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We are pleased to present the third issue of the Faculty of Business and Economics Newsletter. In this issue, we celebrate the achievements of our faculty members and students in the Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 Academic year.

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EMU RANKS AMONGST THE BEST UNIVERSITIES AGAIN

EMU RANKED WITHIN THE 201-250 BAND IN BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS FIELD OF TIMES HIGHER EDUCATION WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS, TAKING THE TOP PLACE IN CYPRUS AND TURKEY

Rank	Name	Country/Region	No. of FTE Students (k)	No. of students in staff (k)	International Students (%)	Research Ratio
201-250	Eastern Mediterranean University	Northern Cyprus	16,073	28.5	78%	42 : 58
201-250	Koç University	Turkey	5,521	15.4	7%	50 : 50
401-500	Bilkent University	Turkey	9,961	14.3	9%	46 : 54
401-500	Middle East Technical University	Turkey	18,346	23.9	9%	52 : 48
401-500	Sabancı University	Turkey	3,700	20.9	9%	38 : 62
401-	Yıldız Technical University	Turkey				



The U.K. based Times Higher Education (THE), the publisher of widely-referenced university rankings worldwide announced the World University Rankings in the field of Business and Economics. Only EMU from the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) and 11 universities from Turkey have appeared in the ranking, in which a total of 795 universities have been included. EMU Business and Economics Faculty, which appeared in the 401-500 band last year, increased its success this year and has appeared amongst the world’s top 250 Business and Economics Faculties, whilst sharing the first place with Koç University in Turkey in the 201-250 band. Bilkent University, METU,

Sabancı University and Yıldız Technical University, which succeeded in being listed among Turkish universities, have appeared in the 401-500 band and thus, come second. Boğaziçi University, Dokuz Eylül University, Hacettepe University, Istanbul University and Marmara University shared the third place in the 601+ band. Three universities in total made it to the list across the island of Cyprus, while EMU has appeared in the top band among these universities. Among the said universities, the second ranked university is in the 501-600 band.

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“I congratulate All Colleagues who Contributed to This Remarkable Success”

Making statements on the subject, EMU Business and Economics Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Selcan Timur said, “As a faculty, we work hard to achieve our superior goals in education and research quality. Our faculty programs provide quality education with The Foundation for International Business Administration Accreditation (FIBAA) accreditation. The research conducted in our faculty is published in the most prestigious journals and the number of citations received by the research shows that we are on the right track. Our faculty has very valuable and prominent academic staff. We are proud to be rewarded for the value our quality staff attaches

to research and education. I congratulate all my colleagues who contributed to this remarkable success achieved and wish our university and faculty the very best.”

EMU Achieves Higher in World Rankings

Despite the fact that more and more universities are included in the THE lists each year, EMU continues to rise rapidly in the world rankings, climbing 300 places in the THE World University Rankings compared to the previous year, and is among the top 600 universities in the world. Standing out with its international outlook and citations from the scientific articles it produces, EMU continues to successfully represent the TRNC in world rankings and to offer quality education to its students.

**EMU BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS
FACULTY’S MASTER’S PROGRAMS ARE AMONGST THE BEST**



Three postgraduate programs of the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Business and Economics have been included in the top 200 postgraduate programs list in the 2021 report prepared by Eduniversal, a ranking agency that evaluates postgraduate programs at a global level. EMU Business and Economics Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Selcan Timur stated that Eduniversal has carried out its assessment by examining more than 22,000 programs of nearly 4,000 institutions from 154 countries and dividing the universities into 9 regions. Prof. Dr. Timur said, “In the 2021 evaluation, the Energy Economics and Finance master’s program, which is the joint master program of the Economics and Banking and Finance Departments, has been ranked 5th in the Eurasia and Middle East region in the field of Energy and Natural Resources; Banking and Finance master’s program has been ranked 10th in the Eurasia and Middle East region in the field of Corporate Finance and 10th in Eurasia and Middle East in the field of Economics”.



EMU APPEARS IN SHANGHAI LIST ONCE AGAIN IN THE FIELD OF ECONOMICS

Ranking > 2021 Global Ranking of Academic Subjects

2021 Global Ranking of Academic Subjects 2021

ShanghaiRanking began to publish world university ranking by academic subjects in 2009. By introducing improved methodology, Global Ranking of Academic Subjects (GRAS) was first published in 2017. The 2021 GRAS contains rankings of universities in 54 subjects.

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World Rank	Institution	Turkey	Total Score	Q1
201-300	 Koc University		19.4	
401-500	 Bilkent University		21	
401-500	 Eastern Mediterranean University		16.1	

* Institutions within the same rank range are listed alphabetically.

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) has once again been included in the field of Economics in the Global Ranking of Academic Subjects list of China-based Shanghai Ranking's Academic Ranking of World Universities 2021.

Shanghai Ranking has been publishing world university rankings since 2009.

EMU is the only university from the island of Cyprus to have been listed in ShanghaiRanking's Economics category.

In the said ranking, Koç University and Bilkent University were the universities of Turkey to have appeared in the ranking. While EMU and Bilkent University are in the 401-500 band, Koç University appeared in the 201-300 band. Making a statement on the subject, EMU Business and Economics Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Selcan Timur congratulated the Chair of the Department of Economics Prof. Dr. Mehmet Balçılar and all academic staff contributing to the Department's success.

EMU BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS FACULTY'S FIBAA ACCREDITATION WAS RENEWED



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Business and Economics Faculty was granted unconditional accreditation effective until 2026 by successfully completing the accreditation process operated by one of the most distinguished accreditation institutions all around the world, The Foundation for International Business Administration Accreditation (FIBAA).

