

PRIME MINISTER DT. ÜNAL ÜSTEL VISITS EMU

Dt. Ünal Üstel, Prime Minister of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC), paid a visit to Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç and university officials on Thursday, 2 July 2026 at 12:00 p.m. EMU's current status, advancements in the higher education sector and university-government collaborations were addressed during the said meeting.

Present during the meeting were Famagusta District Governor Özden Keser, UBP Famagusta District Chair Nahit Öncü, EMU Board of Trustees (VYK) Members Özdiñ Akdel, Dr. Eyüp Göksu and Anıl İmre, EMU Vice Rectors Prof. Dr. Osman M. Karatepe, Prof. Dr. Sonuç Zorlu and Prof. Dr. Ali Öztüren, as well as EMU General Secretary Derviş Ekşici. Held in a warm and cordial atmosphere, the meeting centered on the University's academic and physical development, efforts to enhance student life, and sustainability in higher education.



EMU RECTOR PROF. DR. HASAN KILIÇ HOLDS A SERIES OF MEETINGS IN ANKARA DURING VISIT FOR THE INTERUNIVERSITY COUNCIL MEETING

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) continues to strengthen its ties with national and international higher education stakeholders while actively contributing to platforms that shape the future of higher education. In this regards, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç travelled to Ankara in recent days to hold a series of official meetings. As part of his program, Prof. Dr. Kılıç attended the 264th Meeting of the Interuniversity Council, held at the Turkish Council of Higher Education (YÖK), which brought together university rectors from across Türkiye and representatives of relevant higher education institutions. During the meeting, participants exchanged views on current developments in the higher education system, with discussions focusing on academic development, quality assurance processes, and strengthening inter-university cooperation.

A Visit to the President of YÖK

During his visit, Prof. Dr. Kılıç met with the President of the Turkish Council of Higher Education (YÖK), Prof. Dr. Erol Özvar, to exchange views on the ongoing developments at EMU as well as current issues in the field of higher education.



The meeting focused on EMU's initiatives and future goals in the areas of education, research, quality assurance, and internationalisation, while also providing an opportunity for a comprehensive discussion on current developments affecting the higher education

systems of Türkiye and the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC). The two also exchanged views on quality-oriented transformation in higher education, enhancing international competitiveness, and strengthening inter-institutional cooperation.

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State is of great value to us. EMU is the leading institution in our country's higher education sector, and with this valuable support, it will continue to represent our country in the best possible way. I would therefore like to extend my heartfelt thanks to our Prime Minister and, through him, to the Government and the State of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus." Prime Minister Dt. Ünal Üstel stated that the Government fully recognizes the significance of EMU as one of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus' most important institutions and reaffirmed its commitment to continuing its support for the University.

Held in a warm and cordial atmosphere, the meeting provided an opportunity for an exchange of views on potential joint initiatives in higher education and future collaboration opportunities.

Following the meeting at the Rector's Office, the delegation was joined by EMU Board of Trustees President Şemi Bora for a lunch at EMU L'Apprenti Restaurant. During the visit, Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç also presented a commemorative gift to Prime Minister Dt. Üstel.



During the visit, the parties exchanged views on the sustainable development of universities, strengthening academic and physical infrastructure, improving the quality of student life, and promoting quality-driven growth in higher education. They also underscored the importance of the support provided to

universities under the current economic conditions and discussed the contribution of its continued provision to the higher education system.

Rector Prof. Dr. Kılıç Expressed His Gratitude to Prime Minister Dt. Üstel

The meeting highlighted the significance of the support and contributions provided to Eastern Mediterranean University by the Government of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC). Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç and the University administration conveyed their appreciation to Prime Minister Dt. Ünal Üstel for this continued support. Particular emphasis was placed on the crucial role the Government has played in the University's progress since the signing of the Financial Protocol between the TRNC Government and EMU in April 2024. Expressing his gratitude, Rector Prof. Dr. Kılıç stated: "The support of our Government and our



EMU: CYPRUS'S SOLE AND LEADING INSTITUTION IN PHYSICAL SCIENCES IN THE 2026 RESEARCH LEADERS RANKINGS BY NATURE INDEX



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) has emerged as the clear leader in Cyprus in the field of Physical Sciences in the newly published Nature Index 2026 Research Leaders rankings, one of the world's most respected indicators of scientific research performance. As the only academic institution from Cyprus included in this category, EMU increased its Share from 5.37 to 11.46 within a year, representing a 113.5% rise. The University also led the category with 24 high-quality research articles published during the 2025 calendar year.

Published by Springer Nature, the Nature Index evaluates not simply the number of publications but the actual research contributions made to 178 prestigious journals in the natural sciences, health sciences, applied sciences, and social sciences selected by an independent group of researchers. The rankings therefore reflect research quality rather than publication quantity. This year's edition received extensive international media coverage, particularly for China's third consecutive year as the overall leader and Harvard University's loss of the top global position. Within the same rankings, EMU distinguished itself as the only academic institution representing Cyprus in the field of Physical Sciences.

The Island's Clear Leader in Physical Sciences

The Nature Index 2026 Research Leaders rankings are based on high-quality research outputs published between 1 January and 31 December 2025. During this period, EMU not only became the only institution from Cyprus to be ranked in the field of Physical Sciences but also nearly doubled its Share compared to the previous year, recording the fastest growth in this category.

Position	Institution	Share 2024	Share 2025	Count (2025)	Change in Share (2024-2025)
1	Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Cyprus	5.37	11.46	24	+%113,5

Table 1. Nature Index 2026 Research Leaders – Physical Sciences, Cyprus. EMU is the only institution included in the rankings. Share indicates the institution's fractional contribution to published research. Source: Nature Index, 2026.

The complete rankings and verification of the results are available at: <https://www.nature.com/nature-index/research-leaders/2026/institution/all/physical-sciences/countries-Cyprus>

Leading the TRNC across Scientific Disciplines

EMU's achievement is underpinned by its strong subject leadership. In addition to leading the field of Physical Sciences, the University also ranks first on the island of Cyprus in the broader category of Natural Sciences, which encompasses Physical Sciences. Furthermore, EMU holds the top position in the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) across the fields of Physical Sciences, Natural Sciences, and Health Sciences. Among the University's most productive research

areas are astronomy, quantum physics, and particle and high-energy physics.

Prestigious Journals Contributing to EMU's Presence in the Nature Index

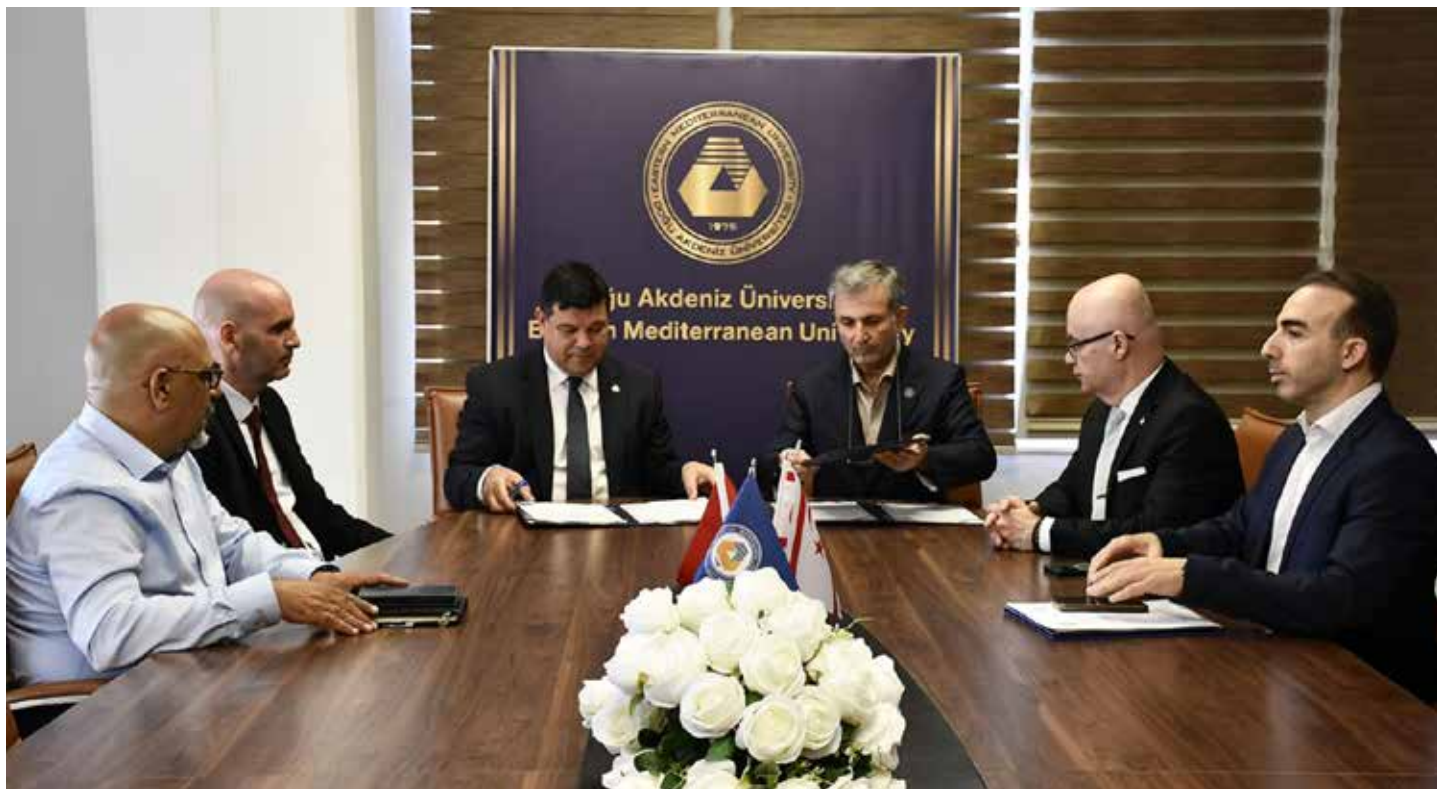
The majority of EMU's contribution to the Nature Index is derived from research in the field of Physical Sciences. The University secured its position through publications in two of the discipline's leading journals—European Physical Journal C, with 20 articles, and the Journal of High Energy Physics, with one article. EMU's presence in the Index also extends beyond the field of physics. In Health Sciences, the University was represented by a publication on urban climate and environmental health in Cities, while in Social Sciences, it contributed to a multinational study published in Nature Human Behaviour. European Physical Journal C, the Journal of High Energy Physics, Cities, and Nature Human Behaviour are widely recognized among the most prestigious journals in their respective disciplines, making publication in each of them a notable indicator of international research quality.

