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Eastern Mediterranean University Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam and his team paid a visit to Iran. During the said visit, Rector and his team worked on institutional collaborations and carried out technical research.

Rector of EMU Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam, Vice Rector for Promotion Prof. Dr. Hasan Amca, Dean of

Faculty of Pharmacy Prof. Dr. Mustafa Fethi Şahin, Acting Director of Public Relations and Press Office Murat Aktuğralı and representatives of Iranian students took part in the visit which took place between 30 October and 3 November and visited Iranian Ministry of Health and Medical Education, Ministry of Science, Research and Technology, Embassy of the Turkish Republic

to Tehran, Tehran University of Medical Sciences, Kerman University of Medical Sciences, International Azad University, Shahid Bahonar University and various pharmacy laboratories. As the only university in TRNC which holds the accreditation of Iranian Ministry of Higher Education for undergraduate, postgraduate and PhD programs, >> **PG. 3**

EMU Hosted Visitors from Nigeria



Eastern Mediterranean University Rector's Office hosted the representatives of Nigerian "Tertiary Education Trust Fund" (TETFund), an organisation regulating, distributing and overseeing educational taxation in Nigeria. TETFund also offers scholarship opportunities to students pursuing postgraduate and doctoral degree studies in Nigeria. As part of their visit, Director of TETFund Aliyu Na'lya and his team paid a visit to EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam

and Vice Rector for Promotion Prof. Dr. Hasan Amca.

During the said visit, Nigerian guests received detailed information about EMU from Prof. Dr. Amca and then visited EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Osam in his office. Stating that TETFund sends students to universities fulfilling their criteria after conducting

a serious analysis on them, Aliyu Na'lya put forth that they are happy to observe that EMU meets their criteria. Expressing his happiness on the visit, Prof. Dr. Osam added that EMU is willing to provide every type of support should they establish collaborations with TETFund. At the end of the visit which finished with a campus tour, Prof. Dr. Osam presented Aliyu Na'lya'a a traditional Cypriot frame.

EMU Settles Further Collaborations

Prof. Dr. Murat Taş, who is responsible for International Educational Programs of Incarnate Word University Located in San Antonio city of the United States of America, paid a visit to Eastern Mediterranean University Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam on 29 December 2015. During the visit which hosted information exchange on further enhancing the existing collaboration between the two universities, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam provided information on EMU with a special focus on its multicultural context. Highlighting the important mission of the university

as the promotion of the TRNC, Prof. Dr. Osam added that the university endeavors to bring up projects based on production. Prof. Dr. Osam also provided detailed information about EMU's international links and collaborations. Highlighting the importance of their existing collaboration with EMU, Incarnate Word University International Educational Programs Representative Prof. Dr. Murat Taş expressed his institution's wish to further extend the existing relationship between the two universities. At the end of the visit, Prof. Dr. Taş thanked Prof. Dr. Osam for his hospitality.

Internship Opportunities at the USA

Within the framework of the collaboration between the said universities, along with student and academic staff exchange opportunities and development of the American Football Team, students will be offered the chance to carry out internship practice in San Antonio, the USA. Vice Rector for Promotion Prof. Dr. Hasan Amca, Public Relations and Press Office Director Murat Aktuğralı and Institutional Development and International Academic Affairs Coordinator Cahit Ezel were also present at the said meeting.



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» **PG. 1** EMU established very important collaborations with prominent institutions with world recognition. During the said visit, the visiting team also exchanged information on prospective collaborations regarding cancer research, medicine development research laboratories, nutritional habits and prevention on non-contagious diseases.

EMU Established Collaboration with Tehran University of Medical Sciences:

EMU signed an academic collaboration agreement with Tehran University of Medical Sciences in

the fields of medicine and pharmaceuticals. It is worth mentioning that Tehran University of Medical Sciences is ranked among the top three universities of Iran and top 100 world universities. The protocol covers academic issues including student and academic staff exchange, internship and technical information exchange.

Highlighting the importance of their visit, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam expressed his pleasure in establishing collaborations with institutions with international reputation in the fields of academics and research. Putting forth

the benefits the said collaboration agreements will bring for the students of medicine and pharmacy programs in EMU, Prof. Dr. Osam also stated that they provided detailed technical information about EMU to Iranian state officials and paid a visit of courtesy to the Turkish Embassy in Tehran. Prof. Dr. Osam thanked all officials supporting them during their visit. EMU's visit was a point of interest both in the websites of the visited ministries and universities as well as Iranian media.