By stating that EMU Business and Economics Faculty was the first faculty to be granted the FIBAA accreditation, EMU Business and Economics Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Selcan Timur emphasized the pioneering role of EMU in this regard. Expressing that the FIBAA accreditation they received for the first time in 2014 is extremely important in terms of showing

the quality of the programs within the Faculty, Prof. Dr. Timur underlined that the quality education provided in 17 undergraduate, 25 graduate (with / without thesis) and 4 doctoral programs within the Faculty is at world standards.

Underlining the importance of working with all stakeholder groups, Prof. Dr. Timur stated that the education provided by the faculty members is constantly supported, and that the education curriculum has been developed not only with the feedback from the students and graduates, but also thanks to the close cooperation with the business world. Prof. Dr. Timur expressed her gratitude to all faculty members, administrative staff, students, graduates and the business world who trust our graduates and contributed to the international accreditation process.

EMU BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS FACULTY WAS GRANTED WITH ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP IN PRME



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Business and Economics Faculty has been granted the “active member” status following presenting its first progress report in United Nations Principles for Responsible Management Education platform. EMU was initially joined the platform back in 2019.

EMU Faculty of Business and Economics Dean Prof. Dr. Selcan Timur stated that PRME, supported by the United Nations (UN) and established on the basis of the United Nations Global Compact, has 6 basic and founding principles, and said that these principles are based on the progress of corporate sustainability and social responsibility efforts. Working with six basic principles, PRME aims to raise the sustainability profile in universities around the world and to provide future managers with the knowledge and skills related to these principles.

While drawing attention to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), PRME aims to align academic insti-

tutions with the UN Global Compact. SDG is a universal call to action to eradicate poverty, protect our planet and ensure that all people live in peace and prosperity.

It aims to provide the necessary skills (corporate sustainability, adherence to ethical values that take into account all stakeholder groups in the decision-making process, etc.) while raising future leaders and managers as Responsible Managers for the realization of the SDG.

Prof. Dr. Timur made the following statements regarding the matter; “In our Progress Report given to PRME, we have included our work within the framework of these 6 principles. As we have shown in this report, the departments in our Faculty will contribute to our students and stakeholders’ understanding of the importance of social and corporate sustainability, social responsibility and environmental protection, and will carry out activities to establish educational and developmental systems.”

EMU BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS FACULTY MEMBERS LISTED AMONG WORLD'S MOST SUCCESSFUL SCIENTISTS



12 academic staff members from Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) showed success by being listed among the world's most cited 100 thousand and 160 thousand scientists within the scope of the "World's Most Influential Scientists" list which is compiled by a team of scientists from USA and Holland during 2019 and 2020 under the coordinatorship of Stanford University in USA. The comprehensive research conducted by Stanford University in 2020 included 6 scientists from EMU who achieved to be listed within the first 2 percentile of their categories.

According to the report, the list includes 160,000 scientists who have the most influential effects all around the world. Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Business and Economics Faculty academic staff members Prof. Dr. Salih Katircioğlu and Prof. Dr. Mehmet Balcilar are listed among the world's most influential scientists. Within the scope of the study which is conducted by USA Stanford University and published in PlosBiology Journal, Business and Eco-

nomics Faculty, Department of Banking and Finance academic staff member Prof. Dr. Salih Katircioğlu appeared among the world's most influential scientists list in categories of One Year Effect (2019) and Throughout Career Effect within the 2% segment.

Business and Economics Faculty, Department of Economics Chair Prof. Dr. Mehmet Balcilar also appeared in the 2% segment in One Year Effect (2019) category of the list featuring world's most influential scientists. EMU Business and Economics Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Selcan Timur made a statement on the matter and congratulated Prof. Dr. Salih Katircioğlu and Prof. Dr. Mehmet Balcilar for their success. Apart from stating that the Business and Economics Faculty members always providing good quality education, academic staff also have publications in top-ranking scientific journals.

EMU members Prof. Dr. Salih Katircioğlu, Prof. Dr. Osman M. Karatepe, Prof. Dr. Nazim I. Mahmudov, Prof. Dr. Hasan Kömürcügil, Prof. Dr. Osman Kükrer and Prof.

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Dr. Benedek Nagy are listed among the most influential scientists. Moreover, each EMU academic staff member achieved to be listed in the first 2 percentile of their field of studies; Prof. Dr. Salih Katircioğlu in Economics, Prof. Dr. Osman M. Karatepe in Marketing, Prof. Dr. Nazım I. Mahmudov in Mathematics, Prof. Dr. Hasan Kömürçügil and Prof. Dr. Osman Kükrer in Electric and Electronics Engineering, and Prof. Dr. Benedek Nagy in Information Technologies. In addition to the academic staff members who are in 2020 list, Prof. Dr. Hasan Demirel, Prof. Dr. Mehmet

Balcılar, Prof. Dr. İzzet Sakallı, Prof. Dr. Müberra Koşar, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ali Övgün, Dr. Akeem Oladipo are also listed in 2019 study conducted in 2019 which analyzed 22 departments and 176 sub-disciplines. Therefore, total of 12 EMU academic staff members are listed among the world's most influential 160 thousand scientists.

"World's Most Influential Scientists" 2020 list is accessible at <https://journals.plos.org/plosbiology/article?id=10.1371/journal.pbio.3000918>

EMU ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT CHAIR PROF. DR. MEHMET BALCILAR IS AMONG THE MOST INFLUENTIAL RESEARCHERS IN THE RANKING OF RePEc



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Business and Economics, Department of Economics Chair Prof. Dr. Mehmet Balcılar appears among the most influential researchers in the ranking of "Research Papers in Economics (RePEc)", which is considered to be the world's most important publication and researcher database in the field of economics.