The Faculties, Departments, and Academics behind EMU's Success The Department of Physics in EMU Faculty of Arts and Sciences serves as the driving force behind the University's visibility in the Nature Index. Its research output in black hole physics, modified gravity, gravitational lensing, and thermodynamics has established the Department as one of the island's most productive physics departments. Based on the Nature Index Share rankings, the academics who contributed to this achievement are Prof. Dr. İzzet Sakallı, Prof. Dr. S. Habib Mazharimousavi, Prof. Dr. Omar Mustafa, and Prof. Dr. Ali Övgün. This success is attributable not only to the University's experienced academics but also to its future scientists. Erdem Sucu, a PhD student in the Department of Physics, made one of EMU's most significant contributions in this field through his quantum gravity study (EPJC 85:989), co-authored with his supervisor, Prof. Dr. İzzet Sakallı.

The rankings also feature academics whose research has extended the University's visibility across different faculties. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Hamed Rezapouraghdam from the Faculty of Tourism represented EMU through his research on urban climate and environmental health published in the journal Cities, while Prof. Dr. Şenel Hüsni Hürhan from the Department of Psychology in the Faculty of Arts and Sciences represented the University in Nature Human Behaviour with a multinational study involving 13 societies. These new entries, added to the database in 2026, indicate that researchers from additional faculties are likely to contribute to the rankings in the years ahead.

In his remarks, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç emphasized that this achievement is a tangible reflection of the University's institutional mission and vision, which prioritize research excellence and international visibility, as well as the strong and consistent support provided to its academic staff. Prof. Dr. Kılıç stated that, in line with this vision, EMU will continue to strengthen its collaborations with national and international research institutions and further foster its interdisciplinary research culture, while continuing to enhance its institutional capacity to support high-quality scientific research. He concluded by congratulating the faculty members whose dedication contributed to this achievement.

EMU AND KHARAZMI UNIVERSITY SIGN A DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM PROTOCOL



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) and Kharazmi University, one of Iran's oldest and most established universities, operating since 1919, have signed a collaboration protocol for the implementation of a postgraduate Dual Degree Program (DDP). The protocol was signed by EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç and Kharazmi University Rector Prof. Dr. Bijan Abdollahi. Under the signed agreement, the two universities aim to strengthen academic cooperation and expand international educational opportunities.

EMU Vice Rectors Prof. Dr. Osman M. Karatepe and Prof. Dr. Ali Öztüren, Rectorate Coordinator Assist. Prof. Dr. Cahit Ezel and Kharazmi University International Relations Office Director Dr. Ali Tahaei were present during the signing session the protocol.

Under the signed protocol, students enrolled in the master's program in the field of tourism will be eligible to earn dual degrees by completing designated stages of their studies at both universities. As part of the program, students will complete their first two academic semesters at Kharazmi University and their third and fourth semesters at the EMU Faculty of Tourism.

The program will be offered in English, with students required to satisfy internationally recognized English language proficiency requirements. Throughout the program, participants will conduct their academic work under the joint supervision of faculty members from both universities. In addition, their master's theses will be prepared and assessed with the involvement of academics from each institution.



Through this collaboration, the program aims to provide students with a global perspective by enabling them to study in different academic and cultural environments. At the same time, it seeks to enhance academic publications, student mobility, and joint research activities between the two universities.

The protocol signed between EMU and Kharazmi University is regarded as an important step in line with the universities' internationalization vision, and the collaboration is expected to further strengthen the academic capacities of both institutions.



EMU AND FAMAGUSTA MUNICIPALITY LAUNCH STRONG PARTNERSHIP FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) and Famagusta Municipality (FM) officially launched a partnership through the signing of a cooperation protocol at the EMU Rector's Office. The protocol aims to expand and enhance sporting, artistic, cultural, social, and scientific activities across the city.

The protocol was signed by EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç and Famagusta Mayor Dr. Süleyman Uluçay. Also present during the signing session were EMU Vice Rectors Prof. Dr. Osman M. Karatepe, Prof. Dr. Sonuç Zorlu and Prof. Dr. Ali Öztüren, EMU Rectorate Private Secretary Director Kazım Hakverdi and visiting delegation from the Municipality of Famagusta.

Under the collaboration protocol, the parties aim to develop social, cultural, sporting, and educational activities for all segments of society, particularly young people, women, children, and persons with disabilities. The protocol's priorities include organizing arts, cultural, and city festivals; preserving local culture; promoting multiculturalism; and developing

projects aimed at enhancing the city's visibility through international events. They also include safeguarding the city's historical and cultural heritage, encouraging volunteer initiatives, and developing community engagement projects.

The protocol also aims to facilitate joint initiatives in the fields of environment, sustainability, healthy living, science, technology, and innovation; expand lifelong learning opportunities; and develop projects supported by national and international funding programs.

"EMU Aims to Build a Strong Foundation"

Speaking at the protocol signing ceremony, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç emphasised that the University is guided not only by academic excellence but also by a strong sense of social responsibility. He stated that partnerships of

this kind, which contribute to the development of Famagusta, are of great importance to the University. Highlighting EMU's commitment to building a strong foundation across a range of fields, particularly in sports, Prof. Dr. Kılıç noted that the joint initiatives to be undertaken with the Municipality would have a far-reaching impact by benefiting both the University's students and the wider community. He further stated that EMU aims to promote a culture of sports, encourage young people to engage in a variety of sporting disciplines, and contribute to social development through close cooperation with local authorities.

"A Major Asset for the City"

In his remarks, Famagusta Mayor Dr. Süleyman Uluçay described Eastern Mediterranean

University as a tremendous asset not only to Famagusta but to the entire Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus. He noted that EMU has made significant contributions to the country through higher education and has established a strong international reputation thanks to the quality of its education and the achievements of its graduates. Dr. Uluçay emphasised that the partnership with the University represents a major gain for the city. He explained that while the collaboration was initially envisaged as focusing on sporting activities, it was expanded following the University's recommendations to also encompass artistic, cultural, social, and scientific initiatives. He added that he believes this comprehensive approach will make a meaningful contribution to the city's development and community life.



EMU AND ALBANK COLLABORATE TO PROVIDE INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR FEMALE STUDENTS



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) and ALBANK Ltd. have signed an internship collaboration protocol aimed at supporting the professional development of female students studying in the fields of information technology and related disciplines. The protocol was signed by EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç and ALBANK Ltd. Board Member and General Manager Şükrü Can. Under the protocol, the parties aim to contribute to the development of a qualified workforce in the field of information technology while encouraging women to take a more active role in the technology sector.

Present during the signing session were EMU Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Sonuç Zorlu, Dean of Faculty of Computer and Information Sciences Prof. Dr. Ahmet Rızaner and, EMU TechGirls Executive Board Members Prof. Dr. Nazife Dimililer, Dr. Yeşim Kapsıl Çırak and Dr. Özlem Gökran Evre.

“The Aim Is to Encourage Greater Participation of Female Students in Technology”

In his speech, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç stated that collaborations between universities and industry make a significant contribution to the development of young people, particularly in the fields of artificial intelligence and technology. Prof. Dr. Kılıç noted that the main objective of the project is to encourage greater participation of young people, especially female students, in technology-related fields, emphasizing that university–industry collaboration plays a strategic role in the digital transformation process. He also stated that such projects contribute directly to both education and employment, adding that the success stories to emerge from the project will serve as a strong source of motivation for future generations.

