institutional Communication Prof. Dr. Ali Öztüren, Faculty of Pharmacy Dean Prof. Dr. H. Ozan Gülcan, Faculty of Medicine Acting Dean Assist. Prof. Dr. N. İlke Akçay and Dr. Fazıl Küçük Medicine Faculty academic staff members and students attended the event.

Commenced with a Moment of Silence and National Anthem, the event continued with the speech of Faculty student representative Barış Ali Ömer on behalf of all fellow medicine students, reflection their reviews on the topic. Stating that 14 March observance is a special day both for medicine students and physicians, Ömer highlighted that 14 March is also the birthdays of both İbn-i Sina and Dr. Fazıl Küçük who significantly contributed to today's medical science. Ömer wished that 14 March Medicine Day to remind everyone the devotion to healthcare services and the respect towards the profession.

Delivering a speech, Acting Dean Assist. Prof. Dr. Akçay celebrated the day of physicians and future doctors. Mentioning that the said

date is considered as the beginning of modern medical education, Assist. Prof. Dr. Akçay provided historical information about the 14 March Medicine Day. Emphasizing that 14 March Medicine Day is a national celebration, Assist. Prof. Dr. Akçay expressed pride in the fact that they are at a faculty named after Dr. Fazıl Küçük, an internist and an important leader for the Turkish Cypriot community. Mentioning that people can gain experience from their mistakes in any profession, Assist. Prof. Dr. Akçay stated that while in other professions the cost of a mistake may be financial, in the medical profession, there is no room for error, and the cost of a mistake could be human life. Addressing the students, Assist. Prof. Dr. Akçay said, "Be aware of the responsibility you carry, and hang on your professors' words who are ready to share their experiences with you. On this occasion, I wholeheartedly congratulate all doctors, aspiring doctors, and the faculty members who share their knowledge to train them with dedication, sacrifice, and love required by the medical profession, despite all the difficult circumstances."

EMU Vice Rector Prof. Dr. Öztüren also addressed the audience, expressing gratitude to all physicians, healthcare professionals and academic personnel members who work selflessly for human health. Moreover, Prof. Dr. Öztüren emphasized the importance attached to health and medical training by EMU. Prof. Dr. Öztüren stressed the relentless efforts of the Dr. Fazıl Küçük Medicine Faculty, highlighting its well-equipped infrastructure, experienced faculty, and modern educational approach, as he extended his

wishes to all doctors and aspiring doctors. Addressing the faculty members and students of the Dr. Fazıl Küçük Medicine Faculty, Prof. Dr. Öztüren stated, "With your knowledge, experience, and dedicated efforts, the Faculty of Medicine and healthcare field at EMU hold significant importance. You are laying the foundation for the future generation of healthcare professionals with your scientific research, innovative perspectives, and the values you impart to students. We are grateful to you. Dear students, being a part of the Faculty of Medicine is the first step towards distributing healing and making a significant difference for humanity. You are idealistic, determined, and future-oriented youth who have embarked on this sacred path. You are undergoing a challenging educational journey, and we have full confidence in your ability to complete it successfully. Medicine is not just about knowledge and skills; it is also a sacred profession that requires love for humanity, empathy, and great responsibility. At EMU, we are committed to nurturing our students not only academically but also as individuals with ethical values and social awareness. We are determined to build a better future in the field of healthcare with the opportunities we provide at EMU. Wishing you all a healthy and happy future, I extend my congratulations on the occasion of 14 March Medicine Day".

Following the opening speeches, Dr. Fazıl Küçük Medicine Faculty academic staff member Assist. Prof. Dr. Halil Eren Sakallı delivered a presentation titled "From a Doctor's Point of View: 14 March Medicine Day".

