

## EMU SUCCESSFULLY PASSES ISO 9001 QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, ISO 10002 STUDENT SATISFACTION SYSTEM AND ISO 45001 OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY 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 25-29 March, 2024, 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 operating under the Vice Rector's Office for Academic Affairs, and completed by a 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 29 March, 2024, Friday at 11:30 a.m., a Closing Meeting was held at the EMU Senate Meeting Hall, attended by EMU General Secretary Rıza Çinkılıç, Academic Affairs Coordinator Assist. Prof. Dr. Burak Ali Çiçek and Hocanın, TSE Auditors Lütfiye Berber and Çetin Aygün, 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. Speaking at the Closing Meeting, TSE Auditor Lütfiye Berber stated that all the inspections had been completed and thanked EMU for their hospitality. Berber emphasized that without the support of the upper management, the system cannot function properly, noting that at EMU, the support of the upper management is evident, and employees should similarly support each other to strengthen the chain. Providing explanations about the strategic plan, Berber emphasized the importance



of the strategic plan and discussed the findings obtained. TSE Auditor Çetin Aygün shared the findings obtained from the audits with the participants in his speech. Aygün also expressed his thanks to EMU for their hospitality.

# 60<sup>TH</sup> LIBRARY WEEK CELEBRATED



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Özyay Oral Library celebrated the 60th Library Week by organizing a book reading event and an award ceremony on Wednesday, 27 March 2024 at 11:00 a.m. at the Özyay Oral Library garden. The event held with the slogan of “We Read Books for a Sustainable World” was attended by EMU Board of Trustees (VYK) members Ersun Kutup and Hasan Esen, EMU Vice Rector for Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Osman Karatepe, Vice Rector for Promotion and Institutional Communication Prof. Dr. Ai Öztüren, Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Sonuç Zorlu, EMU Özyay Oral Library Director Osman Soykan, academic and administrative personnel, and students.

### “Has the Widest Academic Collection”

Güvercinlik Rauf Raif Denктаş Primary School 3rd and 4th grade students and their teachers also attended the event. Delivering an opening speech, EMU Özyay Oral Library Director Osman Soykan expressed that the “Library Week” is observed in the week commencing with the last Monday of March every year. The celebration of the week as “Library Week” was officially recognized by the Ministries of National Education in Turkey

in 1964 and in our country in 1996. Stating that the aim of the week is to emphasize the value of books and reading and, to raise awareness about the importance of libraries for societies, Soykan highlighted that the role of the university libraries is to focus more on facilitating users’ access to information rather than physically possessing it. Noting that the Eastern Mediterranean University, Özyay Oral Library is one of the prominent libraries, offering effective information services with the widest academic collections in our region and country, Soykan provided information about EMU Özyay Oral Library and the opportunities it offers. On this occasion, Soykan extended his best wishes to all librarians and library enthusiasts and, wished our society many days filled with books.

### “The More We Read, the More Beautiful Our Souls Become”

Addressing the audience, Vice Rector for Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Karatepe expressed his gratitude to Güvercinlik Rauf Raif Denктаş Primary School for their attendance and support, and stated that reading, in fact, is a habit which should be brought into a family while raising children. Expressing that reading is the enemy

of ignorance and bigotry, Prof. Dr. Karatepe stated that the fight against blind beliefs based on rote memorization cannot be achieved without reading. Highlighting the importance of reading habits, Prof. Dr. Karatepe used the phrase ‘The more we read, the more beautiful our souls become’. Furthermore, Prof. Dr. Karatepe noted that the benefits of reading and learning not only advance individuals and societies, but also provide opportunities for decision-making and problem-solving in daily life. Additionally, Prof. Dr. Karatepe mentioned being a researcher who extensively utilizes the EMU Özyay Oral Library, emphasizing that it is one of the rich and database-strong libraries.

