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EMU AND TÜRKİYE MEMUR-SEN CONFEDERATION EDUCATION BIR-SEN TRNC REPRESENTATION OFFICE SIGN COLLABORATION PROTOCOL

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) and the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) Representation Office of the Türkiye MEMUR-SEN Confederation Educators Union Syndicate (Eğitim-Bir-Sen) signed a significant protocol covering collaborations in the field of scholarships and education. On Thursday, 7 August 2025 at 10:00 p.m. at EMU Rector's Office building, the protocol was signed by EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç and Türkiye Memur-Sen Confederation Eğitim-Bir-Sen TRNC Office Representative İsmail Celfin. Present during the signing session were, EMU Vice Rector for Promotion and Institutional Communication Prof. Dr. Ali Öztüren and EMU Rector's Office Coordinator Serkan Sen.

New Opportunities in Accessing Higher Education

Within the scope of the signed protocol, union



members affiliated with the Türkiye MEMUR-SEN Confederation and their first

degree relatives (spouse and children) will be able to benefit from special >>> pg 2

EMU'S COURTESY VISIT TO REPUBLIC OF TÜRKİYE'S NICOSIA AMBASSADOR ALİ MURAT BAŞÇERİ



Eastern Mediterranean University Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç made a courtesy visit to the Republic of Türkiye's Ambassador to Nicosia, Ali Murat Başçeri on Thursday, 7 August 2025. The delegation included EMU Vice Rectors Prof. Dr. Osman M. Karatepe, Prof. Dr. Salih Katırcıoğlu, Prof. Dr. Ali Öztüren, and EMU General Secretary Derviş Ekşici.



During the visit, discussions focused on EMU's current developments and ongoing as well as future international collaborations. Key topics included enhancing educational relations with the Republic of Türkiye, expanding student and faculty exchange programs, and fostering joint research initiatives. Additionally, the university's upcoming

strategic plans, campus expansion projects, and new undergraduate and graduate programs were reviewed.

The meeting concluded with Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç presenting a silver plate to Ambassador Ali Murat Başçeri as a token of appreciation for the occasion.

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scholarship opportunities while studying in EMU'S Turkish Higher Education Council (YÖK) and Higher Education Planning, Accreditation and Coordination Council (YÖDAK) approved associate, undergraduate, master's and doctoral degree programs. Even though the protocol does not cover the Medicine and Dentistry programs, it applies all the other academic programs offered at the university.

Support in Accommodation

The said protocol is not only limited to academic scholarships, it also offers benefits in accommodation as well. Union members and their immediate family members who choose to reside in EMU-owned dormitories will receive a 10% discount on dormitory fees.

Partnership in Educational Promotion As part of the protocol, the Eğitim-Bir-Sen TRNC Representation will share EMU's announcements, promotional materials, and information activities with its members. This initiative aims to establish a sustainable model of collaboration between the two parties.

Valid for 4-Years

The protocol will be in effect for a period of four years and can be extended upon mutual agreement of the parties. During its validity, all granted scholarship rights will be safeguarded, and in case of termination, students will retain their existing scholarships in line with EMU's Regulations for Student Scholarships and Discounted Tuition Fee Implementation.

"An Important Investment towards Future"

At the signing session, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç expressed his pleasure with the agreement, highlighting that EMU has established itself as a strong state university and a benchmark in higher education. He underlined that EMU serves the community not only through its academic achievements but also by fostering constructive partnerships with non-governmental organizations. Prof. Dr. Kılıç noted that the protocol embodies significant cooperation in scholarship and education, with the primary goal of enabling members of the Türkiye MEMUR-SEN Confederation and their first-degree relatives to pursue their studies at EMU. Prof. Dr. Kılıç thanked Eğitim-Bir-Sen TRNC Representative İsmail Celfin for his close and cordial collaboration. Viewing the agreement as a valuable investment in the future, Prof. Dr. Kılıç expressed his hope that it would be mutually beneficial for both sides.