EMU RECTOR PROF. DR. HASAN KILIÇ'S 14 MARCH MEDICINE DAY MESSAGE

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç released a message on the occasion on 14 March, Medicine Day. Prof. Dr. Kılıç's message reads as follows:

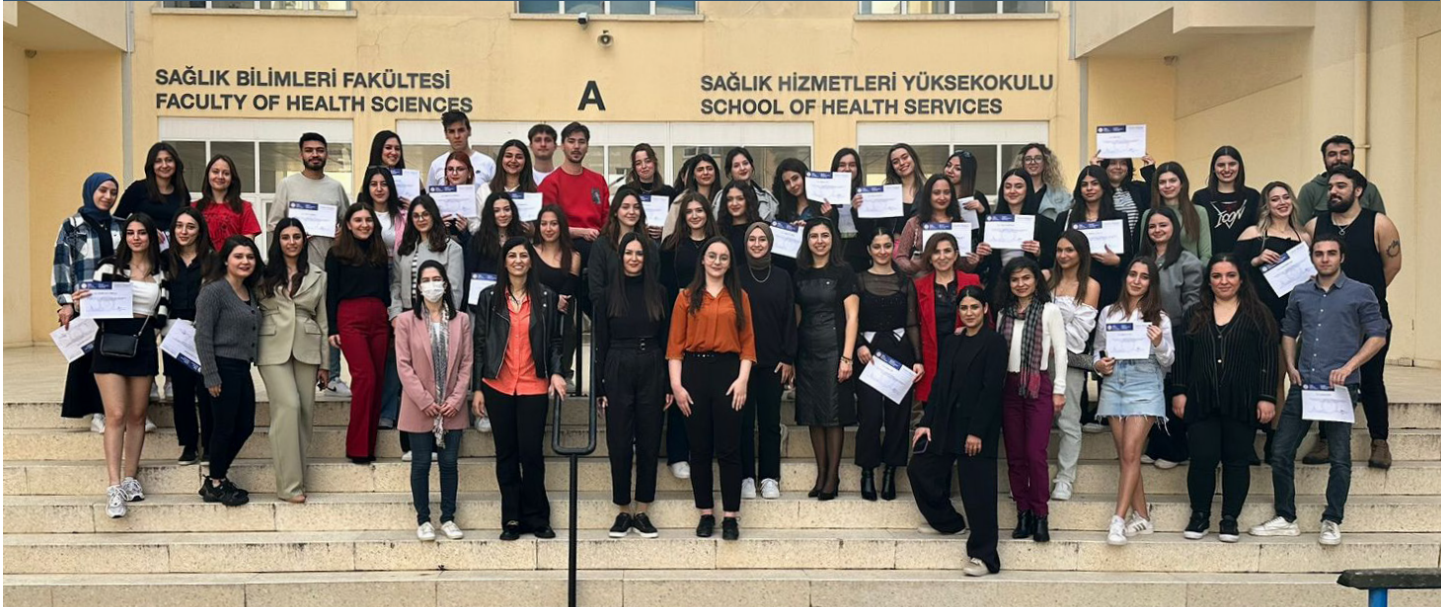
“Health is undoubtedly one of the most importance values for humanity. Our greatest desire and ultimate wish is to live a healthy life. Our healthcare professionals, including physicians and all healthcare personnel, engage in one of the most demanding, altruistic, and profoundly accountable vocations worldwide. They steadfastly dedicate themselves to public health, forfeiting their personal lives around the clock, and diligently endeavor to provide healing support during the most challenging circumstances. These healthcare professionals, recognized for their profound influence on human well-being, consistently relinquish their personal time and family

commitments to preserve lives on a daily basis. Within the scope of the Joint Medicine Program with Marmara University offered at EMU Dr. Fazıl Küçük Medicine Faculty, physicians are trained to be globally aware of health issues, inquisitive, closely following advancements in science to contribute to universal knowledge production, ethically conscious, possessing high analytical abilities, and capable of converting technology into knowledge.

In this context, I extend my sincerest wishes to all our physicians, healthcare professionals, our staff members serving in this field within our university, and our students who will become future healthcare professionals, on the occasion of 14 March Medicine Day, with the hope that they can practice their profession in more prosperous environments devoid of violence.”



EMU DEPARTMENT OF NUTRITION AND DIETETICS ORGANIZES INTERCULTURAL FOOD FESTIVAL



This year, the 4th event of annual Intercultural Food Festival organized by the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Health Sciences Faculty, Department of Nutrition and Dietetics took place on Thursday, 7 March 2024 between 12:30 p.m. and 02:00 p.m. at Health Sciences Faculty A Block – Main Entrance area.