“A Valuable Initiative for Both Institutions and the National Economy”

In his address, ALBANK Ltd. Board Member and General Manager Şükrü Can highlighted that the banking sector is becoming increasingly integrated with digital transformation, artificial intelligence, and software technologies. Pointing out that financial transactions are now carried out largely through

digital channels, Can stated that the need for qualified professionals in software and technology has grown accordingly. He emphasized that partnerships with universities play an important role in addressing this need, adding that bringing young people into the sector through productive projects is a valuable asset for both institutions and the national economy.

“It Will Create a Significant Transformation in the Long Term”

EMU Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Sonuç Zorlu noted that the number of female students in the fields of information systems and information technologies remains low on a global scale. Underscoring the importance of raising awareness from an early age in order to encourage greater interest in these fields, Prof. Dr. Zorlu stated that role model initiatives introduced at the high school level should be expanded to reach wider audiences. She further noted that enabling women to take on more visible and active roles in the technology sector is possible through sustainable support mechanisms, adding that projects of this kind will bring about a significant transformation in the long term.

“Directly Enhances the Quality of Education”

Prof. Dr. Ahmet Rızaner, Dean of the Faculty of Computer and Information Sciences, stated that the Faculty places great importance on collaborations with industry, noting that providing students with opportunities to reinforce their theoretical knowledge through practical experience directly enhances the quality of education. Prof. Dr. Rızaner emphasized that projects of this kind help shape students’ career planning while preparing them to enter the sector as better-equipped professionals.

“A Defining Factor in Career Development”

Prof. Dr. Nazife Dimililer, Board Member of EMU TechGirl, stated that internships and hands-on experience play a critical role in ensuring the long-term participation of female students in the technology sector. Noting that actively involving students in project development processes increases their motivation, Prof. Dr. Dimililer emphasized that university–industry collaborations are a defining factor in young people’s career development. She added that such programs serve not only as a starting point for students but also as a powerful tool for career guidance.

In line with the signed protocol, female students studying in relevant departments at EMU, particularly Information Systems, Software Engineering, Information Security, and Management Information Systems, will have the opportunity to participate in an information technology-focused internship

program at ALBANK. The program, which will be carried out as part of the compulsory summer internship requirement, will last 40 working days. The internships will be conducted in fields such as software development, data analysis, cybersecurity, information technology support services, and business analysis.

Under the protocol, ALBANK will undertake to host four female interns during each internship period. The Bank will also be responsible for assigning tasks that support the interns’ professional development and for providing a suitable working environment. EMU, meanwhile, will assume responsibility for confirming the interns’ academic eligibility, completing the required insurance procedures, and carrying out the academic supervision of the internship process.

The collaboration will be coordinated by the TechGirls Committee operating under the EMU. The committee will be responsible for organizing the application and evaluation processes, facilitating communication between the students and the Bank, and contributing to the effective implementation of the internship process.

The protocol further provides for the organization of training sessions and activities designed to support students’ development in leadership, institutional communication, and teamwork, alongside their technical knowledge and skills. Upon completion of the program, students will present their internship experiences, and those who successfully complete the program are expected to receive certificates.

The one-year protocol reflects the parties’ shared commitment to establishing a sustainable collaboration model that will help increase the participation of female students in the field of technology.



EMU PARTICIPATES IN THE MINISTRY OF NATIONAL EDUCATION'S IN-SERVICE TRAINING MEETING

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) took part in a meeting hosted by the Minister of National Education of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC), Nazım Çavuşoğlu, with representatives of the universities that contributed to the in-service training programs organized for teachers during the 2025–2026 academic year. EMU was represented at the meeting, held at the Ministry of National Education, by Vice Rector for Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Osman M. Karatepe.

Gökmen Davutoğlu, Director of the Department of Educational Support Services; Behçet Çelebi, Director of the Department of Higher Education and Foreign Relations; Dr. Nihat Ekizoğlu, Deputy Director of the Department of Educational Support; Prof. Dr. Tamer Şanlıdağ, Rector of Near East University; Prof. Dr. Ahmet Adalier, Cyprus International University Board of Trustees Member; Prof. Dr. Hüseyin Oğuz, Dean of the Dr. Fazıl Küçük Faculty of Education at European University of Lefke; Final International University Rector Prof. Dr. Orhan Gemikonaklı, and specialists involved in the in-service training programs attended the event.

“Participation Increased from 7% to 95%”

In his address, Minister of National Education Nazım Çavuşoğlu highlighted the importance of in-service training, noting that participation had increased from 7% to 95% following legislative amendments, representing approximately 5,000 teachers. He



also stated that artificial intelligence-based training programs are being planned to include all teachers and that the Ministry has strengthened its training team. During his speech, Minister Çavuşoğlu also expressed his appreciation to Eastern Mediterranean University, European University of Lefke, Near East University, Cyprus International University, and Final International University, as well as to the academics who contributed to the delivery of the in-service training programs.

“Serving Society Is One of the Fundamental Missions of Universities”

Representing EMU at the meeting, Vice Rector for

Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Osman M. Karatepe emphasized that serving society is one of the fundamental missions of universities. He also underlined the importance of designing educational programs—particularly in the fields of artificial intelligence and digital transformation—based on thorough needs analyses.

At the end of the meeting, Minister of National Education Nazım Çavuşoğlu presented plaques of appreciation to the rectors and university representatives in recognition of their contributions to the in-service training programs for teachers.

ACADEMIC COLLABORATION BETWEEN TAYLOR'S UNIVERSITY AND EMU STRENGTHENED

The academic collaboration between Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) and Taylor's University has been further strengthened through mutual guest teaching activities. Within the scope of this collaboration, students and academics came together in an international learning environment to exchange knowledge and experiences.

As part of the activities carried out within the scope of the collaboration, Dr. Chan Kai Sze, a faculty member at the School of Biosciences at Taylor's University, delivered an online lecture titled “Sports Nutrition Education: Fueling Performance and Behaviour Change.” The lecture explored the importance of evidence-based nutrition education in supporting athletic performance and promoting behaviour change.

On the other hand, EMU Health Sciences Faculty, Nutrition and Dietetics Department academic staff Prof. Dr. Ceren Gezer delivered a presentation titled “From Knowledge to Behaviour: Rethinking Nutrition Education”, providing insight on innovative educational approaches in transforming nutrition knowledge into sustainable health behaviours.

The activities enabled students from both universities to come together from different cultural and academic perspectives, strengthening international academic interaction and knowledge sharing in the fields of nutrition and health sciences.

While the collaboration between EMU and Taylor's University is expected to be further expanded in the coming semester, planning is currently underway for the implementation of a joint “Global Classroom”

initiative in the next academic year. This initiative reflects the shared vision of the two institutions to advance internationalization, academic excellence, and the development of global learning environments.



EMU DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS ACADEMIC PROF. DR. ALİ ÖVGÜN PRESENTED WITH “SCIENTIFIC AND ACADEMIC STUDIES” AWARD BY YTB

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Department of Physics academic Prof. Dr. Ali Övgün has achieved a remarkable milestone, earning international recognition for his outstanding academic accomplishments. The “Türkiye Alumni Awards Program” and the “15th International Students Graduation Ceremony”, organized every three years by the Presidency for Turks Abroad and Related Communities (YTB) under the Ministry of Culture and Tourism of the Republic of Türkiye following a rigorous evaluation process, were held in Ankara with the participation of high-ranking state officials. During the event held with the participation of senior state officials, the event celebrated distinguished members of the global Türkiye Alumni network, which now comprises nearly 160,000 graduates, Prof. Dr. Ali Övgün was presented with the Scientific and Academic Studies Award, proudly representing both the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus and EMU.

Internationally recognized for his high-quality research in the field of theoretical physics, Prof. Dr. Ali Övgün received the award at a ceremony which was attended by Cevdet Yılmaz, Vice President of the Republic of Türkiye; Mehmet Nuri Ersoy, Minister of Culture and Tourism of the Republic of Türkiye; Serdar Çam, Deputy Minister of Culture and Tourism of the Republic of Türkiye; Abdulkadir Mohamed Nur, Somalia's Minister of Ports and Maritime Transport; Zafer Sırakaya; Abdulhadi Turus, President of the Presidency for Turks Abroad and Related Communities (YTB); and YTB Vice Presidents Murat Kazancı and Ahmet Alemdar.

In his congratulatory message to Prof. Dr. Ali Övgün, Abdulhadi Turus, President of the YTB, stated that the award represents not only recognition of his academic achievements to date but also confidence in the significant contributions he is expected to make to the international scientific community in the future.

Following the award presentation, Prof. Dr. Ali Övgün expressed his feelings, stating;



“Coming from Northern Cyprus to my homeland, Türkiye, to pursue my education and being honored today with such a prestigious award is a tremendous source of pride for me. I hope this award will serve as a source of inspiration for all Turkish Cypriots who have continued to produce scientific knowledge and sustain their academic presence despite various challenges over the past five decades. Feeling the unwavering support of our homeland, Türkiye, beside us at all times, I firmly believe that the light of science will lead us toward a much brighter future”.

Congratulations from EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç

Upon his return to the island, Prof. Dr. Ali Övgün paid a courtesy visit to EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç. EMU Vice Rector for Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Osman M. Karatepe and Head of EMU Departments of Chemistry and Physics Prof. Dr. Huriye İcıl were also present during the said visit.

Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç congratulated Prof. Dr. Ali Övgün on his outstanding achievement, describing the prestigious international award as a great source of pride for both EMU and the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus. Prof. Dr. Kılıç emphasized that Prof. Dr. Övgün's scholarly work has made a significant contribution to the University's international visibility and expressed his confidence that his successes would continue to grow. In recognition of his outstanding accomplishments, Prof. Dr. Kılıç presented Prof. Dr. Övgün with a commemorative plaque. Prof. Dr. Övgün, in turn, thanked Prof. Dr. Kılıç and the University administration for their continued support, reaffirming his commitment to pursuing his scientific research with the same determination and dedication.



Who is Prof. Dr. Ali Övgün?

Widely renowned for his contributions to theoretical physics, Prof. Dr. Ali Övgün's latest achievement is regarded as a powerful reflection of the strong academic foundation he built in Türkiye and the internationally recognized research career he has developed at EMU. After completing his undergraduate studies at İzmir Institute of Technology between 2005 and 2010, Prof. Dr. Övgün shaped his academic journey under the mentorship of distinguished scholars, including Prof. Dr. Durmuş Ali Demir, Prof. Dr. İsmail Hakkı Duru, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Bedrettin Subaşılar, and his mentor at EMU, Prof. Dr. Mustafa Halilsoy. Building on the strong academic foundation he acquired at İzmir Institute of Technology, Prof. Dr. Övgün has transformed this expertise into internationally acclaimed research within EMU Department of Physics. Today, his work continues to serve as a scientific bridge between Türkiye and the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus.

EMU DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY FACULTY MEMBER PROF. DR. MEHMET M. ERGİNEL PURSUES HIS RESEARCH AT THE UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD AS A VISITING SCHOLAR DURING THE 2026 SPRING SEMESTER



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Arts and Sciences Faculty, Department of Psychology faculty member Prof. Dr. Mehmet M. Erginel served as a visiting scholar at the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Oxford. The University of Oxford, which has consistently been ranked the world's best university for the

past decade according to the Times Higher Education World University Rankings, is home to many of the world's leading philosophers within its Faculty of Philosophy.

Throughout the 2025–2026 Academic Year Spring Semester, Prof. Dr. Erginel participated in a range of seminars and workshops focusing on Ancient Greek Philosophy, his area of expertise. During his time at the University of Oxford, he also had the opportunity to share his ongoing academic work with faculty members, doctoral students and fellow visiting scholars.

During this period, Prof. Dr. Erginel further advanced his research on Plato's views on pleasure, pain and beauty, continuing his work with the aim of publishing it as journal articles and a book chapter. He also intensified his research on the political philosophy presented in Plato's Republic, widely regarded as one of the most influential works in the history of philosophy.

Participated As a Guest Speaker at Leading Universities

Prof. Dr. Erginel presented his research on the role of conflict and war in Plato's conception of the ideal state as an invited speaker at several leading universities in the United

Kingdom. Among these presentations was an invited lecture delivered as part of the "B Club" seminar series at the Faculty of Classics, University of Cambridge, one of the oldest and most prestigious seminars in the field. Since its establishment in 1931, the seminar has invited no more than three leading scholars each academic term. Prof. Dr. Erginel also delivered invited presentations at the Faculty of Classics, University of St Andrews, and the Department of Philosophy, King's College London.

A New Perspective on Plato's Conception of Peace

In his presentations, Prof. Dr. Erginel argued that, contrary to common belief, Plato adopted a more peaceful and anti-war approach. He explained that Plato's ideal state is one that avoids war and violence whenever possible and resorts to war only for defensive purposes and only to the extent necessary.

Prof. Dr. Erginel further emphasized that these ideas may offer valuable ethical insights into the evaluation of contemporary international and intersocietal conflicts. The presentations, which attracted considerable interest, also contributed to the successful representation of Eastern Mediterranean University on international academic platforms.

ANOTHER FIRST FROM EMU: ACADEMIC CEREN GEZER BECOMES THE FIRST TURKISH CYPRIOT RECEIVING "PROFESSOR" TITLE IN THE FIELD OF NUTRITION AND DIETETICS

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Faculty of Health Sciences, Nutrition and Dietetics Department academic Ceren Gezer achieved a significant success by being the first Turkish Cypriot awarded with the "Professor" title in the field of Nutrition and Dietetics. Prof. Dr. Gezer, who was awarded the said title at the age of 39, has made significant contributions to numerous national and international scientific publications through her academic work at EMU since 2015. Her outstanding scientific productivity and research performance have also earned her several publication achievement awards.

Prof. Dr. Gezer's achievement is considered to be more than an individual career accomplishment; it also represents a significant milestone for the Turkish Cypriot academic community and the field of Nutrition and Dietetics. Her academic work stands out for advancing science-based approaches to nutrition, promoting the wider adoption of evidence-based practices, and encouraging young researchers to engage in academic research.

In his remarks on the matter, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç described the promotion of EMU faculty member Prof. Dr. Ceren Gezer to the

rank of Professor as a source of great pride for the University. He noted that Prof. Dr. Gezer's scientific productivity, international academic recognition, and contributions to her field represent a remarkable achievement that reinforces EMU's vision of becoming a leading research university. Prof. Dr. Kılıç also extended his best wishes for her continued success in her academic career.

EMU Faculty of Health Sciences Dean Prof. Dr. Mehtap Malkoç highlighted Prof. Dr. Ceren Gezer's significant academic contributions to both the Faculty and the Department. She emphasized that Prof. Dr. Gezer has played an important role in fostering a stronger research culture, improving the quality of scientific publications, and supporting the education of students, thereby making a valuable contribution to the Faculty. Prof. Dr. Malkoç added that this achievement represents a strong source of motivation in advancing the Faculty's scientific objectives.

In her statement, EMU Department of Nutrition and Dietetics Chair Assist. Prof. Dr. Gözde Okburan emphasized that Prof. Dr. Gezer's steady academic advancement is the result of her disciplined work ethic and strong scientific



approach. Assist. Prof. Dr. Okburan noted that Prof. Dr. Gezer's achievement will serve as an inspiration to the Department's students and early-career academics, expressing her belief that this accomplishment will further strengthen the Department's academic standing.

EMU proudly celebrates this important academic achievement and remains committed to its vision of fostering scientific productivity while supporting internationally competitive academic research.

“RULES, POWER AND TRANSITION: MAPPING TODAY’S GLOBAL ORDER” PANEL HELD AT EMU

A panel titled “Rules, Power and Transition: Mapping Today’s Global Order” has recently been organized by Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Center for Strategic Studies (EMU-CSS) in collaboration with PUGWASH International Relations Club. From a multidimensional perspective, the panel addressed wars, economic crises, the weakening of international institutions, and the ongoing transformation in global politics from a rules-based order to one driven by power-based relations.

The panelists were Assoc. Prof. Dr. Galip Yalman, a retired academic staff member of Middle East Technical University; Assoc. Prof. Dr. Umut Bozkurt, a faculty member of EMU Department of Political Science and International Relations; and, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Moncef Khaddar, a scholar renowned for his studies on international relations, human rights and politics in the Middle East. Chair of EMU Center for Strategic Studies Assist. Prof. Dr. Gülay Umaner Duba moderated the panel.

The first speaker of the panel, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Galip Yalman, delivered a presentation titled “Crisis, International Order and War”, in which he examined the relationship between crisis, the international order and war. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Yalman emphasized that the contemporary international order is undergoing a profound transformation not only through changes in institutional structures but also in the context of hegemony, capitalist crises, and the dynamics of war.



Next, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Umut Bozkurt delivered a presentation titled “Capitalism, Democratic Legitimacy, and the Erosion of the Liberal International Order”, addressing topics of capitalism, democratic legitimacy, and the erosion of the liberal international order. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Bozkurt drew attention to the impact of neoliberal transformations on democratic institutions and societal legitimacy, emphasizing that democratic backsliding constitutes a significant dimension of the current crisis of the global order.

The panel’s final speaker, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Moncef Khaddar, delivered a presentation titled “Imperial Chaos and the Quest for Justice: The Iran-U.S./Israel Conflict and Its Ripple Effects”, in which he examined the dynamics of the conflict involving Iran, the United States, and Israel, as

well as its regional and global repercussions.

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Khaddar argued that, in today’s international environment, where power politics has become the defining force, the concepts of justice, sovereignty, and human rights must be fundamentally re-examined.

Held with strong participation and interaction, the panel featured comprehensive discussions, guided by questions from the audience, on topics such as the erosion of the rules-based international order, the rise of power politics, the impact of neoliberalism on democratic legitimacy, imperial conflicts, and the quest for global justice. The panel concluded by offering a multidimensional platform for discussion on the future of today’s global order.

“IMPACTFULL SPEAKING AND PRESENTATION SKILLS TRAINING” HELD AT EMU



As part of its in-service training activities, the Training and Development Services Unit operating under the Human Resources Directorate of Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) has organized a workshop titled “Impactful Speaking and Presentation Skills Training”. The workshop was delivered by Dr. Jülide Erdal Üngör, Coordinator of the EMU Strategy and Project Development Office, and focused on methods and practical techniques for enhancing the

memorability of speeches and presentations while creating a stronger impact on audiences.