Bishop of Saint Mark Church Visited EMU



Bishop of Cyprus Saint Mark Church Michael Lewis visited Eastern Mediterranean University Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam. During the visit which took place on 9 November 2015, Reverend Gabriel Amat, Reverend Canon Paul Maybury and Harry Ching accompanied Bishop Lewis, who expressed his pleasure in the level of interest demonstrated towards Christian students by EMU. Highlighting international qualities of

Eastern Mediterranean University, Prof. Dr. Osam added that EMU provides a peaceful environment of study for students without any discrimination as to religion, language and race. Putting forth that the university has made a church available for Christian students studying in EMU, Prof. Dr. Osam added that the university spends its best efforts in providing services catering for the fulfillment of the religious practices of students

from different religions. Archbishop Lewis also expressed their willingness to support the church provided by EMU for Christian students. At the end of the visit during which Rector's Coordinator Assist. Prof. Dr. Arif Akkeleş and Director of Public Relations and Press Office Murat Aktuğralı were also present, Prof. Dr. Osam presented the visitors frames made of Lefkara lace.

Prof. Dr. Ahmet Sözen Represents EMU at the International Level

Vice Rector For Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Ahmet Sözen Delivered a Presentation at The University Of Bologna

Eastern Mediterranean University Vice Rector for Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Ahmet Sözen participated in the University of Bologna's Ravenna Campus' Academic Year Opening Ceremony. Attending the ceremony as one of the keynote speakers, Prof. Dr. Sözen delivered a presentation entitled 'Re-Visiting Power of Ideas (in Preventing Wars and Peace-building)'.

In the said presentation, Prof. Dr. Sözen talked about his personal accounts on peace and war. Prof. Dr. Sözen stated that the former dean of Yale University Law Faculty and Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit appointed by the former President of the USA Bill Clinton, Guido Calabresi was also one of the keynote speakers of the said event.

Explaining the multi-focused nature of his visit to the University of Bologna, Prof. Dr. Sözen put forth that he delivered a second presentation entitled Solving the Cyprus Conflict: Blending Idealism with Pragmatism at an event organised by Bologna University Law Faculty.

During his stay, Prof. Dr. Sözen also took part in various meetings focusing on the launch of a joint postgraduate program between the law faculties of EMU and the University of Bologna. Prof. Dr. Sözen's presentation at Bologna University's Academic Year Opening Ceremony is available at <http://www.emu.edu.tr/tam-metin.pdf>.

Vice Rector of EMU Prof. Dr. Ahmet Sözen Talked about Cyprus Negotiations in Germany

Eastern Mediterranean University, Vice Rector for Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Ahmet Sözen participated in a conference entitled Cyprus and Germany: Bilateral relations in Times of Crisis and Possible Reunification. The said conference which took place in Berlin, Germany, was organised by Social Democrat Friedrich Ebert Stiftung Foundation.

At the official opening of the said event, Minister of State for Europe Michael Roth delivered a



keynote speech. Prof. Dr. Sözen and Director of the Office of the Peace and Research Institute Oslo - PRIO Cyprus Centre Harry Tzimitras delivered a presentation entitled "Cyprus Negotiations and a Possible Solution". In his presentation, Prof. Dr. Sözen provided an in-depth analysis of Cyprus negotiations, rapprochements of the parties and problematic issues. Prof. Dr. Sözen's presentation also put a special focus on the recent developments in Syria and the cold war between Russia and the Western World.

On a radio channel called "Funk House Europe", Prof. Dr. Sözen provided information about bi-communal public opinion polls carried out with researchers from the Greek side of Cyprus for the past 7 years. In the light of the said research, Prof. Dr. Sözen talked about the extent of readiness of both communities to a possible solution and important topics of negotiation. In his speech, Prof. Dr. Sözen also explained how Cyprus has become similar to "Belgium".

According to Prof. Dr. Sözen, if a federal solution will be introduced in Cyprus, it may turn out to be a problematic one. Prof. Dr. Sözen stated that despite the fact that two communities speaking different languages exist in Belgium, they

successfully maintain the federation. According to Prof. Dr. Sözen, Belgium model sets an important sample for a possible federation to be established in Cyprus in the near future. Stating that Turkish and Greek Cypriots will have topics of disagreements, Prof. Dr. Sözen put forth that the important point is to learn from the past and sustain the state with the help of important mechanisms to be integrated in the consitute.