"We Are Honoured to Partner with a Prestigious and Established State University like EMU"

Speaking next, Eğitim-Bir-Sen TRNC Representative İsmail Celfin expressed his gratitude to EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç for kindly accepting their proposal and agreeing to the partnership. Providing some background on the confederation, Celfin highlighted that the Türkiye MEMUR-SEN Confederation, with its 1.1 million members, is the largest civil servants' union in Türkiye and one of the country's most influential nongovernmental organizations. Emphasizing that the TRNC is known as a student hub, Celfin pointed out the significant student population on the island. He explained that the union has established cooperation agreements with higher education institutions accredited by the YÖK. In this regard, he expressed their pleasure in collaborating with a well-respected and established state university like EMU and wished the agreement to be fruitful for both sides.







EMU RECTOR PROF. DR. HASAN KILIÇ MAKES A STATEMENT TO THE AZERBAIJANI PRESS

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç made a statement to the Xalq Qzeti – one of the most rooted media organ of Azerbaijan, discussing EMU's global framework, its partnerships in higher education with Azerbaijan, and the new cooperative projects underway.

"A New Era"

Prof. Dr. Kılıç highlighted that the relationship between universities in the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus and Azerbaijan is entering a new era based on the "one nation, three states" principle. He explained that EMU is dedicated to enhancing academic and cultural partnerships with Azerbaijani state universities. To support this goal, Prof. Dr. Kılıç mentioned that they conducted an official visit to Baku with a delegation led by Nazım Çavuşoğlu, the Minister of National Education of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus.

"Student from 110 Countries, Academics from over 40 Nations, 78 Thousand Graduates"

Prof. Dr. Kılıç highlighted that EMU, with its 46-year history, stands as one of the island's oldest and most prestigious universities. Mentioning that the university welcomes students from 110 countries and features an international academic community with faculty from more than 40 nations. Prof. Dr.

Kılıç also reminded that EMU has produced 78,000 graduates so far and offers education across 13 faculties and 216 programs, covering areas such as health sciences, engineering, business, tourism, and dentistry.

Prof. Dr. Kılıç stated that while EMU used to host nearly 500 Azerbaijani students in the past, the current number is approximately 70. He stressed their aim to attract Azerbaijani students back to EMU through renewed partnerships.

Scholarship and Educational Opportunities Promoted

As part of the Baku visit, Prof. Dr. Kılıç noted that they met with Azerbaijan's Minister of Science and Education, Emin Amrullayev. The discussion focused on EMU's academic offerings and available scholarship programs. Prof. Dr. Kılıç also noted that the visit aimed to showcase the university's quality of education and assist Azerbaijani students in their academic planning.

EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç underscored that EMU goes beyond being a higher education institution, it is also an institutions that supports collaborations within sister countries. Prof. Dr. Kılıç said; "In line with the "one nation, three states"

Xalq qəzeti Azıru

"Türkiyə bizim ana vətənimiz, Azərbaycan isə ata vətənimizdir"



vision of Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, Azerbaijani President İlham Aliyev, and Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus President Ersin Tatar, we will keep fulfilling our responsibilities by enhancing our connections with Azerbaijan and broadening our university's capabilities to contribute to this vision".

EMU'S SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR TRNC AND TR CITIZEN STUDENTS TRANSFERRING LATERALLY

During the 2025 – 2026 Academic Year Fall Semester, Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) is offering scholarship opportunities to students who wish to transfer laterally to associate and undergraduate programs. Scholarships of up to 25% are available for students from the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC), while students from Türkiye may receive scholarships as high as 75%.

Students holding Turkish citizenship who have registered at another university through the Higher Education Institutions Exam (YKS) and meet the academic criteria for lateral transfer may receive a lateral transfer scholarship upon enrolling at EMU. This scholarship, valid for the standard duration of the chosen program, is awarded according to the YKS quota and preference discount rates, specifically based on the discounts provided for the top three preferences.