The two-day program which brought together academic and administrative staff began with an in-depth training session focusing on effective speaking and presentation techniques, while the second day gave participants the opportunity to apply what they had learned by delivering brief presentations. Each



presentation was followed by personalized feedback highlighting participants’ strengths and identifying areas for further development.

Designed to help participants gain a fresh perspective on their presentation skills, the workshop combined practical application with constructive feedback, providing an engaging and enriching professional development experience.

FAMAGUSTA MUNICIPALITY ENTERS A NEW AI-POWERED ERA THROUGH COLLABORATION WITH EMU

In collaboration between Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) and Famagusta Municipality (GMB), two separate AI-powered projects were developed to strengthen digital transformation in municipal services. Introduced during a presentation held at Famagusta Municipality, the first project was developed as an AI-powered complaint management system designed to ensure that citizens' complaints are directed quickly and efficiently to the appropriate departments. The second project was prepared as a mobile application that will facilitate access to up-to-date information on municipal services, events, waste collection, pharmacies on duty, health, tourism and urban life.

The projects, developed by EMU Department of Computer Engineering academic staff members Prof. Dr. Önsen Toygar, Prof. Dr. Duygu Çelik Ertuğrul and Prof. Dr. Yılmaz Bitirim together with department students Akay Alptuğ, Mert Suar Muti, Kadir Can Coşkun, Mahamat Hassan and Necati Kırgız, were introduced during the meeting held with the participation of Famagusta Mayor Dr. Süleyman Uluçay, department heads and representatives.

Citizen Requests to be Quickly Directed to Relevant Units

During the meeting, details of the project designed to support Famagusta Municipality's transition to a new AI-powered internal workflow model for managing citizen complaints were presented. The system is intended to ensure that citizen complaints and requests submitted to the municipality are automatically directed to the appropriate departments in less than one second, without requiring staff intervention.

Through the AI model, the project aims to accurately classify complaints, rapidly forward them to the relevant departments, facilitate internal communication within the municipality, and accelerate resolution processes. In addition, the system is expected to strengthen the municipality's statistical data storage capacity and contribute to the generation of measurable data.

The new system has been designed to operate in an integrated manner across the municipality's high-demand service areas, including sewerage, sanitation, health services, parks and gardens, municipal police, water services and public works, in addition to handling citizen requests and complaints. The system is also intended to enable the collection of location information through



map-based functionality, support communication processes via messaging, and contribute to the provision of uninterrupted 24/7 municipal services.

Making Famagusta Municipality's Services More Accessible

The second project introduced during the meeting, a mobile application, aims to make the services provided by Famagusta Municipality more accessible. Through the application, citizens will be able to easily access up-to-date information on municipal events, waste collection schedules, pharmacies on duty, health services, tourism and urban life.

Both projects are expected to make significant contributions to Famagusta Municipality's digital transformation vision. During the meeting, department heads and unit representatives exchanged views on the feasibility of implementing the projects. It was emphasized that the initiatives have considerable potential to strengthen internal coordination, accelerate service delivery processes, and enhance citizen satisfaction.

On the other hand, the AI-based citizen complaint management project has also gained recognition in the international academic arena. The project was presented at the 2026 IEEE 50th Annual Computers, Software and Applications Conference (COMPSAC 2026), held at the Technical University of Madrid in Spain, through a paper

entitled "Machine Learning-Based Classification of Turkish Municipal Complaint and Request Records."

"EMU Is an Important Asset for the Entire Country"

In his remarks following the presentation, Famagusta Mayor Dr. Süleyman Uluçay emphasized that EMU is an important asset not only for Famagusta but also for the country as a whole, thanks to its knowledge, experience, scientific output and human resources across many fields.

Drawing attention to the fact that the age of artificial intelligence is reshaping institutions, cities and service models, Dr. Uluçay stated that this transformation represents a change even more comprehensive than the Industrial Revolution. Stressing that local governments must be prepared for this process, he noted that municipalities should adopt a data-driven, fast, transparent and citizen-oriented approach to service delivery.

Dr. Uluçay also stated that Famagusta Municipality places great importance on collaboration with academic institutions and described the partnership with EMU as an important step toward advancing the municipality's digitalization and improving the quality of its services. He concluded by thanking the students and academics who contributed to the project.



LITERATURE AND ARTS MEET AT EMU: “3RD LITERATURE DAYS” RECEIVED GREAT INTEREST



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Faculty of Education, Department of Foreign Language Education successfully hosted the “3rd Literature Day” at the EMU Activity Center with strong participation. Held under the theme “A Journey through Time”, this year’s event celebrated the timeless and universal power of literature by bringing together diverse cultures, historical periods, and human experiences through a rich blend of artistic expression. Highlighting the vital role of literature in foreign language education, the program featured poetry, theatrical performances, music, and dance, taking participants on a memorable artistic journey through time.

EMU General Secretary Derviş Eksici, EMU Faculty of Education’s Vice Dean and Head of Department of Foreign Languages Education Assist. Prof. Dr. Fatoş Erozan, Student Development, Events and Sports Affairs Director Cemal Kılıç, Event Organizer and Foreign Language Education Department member Assist. Prof. Dr. Yeşim Betül Oktay,

academic and administrative personnel as well as many students attended the said event.

Delivering the opening address, Assist. Prof. Dr. Erozan noted that the theme “A Journey through Time” serves as a reminder of literature’s unique ability to connect people across different eras, cultures, and perspectives. Addressing the audience, Director of Student Development, Activities and Sports Affairs Cemal Kılıç stressed that literature has become even more valuable in the era of artificial intelligence, describing it as one of the fundamental elements that enriches and gives meaning to human life.

Speaking at the opening of the event, Assist. Prof. Dr. Oktay expressed her hope that the occasion would be remembered as a day that touched both minds and hearts. She also explained that this year’s theme was inspired by the works of Emily Dickinson and Ahmet Hamdi Tanpınar, noting that both writers remind us that eternity is, in fact, found within the present moment.

A Journey beyond Time and Cultures

As part of the event, undergraduate, master’s, and doctoral students from the Departments of Foreign Language Education, Turkish Language Teaching, and Psychology, as well as the Information and Communication Technologies in Education program, captivated the audience with performances of poetry, music, theatre, and dance. Through their stage presentations, they took attendees on a journey beyond time and cultures, demonstrating how literature transcends generations and preserves the richness of human emotions across the ages.

The program offered a rich multicultural literary experience, featuring poetry recitals not only in English but also in Turkish, Azerbaijani Turkish, Persian, Ottoman Turkish, and Hindi. Audience enjoyed performances of works by renowned literary figures, including Ahmet Hamdi Tanpınar, Behçet Necatigil, Bəxtiyar Vahabzadə, Cahit Sıtkı Tarancı, Edgar Albert Guest, Evangeline Paterson, Fuzuli, Hafez, Marge Piercy, Mary Oliver, Mirabai, Nazım





Hikmet, Orhan Veli Kanık, Oruç Aruoba, Samed Vurgun, and William Ernest Henley.

The event's poetry performances were brought to life by Birce Yılmaz, Elif Tuana Vural, Emine Akyüz, Gaye İmge Çavdar, Görkem İşçi, Havva Özkoraltay, İrem Aslan, Melek Gökhan, Mohammad Ehsan Zafar, Muhammed Sefa Karaca, Özlem Şen, Özlem Uyar, Parvin Moshfeghi, Ramin Zarbaliyev, Rüya Özgül Burak, Şükran Yardımlı, and Yeşim Betül Oktay, who recited poems in a variety of languages, reflecting the event's multicultural spirit. The program also featured

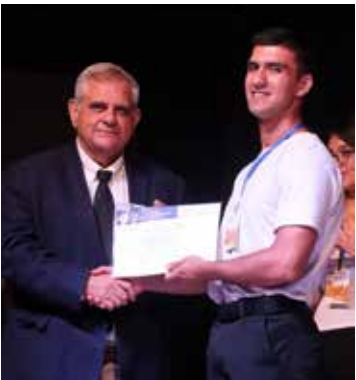
original poems written and performed by Vaibhavi Vashishtha, a master's student in the Department of Psychology, and guest participant Zehra Nalbantoğlu, a staff member of the Student Development, Activities and Sports Affairs Directorate, adding a distinctive and personal dimension to the event.

In addition to the poetry recitals, the audience enjoyed a staging of "The Importance of Being Earnest" by Oscar Wilde. The cast included Department of Foreign Language Education students Alperen Okur, Büşra Işık, Fatma Hilal Çelik, Irmak Özcan, Melek Gökhan, Mohammad Ehsan Zafar, and Sesil Azra Demir. Sharing the stage with the students, Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam from the Department of Foreign Language Education exemplified the University's collaborative learning culture, with the student-faculty performance receiving warm appreciation from the audience.