During his stay in Germany, Prof. Dr. Sözen also talked about Cyprus Negotiations and regional developments on Germany's most serious news channel Deutsche Welle. During the said interview, Prof. Dr. Sözen provided information on the current situation of the Cyprus negotiations, problems encountered and possible confidence building measures.



Prof. Dr. Hasan Kömürçügil Returns from Japan With an Award

Eastern Mediterranean University was represented at the 41st Industrial Electronics Conference (IECON2015), which took place at Yokohama, Japan between 9 and 12 November 2015. During the said event, Eastern Mediterranean University Engineering Faculty, Computer Engineering Department academic staff member Prof. Dr. Hasan Kömürçügil delivered two presentations entitled "A Novel Multi-level Bi-directional Dc-Dc Converter for Inductive Power Transfer Applications" and "Sliding Mode Control Strategy for Three-phase DVR Employing Twelve-switch Voltage Source Converter".

Prof. Dr. Kömürçügil's presentation "A Novel Multi-level Bi-directional Dc-Dc Converter for Inductive Power Transfer Applications" received the best presentation award in the Wireless Power Transfer

session. During the current era, the transmission of electrical power from a power source to a consuming device without using discrete manmade conductors is a new technology used in the charging of smart phones, medical devices and electrical cars.

IECON is the Annual Conference of the IEEE Industrial Electronics Society, focusing on industrial and manufacturing theory and applications of electronics, controls, communications, instrumentation and computational intelligence. The objectives of the conference are to provide high quality research and professional interactions for the advancement of science, technology, and fellowship. During the conference which was participated by notable scientists from all over the world, Prof. Dr. Hasan Kömürçügil chaired the session entitled "Power Electronics".



Assoc. Prof. Dr. Senih Çavuşoğlu Organised an Exhibition and Seminar in Kosovo



Eastern Mediterranean University, Communication and Media Studies Faculty, Visual Arts and Visual Communication Design Department Chair Assoc. Prof. Dr. Senih Çavuşoğlu held a series of events in Kosovo's capital city Pristina in October. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Senih Çavuşoğlu visited the said city upon the invitation of University of Pristina, Faculty of Fine Arts and Qahili Arts Gallery. During his stay, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Senih Çavuşoğlu also discussed prospective collaborations with Pristina University in the fields of arts and design.

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Çavuşoğlu delivered a seminar including the topics "Cyprus, EMU and Visual Arts and Visual Communication Design Department" at Pristina University, Faculty of Fine Arts. The seminar received intensive interest both from students and academic staff.

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Çavuşoğlu also opened an exhibition entitled "Aesthetic Transformation of Left Over". The exhibition commenced with EMU Communication Faculty Dean Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ümit İnatçı's and Pristina Modern Arts Center Arts Director Albert Herta's addresses. The event received the intensive interest of art-lovers as well as the media.

EMU Hosted a "Brown Bag" Seminar

Eastern Mediterranean University, Business and Economics Faculty, Political Science and International Relations Department hosted a Brown Bag Seminar entitled 'The Cyprus Peace Process: Trends in Inter-Communal Public Opinion, 2007 – 2015 and the Way Forward'.

Having taken place at Business and Economics Faculty at 2:30 p.m. on 11 November 2015, the seminar was delivered by Vice Rector for Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Ahmet Sözen, who has conducted in-depth research on the Cyprus negotiation process for long years. During the said organisation, Prof. Dr. Sözen's and Greek Cypriot researcher Alexandros Lordos' research findings from 2007 to date were shared with the audience through graphics and interpretations.

Among issues discussed in the seminar were "Bi-regionalism", "Choices of Citizenship", "Guarantees" and "Sharing of the Administrative Power". Before answering the questions from the audience, Prof. Dr. Sözen suggested that a federal administrative model would be the best choice for the two communities and that confidence building measures in the path to a possible solution should be put into action.



EMU Mechanical Engineering Department Achieves Further Academic Success

With the recent increase of the number of academic publications per academic staff member to three, EMU Mechanical Engineering Department has obtained further success in the academic dimension. With the publication of a total of 25 articles in SCI (Science Citation Index) and SCIE (Science Citation Index Expanded), the number of publications per academic staff reached 3.13 in 2014.