Following the opening speeches, Prof. Dr. Karatepe presented an appreciation plaque to Güvercinlik Rauf Raif Denктаş Primary School Director İffet Sarper. On the other hand, Sarper presented flowers to Prof. Dr. Karatepe. Within the scope of the ceremony, top four students borrowing the most books from the Özyay Oral Library during 2023 were presented with awards and appreciation certificates. The top ranking student was Engineering Faculty undergraduate student Emircan Karakoç with 61 books followed by Engineering Faculty postgraduate student Maria Nebesnaia with 36 books. The third ranked student was postgraduate student İbrahim Kurt from Business and Economic Department, borrowing 34 books in the year of 2023. Lastly, Health Sciences Faculty undergraduate student Bedriye Ökmen was ranked as the fourth student with 29 books borrowed. Following the presentation of awards, a 30-minute book reading event was held at the Özyay Oral Library garden.



## FACULTY OF EDUCATION, ELEMENTARY EDUCATION DEPARTMENT STUDENTS HELD CREATIVE THINKING EVENTS

A series of events on creative thinking were organized within the scope of the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Elementary Education Department, Early Childhood Education master's program course, OÖEG 506 – Creativity and Aesthetic Development in Early Childhood, carried out by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Eda Yazgın.

In the first session of the events, a talk event was held with Installation artist Serap Kanay, interactively discussing art with postgraduate students. Firstly sharing the milestones in her career journey, Serap Kanay emphasized the importance of accurate training as well as roles of effort and hard-work in realizing goals. Participated in various national and international organizations with her artworks, the artist also provided information about her ethnographic research within the framework of his origin research studies. At the end of the talk event, the participating students expressed that they were deeply impressed and inspired by the unwavering, resilient, and determined attitude, and relentless efforts of artist Serap Kanay throughout her professional education life in England, and her willingness to push boundaries and conditions to improve her skills. Thanking Serap Kanay after the meaningful and beneficial event, the students visited the group exhibition titled 'States of Femininity', which includes the artist's works, and the exhibition



titled 'Portraits, Styles, and Stories' in the EMU Art Collection at the Rauf Raif Denктаş Culture and Congress Center. During the technical trip organized by the course coordinator Assoc. Prof. Dr. Eda Yazgın, EMU Art Coordinator and Sculpture Artist Zehra Şonya guided the students. Receiving technical information from Şonya on how to analyze artworks, the students interpreted the artworks, getting information on the materials as well as design process of the artists. At the end of the technical trip, the students expressed that they gained an important experience in creating out-of-school learning environments with children and supporting the development of their creative thinking

processes with creative, motivating, and skill-enhancing activities. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Eda Yazgın emphasized the high importance given to creative thinking education, one of the top three skills of the 21st century in teacher training programs, and highlighted that they provide students with experiential opportunities in this regard. Expressing their gratitude to the artists who contributed and supported, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Yazgın stated that they aim for students to be equipped to create active and enriched learning environments based on contemporary educational approaches in art and play for children in Elementary Education by preparing similar environments for their own students in the future.

## ÖZAY ORAL LIBRARY DIRECTOR OSMAN SOYKAN'S STATEMENT ON LIBRARY WEEK

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Özay Oral Library Director Osman Soykan released a statement on the occasion of 60th Library Week. The statement reads as follows:

The 60th Library Week is being celebrated this year, between the 25th and 31st of March, 2024, in Turkey and our country. The "Library Week" is observed in the week commencing with the last Monday of March every year. The celebration of the week as "Library Week" was officially recognized by the Ministries of National Education in Turkey in 1964 and in our country in 1996. The aim of the week is to emphasize the value of books and reading and, to raise awareness about the importance of libraries for societies.

"Information" is an irreplaceable value of our era. Societies that place importance on knowledge, adhere to scientific principles, and embrace science as their compass are consistently progressing in the realms of science and technology. This progress has a beneficial impact on both the quality of intellectual life and economic well-being.

Today, the university libraries, especially with the utilization of internet technology, have evolved beyond being mere repositories of information to also serve as information portals that connect researchers with new sources of information. University libraries are now focusing more on facilitating users' access to information rather than physically possessing it, emphasizing

knowledge organization. Consequently, interlibrary collaboration has gained significant importance. This new library policy grants the researchers unrestricted access to information, transcending spatial constraints. The new mission of the 21st century university library is to guide users in accessing information in all formats without limitations.

As it is an important week for all libraries, the 60th Library Week also holds a special place for EMU Özay Oral Library. Our library is one of the prominent libraries, offering effective information services with the widest academic collections in our region and country.