The event was hosted by Firdevs Cafoğlu and İremnur Doğa, whose costumes beautifully reflected the event's "A Journey through Time" theme, creating a distinctive atmosphere and enhancing the overall experience for the

audience. Behind the scenes, Department of Foreign Language Education students Ahmet Arda Aker and Deryıl Dermay played an active role in coordinating stage operations, ensuring the smooth execution of the program. Meanwhile, Research Assistant Ehsan Zafar from the Department of Foreign Language Education made significant contributions by directing the theatre production and supporting the promotion and documentation of the 3rd Literature Day, playing a key role in the successful organization of the event.

In addition to the theatrical performance, the program was further enriched by a variety of music and dance performances. Begüm Karak performed a piano recital, Samet Vahit Taşdemir delivered a bağlama performance, while Ayşe Ecem Korkmaz and Fatma Çalışkan contributed with their vocal performances. An original dance performance by Vaibhavi Vashishtha was also met with great appreciation from the audience. The 3rd Literature Day concluded with the presentation of certificates to all participants, followed by a commemorative group photograph marking the successful completion of the event.



EMU ALUMNI DELIVER INSPIRING CAREER AND AI-FOCUSED PRESENTATIONS TO STUDENTS



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Vocational School of Information Technologies, Student Development, Events and Sports Affairs Directorate and Alumni and Career Development Unit co-organized a "Career Talks" event which hosted Alper Biberici and Burak Öz, 2028 graduates of EMU Department of Information Systems and Technologies.

Alper Biberici, Corporate Business Solutions Manager at Özak Global Holding Inc., who has achieved notable success in his professional career, delivered a presentation titled "Sektörel Rönesans: Farklı Disiplinlerde İş Hayatı / Sectoral Renaissance: Working Life Across Different Disciplines". Burak Öz, Technical Manager at Türk Telekom, gave two presentations titled "Kariyerin Yeni Mimarı: Yapay Zekâ ile Dönüşen İş Dünyası / The New Architect of Careers: The Business World Transformed by Artificial Intelligence" and "Geleceği Kodlamak: Yapay Zekâ Çağında Stratejik Kariyer Yönetimi / Coding the Future: Strategic Career Management in the Age of Artificial Intelligence". The event was organized with the contributions of Raygan Kansoy, Instructor at the EMU Vocational School of Information Technologies.

In his presentation, Alper Biberici addressed the impact of artificial intelligence on various sectors, stating that while AI will not completely replace the human workforce, individuals who are able to use artificial intelligence effectively will gain a significant advantage.

In his presentation titled "The New Architect of Careers: The Business World Transformed by Artificial Intelligence", Burak Öz highlighted the importance of communication skills, personal development, and professional networks in career planning, in addition to technical expertise. He also emphasized that Prompt Engineering is expected to become one of the key professions of the future.

The event also featured a joint presentation titled "Coding the Future: Strategic Career Management in the Age of Artificial Intelligence", which explored strategic approaches to career planning in the AI era and provided students with valuable guidance for shaping their future careers.

Expressing their pleasure at returning to EMU 18 years after their graduation, Biberici and Öz emphasized that the knowledge and experience they gained at the University played a significant



role in shaping their career journeys. Sharing their professional experiences, the challenges they encountered, and the opportunities they pursued through real-life examples, the speakers provided students with valuable insights and guidance. The event also addressed the impact of artificial intelligence on the business world, and the speakers responded to questions from the audience.

The event concluded with the presentation of plaques to the speakers by Raygan Kansoy, Instructor at the EMU Vocational School of Information Technologies.



EMU HOSTS “CHILDREN’S RIGHT TO PLAY” AWARENESS EVENT HELD AS PART OF THE WORLD PLAY DAY

Pre-School Teacher Education program under the Department of Elementary Education, Faculty of Education at Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) and, Early Childhood Studies Club co-organized an event titled “Children’s Right to Play: Awareness and Advocacy” on the occasion of the World Play Day. Carried out as part of the “Play Development and Education in Early Childhood” course under the coordination of Assoc. Prof. Dr. Eda Yazgın, the event focused on preservation of children’s right to play and the developmental importance of play.

As part of World Play Day—a global movement advocating equal access to quality play for every child—an event was organized at EMU Atatürk Square (CL Square) where students presented their original toy designs that they developed to foster children’s holistic development, and introduced their innovative projects to visitors.



The event also attracted students from a variety of academic disciplines. Visitors toured the play exhibition, where they learned about the purpose and design of the student-developed toys. Throughout the event, emphasis was

placed on the idea that play is not merely a recreational activity, but a fundamental right and a vital tool that supports children’s cognitive, social, emotional, and physical development.

5TH GUIDANCE AND COUNSELING CHRONICLES HELD WITH STRONG PARTICIPATION



Co-organized by the Psychological Counseling and Guidance Club operating under the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Student Development, Events and Sports Affairs Directorate and the Guidance and Psychological Counseling Program under the Department of Educational Sciences of Faculty of Education, the 5th Guidance and Counseling Chronicles event was held with the theme of “Sports Psychology”. Bringing academics, students and sports professionals together, the event featured comprehensive insights on theoretical and practical aspects of sports psychology.

Taking place at the Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall, the 5th Guidance and Counseling Chronicles event commenced with “Spor Psikolojisi Nedir? / What is Sports Psychology?” presentation delivered by Dr. Ziya Kuruç from Hacettepe University. Dr. Kuruç



discussed the development of sports psychology, the psychological factors affecting athletes’ performance, and the role of mental preparation in achieving success. The program continued with a presentation by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Sertan Kağan, faculty member of the EMU Department of Educational Sciences at Eastern Mediterranean University, “Egzersiz İnsan Psikolojisi Üzerine Olumlu Etkisi / The Positive Effects of Exercise on Human Psychology”. In his presentation, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Kağan examined the impact of regular physical activity on individuals’ mental well-being.

During a panel session held in the afternoon, Dr. Ayça Terzioğlu from Antalya Science University delivered a presentation on “Sporda Bilinçli Farkındalık / Sporting Mindfulness”. In her presentation, Dr. Terzioğlu emphasized the importance of athletes’ ability to remain present during performance and discussed the effects of mindfulness practices on attention control, emotional regulation, and the sustainability of athletic performance.

The program continued with a panel discussion featuring Dr. Ziya Kuruç, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Sertan Kağan, and Sami Hamidi, who shared their professional experiences in the field of sports and offered insights into the practical applications of sports psychology. Throughout the session, participants also had the opportunity to ask questions and engage in discussion with the panelists.

Aviation Psychology Explored

The second day of the event took place at the Assist. Prof. Dr. Ali Hikmet Civelek Seminar Hall. The keynote speaker of the day, Dr. Ayça Terzioğlu from Antalya Science University, delivered a presentation titled “Kariyer Yolculuğu (Havacılık Psikolojisi): Teorik ve Uygulama / Career Journey (Aviation Psychology): Theory and Practice” in which she shared her experiences and insights into professional development with the participants. The two-day program concluded with the presentation of certificates to participants, followed by a volleyball tournament. Covering topics such as sports psychology, mindfulness, aviation psychology, and career development, the event attracted significant interest and provided a valuable platform for knowledge sharing.



EMU REPRESENTED AT THE TURKIC WORLD ACADEMY'S UZBEKISTAN CULTURAL TOUR

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) was represented at the “Turkic Academy Uzbekistan Cultural Tour” organized through the collaboration of Genç Memur-Sen, the Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency (TİKA), and the Presidency for Turks Abroad and Related Communities (YTB).

The program was held following the “Turkic Academy” training process, which took place between 27 October and 20 November 2025 and covered a range of topics including economics, politics, international relations, climate, energy and integration. Among approximately 6,000 participants from 72 countries who successfully completed the training program, those selected for the 50-person quota earned the right to participate in the cultural tour organized in Uzbekistan.

As part of the visit, participants visited the Embassy of the Republic of Türkiye in Uzbekistan, as well as the cities of Tashkent, Urgench, Khiva, Bukhara and Samarkand, where they took part in various cultural and academic engagements. Eastern Mediterranean University was represented in the program by Ali Doğdu, Research Assistant in the Department of Business Administration within the Faculty of Business and Economics.

Throughout the tour, participants were given the opportunity to examine on site the historical and cultural ties of the Turkic world and their development from past to present. Various briefings were also provided on the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus and Eastern Mediterranean University.



“COMPLEXCORE – BASICS TO SPECIFICS” INTRODUCED TO TURKISH LITERATURE THROUGH THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF EMU ACADEMICS

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Health Sciences, Department of Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation faculty member Prof. Dr. Berkiye Kırmızıgöl and Assist. Prof. Dr. Jeffry Chauchat, Coordinator of the Exercise and Sport Sciences Program within the Department of Sports Sciences, served as translation editors for ComplexCore – Basics to Specifics, authored by internationally renowned performance and rehabilitation specialist Roman Jahoda. Published in Turkish by Hipokrat Kitabevi, the book is regarded as an important achievement reflecting EMU's commitment to international academic collaboration in the fields of Exercise and Sport Sciences and Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation.