Last Date for Lateral Transfer Applications: 17 August

The later transfer application period



will continue until 17 August 2025. The evaluation results of the application will be announced at the latest of 24 August. Those wishing to apply may submit their application online via https://applyonline.emu.edu.tr/yataygecis address.

Applicants with Turkish citizenship must provide the following documents during the application process: ÖSYM placement results, ÖSYM score sheet, academic transcript, course descriptions, proof of no disciplinary actions (unless already noted on the transcript or student certificate), a copy of their identity card or passport,



and a declaration confirming they have not undergone a prior lateral transfer. On the other hand, student applying from the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus must submit a transcript, course descriptions and a copy of the TRNC identity card.

With its achievements in international university rankings, diverse campus community, and experienced faculty, EMU invites students aiming to pursue their studies at a leading institution.

For further details, please contact +90 392 630 11 11 or visit www.emu.edu.tr.

EMU TECHGIRLS COMMITTEE AND FACULTY OF COMPUTER AND INFORMATION SCIENCES VISIT ASBANK



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) TechGirls Committee and EMU Faculty of Computer and Information Sciences paid a visit to Asbank General Directorate within the framework of the university-sector collaborations. Present during the visit were EMU Faculty of Computer and Information Sciences Vice Dean Assist. Prof. Dr. Hüsnü Bayramoğlu, and, TechGirls Committee members Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nazife Dimililer, Dr. Özlem Görkan Evre, Dr. Yeşim Kapsıl Çırak and Senior Instructor Halide Sarıçizmeliler.

First Step Towards Women IT Specialists from TechGirls

The EMU TechGirls Committee, which operates on a volunteer basis, undertakes social responsibility initiatives aimed at empowering women in IT and technology fields and boosting their presence in the industry. The committee previously hosted events for high school students in cooperation with the EMU-Famagusta Women's Center Association (MAKAMER) and with sponsorship from Telsim. At the university level, it has facilitated connections between female students and industry experts through projects carried out with the Cyprus Turkish Chamber of Commerce Women Entrepreneurs Council (KTTO-KGK) and the Cyprus Turkish Chamber of Architects and Engineers Electrical Engineers Chamber (KTMMO-EMO).

Special Quota Established for Female University Students

As a result of meetings with Belgan Koral, IT Manager at Asbank, and Emrah Ekinci, HR Manager at Asbank, the bank's 2025 "You Are the Future" summer internship program for the IT department has been redesigned with a focus on gender equality. A dedicated quota has been established for female university students pursuing studies in technology. This initiative plays a crucial role in supporting women's integration into the industry, providing them with valuable experience, and promoting greater diversity in the IT sector.

As part of the visit, eight university students who have been completing their summer internships at Asbank delivered their project presentations.

Asbank General Manager Çaağatay Katip, Deputy

General Managers Kafiye Sefer and Beyhan Çağsın, Information Technologies Manager Belgan Koral and Human Resources Manager Emrah Ekinci attended the said presentations. Stating that the interns are provided with technical support, Koral noted mentorship system is influential in student development.

In the presentations, where every student took an active role, the developed software was showcased, experiences were shared, and questions from the audience were addressed. Asbank representatives commended the students for their technical expertise, presentation skills, and smooth integration into the corporate setting. Additionally, their strong teamwork and problem-solving attitudes were positively noted.

"The Bank That Bring Women into Technology"

The EMU TechGirls Committee thanked Asbank for its support and reserved spots for female students, stressing that the bank serves as a role model in advancing gender equality. They referred to Asbank as "the bank that brings women into technology," highlighting that this approach marks a pioneering effort in the sector.

Asbank General Manager Çağatay Karip emphasized their commitment to gender equality, mentioning that women make up 65% of their workforce. Citing the World Economic Forum's Future of Jobs Report, he pointed out the increasing

influence of digital skills and technologies like artificial intelligence on employment, highlighting the importance they place on areas such as data management, app development, and cybersecurity.