Having been ranked 163rd in the said ranking, Prof. Dr. Mehmet Balcılar appeared in the 0.27% segment according to the publications within the last ten years.

The list featuring the ranking of the registered departments and researchers on the IDEAS site of RePEc, which has more than 60 thousand registered members as of 24 September 2020 is considered to be the most important ranking in the field of economics. Taking into account all years, Prof. Dr. Balcılar ranks 1504th and appears within the top 2,5%

The said RePEc rankings are available at <https://ideas.repec.org/top/top.person.all10.html>.

ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT CONTINUES IN COOPERATION WITH THE INSURANCE SECTOR



The Actuarial Science Undergraduate Program, offered under the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Department of Mathematics and carried out jointly by Departments of Mathematics and Banking and Finance, continues its development in cooperation with the insurance sector. Recently, EMU Faculty of Arts and Sciences Dean Prof. Dr. Mehmet Ali Özarslan, Vice Dean of Faculty of Business and Economics Prof. Dr. Mustafa Ismihan and Chair of Banking and Finance Department Prof. Dr. Nesrin Özataç paid a visit to the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) Insurance and Reinsurance Companies Association.

Prof. Dr. Özarslan Made a Presentation

At the said visit, Association President Raif Çukurovalı, Vice President Börte Barlasoğlu, Board Members Kutlu Yorucu, Zafer Dalka, Secretary General İbrahim Kavçın and Deputy Secretary Halide Devir Fıratlı were present. President of the said association Raif Çukurovalı expressed his satisfaction with the visit and gave information about the latest situation of the TRNC insurance sector. EMU Faculty of Arts and Sciences Dean Prof. Dr. Mehmet Ali Özarslan made a presentation about the Actuarial Program at the meeting.

Further Collaboration to be Established

At the meeting, the existing cooperation issues within the framework of the existing protocol between EMU and the

TRNC Insurance and Reinsurance Companies Association were discussed and decisions were made to further develop the cooperation. In the agenda of the meeting, which was very productive, the issue of enactment of the Actuarial by-law was also discussed. The parties decided to hold a meeting at EMU in October to strengthen their cooperation.

Unique in TRNC

The Actuarial Science Program offered by EMU Faculty of Arts and Sciences is the only Actuarial Science Program in the TRNC to have been approved by the Council of Higher Education (YÖK). The Actuarial Science Program demonstrates its strength both in terms of quality and quantity, as it is also the only program that provides education in English, including the universities of Turkey. At the same time, students studying in related departments in the scope of the partnership of EMU Mathematics Department and Banking and Finance Departments also have the opportunity to receive a Double Major diploma by studying in Actuarial Sciences - Finance and Banking Double Major Program or Actuarial Sciences - Mathematics and Computer Sciences Double Major programs. During the present day, when Actuarial Science is continuously gaining more and more importance around the world, EMU continues to strengthen its academic staff with the leading faculty members of the field. Establishing a workshop in the near future in line with the aim of furthering the cooperation between the Academy and the Insurance sector was also among the points targeted at the meeting.

EMU-GIMER BECOMES ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND INCUBATION PROGRAM COORDINATOR



Within the scope of the Foreign Economic Relations Board of Turkey (DEİK) – TRNC Business Council works, the leadership of DEİK and Turkish Cypriot Chamber of Commerce (KTTO), the İTU-TRNC İTU Graduates Union North Cyprus support and within the collaboration between the Eastern Mediterranean University Entrepreneurship and Innovation Center (EMU-GIMER) and the İTU ARI Teknokent, an Innovative Entrepreneurship and Incubation Program has been launched. The program aims to strengthen the entrepreneurship ecosystem in TRNC, creating opportunities for commercializing innovative products and ideas and, contributing the process of being in international markets.

The last day of application for the project, which addresses university students, graduates and other entrepreneurs who are within the 18-40 age group and who have technological and innovative business ideas, has been announced as the 18th of October, 2021. The applications can be made through the <http://kktckulucka.com> website.

The Doors of a Successful Enterprise Will Open

The program is comprised of four stages. The entrepreneurial groups that are accepted to the program will be able to get training on weekday evenings and weekends during the first stage of the İTU Core Entrepreneurship Training. Then during the second stage of the program which is called as Erecting Engineer Meetings, the participants of the program will be provided training on tips regarding how to improve themselves in the entrepreneurship field. Over 300 erecting engineers who are experienced and familiar with the talents, capacity and goals of the entrepreneurs will voluntarily participate during the second stage.

Investor Meetings, which is the third stage, will bring the entrepreneurs together with investors, enabling the entrepreneurs to be the focus of the funds. During the final stage of the program, entrepreneur who are successful will earn the right to participate in the İTU Core Big Bang competition where the participants can win prize money up to 52 million TL.

EMU-GIMER Director Prof. Dr. Mustafa Tümer made a statement regarding the topic, saying that participating in a project which holds an important place for TRNC is exciting. Added that, EMU Entrepreneurship and Innovation Center will be contributing to the project in the best way.

Prof. Dr. Tümer pointed out that the service to be provided will be an important touchstone in opening up to the world and that the project's openness to students of all nationalities will make a great contribution to our students in the globalizing world and will add a further impetus to our place in the world.