The said event aimed to give Department of Nutrition and Dietetics students a chance to socialize with fellow students by

introducing the traditional food and culture of their home countries. Total of 60 students from different countries attended the event, introducing 21 different cultural dishes. Within the scope of the event, volunteering students introduced the food that they had prepared at home, with their coordinators, Department of Nutrition and Dietetics academic staff members Assist. Prof. Dr. Fatma Hülyam Eren and Assist. Prof. Dr. Begüm Harmancıoğlu. Volunteering students also handed out posters and

brochures they designed which provided additional information on each specific dish. The brochures included the recipe of the dish, its ingredients and, the nutritional value of each 100 grams portion of that specific dish. Attended by approximately 200 people, the event ended with the presentation of certificates of participation by Health Sciences Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Mehtap Malkoç and Nutrition and Dietetics Department Chair Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ceren Gezer.

EMU MECHANICAL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT MEMBERS PROVIDE TRAINING TO KTMMO MEMBERS

“The Basics of Energy Management” training was provided to the Chamber of Cyprus Turkish Mechanical Engineers (KTMMO) within the scope of the collaboration between the KTMMO, Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Faculty of Engineering, Mechanical Engineering Department, EMU Energy Research Center and, EMU Continuous Education Center.

Within the scope of the 8-hour training session, EMU Mechanical Engineering Department academic staff members Prof. Dr. Uğur Atikol, Prof. Dr. Hasan Hacısevki and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Murat Özdenefe conveyed information to KTMMO active members on topics such as the importance energy management, improvements in old systems used in electricity and lighting, heating, cooling, and ventilation, energy efficiency, energy audits, and economic decisions.

Furthermore, topics such as measurement of thermal transmittance coefficient, use of thermal cameras, thermal environmental conditions and comfort measurement, and usage of energy analyzers were included among the training subjects provided to the members.



EMU MECHANICAL ENGINEERING STUDENTS SUPPORT THE SECTOR



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Faculty of Engineering, Mechanical Engineering Department students developed a device for Famagusta Shipyards that will collect solid waste and oil from the surface of the sea. Following the meetings held in May 2023, Famagusta Shipyards asked EMU Mechanical Engineering Department to develop a device to be used by the shipyard to collect solid waste and oil from the surface of the sea.

In the meetings held with EMU Mechanical Engineering Department and the authorities of Famagusta Shipyards, it was decided that the device would be developed by the students of Mechanical Engineering department within

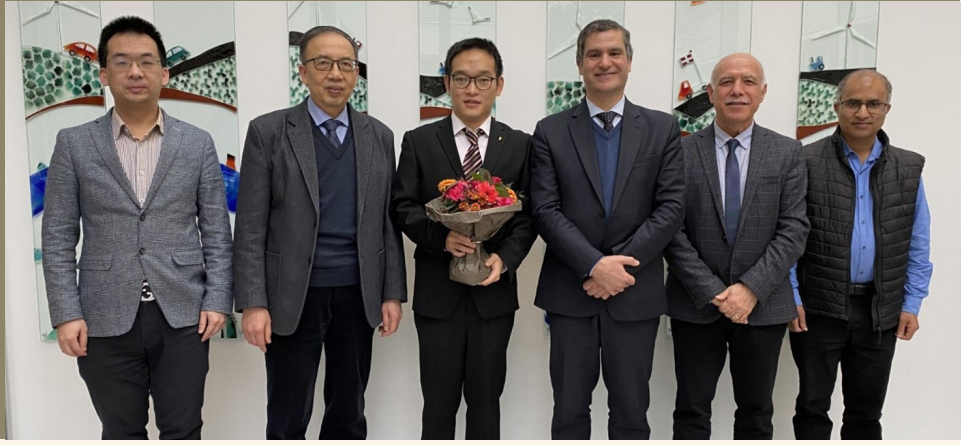
the scope of summer internship and graduation projects in accordance with the curriculum, on the condition that Famagusta Shipyards would be providing financial and material support to the students.

In this context, EMU Mechanical and Mechatronics Engineering Program students Doğukan Birdal, Mehmet Ali Şahin, Blessing Meck, Mohammed Abdelgadir and Simanur Katal started working on developing the device under the coordination of Mechanical Engineering Department academic staff members Prof. Dr. Qasim Zeeshan and Dr. Cafer Kızılör. Students got to know the working environment at the Famagusta

Shipyards during summer 2023 where they completed their summer internships.