The articles published in the said journals in 2014 focused on solar energy, thermodynamics, water refining, computer

assisted production, metal design and biomechanics. The same department also boasts increasing number of students. While the department provided study opportunities to 586 students during the 2013-2014 Academic Year, the student numbers reached 699 during the 2014-2015 Academic Year. It is worth mentioning that 27 of these students who are carrying out their PhD studies at the said department provide important contributions to the research activities taking place within the department.



EMU Organised an Event Entitled "Jordanian Students on Campus"

Organised by Eastern Mediterranean University Jordanian Student Association, an event entitled "Jordanian Students on Campus" took place at EMU Atatürk Square between 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. on 16 November 2015. During the organisation, Jordanian students promoted their own culture.

Participated by EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam, Vice Rector for Promotion Prof. Dr. Hasan Amca and a crowded group of students, the event hosted the speech of the Jordanian Student Association chair Laith Quawneh. In his address, Quawneh provided information about former Jordanian King Hüseyin and on-campus activities of the Jordanian Student Association.

Following the official opening of the event by EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Osam, traditional Jordanian breakfast was distributed to all participants. The four-hour organisation provided the students the possibility of interacting with each other as well as learning about the Jordanian culture in a pleasant environment.



EMU Hosted a Presentation on "Thanksgiving Day"

Withing the framework of the course entitled "Teaching English to Young Learners" (ELTE 301), Eastern Mediterranean University, Education Faculty, English Language Teaching Department, hosted a presentation on "Thanksgiving Day". Delivered by Ingrid D. Larson, Director of the Public Relations Department of the Embassy of the United States of America, the presentation took place at EMU Central Lecture Halls at 10:30 a.m. on 17 November 2015.

In line with the content "Culture in Language Education" of the said course delivered by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Naciye Kunt, Larson was invited to deliver a speech on "Thanksgiving Day and Its History".

Larson stated that Thanksgiving Day is celebrated on the last Thursday of November every year by Americans through feasts prepared and eaten with family members. Larson added that the day after Thanksgiving Day is known as the famous shopping day called "Black Friday".

At the end of the presentation, English Language Teaching Department Acting Chair Assoc. Prof. Dr. Javanshir Shibliyev presented Larson a plaque of appreciation.



EMU International Office Org



Eastern Mediterranean University International Office organised a Halloween Party at EMU Atatürk Square on 31 October 2015. Students attended this colorful event with unique costumes and special make-up.

Organised with the aim of bringing together different cultures, the event hosted DJ performances. At the end of the night, 'Best Costume Award' was given to Dilbora Bakhtaleva, a student from Tajikistan who currently studies at Business Department. Expressing her happiness in receiving the award, Bakhtaleva thanked EMU for organising such a colorful event.



EMU Celebrates Iranian Yalda Night

Operating under Eastern Mediterranean University International Office, the Iranian Student Association celebrated "Yalda Night" through various activities. Considered as the longest and darkest night of the year, Yalda Night was celebrated through a colorful organisation with the participation of a crowded group of Iranian students, Vice Rector for Promotion Prof. Dr. Hasan Amca and Iranian Ambassador Dr. Reza Zabib.

Commencing with verses from Qur'an, Iranian national anthem and a video screening about the history of Iran, the event continued with the opening address of Iranian Student Association Chair Saeed Ebrahimijema. Vice Rector for Promotion Prof. Dr. Amca also delivered a speech on behalf of the university and thanked



all participants for taking their time to attend the organisation. After Prof. Dr. Amca, Iranian Ambassador Dr. Reza Zabib expressed his pleasure in visiting EMU and participating in Yalda Night celebrations.

During the event, Dr. Zabib presented gifts to Prof. Dr. Amca and International Summer School Coordinator Ulaş Gökçe. Prof. Dr. Amca also presented Dr. Zabib a gift made of traditional Cypriot Lefkara lace. Towards the end of the event, famous Iranian singer Salar Aghili's colorful performance brought color to the event.