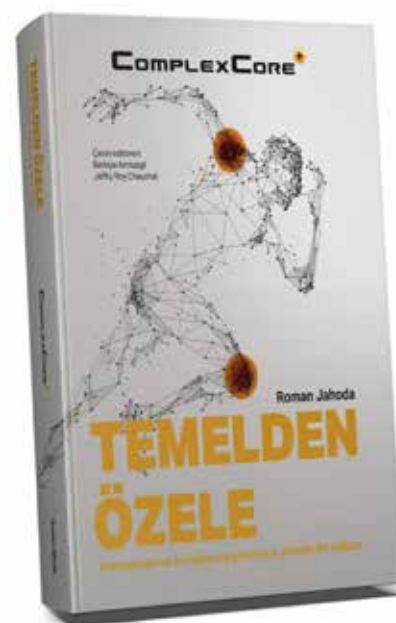
The academic collaboration began with the ComplexCore+ Levels 1–2–3 Certification Courses held at EMU on 26–27 May 2022. Organized by Prof. Dr. Berkiye Kırmızıgöl and Assist. Prof. Dr. Jeffry Chauchat, the training sessions provided students in the fields of Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation and Exercise and Sport Sciences with opportunities to acquire advanced knowledge and practical skills.

Following the certification courses held in 2022, the EMU academics were invited to ASAPES in Azerbaijan, where they taught as visiting faculty members. Prof. Dr. Berkiye Kırmızıgöl delivered both theoretical and practical lectures and training sessions on manual therapy and kinesio taping, while Assist. Prof. Dr. Jeffry Chauchat taught courses in biomechanics, training theory, sports biology, movement theory, strength training, and functional anatomy. This academic engagement contributed to strengthening inter-institutional collaboration and enhancing EMU's regional academic visibility.

The Turkish edition of ComplexCore – Basics to Specifics serves as an important resource contributing to the Turkish academic literature. Featuring more than 600 structured exercise variations, the book provides comprehensive coverage of mobility, flexibility, stability and strength, proprioception, and coordination. It also offers evidence-based guidance for the management of more than 25 musculoskeletal conditions, while presenting practical information for physiotherapists, coaches, patients, and athletes. By combining fundamental principles with advanced therapeutic and performance-oriented approaches, the book is regarded as a valuable reference that establishes a strong link between training, rehabilitation, and sports performance.

Roman Jahoda

The publication of the Turkish edition of ComplexCore – Basics to Specifics represents the latest milestone in the long-standing professional collaboration between



EMU academics and Roman Jahoda. A former judoka with multiple World Cup achievements, Jahoda has worked with elite athletes as the Chief Physiotherapist for Elite Referees under UEFA. He currently serves as Program Director of the Physical Education and Rehabilitation in Sports Program at the Azerbaijan State Academy of Physical Education and Sport (ASAPES). In addition, he continues his work as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of ComplexCore, a company specializing in movement analysis, core stability assessment, and performance optimization.

COOK-OFF AND AWARD CEREMONY HELD AT EMU FACULTY OF TOURISM IN MEMORY OF PROF. DR. MEHMET ALTINAY

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Tourism, in collaboration with Community Involvement Center (CIC), organized a meaningful cooking competition and award ceremony in memory of late faculty member Prof. Dr. Mehmet Altınay. Held with the participation of students from the Famagusta Special Education and Vocational Training School and their mothers, the event created unforgettable moments for participants through its emotional and social significance.

The cooking competition, held in TH107 Hall of the EMU Prof. Dr. Mehmet Altınay Building, was conducted under the guidance of Chef Mine Adalier. Following the training session, the students and their mothers had the opportunity to showcase their skills by preparing handmade pasta while also experiencing the joy of creating together.

Award Ceremony Held

Delivering the opening remarks at the award ceremony held following the competition, Assist. Prof. Dr. Nazenin Ruso Kandemir, Chair of the EMU-CIC, stated that Prof. Dr. Mehmet Altınay was one of the distinguished figures who left a lasting mark on EMU through his contributions to the field of tourism, his academic work, and the care and dedication he showed to his students. Assist. Prof. Dr. Kandemir emphasized that the event was not merely a competition but also a meaningful gathering dedicated to preserving the valuable legacy of Prof. Dr. Mehmet Altınay.

Emir Ali Evcimen, Director of Famagusta Special Education and Vocational Training School, also made an address, stating that Prof. Dr. Mehmet Altınay was not only a successful academic but also a remarkable individual who held a special place in the hearts of those around him. Evcimen thanked all stakeholders who contributed to the organization of such a meaningful event and also expressed his appreciation to the Altınay Family for their support in preserving the memory of Prof. Dr. Mehmet Altınay.



Dr. Mehmet Altınay, and his daughter, Prof. Dr. Zehra Altınay. Following the award ceremony, the Altınay Family presented commemorative gifts as a gesture of appreciation to those who contributed to the organization of the event. In this context, gifts were presented to Assist. Prof. Dr. Nazenin Ruso Kandemir, Chair of the EMU-CIC; Chef Mine Adalier, Lecturer at the EMU Faculty of Tourism and instructor of the competition; and Emir Ali Evcimen, Director of the Famagusta Special Education and Vocational Training School, in recognition of their contributions to the event.

In her remarks, Prof. Dr. Zehra Altınay, daughter of the late Prof. Dr. Mehmet Altınay, stated that preserving her father's name and passing on his values to future generations held great significance for the family. She emphasized that the EMU Faculty of Tourism had always held a special place for Prof. Dr. Mehmet Altınay and extended her thanks to everyone who contributed to the event.

Awards were presented to the students who placed in the competition by Gülay Altınay, wife of the late Prof.

In his closing remarks, Assist. Prof. Dr. İlkey Yorgancı, Acting Dean of the EMU Faculty of Tourism, emphasized the significant contributions Prof. Dr. Mehmet Altınay made to the field of tourism and stated that he is remembered with great affection and deeply missed. Assist. Prof. Dr. Yorgancı noted that Altınay would continue to be remembered as an exemplary academic who was admired and respected by both his students and colleagues throughout his life.

The event concluded with a group photograph bringing together the students who participated in the competition, their families, academics, and invited guests.



EMU STUDENTS EXPERIENCE THE GASTRONOMY AND CULTURAL HERITAGE OF SOUTHEASTERN ANATOLIA

The Annual Gastronomy and Culinary Arts Educational and Cultural Tour, traditionally organized by the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Tourism, was held this year across the cities of Gaziantep, Şanlıurfa, Mardin, and Diyarbakır. Coordinated by Assist. Prof. Dr. Nazenin Ruso Kandemir, Chair of the EMU Community Involvement Center (CIC), the tour was attended by Assist. Prof. Dr. İlkey Yorgancı, Acting Dean of the Faculty of Tourism, as well as academic and administrative staff from the Faculty of Tourism, alongside faculty members and students from various other departments.

As part of the program, students had the opportunity to explore the rich gastronomic heritage, cultural values, and historical fabric of the Southeastern Anatolia Region first-hand. Throughout the tour, they met with experts in their respective fields and enhanced their professional knowledge and practical skills through a series of hands-

on training activities. In this regard, students participated in a workshop on Mardin cuisine and gluten-free foods conducted by Chef Süleyman Engin at Mardin Artuklu University, where they gained valuable practical experience while developing a deeper understanding of the region's distinctive culinary traditions.

At the end of the program, participants were presented with certificates of participation. Moreover, students further enhanced their professional competencies in pastry arts through training sessions delivered by Pastry Chef Mustafa Yılmaz in Diyarbakır. In recognition of their valuable contributions to the program, commemorative plaques were presented to the participating chefs by Assist. Prof. Dr. İlkey Yorgancı, Acting Dean of EMU Faculty of Tourism.

In addition to the professional training activities, students visited some of the region's most significant historical and

cultural landmarks, including Göbeklitepe, the Zeugma Mosaic Museum, the Gaziantep Culinary Museum, Sila Mansion, and Halfeti, gaining first-hand insight into the rich cultural heritage of Southeastern Anatolia. Exposure to the region's culinary traditions, historical heritage, and local way of life provided students with a broader perspective on their academic and professional education.

"Fostering Sensitivity to Social Values"

Commenting on the program, Assist. Prof. Dr. Nazenin Ruso Kandemir, Chair of the EMU-CIC, emphasized the importance of preserving and passing on cultural heritage to future generations. She noted that activities of this kind not only enhance students' cultural awareness but also foster a greater appreciation of social values.

"Contributing Students' Comprehensive Development"

Acting Dean of EMU Faculty of Tourism, Assist. Prof. Dr. İlkey Yorgancı, stated that such educational visits play a vital role in students' academic and professional development. She emphasized that one of the fundamental components of tourism education is providing students with the opportunity to experience different destinations, cultures, and gastronomic traditions first-hand. Assist. Prof. Dr. Yorgancı further noted that engaging with industry professionals, exploring regional cuisines in their authentic settings, and discovering the historical heritage of different destinations are invaluable learning experiences for students, adding that such opportunities make a significant contribution to their holistic development.



TOLES EXCITEMENT AT EMU: INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION DRAWS ATTENTION

The Test of Legal English Skills (TOLES), a UK-based examination for legal professionals and translators working in the legal field, was held at the Eastern Mediterranean University Continuous Education Center (EMU-CEC) in the Conference Hall of the EMU Özyay Oral Library. A total of 26 candidates sat the examination, including students from the EMU Faculty of Law and the Department of Translation and Interpretation, as well as two lawyers from Türkiye and one lawyer from Russia.