"More Than 30 Years of Expertise in IT Education"

Delivering a speech during the visit, Assist. Prof. Dr. Hüsnü Bayramoğlu, the Vice Dean of EMU Faculty of Computer and Information Sciences, stated that the faculty is established on more than 30 years of experience in IT education. He emphasized that the departments of Information Systems and Technologies, Information Security Technologies, and Data Science and Analytics are highly soughtafter areas both in Türkiye and globally.

Assist. Prof. Dr. Bayramoğlu underscored that the partnership with Asbank is crucial for students to gain exposure to corporate culture and improve their technical abilities. He further mentioned that this visit marked the faculty's first official visit to an institution.

An Emphasis on Future Collaborations

The EMU TechGirls Committee and the Faculty of Computer and Information Sciences plan to deepen and make their partnership with Asbank more permanent moving forward. The visit, prompted by the favourable responses to the "You Are the Future" internship program, successfully set the stage for collaborative projects and enduring cooperation.





EMU VOCATIONAL SCHOOL OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES TO BEGIN STUDENT ADMISSIONS

The Vocational School of Information Technologies established under the body of Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) School of Computing and Technology will commence student admissions as of 2025 – 2026 Academic Year Fall Semester, with its new and current programs.

Each and every member of EMU's expert and experienced academic staff is enthusiastically getting ready to welcome the students who will select the Vocational School of Information Technologies this year. The recently launched school will offer students associate level (2-year) programs delivered in Turkish and English. Among the associate degree programs to be offered which are also approved by the Higher Education Planning, Evaluation, Accreditation and Coordination Council (YÖDAK) of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus are; Computer Programming (Turkish), Computer Technology and Programming (English), Electrical and Electronic Technology (Turkish), Artificial Intelligence Operations (in both Turkish and English), Enterprise IT Specialist (in both Turkish and English), and Information Security Technologies (in both Turkish and English).

Designed to address the evolving demands of the information technology field, these programs aim to prepare students as highly qualified professionals sought after in the industry. The curriculum features a blend of theoretical and hands-on courses, with a strong emphasis on subjects like software development, network systems, cybersecurity, database management, and artificial intelligence applications. Graduates of relevant vocational high school programs will be entitled to receive the Vocational Education Scholarship offered by the Ministry of National Education of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus when they enrol in associate degree programs within their field of study. Furthermore, students who successfully complete their education at the Vocational School of Information Technologies will be able to continue their academic journey by transferring to related bachelor's degree programs.

Student candidates may access more information regarding the programs by contacting 630 12 45.





A NEW ENGINEERING PROGRAM FROM EMU: 'ENERGY SYSTEMS ENGINEERING'

To respond to the global energy transition and provide the industry with skilled engineers, Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Engineering has introduced the Energy Systems Engineering Undergraduate Program starting in the 2025-2026 Academic Year. The program, which has received approval from the Higher Education Council (YÖK) and the Higher Education Planning, Evaluation, Accreditation, and Coordination Council (YÖDAK), is taught in English and is jointly offered by the Departments of Mechanical Engineering and Electrical and Electronics Engineering.

Rising energy demands, sustainability targets, and the expansion of renewable energy sources worldwide are driving an increasing demand for engineers with specialized expertise. EMU's newly launched Energy Systems Engineering Program provides students with an in-depth education covering core engineering principles as well as topics like energy efficiency, system design, environmental impact evaluation, sustainable technologies, and energy management.

The program equips students with competencies like designing and analysing experiments, interpreting data, working collaboratively across disciplines, communicating effectively, understanding ethical responsibilities, and maintaining professional awareness. Graduates will find diverse career opportunities in fields such as energy generation and distribution, renewable energy initiatives, smart grid



ENERGY SYSTEMS ENGINEERING UNDERGRADUTE PROGRAM

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technologies, green hydrogen applications, energy-efficient product development, and sustainable transportation solutions.