Organised a Halloween Party



EMU Celebrates Kazakhstan Independence Day



Organised by Eastern Mediterranean University Kazakh Student Association, a ceremony celebrating the 550th Anniversary of the Kazakh Khanate and the 24th Independence Day took place at Rauf Raif Denктаş Culture and Congress Center. Kazakh students from all over the TRNC and EMU attended the said event which commenced with a moment of silence and the Kazakhstan National Anthem. During the said ceremony, Vice Rector for Promotion Prof. Dr. Hasan Amca delivered an opening address, thanked all attendees participating in the event and stated that Kazakhstan earned its independence on 16 December 1991. The event hosted independence poems, theatre performances and dance shows of Kazakh students. Among notable names attending the event were Kazakh MP Alma Dochshanova, TR Nicosia Embassy Labour and Social Security Advisor, Youth and Sports Coordinator Semattin Öztürk, TR Nicosia Embassy Customs Advisor Sefa Ekin, TRNC Ahiska Turks Culture and Solidarity Association Chair Hakan Uygun, Yunus Emre Institute Advisor Hüseyin

Şahin, Doğu Road Tourism Director Servet Yalçinkaya, Vice Rector for Promotion Prof. Dr. Hasan Amca and EMU Alumni Communications and Career Research Director Derviş Ekşici.

Kazakh MP Visited EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam

Kazakh Member of the Parliament Alma Dochshanova, who was in Cyprus due to the 24th Independence Day of Kazakhstan, paid a visit to EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam. During the said visit Prof. Dr. Osam conveyed his pleasure in hosting Dochshanova in EMU and provided detailed information about EMU. During the visit, Dochshanova provided detailed information about Kazakhstan's history as well as its education system. At the end of the visit, Prof. Dr. Osam presented Dochshanova a frame made of Lefkara lace. EMU's Kazakhstan Independence Day celebrations also appeared at Kazakh media. The said news item is available at <http://24.kz/kz/zhalaly-tar/o-am/item/96982-zhastary-t-uelsizdik-k-nin-tojladjy>.



Students of EMU Explored Cypriot Culture

Within the framework of the Community Involvement Project, a group of international students from Eastern Mediterranean University Foreign Languages and English Preparatory School took part in an observation trip with their instructors Refika İlkan and Pınar Hüdaoğlu. During the first trip, students visited Salamis Ruins and St. Barnabas Monastery with a tourist guide. Stating their pleasure in taking part in the said visit, students lived the happiness and excitement of exploring the historical and geographical beauties of Cyprus.

On 5 December 2015, EMU Foreign Languages and English Preparatory School Social Activities Club organised a cultural trip to Kyrenia under the supervision of academic staff members Munise Keşanlı and Nurhan Davrandı. International students who took part in the said organisation visited Kyrenia Castle and Bellapais Monastery. The students also had a chance to talk to Cypriots about local attractions.



EMU Provides Turkish Preparatory Courses for International Students

Eastern Mediterranean University Foreign Languages and English Preparatory School provides Turkish courses for international students registered at Turkish medium programs. The said courses ease the adaptation process of the international undergraduate students of EMU both to the university and their undergraduate courses. It is worth mentioning that, within the

universities of TRNC as well as universities operating under the Turkish Board of Higher Education, EMU is the only university providing Turkish courses for international students.

Currently, there are 10 students taking courses from Foreign Languages and English Preparatory School. Following the completion of their

Turkish courses, the said students will start their undergraduate studies at Health Sciences Faculty, Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation Department, Nutrition and Dietetics Department, Nursing Department, Anaesthesia Associate Program, Tourism Faculty, Gastronomy and Culinary Arts Department and Education Faculty Elementary School Class Teacher Program.



Results of Nurten Aksugür Best Concept Communication Contest Announced

Winners of the 2nd Nurten Aksugür Best Concept Communication Contest organised by Eastern Mediterranean University Architecture Faculty, Interior Architecture Department under the sponsorship of the Aksugür family received their awards at a ceremony organised at EMU Architecture Faculty.

On 10 July 2015, the jury of the 2nd International Nurten Aksugür Best Concept Communication Competition assembled for the evaluation of 62 projects submitted by local and international participants. Following the evaluations, winners of the three awards, three honorable mentions and 3 jury special awards were announced. Cihat Çağlar from TOBB University received the first prize and Merve S. Yuvarlak from EMU was awarded the second prize. The jury announced Berke Ozkay Özkok of Istanbul Technical University as the winner of the third prize. Projects

of Nazim Dağdeviren from Kocaeli University, Ayşe Özgu Birlir from EMU and Ş. Büşra Ümütlü from Hacettepe University received honorable mention awards. Mustafa Maraşlı and Fatemeh Monzavi from EMU and Omemah Bugshan from Ve Dar Al-Hekma University also received jury special awards.

EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam, Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Hıfsiye Pulhan, EMU Architecture Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Şebnem Hoşkara, Nurten Aksugür's daughter Deniz Aksugür, Interior Architecture Department chairs attending the 7th Interior Architecture Department Chairs Meeting at EMU Architecture Faculty, department heads of Architecture Faculty, academic staff members and a crowded group of students attended the award ceremony of the said contest. Interior Architecture Department Chair

Prof. Dr. Uğur Dağlı expressed the department's pride in successfully organising a comprehensive competition at a large scale. Prof. Dr. Dağlı also put forth that this unique competition fulfilled its aim by promoting creative and critical thinking as well as motivating and supporting students in considering the importance of design concepts, which they then communicate in individualized and alternative ways.

A jury selection from entries were also exhibited both electronically on the web and physically in the Exhibition Hall of the Faculty of Architecture. Competition coordinator Dr. Guita Farivarsadri expressed the department's happiness in including international participants in the said competition and added that during the upcoming years they will be spending their best efforts to further expand the scope of the competition.



EMU Computer Engineering Department High Honor And Honor Certificate Awarding Ceremony

50 successful students studying at Eastern Mediterranean University, Engineering Faculty, Computer Engineering, English and Turkish-medium Computer Engineering and Software Engineering programs received their "High Honor" and "Honor" certificates at a ceremony organised at Computer Engineering Department.

In his opening address, chair of EMU Computer Engineering Department Prof. Dr. Işık Aybay stated that their department hosts students from 32 different countries. Prof. Dr. Işık Aybay also added that there is a shortage of and the need for computer and software engineers on the island.

Certificates of High Honor and Honor were presented to students by Prof. Dr. Aybay, EMU Computer Engineering Department Vice Chair Assist. Prof. Dr. Yıldıran Bitirim and academic staff members from the same department. During the said ceremony, students and academicians who won "Go Kart" and "Counter Strike" contests were also awarded medals of success.



EMU Business and Economics Faculty Organised a Honor and High Honor Certificate Awarding Ceremony

Eastern Mediterranean University, Business and Economics Faculty organised a honor and high honor certificate awarding ceremony for the successful students of the 2014-2015 Academic Year Spring Semester. During the ceremony which was held at EMU Prof. Dr. Mehmet Tahiroğlu Hall, 546 students received certificates from EMU Business and Economics Faculty Acting Dean Prof. Dr. Mustafa Besim, department chairs and academic staff members.

During his opening address, EMU Business and Economics Faculty Acting Dean Prof. Dr. Mustafa Besim stated his happiness and pride in participating in a meaningful organisation as such. Prof. Dr. Mustafa Besim also put forth that the faculty houses around 3,000 students 30% of whom are master's and PhD students. Highlighting the quality education provided by their faculty, Prof. Dr. Besim put forth that programs operating under the Faculty, namely

Business, Economics, Political Science and International Relations and Banking and Finance, all work in close collaboration with each other. Prof. Dr. Besim also added that the faculty offers double major study opportunities to students. In his address, Prof. Dr. Besim also talked about the international recognition of the faculty. In this respect, Prof. Dr. Besim added that according to URAP rankings, EMU Business and Economics Faculty, Economics Department has been ranked 4th, and Business Department has been ranked 8th. Considering EdUniversal rankings, the faculty came 7th. Prof. Dr. Besim also highlighted the high amount of importance given to academic research and publications within the faculty. Expressing their close collaboration with the sector, Prof. Dr. Besim extended his best wishes to prospective graduates in their professional careers. After the certificate awarding, students celebrated their success at a cocktail organisation.

Students' Comments

Doğanay Aras – Türkiye

I am happy to see the outcomes of hard work. Our faculty houses many students and being a part of this faculty is my honor. I am sure that the education I am receiving here will be of utmost benefit when I start my professional career.

Necati Alizade - Azerbaijan

This certificate awarding ceremony motivates us to further study. I find myself quite lucky to receive education from academicians who are all experts in their chosen fields. I am happy to be here and recommend EMU to all my friends.

Pınar Dereli – TRNC

I am extremely happy to be here today. Organisations as such make us happy and gives us the motivation to achieve further successes. If you study regularly and fulfill your responsibilities, you will achieve all your goals. I am happy to study at EMU, which has a high quality group of academicians. If I had a chance to start my studies from the very beginning, I would definitely choose EMU again.