In the 2023 – 2024 Academic Year Fall Semester, the students produced a prototype after finalizing the conceptual design of the device in the Graduation Project-I course. Then, the prototype was successfully presented to the Famagusta Shipyards on 21 February, 2024. Following the approval of the shipyard to produce the prototype in actual size, the students commenced the actual-size production of the device during 2023 – 2024 Spring Semester within the scope of the Graduation Project-II course.

EMU ACADEMIC PERSONNEL MEMBER PROF. DR. HASAN KÖMÜRCÜGİL ATTENDS IN DOCTORAL JURY IN AALBORG UNIVERSITY, DENMARK AS AN EXTERNAL EXAMINER



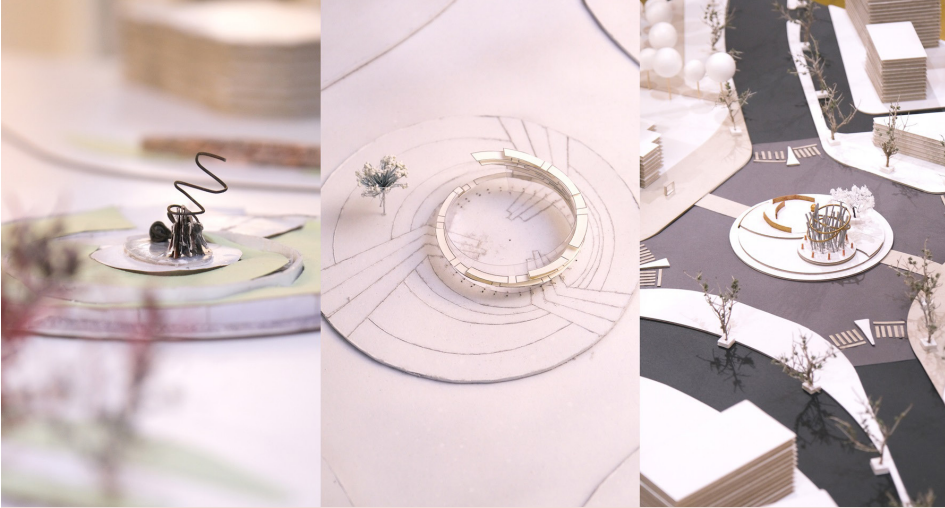
Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Faculty of Engineering, Computer Engineering Department academic staff member Prof. Dr. Hasan Kömürçügil successfully represented EMU in Denmark, attending in a PhD jury as an invited external examiner in Aalborg University.

Along with Prof. Dr. Kömürçügil, Prof. Dr. Zhe Chen from China, Prof. Dr. Antonio Cardoso from Portugal, Prof. Dr. Yanbo Wang from China and Prof. Dr. Sanjay Chaudhary from India were in the evaluation committee. The PhD evaluation committee members conducted an online analysis on the doctoral thesis titled

“The Operation, Stability Analysis and Active Damping of Multi-Port Converter-Based DC Traction Power Systems”, three weeks prior to the actual doctoral thesis jury. Following the online analysis, jury members have prepared a report documenting whether the said thesis is sufficient for a doctoral degree and presented it to the authorities of Aalborg University. Aalborg University is one of the top universities in Europe in the field of power electronics. Studies at this university generally focus on electricity generation using wind turbines, solar energy, and fuel cells. Additionally, the university in question hosts leading scientists in smart grids and energy storage.

Prof. Dr. Kömürçügil also delivered a presentation titled “Sliding Mode Control and Its Applications in Power Converters” for the academic personnel members of Faculty of Energy at Aalborg University, detailing both the advantages of the Sliding Mode Control method and introducing the applications of this method in different power converters as featured in the book titled “Advanced Control of Power Converters: Techniques and Matlab/Simulink Implementation”, published by IEEE Press-Wiley in 2023. Information regarding the said presentation is accessible at <https://www.energy.aau.dk/2024-03-06-1-e105108> link.