NEW TAXI APPLICATION NAMED “DAXICI” FROM EMU STUDENTS



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Business and Economics, Business Administration Department, International Trade and Business Undergraduate Program student Burak Bilgen and EMU Faculty of Engineering, Computer Engineering Department, Software Engineering Undergraduate Program student Hasan Taylan Bilgen launched the first taxi application “Daxici” in Famagusta, the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus.

Burak Bilgen and Hasan Taylan Bilgen, who stated that they witness the difficulty experienced by the passengers to reach a taxi in daily life and the taxi driver to reach the passenger, decided to develop an application that could solve this problem together by establishing a company in Technopark.

“Customers Can Make Choices”

The young entrepreneurs stated that they aim to develop a 100% safe online taxi application system. Burak Bilgen said “The member taxis in the application can be categorized according to the regions they serve. On the basis of the region, the users will be able to see the taxi drivers licensed to enter the South Cyprus, Closed Maraş Military Area or Ercan Airport within the application and choose the right taxi service, accordingly.

“ To Be Put into Practice in Different Cities”

Burak Bilgen’s statement continues as follows: “The application, which has recently been put into use in all application centers after having completed the piloting work in our city of Famagusta, currently only serves Famagusta residents. The application, which will be activated in other cities of our country as soon as possible, has already attracted the attention of angel investors. Over time, we



are planning to offer this application in Turkey’s other smaller provinces. Our biggest dream is to realize bigger projects that will set a precedent for the youth of our country. We are improving our systems in the light of the academic information we have received from EMU and the information we have obtained from our esteemed instructors. A big thank you to everyone who contributed!” Detailed information about the “Daxici” application can be found at <https://www.daxici.com>.

EMU GRADUATE KHALIL NUR KHALIL BECOMES THE YOUNGEST DIRECTOR OF NIGERIA KADUNA STATE

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU), Faculty of Business and Economics, Department of Economics 2016-2017 Academic Year Spring Semester Graduate Khalil Nur Khalil has been appointed as the Investment Intelligence Director of Nigeria's Kaduna State Investment Promotion Agency (KADIPA) at the age of 28. EMU graduate Khalil thus became the youngest person to obtain the title of director of a public institution in Kaduna State.

Khalil Nur Khalil, who has made a name for himself with his success while studying at the EMU Faculty of Business and Economics Department of Economics, was a high honour student every semester and ranked first among the most successful graduates of EMU with an average of 3.98. After a while, he assumed the title of director, making both his instructors at his faculty and the EMU Family proud.

What Does EMU's Successful Graduate Khalil Do?

KADIPA Investment Intelligence Director Khalil Nur Khalil is the director of the Investment Intelligence Unit. The unit, which produces investment attracting strategies for Kaduna State, also conducts economic research, collects investment data and analytics. The unit pioneers Kaduna State's strategic economic investment programs by implementing Business Environment Reforms, while advising the State on articulating clear growth and development strategies.

"I Thank My Instructors"

Commenting on the subject, Khalil Nur Khalil stated that the quality education he received at EMU contributed greatly to his career success. Khalil Nur Khalil said "I owe a big thanks to all my instructors and advisors at EMU Business and Economics Faculty, especially to Prof. Dr. Vedat Yorucu, Prof. Dr. Hasan Güngör and Sen. Inst. Berkan Tokar for the impressive discussions we had, all of which revived my in-



terest in the field of economics and enabled me to pursue a career in the field of development space.

Advice to His Young Friends Khalil Nur Khalil, who also gave advice to his young friends studying at EMU Faculty of Business and Economics, said, "My advice to them is to ensure they exploit all the time they have now in campus to figure out how the world works, they should take time to develop metacognitive skills and make the most out of any opportunities they come across for placements/internships & work experience. They should realize that there are no shortcuts in this life and hard work will always pay off in the end no matter how long it takes."

EMU FACULTY OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS GRADUATE DR. MEHMET MUŞ BECOMES TURKISH REPUBLIC MINISTER OF TRADE



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Business and Economics Faculty, Business Administration Department graduate Dr. Mehmet Muş, with a decree dated Wednesday, 21 April 2021, has been appointed as the Turkish Republic Minister of Trade. Dr. Muş graduated from EMU with a CGPA of 4.00 and a High Honor degree in the Spring Semester of the 2004 - 2005 Academic Year.

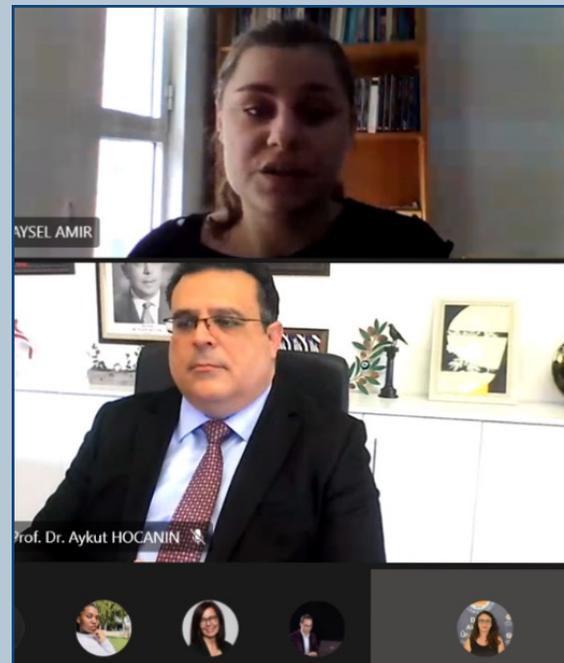
Who is EMU Graduate Dr. Mehmet Muş?