Toğrul Abbasou – Azerbaijan

I am happy to see that my efforts bore fruit. As a high quality institution of higher education, EMU offers an international environment for students. I love EMU and feel home here. I am happy to study here.



EMU Public Relations and Advertising Department Honor and High Honor Certificate Awarding Ceremony

Eastern Mediterranean University, Communication and Media Studies Faculty, Public Relations and Advertising Department organised a certificate awarding ceremony for the successful students of the Spring Semester of the 2014-2015 Academic Year.

During the said event which took place at EMU Communication and Media Studies Purple Hall between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on Friday, 18 December 2015, 112 successful students of EMU Public Relations and Advertising Turkish and English-medium programs received honor and high honor certificates.

Organised with a cultural concept, the ceremony hosted students with traditional clothes. Following the awarding of the certificates, students enjoyed songs from different cultures sang by EMU Education Faculty, Fine Arts Education Department, Music Teaching Program chorus under the conductorship of Erkan Dađlı.



EMU Architecture Department Certificate Awarding Ceremony

Eastern Mediterranean University, Architecture Faculty, Architecture Department celebrated the increase in the academic quality and the international student population as well as the success brought by this dynamism through a colorful organisation which took place at St. Peter and Paul Church.

During the said organisation which took place with the participation of students and academic staff members, certificates of success were awarded to students who demonstrated outstanding success during the 2014 – 2015 Academic Year Spring Semester.

The event commenced with Özge Pelin Kuyumcu's musical performance and the opening address of Architecture Department Chair Prof. Dr. Özgür Dinçyürek. Following Prof. Dr. Dinçyürek's address, Architecture Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Şebnem Önal Hoşkara wished all students success both during their studies in EMU and after their graduation.

The organisation continued with the awarding of honor and high honor certificates to successful students and finished with live music performance.



Works of Art Produced in "EMU Triangle of Arts" Fascinated the Visitors

Taking place under the curatorship of Eastern Mediterranean University Fine Arts Club trainer Ayhatun Ateşin, an art organisation entitled "The Triangle of Arts" took place at EMU Activity Center. The event which took architectural division, humans and space as its basis hosted open workshops at EMU Activity Center. Curator of the event, artist Ayhatun Ateşin stated that participants were involved in activities integrating objects into daily life through the glimmering of glass, transformation of mud and the carving of the stone. Among artists who took part in the said event were Ali Dirier, Tolga Yurtözveri, Şekip Oğuz, Eda Taşlı, Ayşem Ötük, Kadriye İnal, Aykut Hızlıok, Nurdan Yurtbay and Süreyya Acar. EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam visited the workshop site of the said event and analysed the production phases of different works of art.

Receiving information about the activities from Ateşin, Prof. Dr. Osam expressed his pleasure in observing that meaningful activities as such are taking place within the university.

Works of art produced within the framework of the said event were exhibited at various points on the campus. Statues produced during the workshops were exhibited in front of the Rector's Office. Being aware of EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Osam's close interest towards horses, artist Nurdan Yurtbay presented a statue of horse to Prof. Dr. Osam as a present. Prof. Dr. Osam thanked all participating artists in the event and, at the same time, expressed his hope to witness the organisation of further events of arts within the campus. At the end of the event at which Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Hıfsiye



Pulhan and EMU Public Relations and Press Office Acting Director Murat Aktuğralı were also present, participating artists were presented certificates of appreciation.



EMU Hosted Molecular Biology and Genetics Career Day

Organised by Eastern Mediterranean University, Arts and Sciences Faculty, Biological Sciences Department, 2nd Molecular Biology and Genetics Career Day took place at Mustafa Afşin Ersoy Hall at 9:30 a.m. on 18 December 2015. During the said event, experts in various fields gave presentations on academic research, medical genetics, molecular diagnosis and genetic consultancy.