The Energy Systems Engineering Program is supported with the modern and equipped infrastructure of EMU. The 1,360-square-meter facility includes labs for Thermal Sciences, Fluid Mechanics, Solar Energy, Aerodynamics, and Alternative Energy Systems, along with computer labs, machine workshops, and

CAD/CAM practice areas, offering students practical training experiences. Moreover, every student in the program is paired with an academic advisor for individualized guidance and support.

The newly launched program is carried out in close collaboration with Energy Research Center (EMU-ERC) operating under EMU. Therefore, students gain sectoral experience in practical projects while continuing their academic studies.

With its Energy Systems Engineering Program, EMU strives to train engineers who closely follow the latest scientific and technological progress, align with modern demands, and adhere to ethical principles, aiming to make valuable contributions to both the local region and the global energy industry.

More information can be obtained either contacting +90 392 630 12 10 or visiting me.info@emu.edu.tr web address.





EMU ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORY OF ART UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM TO COMMENCE ITS EDUCATIONAL LIFE

The Archaeology and History of Art Undergraduate Program offered under the body of Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Department of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences is getting ready to commence its educational life as of 2025-2026 Academic Year. The YÖK-approved program will be delivered in Turkish language.

Designed with modern theoretical and methodological frameworks, the program provides a multidisciplinary approach encompassing archaeology, art history, archaeometry, museum studies, conservation and restoration, urban archaeology, cultural heritage management, anthropology, ancient languages, art gallery operations, and auctioneering. During their undergraduate education, students learn about civilizations from diverse regions and can choose to specialize in Archaeology or Art History based on their academic preferences.

While attracting attention with its studentoriented learning approach, the program offers a curriculum designed to foster analytical and critical thinking skills. It is enhanced with archaeological site visits, museum tours, practical workshops, and research projects. Furthermore, the program seeks to contribute to students' academic development through seminars and conferences led by experienced scholars from Türkiye and Europe.

Opportunities for Practice and ResearchThe Center for Archaeology and Cultural Heritage (AKVAM), the Eastern Mediterranean Cultural

Heritage Research Center (DAKMAR), and the EMU-DAKMAR Kral Tepesi Conservation and Restoration Laboratory, all situated on the EMU campus, offer students practical training in archaeometry and conservation methods. During the summer months, students can also gain internship experience through underwater excavations, surface surveys, as well as placements in museums, art galleries, and restoration-conservation labs.

Career Opportunities

Graduates of the Archaeology and History of Art Undergraduate program can continue their academic careers at prestigious universities in Türkiye, Europe, the United States, and Canada. Additionally, they can work in various public institutions in Türkiye, such as the Ministry of Culture and Tourism, the General Directorate of Foundations, the General Directorate of Mineral Research and Exploration, the General Directorate of Highways, the Atatürk Supreme Council for Culture, Language, and History, as well as in museums, art galleries, auction houses, restoration companies, and other cultural organizations.

In Cyprus, graduates have the opportunity to work within the Department of Antiquities and Museums, Department of Highways, Department of Environmental Protection, Department of Urban Planning, and Tourism Planning. They can also take part in the bi-communal Cultural Heritage Technical Committee and the bi-communal Technical Committee on Missing Persons in Cyprus. Furthermore, graduates of



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the program can be involved in cultural heritage initiatives within the Ministry of National Education. They can also pursue their careers as teachers upon completing pedagogical training courses.

Eastern Mediterranean University Archaeology and History of Art undergraduate program is designed to educate curious and innovative individuals with a strong interest in cultural heritage, offering a blend of theoretical knowledge and practical training. Detailed information regarding the program can be obtained by contacting +90 392 630 12 08 or through http://fas.emu.edu.tr web address.

EMU'S "PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, HEALTH AND SPORTS" MASTER'S PROGRAM WITH THESIS TO COMMENCE STUDENT ADMISSIONS

Launched within the body of Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Health Sciences Faculty, the "Physical Activity, Health and Sports" Master's Program with Thesis will be commencing student admissions as of 2025-2026 Academic Year. The program was initiated in response to the rising incidence of illnesses linked to unhealthy lifestyles, physical inactivity and poor nutrition, emphasizing the importance of tackling these health issues from a community-wide perspective.