Dr. Muş was born on 01.05.1982 in Trabzon Sürmene. He graduated from EMU Business and Economics Faculty, Business Administration Department. He holds a master's degree in Economics from Washington State University School of Economic Sciences. He worked as a Budget Planning and Reporting Specialist in the private sector. He completed his PhD in Economics at Marmara University, Department of Economic History.

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BANKING AND FINANCE DEPARTMENT HELD THE 5th INTERNATIONAL BANKING AND FINANCE PERSPECTIVES CONFERENCE (20-22 April 2021)

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Business and Economics Faculty, Banking and Finance Department held the “5th International Conference on Banking and Finance Perspectives” in cooperation with University of Bedfordshire and with the contributions of Central Bank of Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC). Held online, the conference attracted the participation of around 120 banking and finance specialists from 15 different countries. The opening speech of the conference was delivered by EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanin. Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanin expressed his wish that the important academic studies conducted within the scope of the conference would contribute to the field and thanked the banking, finance and economics experts who attended the conference. Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanin also thanked the conference organising committee chair Prof. Dr. Nesrin Özataç and the members of the said committee.



45 Papers were Presented

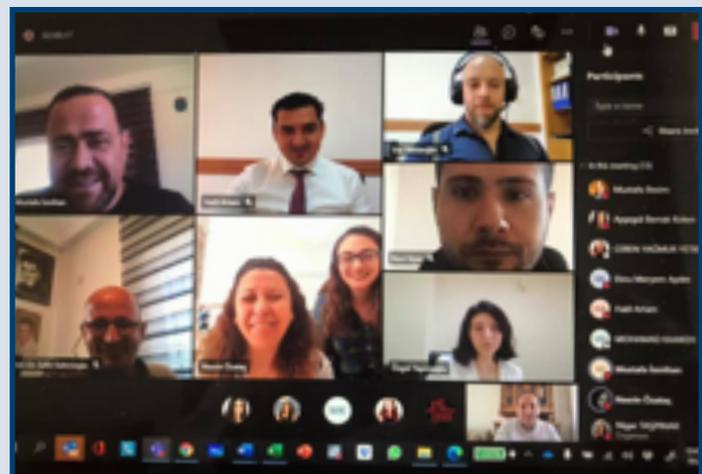
At the conference, which started after the opening speeches, Prof. Dr. Sabri Boubaker from France delivered a presentation titled “The Role of Block Owners in Corporate Governance” and Dr. Ourania Dimitriaki from the U.K. made a presentation titled “Economic Policy Challenges After Covid-19”. 45 papers were presented by academicians from different countries within the scope of the conference. In the conference, in addition to the effective monetary policies that central banks should apply in times of volatility in the economy in general and financial markets in particular, issues such as the effects of Covid-19 on banking and economy, volatility models, the importance of surveillance and control, Islamic banking, micro finance and capital markets, corporate finance, economic development and energy economy were also discussed.



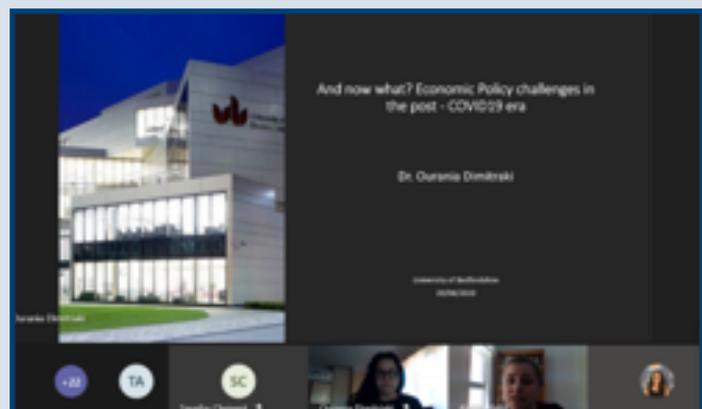
Data, Findings and Recommendations were Discussed

In the session titled TRNC banking sector and economy which took place within the scope of EMU Faculty of Business and Economics and TRNC Central Bank, presentations by experts from the Central Bank took place under the following titles: “Exchange Rate Price Volatility in TRNC”, “The Formation and Determinants of Inflation in TRNC”, “The Current Account Performance of the Higher Education Sector” “The Impact and Analysis of the Financial Performance of TRNC Commercial Banks”. It was also emphasized that such collaborations are very important and meaningful in identifying country problems and providing data, findings and recommendations to policy makers in order to tackle the problems.

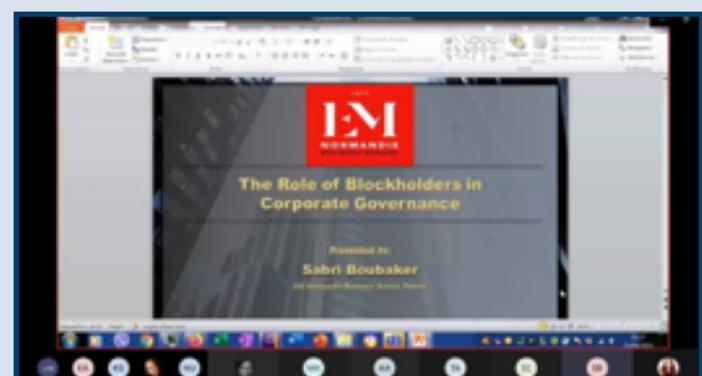
TRNC banking sector session with TRNC Central Bank Experts



Keynote Speech by Dr. Ourania Dimitraki (University of Bedfordshire, UK)