At the beginning of the said event, Biological Sciences Department Chair Assoc. Prof. Dr. Bahar Taneri Güder delivered an opening address and thanked all those who contributed to the organisation of the event. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Bahar Taneri Güder also specified the aim of the molecular biology and genetics career day as the provision of different career choices to the students studying at their department. In his opening address, EMU Arts and Sciences Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Rza Bashirov stated that as the youngest department of the faculty, Molecular Biology and Genetics Department has successfully organised numerous important events. Prof. Dr. Bashirov also provided

detailed information about the faculty and the department and wished all participants a fruitful event. Following Prof. Dr. Bashirov, Vice Rector for Academic Affairs Prof. Dr. Ahmet Sözen stressed the close link between a career and happiness, and advised all participants to pursue a career that would make them happy. EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Necdet Osam also delivered an opening address and put forward his happiness in observing the successful achievements of Molecular Biology and Genetics Department. Highlighting the importance of the recently obtained AHPGS accreditation by the said department, Prof. Dr. Osam wished everyone a successful and productive event. Following opening addresses, EMU Biological Sciences Department academic staff member Deniz Balcı delivered a presentation entitled "Academic Research and Teaching". After Balcı, Near East University Faculty of Medicine academic staff member Assist. Prof. Dr. Umur Fahrioğlu talked about "Academic Research, Medical Genetics, and Teaching" and Dr. Burhan Nalbantoğlu State Hospital genetics department staff member Dr. Jale Refik Rogers presented information on

"Molecular Diagnosis". Türem Delikurt Tunçalp from Cyprus Neurology and Genetics Institution presented information on "Genetic Consultancy" and Clinical Embryologist Okan Atılğan talked about "Embryology and IVF".

Following the presentations, a workshop targeted towards students took place. The event finished with the awarding of high honor and honor certificates to successful students by Arts and Sciences Faculty Vice Dean Assist. Prof. Dr. Mehmet Bozer.



EMU Architecture Department Organised an Event Entitled "Alumni Talks"

Eastern Mediterranean University Architecture Faculty, Architecture Department organised an event entitled "Alumni Talks". Regularly inviting their graduates as guest speakers each year, EMU Architecture Department hosted Hayriye Gültutan and Ahmet Özenç as this year's guest speakers.

Following his graduation from EMU Architecture Department, successful Cypriot architect Ahmet Özenç pursued his postgraduate studies at Politecnico di Milano in Italy. Following the completion of his postgraduate studies, Özenç started his professional career in İstanbul. During his speech, Özenç highlighted the important role of the education he received in EMU in his postgraduate studies and professional career. In this respect, Özenç conveyed his gratitude to all academic staff members. The second speaker Hayriye Gültutan started her professional career following her graduation from EMU. Gültutan

worked at AE Dizayn Office in İstanbul and as a coordinating architect in some of the leading architecture projects of Emre Arolat including Zorlu Center, Quasar-İstanbul and Quasar-Meydanbey. Giving information about her professional career, Gültutan stated that the education she received in EMU extended her horizons and helped her stand out of crowd in her job application process. Gültutan also provided valuable information to prospective architects regarding important points to be considered while stepping into their careers.

Following the seminar, Architecture Department Chair Prof. Dr. Özgür Dinçyürek thanked Gültutan and Özenç on behalf of Architecture Department for representing EMU in the best way possible. Participated by a crowded group of students and academic staff members, the seminar finished with the presentation of certificates by Architecture Department Chair Dinçyürek.



"Cup Of Nation Basketball" Tournament



Organised by Eastern Mediterranean University Sports Affairs Directorate, "Cup of Nation Basketball" tournament finished with final matches which took place at EMU Lala Mustafa Paşa Sports Center. The tournament which commenced on 14 December 2015 hosted 13 men's and 11 women's teams. Following the final matches, TRNC women's team and Palestine men's team became champions of the tournament.

While the final match in men's teams took place between Palestine and Nigeria (27-24), the match for the third place was played between Syria and Turkey (7-27). In men's group, Palestine came the first, Nigeria the second, Turkey the third and Syria the fourth.

In women's group, the final match took

place between the TRNC and Turkey (17-14). The match for the third place was played between Nigeria and Kazakhstan (26-9). According to the match results, TRNC came the first, Turkey the second, Nigeria the third and Kazakhstan the fourth. Awards were presented to the winning teams by Vice Rector for Student Affairs Prof. Dr. Hıfısiye Pulhan, Student Affairs Coordinator Assoc. Prof. Dr. Derviş Subaşı and Sports Affairs Director Cemal Konnolu.

Among individual sports players who received personal awards were Khanled Bibi (Jordan), Merve Nesin (TRNC), Ehap Hayek (Palestine), Gülnaz Konysbuyara (Kazakhstan), Özge Öztürk (Turkey), Sael Qasem (Palestine), Uğur Nalbant (Turkey), Walid Safar (Lebanon) and Maria Kurenkova (Russia).