EMU: Türkiye and Northern Cyprus' First Registered TOLES Examination Centre

Eastern Mediterranean University, recognized as the first accredited TOLES examination center in Türkiye and the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, has been delivering TOLES training programs and administering the examinations with professionalism and consistency since 2012. The examination results are expected to be released within six to eight weeks.

What did the Students Say?



Ata İŞSEVER – 4th Year Student at EMU Faculty of Law
Sharing his views on the TOLES examination, Ata İşsever stated that the TOLES training he received as part of his legal education has made a significant contribution to his ability to understand foreign contracts and legislation, enabling him to analyze international legal texts with greater confidence. Noting that he plans to pursue an international career after graduation, İşsever emphasized that the TOLES certificate differs from general English proficiency examinations such as IELTS and TOEFL by specifically assessing Legal English, making it particularly valuable for aspiring legal professionals. He further explained that the program not only enhanced his Legal English skills but also strengthened his overall English proficiency, while providing valuable insight into different legal systems and equipping him with the ability to communicate effectively with international clients. Reflecting on his time at EMU, İşsever added that the University has played a significant role in his professional development.



Ceren KESKİN - 4th Year Student at EMU Faculty of Law
Commenting on the TOLES examination, Ceren Keskin stated that the TOLES training offered at EMU has made a significant contribution to the development of her Legal English skills, particularly by enhancing her ability to understand international legal texts and unfamiliar legal terminology. She noted that the TOLES certificate provides a valuable competitive advantage in her professional career and added that its lifetime validity further increases its value. Keskin also remarked that while general English proficiency has become a fundamental requirement today, Legal English is what truly distinguishes legal professionals. Recommending the TOLES program to law students, she described it as both educational and enriching, adding that it offers participants a broader perspective on the legal profession. Reflecting on her experience at EMU, Keskin highlighted the expertise of the academic staff and the high quality of education, stating that Eastern Mediterranean University provides an outstanding learning environment.



Erdinç ADANALI - 4th Year Student at EMU Faculty of Law
Erdinç Adanalı, stated that the TOLES training he received at EMU has significantly enhanced his knowledge of Legal English, particularly by strengthening his ability to understand legal texts and contracts. He explained that his primary motivation for taking the TOLES examination was to certify his Legal English proficiency through an internationally recognized qualification. Adanalı, who aims to practice law in Northern Cyprus, noted that such a qualification would provide a valuable advantage within a legal system based on English law. Emphasizing that English is an essential skill not only for the legal profession but for everyday life, he added that internationally recognized program such as TOLES offer valuable opportunities for law students and recommended the program to others pursuing a career in law.



Zerin AVCIN –4th Year Student at EMU Department of Translation and Interpretation
Commenting on the TOLES examination, Zerin Avcin stated that the TOLES training goes beyond everyday English proficiency and makes a significant contribution to professional development. She noted that the program has greatly improved her ability to understand and interpret legal texts, while also providing her with valuable insight into the English legal system. Avcin explained that, after completing the two-semester program, she took the examination to earn an internationally recognized certificate reflecting her Legal English proficiency. She added that she aspires to work as a legal translator in law firms, international companies, and professional translation agencies, and believes that the TOLES certificate will be a valuable asset in her career. Emphasizing that the TOLES program not only teaches legal terminology but also equips participants with the skills to accurately understand and use English in an international legal context, Avcin recommended the program to all students interested in the field. Reflecting on her four years at EMU, she expressed her satisfaction with her educational experience, highlighting the expertise of the academic staff and the supportive social environment, both of which played an important role in preparing her for her future profession.

INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL OF EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN UNIVERSITY COMMENCES



Summer 2026 edition of the International Summer School organized by the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) has commenced. Coordinated by EMU Vice Rector for Promotion and Institutional Communication, Prof. Dr. Ali Öztüren, the summer school welcomed its new students on Monday, 13 July 2026 at 10:00 a.m. with an opening program held at the Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall.

Prof. Dr. Öztüren Expressed His Wish for Students to Create Lasting Memories Delivering the opening remarks, EMU Vice Rector for Promotion and Institutional Communication Prof. Dr. Ali Öztüren expressed his pleasure in welcoming the participants to EMU and congratulated the students on joining this important program. Prof. Dr. Öztüren also thanked the team involved in organizing the Summer School and expressed his hope that the students would create many wonderful memories during their time at the university.

“Students from More Than 10 Different Countries”

In his speech, EMU Promotion and Marketing Director Murat Aktuğralı expressed his delight at

welcoming students from more than 10 different countries as part of International Summer School 2026. He noted that during their stay in Northern Cyprus, participants will have the opportunity not only to build new friendships but also to experience different cultures firsthand. Emphasizing that the Summer School offers far more than an academic program, Aktuğralı underlined its role as a platform for cultural exchange. He encouraged the students to make the most of their time in Cyprus and concluded by expressing his confidence that the program would be an unforgettable experience for all participants.

“The Program Was Carefully Prepared to Ensure the Best Experience for Students”

Delivering a speech at the opening ceremony, Tanya Serenli Barkınay, Coordinator of EMU Summer School Educational Programs, welcomed all students participating in Eastern Mediterranean University International Summer School 2026 and expressed her pleasure at their participation in the program. Barkınay stated that the Summer School had been implemented following months of intensive preparation and emphasized that the academic staff, assistants,

and organizing team had worked meticulously to provide students with the best possible experience. She noted that the program aims to offer participants a productive period both academically and socially, adding that translation support has been arranged for students speaking different languages.

During the opening ceremony, EMU Summer School Educational Programs Coordinator Tanya Serenli Barkınay also delivered a presentation and introduced the International Summer School to the participants. Translation support was also provided for students speaking different languages. At the conclusion of the ceremony, students were presented with hats, followed by a question-and-answer session during which participants' questions were answered.

Bringing together young people from different cultures on the same campus, EMU International Summer School aims to provide participants with the opportunity to improve their English language skills, build international friendships, and gain unforgettable experiences, while also enabling them to discover the natural and cultural richness of Northern Cyprus.



800 EMU STUDENTS CELEBRATED THEIR SUCCESS ON THE SAME STAGE

70 Student Clubs, 60 International Student Societies and Champion Sports Teams Gathered at "Student Excellence Night"

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) celebrated the social, cultural, sporting, and leadership accomplishments achieved by its students beyond the classroom through a distinguished ceremony. Hosted by the Student Development, Events and Sports Affairs Office at the EMU Beach Club, the "Student Excellence Night" brought together approximately 800 students in one venue, once again highlighting the University's commitment to enriching student life.

The evening recognized the contributions of 70 student clubs, 60 international student societies, championship-winning university sports teams, student leaders, volunteers, and faculty advisors who played an active role in campus life throughout the academic year. Bringing students from different cultural backgrounds together on the same stage, the event served as a meaningful reflection of EMU's international identity and dynamic campus culture.



A Year's Dedication Honored in a Single Evening

Student clubs and international student societies that enriched campus life throughout the year through hundreds



of social responsibility projects, cultural events, scientific activities, career programs, international gatherings, and volunteer initiatives were recognized with certificates of achievement.



The evening also celebrated athletes and coaches who achieved outstanding success at the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) University Sports Games and various national competitions, earning enthusiastic applause from attendees.

Certificates of achievement were presented to numerous university sports teams, athletes, and coaches who represented the University with distinction, including the Champion Men's Volleyball Team, Champion Women's Volleyball Team, Champion Swimming Team, Champion Men's Tennis Team, Champion Women's Tennis Team, Champion Badminton Team, Champion Football Team, and Champion Cycling Team.



In addition, members of the executive boards of student clubs, club advisors, presidents and executive members of international student societies, as well as society assistants, were recognized with certificates of achievement in appreciation of their dedicated contributions throughout the academic year.

"Success Is Part of the EMU Culture"

Speaking at the event, EMU Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Sonuç Zorlu stated that the dedication and achievements demonstrated by the students are among the University's greatest sources of pride. She noted that Eastern Mediterranean University not

only equips its students with academic knowledge but also nurtures them as socially responsible, productive, and globally minded individuals.

On his address, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Hasan Kılıç stressed that universities are not institutions that solely deliver education, and stated; “Universities are places where friendships are formed, characters are shaped, and dreams take form. EMU is not just a university; it is a large family. What makes this family strong is your productivity, volunteer spirit, and achievements. Every student receiving an award here today is an important representative who carries the values of our University into the future”.

In a video message, Student Representative Council President Rahmi Direnç Sezer described EMU as a dynamic environment that offers its students not only education but also opportunities for leadership, entrepreneurship, and personal



development. He also noted that efforts are continuing to ensure that the restructured Student Council evolves into a more sustainable and student-centered organization.

Following the speeches, hundreds of students received certificates of achievement during the ceremony, while students from different countries shared the excitement and celebrated together the spirit of unity, solidarity, and

multiculturalism that defines university life.

With the participation of approximately 800 students, the Student Excellence Night powerfully demonstrated that Eastern Mediterranean University regards not only academic excellence but also social responsibility, volunteerism, cultural diversity, student leadership, and sporting achievement as integral parts of its institutional culture.



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