With its approximately 170,000 hard copy books, 10,000s of electronic journal memberships and nearly 320,000 e-book collections, our library serves in a way to support Eastern Mediterranean University, a prominent higher education institution in both our country as well as all around the world, reach its educational goals. Thanks to our library's memberships in online databases, along with thousands of electronic journals and books, online copies of conference papers, thesis, reports, evaluation records, statistical data, study journals, standards bibliographic records and similar materials can be accessed by our researchers.

With its efficient information services and extensive collections, our library remains as an indispensable source supporting our university's contemporary, innovative, progressive and student-oriented educational



approach. Alongside with our University's academic personnel members and students, our library opens its doors to world researchers and members of the society. In this context, we invite and encourage our community to read books and benefit from the services offered by our library.

Individuals wishing to obtain more information about EMU Özay Oral Library can visit our website (<http://library.emu.edu.tr>).

On this occasion, I extend my best wishes to all librarians and library enthusiasts and, wish our society many days filled with books.

## HEALTH SCIENCES FACULTY ACADEMIC STAFF MEMBERS HELD SEXUAL HEALTH EDUCATION FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) organized a training titled 'Sexual Health Education for Individuals with Special Needs' in collaboration with Turkish Municipality of Nicosia and Cyprus Psychologists Association. The World Health Organization has defined

sexual health as an integral part of overall health that begins with birth and ends with death, recommending that individuals from all segments of society receive specialized professional sexual health education tailored to their needs. In this sense, the first module of the designed

training was held at the Turkish Municipality of Nicosia, Solidarity and Education Center with the participation of families with children with special needs. The training, based on a multidisciplinary approach and interinstitutional collaboration, featured speakers including Çelen Çağansoy from the Nondiscriminatory Nicosia Unit of the Turkish Municipality of Nicosia, EMU Health Sciences Faculty academic staff members Assoc. Prof. Dr. Rojgin Mamuk, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nezire İnce, Dr. Çisel Demiralp Övgün, and Clinical Psychologist Eşmen Tatlıcalı from the Cyprus Psychologists Association and Clinical Psychologist Bleda Tilki. In the four-session interactive training, the importance of sexual health, the psychological and behavioral aspects of sexual health for individuals with special needs, as well as the dimensions of nutrition and physical activity, were discussed. At the end of the training, families expressed their satisfaction and their hopes for the widespread implementation of this organization across the island. The second module of the training, intended for adult individuals with special needs, is planned to be held on 25 April, 2024 in Nicosia.

## IMPORTANT MEMBERSHIP FROM PHYSIOTHERAPY AND REHABILITATION DEPARTMENT CHAIR PROF. DR. MITAT KOZ



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Health Sciences Faculty, Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation Department Chair Prof. Dr. Mitat Koz has been elected as a member of the Gender Equality Commission of the International University Sports Federation (FISU) at the meeting held in Lausanne, upon the proposal of the Turkish University Sports Federation. Since its founding in 1949, the

International University Sports Federation is the key driver to expand the role and reach of university sport around the world. FISU believes that sports values and sports practice work in perfect synchronicity within one's university studies. The health, wellbeing, and experiences that students gain from sport help them become active members in our global society. FISU organizes world-class sports and educational events, all with the mission of providing university students with the opportunities to connect and exchange with students from around the world, in a collaborative and competitive environment. Alongside the annual world championships held in many sports disciplines, the summer and winter University Olympics (Universiades), held every two years, are the largest events organized by FISU.

Turkey University Sports Federation (TUSF) is a FISU member. Prof. Dr. Mitat Koz is also the Chairperson of TUSF Ethics Board. The Gender Equality Commission of FISU aims to apply the principle of gender equality and thus fully represent the values of university sports and the global values of our modern society by promoting, supporting, and enhancing the presence of women both on and off

the field (i.e., participation in sports competitions and representation in sports governing bodies), in order to develop appropriate policies for FISU Executive Committee's recommendations. The commission, consisting of seven members, focuses its efforts on five main themes to increase diversity and inclusivity in gender equality;

**Participation** – there still exists polarization in many parts of the world around women taking part in sports. Encouraging women participation in sports.

**Leadership** – the number of women in administrative roles such as coach/director are less than men. For instance, at the Paris 2024 Summer Olympic Games, even though there will be athlete gender parity, only 13% of coaches participating will be women.