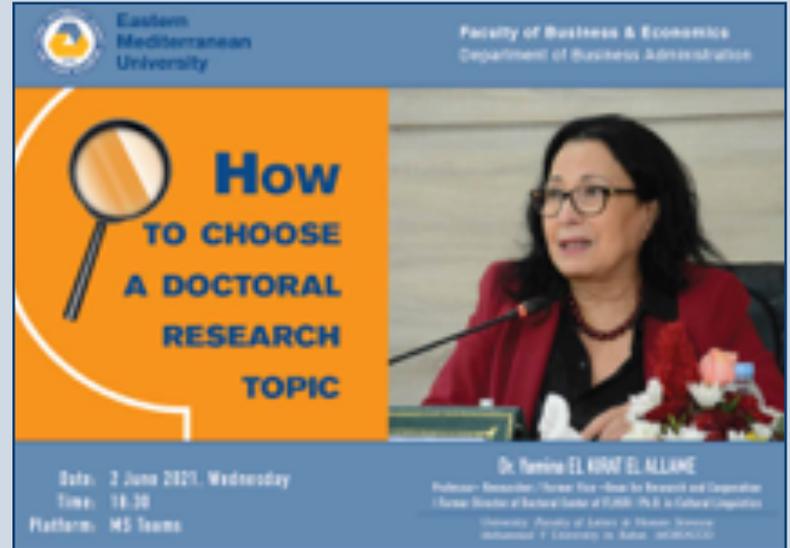


Keynote Speech by Prof. Dr. Sabri Boubaker (EM Normandie Business School, France)



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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS
ADMINISTRATION ORGANIZED
AN IMPORTANT ONLINE SEMINAR
ON DOCTORAL RESEARCH
TOPICS AND STRATEGIES



DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS ORGANIZED NOTEWORTHY DEPARTMENTAL SEMINARS

JOINT PANEL FROM EMU CPC AND EURO POLITICS JOURNAL AND THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN ASSOCIATION

A panel titled "Turkey's New Policy in Cyprus and Global Regional Balances" was held with the cooperation of Eastern Mediterranean University Cyprus Policy Center (EMU CPC), Euro Politics Magazine and Eastern Mediterranean Policy Association and the main sponsorship of Merit International Hotels. Participating at the said panel held in Kyrenia on Friday, 13 August, 2021 were the Former Prime Minister of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) Ferdi Sabit Soyer, National Unity Party Nicosia Deputy Hasan Taçoy, the People's Party President and Nicosia Deputy Prof. Dr. Kudret Özersay, Retired Ambassador Daryal Batıbay, EMU CPC President Prof. Dr. Ahmet Sözen and Dialogue Media Group Editor-in-Chief Reşat Akar.



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Turkey's return to the two-state solution policy

EMU CPC President Prof. Dr. Ahmet Sözen emphasized that the uncompromising stance of the Greek Cypriot side was effective in Turkey's return to the two-state solution policy. Prof. Dr. Sözen stated that he was not sure whether this policy change was really a break from the traditional Turkish foreign policy or was part of a tactical strategy that would force the Greek Cypriot side to a bi-communal federation, and that he thought the timing of the new policy was made at the most wrong time, considering Turkey's image in the international community.

Former Prime Minister of the TRNC Ferdi Sabit Soyer stated that for the first time in history, with the 1960 Cyprus Republic Treaties, the Turkish Cypriot people were given an equal social status in the future of the island, and Turkey was given a position with the right to be a guarantor in determining the future of a geography outside the borders of the National Pact after the National War of Independence. Soyer said that Turkey is the guarantor of the island's territorial integrity and constitutional order, and that it is not clear where it will stop if it starts to ignore these principles, and that it has already taken the United Nations (UN) against it.

National Unity Party Nicosia Deputy Hasan Taçoş reminded that today a new opening is mentioned, and in fact it is not new, and that the joint declaration of 11 February 2014 includes the transition to single sovereignty and single citizenship formed by the emerging sovereignty of the Turkish Cypriot State and the Greek Cypriot State. Taçoş stated that the Greek Cypriot administration will never accept the disruption of an administration governed by the Greek Cypriot side alone in any way and make the Turkish Cypriot people partners in the rotating presidential system.

The Impasse

People's Party Nicosia Deputy Prof. Dr. Kudret Özersay pointed out that from 1968 to date, all diplomatic methods with different techniques and in different places have been tried and exhausted with the participation of leaders from different political views. Prof. Dr. Özersay said that the Greek Cypriot political leadership said that they were ready to discuss a different solution with their own opinion and that the UN could say "If you have a different solution proposal, let's talk" for the first time, but that the Turkish side does not consider the status that can be achieved with a solution as a precondition.

Reşat Akar, Dyalog Media Group Editor-in-Chief, stated that Turkey's policies regarding Cyprus are unstable, that



the Turkish Cypriot Federated State, which was established in 1975, was not seen as a separatist anywhere in the world, and that the 1977 and 1979 Peak Agreements could be signed because of this. Akar went on to state that with these agreements, the solution of Varosha problem has been considered as a priority, while today's discussions focusing on whether Varosha is Varosha Foundation property are actually self-deception and an attitude towards domestic politics.

Retired Ambassador Daryal Batıbay said that the political inequality that emerged in Cyprus in 1963 has grown stronger against the Turkish side. Batıbay said that while the Greek Cypriot side entered the European Union on behalf of Cyprus, the increase in Turkey's problems with the West and its regional isolation provided a wide area of action for the Greek side, and that instead of talking about the federation, the Greek Cypriot side is trying to transform the Cyprus to a problem not between the two communities on the island, but a problem of the Turkish side with the West. He added that the Greek Cypriot side also tries to maintain this status quo that works in their favor.