Scientific research indicates that engaging in physical activity and maintaining a healthy diet are vital for preventing cardiometabolic conditions like obesity, diabetes, and heart disease, along with certain cancers, musculoskeletal issues, and mental health disorders. Consequently, interdisciplinary cooperation and scientific studies are essential to encourage higher physical activity and healthier eating habits among individuals.

In his remarks on the topic, the Director of EMU Institute of Graduate Studies and Research Prof. Dr. Ali Hakan Ulusoy said: "Through its interdisciplinary approach, the thesis-based Master's program in Physical Activity, Health, and Sports aims not only to produce academic knowledge but also to enhance public health. We are confident that

the program will develop skilled professionals in health and sports sciences both within our country and globally. As EMU, we remain committed to supporting research that transforms scientific discoveries into positive impacts for society."

The program which is designed with an interdisciplinary approach, is open to applicants who have graduated from relevant fields and are interested in pursuing work in this area. Graduates will gain the expertise and abilities necessary to carry out detailed research in areas including exercise physiology, evaluation and encouragement of physical activity, prevention of illnesses linked to physical inactivity, and the enhancement of overall health.

Admission Requirements

Candidates who wish to apply for the Englishmedium program must hold an undergraduate degree and an English Language Proficiency certificate recognized by EMU. English level of those who do not have a recognized proficiency certificate, are determined by an English exam carried out by EMU. According to their exam results, applicants may be placed in an English preparatory program, or they may take their graduate courses alongside supplementary English support classes.



The thesis-based Master's Program in "Physical Activity, Health, and Sports" is offered through a collaborative effort among the Faculty of Health Sciences' departments of Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation, Nutrition and Dietetics, Nursing, and Exercise and Sport Sciences. It provides students with an interdisciplinary research setting oriented on enhancing health.

For further details, you can visit the webpage of the Institute of Graduate Studies and Research at grad.emu.edu.tr or contact +90 392 630 3067.

ART EXHIBITION HELD AT SOS CHILDREN'S VILLAGE IN COLLABORATION WITH EMU





The Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Tourism and Community Involvement Center (CIC) organized a special art exhibition for the students of SOS Children's Village. Sponsored by Afik Group, the exhibition showcased a variety of beautiful, flower-themed paintings created by the students.

EMU Faculty of Tourism academic staff member and Chair of CIC Assist. Prof. Dr. Nazenin Ruso Kandemir coordinated the said event. The exhibited artwork were inspired by photographs of endemic plants unique to the country, taken by renowned nature photographer Sami Tamson, author of the book 'Orchids of Northern Cyprus'. Drawing inspiration from Tamson's images, the children created their own paintings. The pieces were displayed for four days at Latomia 1933, a historic venue, where they attracted great interest from visitors.

"Plays a Key Role in Fostering a Sense of Environmental Responsibility"

The exhibition was officially opened by the students of SOS Children's Village who had created the artwork. During his speech, nature photographer Sami Tamson highlighted how important it is for children to learn about the rich plant diversity of Northern Cyprus, noting that such awareness plays a key role in fostering a sense of environmental responsibility. Tamson personally interacted with each student, offering feedback on their work and extending his thanks to all those who took part in the project. As a gesture of appreciation, he also donated several of his nature photographs to the SOS Children's Village.

Making an address during the event, Assist. Prof. Dr. Nazenin Ruso Kandemir



said, "We are deeply grateful to Mr. Sami Tamson, who embraced the project with genuine excitement as soon as it was shared with him. His dedication to nature and eagerness to inspire children through this passion became a driving force behind our event. Our sincere thanks also go to Afik Group for their meaningful contribution to making this project a reality".

Acting Dean of EMU Faculty of Tourism, Assist. Prof. Dr. İlkay Yorgancı also made remarks on the topic; "It brought us great joy to witness the powerful connection between art and nature in the lives of the children. Combining Mr. Sami Tamson's inspiring work with the children's creativity was not only artistically meaningful but also deeply significant for promoting social consciousness".