**Resources** – equal access to resources (financial and other) is important, including aspects such as ensuring prime times at sports facilities is available to all. Equal access to all kinds of resources.

**Portrayal** – ensuring greater visibility to the general public of women's sport

**Safe sport** – increasing the understanding of the existence of hazing and sexual harassment in sport, as well as the need to ensure mental health supports.

## “EMBRACING NEURODIVERSITY: INCLUSIVE EDUCATION AT EMU” SEMINAR HELD AT EMU

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Foreign Languages and English Preparatory School (FLEPS) hosted a seminar titled “Embracing Neurodiversity: Inclusive Education at EMU”. The aim of the seminar, conducted by Prof. Dr. Ilhan Raman from the Department of Psychology at EMU, was to increase educators’ knowledge and awareness about neurodiversity and inclusive education, and to draw attention to pedagogical approaches that meet the needs of neurodivergent individuals.

Discussions led by Prof. Dr. Ilhan Raman covered topics such as understanding neurodiversity and, learning difficulties like dyslexia, dyscalculia, autism, and attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD).

Assist. Prof. Dr. Ramadan Eyyam, the Director of FLEPS, expressed gratitude

for the valuable information presented during the seminar and thanked Prof. Dr. Raman and EMU Department of Psychology. Assist. Prof. Dr. Eyyam emphasized FLEPS’s commitment to maintaining inclusive policies and stated that the academic collaborations with the EMU Department of Psychology are to continue on topics including neurodiversity and various other areas.



## FLEPS ORGANIZES MENTORSHIP TRAINING FOR ACADEMIC PERSONNEL MEMBERS

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Foreign Languages and English Preparatory School (FLEPS) organized a mentorship training course towards academic personnel members. The mentorship course delivered by Norwich Institute of Language Education (NILE) aimed to support professional development of academic personnel. Held on 25-28 March 2024 and provided by Kate Gregson from NILE, the training course focused on theoretical and practical applications on creating an environment which supports learning and development.

Emphasizing the importance of professional development, FLEPS Director Assist. Prof. Dr. Ramadan Eyyam said; “Our continues development programs organized for the professional development of our academic personnel members continue to be a key stone of our dedication towards perfection in education. In this regard, we enhance the general learning experiences of our students,



enabling them to get training at the highest levels”.

Noting that FLEPS is accredited by one of the most prestigious and global accreditation organizations in language teaching,

Evaluation and Accreditation of Quality Language Services (EQUALS), Assist. Prof. Dr. Eyyam highlighted their commitment to the international quality standards in language teaching and, their devotion in continuing for perfection in language training.

## CONTINUOUS EDUCATION CENTER CONTINUES IN-SERVICE TRAININGS FOR INSTITUTIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS



Eastern Mediterranean University Continuous Education Center (EMU-CEC) continues to contribute the life-long learning process of individuals by organizing certificate programs, courses and seminars on various topics with the aim of meeting the life-long learning needs of people from every walk of life. In this respect, EMU-CEC has recently organized various educational seminars: “Persuasion Techniques” for the personnel of the Turkish Republic of

Northern Cyprus (TRNC) Ministry of Foreign Affairs, “Cyberbullying Awareness” seminar for high school and secondary school teachers affiliated to the Ministry of National Education, “Analyzing Financial Charts” for TRNC Court of Accounts’ personnel members, “Basics of Energy Management” for the Chamber of Cyprus Turkish Mechanical Engineers and lastly, “Corporate Culture and Sense of Belonging” seminar for the Cyprus Foundations Administration

personnel members. At the end of the trainings delivered by experts in their respective fields, participants were presented with certificates of achievement. Stating that EMU-CEC was established in 2004 and carried the distinction of being the first Continuous Education Center established in the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC), EMU-CEC Director Prof. Dr. Metin Ersoy said that since its establishment, the center aimed to meet the educational needs of people of all ages and to serve the community by extending educational services beyond the campus. Noting that EMU-CEC has contributed nearly 45 thousand people’s life-long learning goals, Prof. Dr. Ersoy emphasized that EMU-CEC both in public and private sector, provides training in European Union projects. Prof. Dr. Ersoy mentioned that if there is demand, the center offers counseling or examination services. Adding more, he also conveyed that the center is the only center which is a founding member of the Council of Turkish Universities Continuous Education Centers (TÜSEM) and a full member of the European University Continuing Education Network (EUCEN).