Varosha Issue

EMU CPC President Prof. Dr. Ahmet Sözen mentioned that it is possible to solve the Varosha issue with a comprehensive solution, under the umbrella of the UN, with UN resolutions or by effectively running the Immovable Property Commission, without taking the cases to the European Court of Human Rights. Prof. Dr. Sözen stated that he believes that a comprehensive package containing the opening of Varosha, direct flights to Turkish Cypriots, hydrocarbons and the opening of Turkey's sea and airports to the Greek Cypriot side will contribute to the solution.

Former TRNC Prime Minister Ferdi Sabit Soyer said that the main magic word is a mutually acceptable solution model that depends on UN parameters, includes political equality and two constituent states with two re-

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gions. Soyer pointed out that the Varosha issue should be handled in a coordinated manner with the UN, through respecting international law. The status and legal security of the people who will come here and operate their properties, how they will participate in the administration and which administration mechanism they will depend on should be well planned.

Pointing out that an example of the Varosha issue is the lawsuits filed against foundation properties in Egypt, National Unity Party Nicosia Deputy Hasan Taçoy said that it is essential to open this place both in order to return back the rights to those who lost their rights and to ensure economic developments.

Taçoy said that this opportunity provided to individuals should be taken one step further and their rights should be made more applicable, more visible and more livable. Highlighting the fact that instead of an approach that categorically rejects any other form of partnership, a description of cooperation without harming the status of the parties to each other can be a much more realistic and much more applicable model, People's Party Nicosia Deputy Prof. Dr. Kudret Özersay said that this cooperation model can be shaped, for example, through an international unofficial natural gas conference or international companies. Prof. Dr. Özersay stated that he thinks that such a

cooperation will lead to the formation of trust over time and that it can lead to an evolutionary partnership.

Dialogue Media Group Editor-in-Chief Reşat Akar, on the other hand, stated that despite the Summit Agreements, which stated that neither ENOSIS (annexation to Greece) nor a partition to Turkey is possible, a solution has not been reached, due to the fact that both parties actually evaluate the solution in their own internal fronts in line with their political interests. Akar said that he can see what we are experiencing right now, that the policy of playing to the inner tribunes was a blow against us, and that in fact, Turkey needs to develop policies that would compel the Greeks to a federal solution.

Retired Ambassador Daryal Batıbay questioned whether "We can change the status quo with unilateral behavior or not?". Batıbay said that the Immovable Property Commission should be used to Turkify and expropriate Greek-owned properties, that Maraş should be transferred to the Commission by removing it from being a military zone under Turkish rule, and that Maronites should be allowed to return to their villages.

Batıbay drew attention to the need for a short-term, non-open-ended negotiation process in which the restrictions on the Turkish side will be lifted if there is no compromise.



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PANEL ON 'WAR, PEACE AND STATE BUILDING' organized by Political Science and International Relations Departments of EMU and Wien University and Eastern Mediterranean University Cyprus Policy Center (EMU-CPC) (21 September 2021)



Eastern Mediterranean University Cyprus Policy Center (EMU-CPC) and EMU Business and Economics Faculty Political Science and International Relations Department organized a discussion panel in collaboration with University of Vienna, Austria. The panel took place on Tuesday, the 21st of September, 2021 at EMU with its theme being "War, Peace and State Building". EMU-CPC Chairman Prof. Dr. Ahmet Sözen and, Prof. Dr. Irene Etzersdorfer and Dr. Mag. Ralph Janik from University of Vienna attended the event as speakers.

Following the introducing sessions of the speechmakers to the audience, Prof. Dr. Sözen delivered the opening speech of the panel and made a historical assessment of the Cyprus talks that were held on different grounds and places with various diplomatic methods and political leaders. Stating that the Switzerland meeting in 2016 holds a crucial role as a turning point, Prof. Dr. Sözen said that non-federation solutions came to the agenda due to South Cyprus not being ready to move further. Moreover, Prof. Dr. Sözen added that he was not sure whether Turkey was uncompromising in its two-state solution thesis or was trying to persuade the Greek side to a bi-communal and bi-zonal federation.

Following Prof. Dr. Sözen's speech, Prof. Dr. Etzersdorfer argued that political aims and objectives are a distinctive fea-

ture of war, and that this character of war actually distinguishes it from other individually targeted criminal acts, traditionally viewed as a continuation of policy, i.e. one state to persuade or compel another state to act in accordance with its own choices. Prof. DR. Etzersdorfer also stated that it means using some violent means. Referring to the emergence of the United Nations Convention and the concepts of international society in 1945 and the prohibition of interstate war, Prof. Dr. Etzersdorfer explained that because of this transformation in the political organization of the international structure, interstate wars can no longer be used as a continuation of politics, but this time many civil wars have emerged.

Taking over after Prof. Dr. Etzersdorfer, Dr. Janik interpreted this transformation in the nature of wars at the level of international law. Emphasizing the importance of this transformation, which brings with it transnational events that concern the whole world, such as refugee flows, Dr. Janik said that the legal regulations regarding civil wars and unmanned aerial vehicles are incomplete, the underlying reason is that international law does not regulate non-state wars, that it may take decades for the international community to come to an agreement on the definition of civil wars and adapt it to international law in a way that it can regulate civil wars.

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SEMINAR ON RUSSIAN-TURKISH RELATIONS AND THE PERSISTENCE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SINCE THE GREAT WAR (13 October 2021)

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Cyprus Policy Center (KPM) in collaboration with Political Science and International Relations Department organized a seminar on Turkish-Russian relations.