EMU FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE ACHIEVES ELATING SUCCESS IN CHAMPION ANGELS MONUMENT COMPETITION



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Faculty of Architecture was awarded with second place, third place and jury special award in the Champion Angels Association, Angels Monument - National Architecture, Landscape and Plastic Artworks Competition organized with the collaborations of the Union of the Chambers of Cyprus Turkish Engineers and Architects (KTMMOB), Municipality of Famagusta and Champion Angels Association.

Supported with the broad participation of EMU Faculty of Architecture, the competition was organized in memory of Champion Angels who sadly passed away in the 6 February earthquake disaster, deeply affecting the entire country. Within the scope this meaningful competition, total of 11 projects taken under review following the evaluations conducted on 26 February

2024. On 29 February 2024, an exclusive event and colloquium were held at the Famagusta Open Market Building, attended by relevant stakeholders, where the winners were awarded in the presence of the public, and the results of the competition were announced. Additionally, the entries were exhibited during the event.

EMU Faculty of Architecture's Dean Takes Part in the Jury

The full members of the jury consisted of Burhan Atun (Architect, Foreman), Abide Başman Eryaşar (Architect, Municipality of Famagusta), Ali Öznur (City Planner, Department of City Planning), Gülizar Eroğlu (Landscape Architect), Ruzen Atakan (Artist), Prof. Dr. Uğur Ulaş Dağlı (Architect, MAKEMÜD) and, İbrahim Göymen (Civil Engineer). Along with

the full members, esteemed individuals, such as EMU Faculty of Architecture's Dean Prof. Dr. Resmiye Alpar Atun, participated in the jury. Stating the great interest in the competition throughout Northern Cyprus, Prof. Dr. Atun emphasized the significant support from the EMU Faculty of Architecture academic staff members, both in terms of participation and securing three out of the top four rankings. Moreover Prof. Dr. Atun expressed that the sensitivity and responsibility shown by the Faculty of Architecture not only demonstrate the university's interaction with the city but also signify support for all processes related to the ongoing and future initiatives for the Champion Angels. Professor Dr. Atun also stated, “Champion Angels are our shared responsibility, and ISIAS is our shared cause”.

EMU Faculty of Architecture members; Prof. Dr. Özlem Olgaç participated in the team winning the second place award, on the other hand, Prof. Dr. Şebnem Hoşkara, Prof. Dr. Beser Oktay Vehbi, Prof. Dr. Mukaddes Polay, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Müge Rıza, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ege Uluca Tümer, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ercan Hoşkara and Senior Instructor Dr. Leyla Çınar were in the team which received the third place award. Adding more, Assist. Prof. Dr. Pınar Uluçay Righelato and Senior Instructor Bahar Uluçay participated in the team that received jury special award. Talking on the topic, Prof. Dr. Resmiye Alpar Atun said; “We congratulate all our staff members who received awards and everyone who contributed to the competition, wishing the continuity of their success. Furthermore, we also congratulate our precious students who have supported the process. We express our gratitude to everyone who has put their efforts during the process”. All the projects which participated in the competition will be on exhibition at Nicosia Atatürk Culture Center (AKM) between 6 and 20 April, 2024.

“THE VARIETIES OF PEACE: HOW IS IT CONCEPTUALIZED AND ANALYZED?” SEMINAR HELD AT EMU

A seminar titled “The Varieties of Peace: How Is It Conceptualized and Analyzed?” was held within the collaborations of Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Cyprus Policy Center (CPC) and EMU Business and Economics Faculty, Political Science and International Relations Department. The opening speech of the seminar was delivered by EMU Political Science and International Relations Department PhD student and CPC research assistant Hatice Savoğlu. Furthermore, Political Science professor Dr. Anna Jarstad from Uppsala University attended the event as a guest speaker.

Dr. Anna Jarstad began her speech by explaining the difference between positive peace and negative peace. Negative peace refers to the absence of armed conflict, whereas positive peace signifies the absence of structural violence and the presence of social justice. To reinforce her explanations, Dr. Anna Jarstad discussed how local peace can be achieved using the example of North Mitrovica and also

mentioned her edited book titled ‘Rational Peace Practices’. Jarstad expressed that this book provides a framework for examining peace rationally and explained how the content of the book illustrates how peace at one level can influence another level of rationality. Dr. Jarstad emphasized the importance of asking who is in peace rather than where peace is. She stated that the conditions for the existence of peace include negotiation, non-domination, cooperation, recognition, trust, and friendship. Dr. Jarstad concluded her speech by explaining that peace and war can coexist.