## “STATES OF FEMININITY” CATALOGUE LAUNCH AND TALK EVENT HOSTED BY EMU



Within the scope of the “Book Meetings with EMU” event series launched in 2023 by the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Press and, Social and Cultural Activities Directorate, the “States of Femininity” exhibition was organized in March, on the occasion of 8 March – International Women’s Day. Recently, a catalogue launch and talk event was also organized for the said exhibition. The event took place on Saturday, 30 March 2024 at 12:00 p.m. at Rauf Raif Denktaş Culture and Congress Center.

In the event which received great attention from the art-lovers, EMU Press Publication Board Chairperson Prof. Dr. Şebnem Hoşkara delivered a speech, noting that the “Book Meetings with EMU” event series were launched in 2023 and the goal of these events is to bring EMU Press publications together with the members of the society. Providing information regarding EMU



Press, Prof. Dr. Hoşkara stated that the list of publications can be accessed from EMU Press website. Thanking everyone for their participation, Prof. Dr. Hoşkara wished an event beneficial for all.

Following the opening speech, art history specialist Derya Ulubatlı and EMU Art Coordinator Zehra Şonya carried out the catalogue launch and talk event. The place of women in the society and its reflection on the art was discussed during the event. Moreover, the discussion focused on the discourse presented by the exhibition catalogue in the context of gender and feminism. During the event, which explored the historical evolution of feminist art and its relationship with feminism, guest speaker Dr. Ulubatlı analyzed the artworks in the exhibition in the context of the dominance imposed by the masculine system on the body. Throughout the event, enriched by participant



questions and assessments, there was unanimous agreement that the title ‘States of Femininity’ used for the exhibition did not adequately capture its full scope and that the scope actually exceeds it. Following a request from the speaker and the exhibition curator, EMU Art Coordinator Zehra Şonya, discussions were held to reconsider the exhibition title, leading to the suggestion that ‘Exposure of Masculine Mind’ would better reflect the concept of the exhibition.

The exhibition focused on re-evaluating the struggles in terms of gender and, identifying, examining and discussing the marks of these struggles and their meanings which appear on the artworks, with the aim of making these artworks more visible. The said exhibition consisted works of İsmet Tatar, Nilüfer İnandım, Zehra Şonya, Nurtane Karagil, Serap Kanay, Hüseyin Özinal and Hatice Tezcan.

## POST-EARTHQUAKE DISORDERS AND STRUGGLES DISCUSSED

A seminar titled “Post-Earthquake Organic Disorders and Psychological Struggles” was organized within the collaborations of Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Social and Cultural Activities Directorate, Student Clubs Unit and District 135 North Cyprus Lions Clubs Executive Members. Held at the Champion Angels Amphitheatre in EMU Health Sciences Faculty building, the seminar was attended by Health Sciences Faculty Vice Deans Assoc. Prof. Dr. Yasin Yurt and Assist. Prof. Dr. Asiye Yeter Başaran, District 135 North Cyprus Lions Clubs General Director Ln. Fikret Şendil, academic personnel, lions club members and students.



Girne American University, Faculty of Medicine, Department of Internal Medicine academic staff member Dr. Hüseyin Cenkler and the Chair of EMU Psychological Counseling, Guidance and Research Center Dr. Psych. Fatoş Özylem Küçük delivered presentations during the “Post-Earthquake Organic Disorders and Psychological Struggles” seminar.

In his presentation, Dr. Hüseyin Cenkler talked about organic disorders that might develop following a traumatic experience such as an earthquake and potential disorders experienced by individuals who got trapped under the debris

in earthquake disasters. In addition, Dr. Cenkler provided vital information in terms of the kidney failure, including its diagnosis, treatment, and measures to be taken in this regard.