EMU RECTOR PROF. DR. HASAN KILIÇ ISSUED A MESSAGE ON 8 AUGUST — ERENKÖY RESISTANCE

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç issued a statement on the occasion of 8 August – Erenköy Resistance. The message reads as follows:

"We proudly and gratefully remember the anniversary of the Glorious Erenköy Resistance, which occurred on 8 August 1964, in Erenköy and became a milestone in the Turkish Cypriot community's fight for freedom and survival. Although the Battle of Erenköy was intended to destroy the Turkish Cypriots, it ended in a significant victory for our people and took its rightful place in our history as the Glorious Erenköy Resistance.

The Battle of Erenköy holds an important place in the Turkish Cypriot community's struggle for survival, comparable in importance to the Battle of Çanakkale. Motivated by deep love for our country, Turkish Cypriot university students studying abroad put their education on hold to stand alongside members of the Turkish Resistance Organization and the residents of Erenköy, showing remarkable bravery in defence of their homeland. The Erenköy Resistance is a powerful example of youthful courage, selflessness, unity, and determination. This exceptional act of resistance represents not only a military triumph but also a clear expression of a nation's unwavering will to live in freedom and its deep-rooted spirit of solidarity.

On the 5th of August 1964, Turkish Cypriots displayed remarkable bravery against the war launched by Greek and Greek Cypriot forces, who outnumbered and outgunned them with the intent of eliminating the local Turkish population. Despite overwhelming odds, they defended their homeland at the cost of their lives, refusing to surrender and becoming a lasting symbol of courage. The intervention of the Turkish Air Force, led by the martyred Captain Cengiz Topel on 8 August 1964, brought the clashes to an end with a ceasefire declared on 10 August. For 61 years,



8th of August has been remembered and honoured as the anniversary of the Glorious Erenköy Resistance.

As the Eastern Mediterranean University, we consider it as our responsibility to preserve the memory of this sacred struggle and pass it down to

younger generations. On this meaningful occasion, we respectfully remember the martyrs who gave their lives in Erenköy, express our deep gratitude to our veterans, and offer our sincere appreciation to all the heroes who made this honourable resistance possible."



PROF. DR. OSMAN M. KARATEPE ISSUED A MESSAGE ON BEHALF OF EMU-ATAUM ON THE 61ST ANNIVERSARY OF 8 AUGUST — ERENKÖY RESISTANCE

On behalf of Eastern Mediterranean University Atatürk Research and Application Center (EMU-ATAUM), Prof. Dr. Osman M. Karatepe released a message on the 61st anniversary of 8 August – Erenköy Resistance. The message by Prof. Dr. Karatepe reads as follows:

"The Erenköy Resistance which occurred on the 8th of August in 1964, holds a unique place in the history of the Turkish Cypriot struggle, standing as a key turning point in the Turkish Cypriot community's fight for survival and identity.

Following the 1963 incidents, the conflicts escalated sharply and persisted. By August 1964, Turkish Cypriot students studying in Istanbul, Ankara, and London paused their studies to join the resistance and protect their homeland by heading to Erenköy,

the gateway linking Cyprus to Anatolia. Erenköy was of critical importance in the Turkish Cypriot struggle for survival due to its strategic position as the entry point for weapons sent from Türkiye, which were then distributed across the island. The students united with the local population of Erenköy to fiercely resist the Greek and Greek Cypriot forces. This joint effort at Erenköy, being the only sea connection between the Turkish Cypriots and Türkiye, became a powerful example of determination and sacrifice in the defence of freedom, marking a major victory for the Turkish Cypriot people. This resistance, which safeguarded the Turkish Cypriot existence in Erenköy, is historically remembered as the "Glorious Erenköy Resistance".

On the 61st anniversary of the Glorious Erenköy Resistance, we remember our



martyrs with great respect and longing and, extend our deepest appreciation and respect to our veterans."

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