Attended by many, the event continued with a question-answer session moderated by CPC research assistant Hatice Savoğlu. Dr. Anna Jarstad provided answers for the questions, explaining how peace can be achieved based on research experiences by drawing examples from countries with long-standing conflicts like Cyprus.



APPLIED EARTHQUAKE AWARENESS TRAINING HELD WITHIN THE COLLABORATIONS OF EMU COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT CENTER AND RESEARCH AND RESCUE CLUB

On the occasion of earthquake week, the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Community Involvement Center and Search and Rescue Club (EMU-SAR) operating under the Social and Cultural Activities Directorate co-organized an Applied Earthquake Awareness Training on Wednesday, 6 March 2024. The event hosted by Faculty of Tourism received great interest from tourism, civil aviation, culinary arts students as well as other students from various faculties.

Delivering the opening speech of the event, the Chairperson of the Community Involvement Center Assist. Prof. Dr. Nazenin Ruso Kandemir thanked everyone attending the event, wishing the event to be beneficial for all.

The event commenced with an introductory presentation by EMU-SAR instructor Muhammed Kağan Gür. By providing training with his team and through practical exercises and visual aids, Gür contributed to the creation of disaster awareness among students. In the presentation, he focused on what should and should not be done before, during, and after an earthquake, emphasizing



the importance of earthquake preparedness. Gür also provided explanations about what should be included in an earthquake survival kit. Highlighting the significance of the ‘drop, cover, and hold on’ approach, Gür emphasized the importance of avoiding places like under tables, beams, elevators, stairs, and balconies during an earthquake, and underscored the importance of dropping, covering, and holding on to places like beside a table to take advantage of the life-saving triangle of survival. Furthermore, Gür emphasized the importance of

remaining calm during and after an earthquake, stating that it can protect individuals from many dangers

During the earthquake drill held within the scope of the event, students were evacuated by EMU-SAR and taken to Faculty of Tourism emergency state meeting area. At the end of the event, Gür and his team were presented certificated of appreciation by Faculty of Tourism’s Dean Assist. Prof. Dr. İlkey Yorgancı.

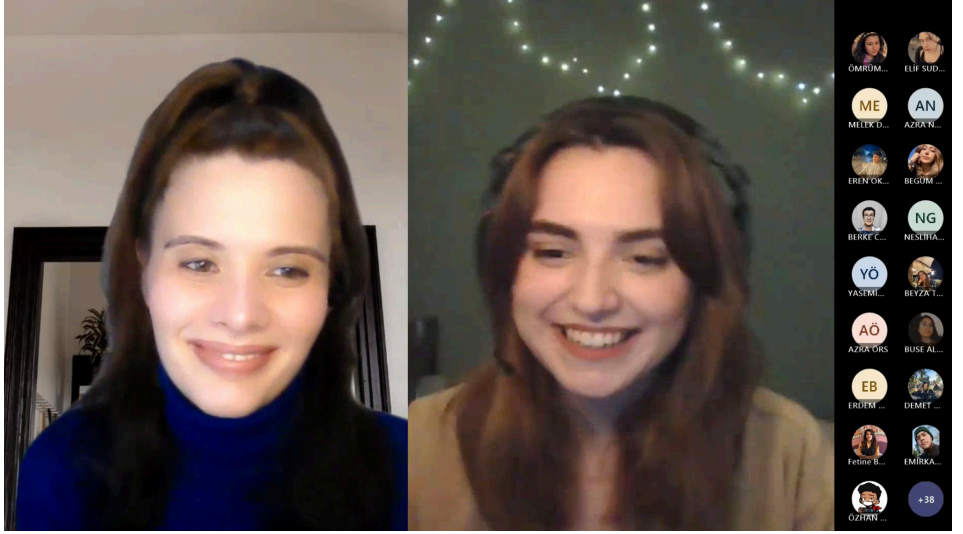


“WOMEN IN TECH” WEBINAR HELD AT EMU ON 8 MARCH INTERNATIONAL WOMEN’S DAY

Software and Artificial Intelligence Development Club operating under the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Social and Cultural Activities Directorate organized a webinar on the occasion of 8 March, International Women’s Day. The said webinar took place on Friday, 8 March 2024 at 06:00 p.m.