On the other hand, EMU Psychological Counseling, Guidance and Research Center’s Chair Dr. Psych. Fatoş Özylem Küçük presented information about psychological struggles associated with experiencing an earthquake disaster. Dr. Psych. Küçük explained the reasons causing individual and collective psychological struggles, the most common psychological struggles observed during the post-earthquake period and how psychological interventions are

organized. Discussing the emotional, cognitive, physical and social reactions of people following an earthquake disaster, Dr. Psych. Küçük shared scientific data on the prevalence of psychological difficulties that may arise after earthquakes in Turkey and different countries, and finally, provided information on the circumstances in which individuals who have been directly or indirectly exposed to earthquakes should be referred to professional help. At the end of the seminar, Dr. Hüseyin Cenkler and Dr. Psych. Fatoş Özylem Küçük were presented with plaques by the Social and Cultural Activities Directorate, Student Club Unit Supervisor Çiğdem Duvacı, for their contributions to the event.

## SKETCH NIGHT BY THEATRE COMMUNITY

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Theatre Community operating under EMU Social and Cultural Activities Directorate organized a ‘Sketch Night’ within the scope of the preparations being carried out for the end of year show. The performance delivered as 3 sketches took place at EMU Activity Center Hall.

The Seduction sketch from Anton Chekhov’s ‘The Good Doctor’ play, ‘The Bear’ play by Anton Chekhov, Electricians sketch from Ferhan Şensoy’s ‘İçinden Tramvay Geçen Şarkı’ were performed during the jam-packed event. EMU Theatre Community’s Directors Ekin Karabulut, Orkun Burak Gülhan and Yelda Sare Adaylar were accompanied by an 8-person cast and a 7-person stage crew. Participants had great time watching the performance delivered by EMU Theatre Community.

Putting great efforts towards preparing the great show, which is amongst the 2023-2024 Academic Year goals of the club, EMU Theatre Community will held a gala night on 30 April 2024 at Rauf Raif Denктаş Culture and Congress Center, taking the stage for the art-lovers and students. The club will stage the same show on several different occasions, aiming to reach a larger audience.



# GENOCIDE OF AZERBAIJANIS DAY COMMEMORATED



Azerbaijani Students Society operating under the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), International Student Activity and Student Societies Unit organized a commemoration event for Azerbaijani people who had lost their lives on the 31 March 1918 in the genocide imposed by Armenian nationalists. Held on Saturday, 30 March 2024 at 07:00 p.m. at EMU Atatürk Square, the “Genocide of Azerbaijanis Day” commemoration event was attended by EMU Vice Rector for Promotion and Institutional Communication Prof. Dr. Ali Öztüren, Cyprus Azerbaijan Diaspora Center Administrative Board Chair Raul Dinyev, Azerbaijani Students Society Chair

Madina Baghirova and students. The event commenced with the national anthems of Azerbaijan and Turkey followed by a speech delivered by Cyprus Azerbaijan Diaspora Center Administrative Board Chair Raul Dinyev who presented information about the genocide. In his speech, Dinyev stated that they commemorate the ones who lost their lives in the genocide with love and longing.

Prof. Dr. Öztüren also delivered a speech and, expressed condolences to those who lost their lives in the genocide, stating that the suffering experienced by the Azerbaijani people not only touches the conscience of a nation but also that of all humanity. Prof. Dr.

Öztüren emphasized the importance of unity and solidarity by reminding of the profound impact this tragedy has carried from the past to the present. Moreover, he underscored the necessity for humanity’s collective effort to ensure that such painful events never occur again. Prof. Dr. Öztüren reiterated that genocide is not only a sorrow that pierces the hearts of the Azerbaijani people but also that of all humanity, emphasizing the importance of a joint struggle for justice and peace. Following the opening speeches, the commemoration event concluded with the lighting of torches and candles in memory of the deceased.





## FACULTY OF EDUCATION, FINE ARTS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT HOSTED TWO ESTEEMED CYPRIOT ARTISTS

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Faculty of Education, Department of Fine Arts Education hosted to esteemed Cypriot artists within the scope of the “Mueg 411 – Community Service Practices” course taught in the Music Teaching Program. With the supervision of Education Faculty, Fine Arts Department academic staff member Assoc. Prof. Dr. Başak Gorgoretti, Fine Arts Department, Music Teaching program students Lara Dođdu, Almira Zaimođlu, Berk Akıncı and Yılcan Aykan participated in the projects.