Senior Software Engineer from Doğu Technology Kardel Rüveyda Çetin delivered a presentation, sharing her experiences as a software engineer during the webinar which aimed to celebrate, emphasize, increase the potential, support and create awareness on the international role of women in technology.

At the event, Çetin provided insights into success strategies and challenges in the



software industry, allowing participants to ask questions and receive direct answers in an interactive environment. Through the presentation, Çetin also shared significant

experiences from her career in the software field. At the end of the event, Çetin was thanked for sharing valuable information to the participants.

EMU SOFTWARE AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE CLUB DEVELOPS E-CERTIFICATE APPLICATION

Software and Artificial Intelligence Development Club operating under the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Social and Cultural Activities Directorate developed an e-certificate application. Club executive board members Mehmet Oktar Önder, Kaan Acar and Elifnaz Çelik digitalized the certificate system of Social and Cultural Activities Directorate, by developing an environment-friendly application titled “Sendificate”. With this innovative step of the students, the directorate will be able to send electronic participation and appreciation certificates, in a fast and safe way.

By digitalizing the certificates, Sendificate application minimizes paper waste and offers an environment-friendly method. With the application, the duration of certificate process not only is shortened with the use of the application, but also it offers a safer and more accessible platform. EMU Faculty of Engineering, Software Engineering club members stated that they are extremely happy to be contributing to their university by developing an innovative application. The students also noted that they aim to carry out similar project in the future, and that their vision is to be leaders in the field of technology and sustainability.

Expressing that the students have developed an environment-friendly application, EMU Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Sonuç Zorlu congratulated club members for their achievement. Prof. Dr. Zorlu presented appreciation plaques to executive board members of the club.



“FROM YOUTH TO MELODIES”

COMMEMORATIVE CONCERT HELD IN COLLABORATIONS OF EMU AND
CYPRUS POLYPHONIC CHOIRS ASSOCIATION



Within the collaborations of Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) and Cyprus Polyphonic Choirs Association, “From Youth to Melodies” concert was held in memory of Doruk Akın and Alp Akın, members of Champion Angels Team who sadly passed away in the 6 February 2023, Kahramanmaraş-centered earthquake disaster. The event, which took place on Saturday, 16 March 2024 at 07:30 p.m. at Rauf Raif Denktaş Culture and Congress Center, was free-of-charge and open to the public. EMU Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Sonuç Zorlu attended the event alongside the other participants.

Attended by many, the event consisted of performances delivered by Ada Işığlı Children’s Choir, Ada Işığlı Youth Vocal Society and Young Talents Production Orchestra. EMU Faculty of Education, Fine Arts Education Department, Music Teaching Program academic staff member and Choir Master Erkan Dağlı acted as the choir cantor

and, Maestro Ersin Kaşif conducted the orchestra during the emotional evening. Playing the piano during the night, Uliana Öztumur was accompanied by music recitals of Simay Vechi and Havva Özdemir. Delivering an opening speech, Cyprus Polyphonic Choirs Association Chairperson Rana Uluçay thanked everyone attending the event organized in memory of Champion Angels Team members, Doruk Akın and Alp Akın. Uluçay provided information on Champion Angels and the process of the lawsuit. Adding more, Uluçay mentioned that Doruk Akın and Alp Akın’s younger sister is also a member of Ada Işığlı Children’s Choir.

In the event, Ada Işığlı Children’s Choir performed various children songs, on the other hand, Ada Işığlı Youth Vocal Society performed polyphonic choir works in foreign languages. Moreover, Young Talents Production Orchestra performed a variety of orchestra art from different eras. Lastly, “Ey Özgürlük” song by famous composer Zülfi



Livaneli was performed by the orchestra, soloists and choir master Erkan Dağlı.

Nicosia Anatolian Fine Arts High School students Cemre Nur Güveloğlu, İlayda Avaracı, Mercan Tekeli and Mustafa Kayhan performed painting live painting on stage during the concert. The paintings created during the event were delivered to Ayşe Güler Akın, the mother of Doruk Akın and Alp Akın, who is a member of the Champion Angels Association.





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