Within the scope of the organized projects, pianist Růya Taner got together with the students and carried out a workshop on Thursday, 28 March 2024 between 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. at the Choir Room. Music Teaching Program students had the opportunity to carry out a workshop with significant Cypriot pianist.

On the other hand, a second event was held on Friday, 29 March 2024 between 11:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., once again at the Choir Room. Guitarist and composer Okan Ersan joined students during a talk event, sharing his experiences with the students. EMU Fine Arts Education Department Head Prof. Dr. Serdar etin Aydar, faculty members and students attended the said event.



# EMU WINS DOUBLE VICTORY IN VOLLEYBALL



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) women's and men's team became the champions of senior volleyball league organized by the EMU Volleyball Federation.

Third match of the women's final series was played between EMU and Municipality of Famagusta Çamlık Sports (GMBÇS) at Lala Mustafa Paşa Sports Complex. EMU women's volleyball team defeated its opponent with a score of 3-0, completing the series with a score of 3-1 and ensuring its championship. On the other hand, in men's league, EMU took on Çamlık Sports men's team in the third game played within the scope of the final series. Leading the series with a score of 2-, EMU won the game 3-0, advancing the series to 3-1 and securing the championship title. Following the matches, participating teams were presented with cups and medals by

Volleyball Federation Chair Enver Kaya and Deputy Chair Buran Atakan.

EMU women's and men's volleyball teams is getting prepared for the final cup of the season, the Super Cup, which will be held on 2 April 2024.



EMU women's and men's teams will play matches against Çamlık Sports women's and men's teams respectively at, 06:00 p.m. and 07:00 p.m. at Nicosia Atatürk Sports Center.

## A Visit to EMU Rector's Office

Players and coaches of EMU women's and men's teams paid a visit to EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç and Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Sonuç Zorlu on Wednesday, 27 March 2024 at 11:00 a.m. During the visits, the championships of both the women's and men's volleyball teams of EMU in the senior volleyball leagues were discussed. Congratulating both teams for their achievements, Prof. Dr. Kılıç and Prof. Dr. Zorlu wished the women's and men's volleyball team luck and success in the future. Highlighting that EMU has always supported sports and athletes, Prof. Dr. Kılıç once again wholeheartedly congratulated all the athletes.

## Last Week's Academic Publications | Source: Web of Science

### Faculty of Pharmacy

1- Uslu, Irem, Orkun Alp, and **Bensu Karahalil**. "Monitoring of Essential and Toxic Elements in Multivitamin/Mineral Effervescent Tablet Supplements and Safety Assessment." *BIOLOGICAL TRACE ELEMENT RESEARCH*, 2024. (Early Access)

### Faculty of Arts & Sciences

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2- **Mustafa, Omar**. "PDM KG-Coulomb

Particles in Cosmic String Rainbow Gravity Spacetime and a Uniform Magnetic Field (Vol 839, 137793, 2023)." *PHYSICS LETTERS B* 850 (March 2024).

3- Uniyal, Akhil, Sayan Chakrabarti, Mohsen Fathi, and **Ali Ovgun**. "Observational Signatures: Shadow Cast by the Effective Metric of Photons for Black Holes with Rational Non-Linear Electrodynamics." *ANNALS OF PHYSICS* 462 (March 2024).

4- Aydin, Mustafa, and **Nazim I Mahmudov**. "Some Applications of the Generalized Laplace Transform and the Representation of a Solution to Sobolev-Type Evolution Equations with the Generalized Caputo Derivative." *BULLETIN OF THE POLISH ACADEMY OF SCIENCES-*

*TECHNICAL SCIENCES* 72, no. 2 (April 2024).

5- Shahzad, M Umair, Aqsa Mehmood, Adnan Malik, and **Ali Ovgun**. "Topological Behavior of 3D Regular Black Hole with Zero Point Length." *PHYSICS OF THE DARK UNIVERSE* 44 (May 2024).

### Faculty of Engineering

1- **Deldar, Omid, Tulin Akcaoglu, and Mustafa Ergil**. "Assessing the Impacts of Treated Wastewater on Concrete's Mechanical Properties and Corrosion Resistance." *IRANIAN JOURNAL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY-TRANSACTIONS OF CIVIL ENGINEERING*, 2024. (Early Access)



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