While a limited number of participants were admitted to the event within the framework of the pandemic rules, simultaneous online participation was also provided to the seminar held at EMU.

The said seminar hosted Bilkent University, Department of International Relations academic staff member and Bilkent Russian Studies Center Chair Assist. Prof. Dr. Onur İşçi, who made a presentation on “Russian - Turkish Relations and the Persistence of Economic Development since the Great War, 1921-2021”.

EMU Political Science and International Relations Department and Cyprus Policy Center President Prof. Dr. Ahmet Sözen thanked Assist. Prof. Dr. Onur İşçi for his participation and reported that İşçi’s work focuses on the history of relations between Turkey and Russia after the last period of the Empire.



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Assist. Prof. Dr. Onur İşçi
International Relations

Onur İşçi is assistant professor of international relations at Bilkent University in Ankara, Turkey and the director of Bilkent’s Center for Russian Studies. He received his Ph.D. from Georgetown University with distinction in 2014. Dr. İşçi specializes on the histories of Russia, Turkey and the two countries’ relationship from the late imperial period to the present day. Dr. İşçi is the author of various articles that appeared in leading journals, including Diplomatic History, Kritika and Foreign Affairs. His first book, Turkey and the Soviet Union during World War II, was published in 2019 by I.B. Tauris. His second book (in Turkish), Harp Yahut İhtilal: Rusya İmparatorluğu’nun Çöküşü, was published in 2020 by Kronik. He is currently working on a new book project that explores the interaction between Turkey’s Politics of Economic Development and Foreign Relations during the Global Cold War.

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*“Russian-Turkish Relations
and the Persistence of
Economic
Development since the
Great War, 1921-2021”*

13 October 2021 (Wednesday) 14.30 – 16.00
BEA 5 (Old Senate Room)

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In his presentation, while evaluating the last 100 years of the Turkish-Russian relations with an economic perspective, Assist. Prof. Dr. İşçi focused on cooperation on economic development during the cold war period.

Stating that the open hostility between the Soviet Union and Turkey at the end of the Second World War led historians to ignore much evidence of cooperation and evaluate the two as ruthless enemies, Asst. Prof. Dr. İşçi put forth that in fact, the mutual relations belonging to the classical development scheme of the cold war have also characterized Russian-Turkish relations for most of the last century.

Assist. Prof. Dr. İşçi stated that long before the Soviet Union and the United States of America entered into competition with each other, Moscow extended a helping hand to the Turkish revolutionaries who opposed the conditions of the post-World War I order, just like the Russian revolutionaries.

Emphasizing that the Soviet military and financial aid between 1920 and 1922 helped the Turkish revolutionaries defeat the European occupation armies, Asst. Prof. Dr. İşçi added that in the 1930s, Moscow sent equipment and engineers to build two textile factories, which were the basis of Turkey's five-year development plan, the first development plan implemented by another country with Soviet advice.

Stating that the tension between Moscow and Ankara at the end of the Second World War have never been fully resolved, Assist. Prof. Dr. İşçi said that in the ten years following the end of the war, the two sides began to control the political conflict between them in the name of economic cooperation.

Pointing out that Moscow helped Turkey to industrialize even though it was a member of the opposing bloc even during the escalation of the cold war, Assist. Prof. Dr. İşçi pointed out that in the 1980s and 1990s, both states limited investments in the heavy industry sector, while creating a new era in the Black Sea with gas pipelines



and joint construction projects. Describing this as a new additive relationship, Assist. Prof. Dr. İşçi emphasized that the pursuit of Western-like modernization is the defining feature of the Russian-Turkish relations in the past century.

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PANEL DISCUSSION ON DEVELOPMENTS IN THE 'EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN AND CYPRUS POLITICS' (20 OCTOBER 2021)

A conference on developments in Cyprus and the Eastern Mediterranean region was held in cooperation with the Eastern Mediterranean University Cyprus Policy Center (EMU CPC) and the Department of Political Science and International Relations. The conference, which consisted of a workshop panel and a discussion panel, was moderated by EMU academic staff member Assist. Prof. Dr. Aylin Gürzel. Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University (AYBU) Head of International Relations Department Prof. Dr. Giray Sadık, Peace Research Institute of Oslo (PRIO) Cyprus Center Senior Researcher Mete Hatay, Middle East Technical University (METU) academic staff member Assist. Prof. Dr. Hayriye Kahveci and EMU academic staff member Dr. İpek Borman made presentations at the said event. Both panels of the conference held at EMU were also offered in an online format.

No Discrimination for NATO Allies That Are Not EU Members”

Speaking at the conference, Prof. Dr. Sadık stated that the international threats arising from the Syrian war has shown how interdependent the security of the European Union (EU) and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) is with the security of Turkey. Pointing out that Euro-Atlantic cooperation is needed more than ever in the mass influx of refugees, border security and the fight against terrorism, Prof. Dr. Sadık stated that for an effective cooperation, a real partnership and intelligence sharing are needed between the EU and NATO. Prof. Dr. Sadık also emphasized that no discrimination should be made against NATO allies that are not members of the EU, such as Turkey.

“Harsh Policies”

Senior Researcher Hatay said that during the AKP's first decade in power, Turkey sought to transform the country into a global player by spreading its soft power in the Western Balkans, Southeastern Europe, Southern Caucasus and the Middle East. Hatay stated that Turkey, which experienced an unprecedented economic growth during this period, has become a hope for many people in these regions. However, in the ongoing process, Hatay



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pointed out that events such as the Arab Spring, Gezi Park demonstrations, problems with Fethullah Gülen, coup attempt and regime change have increased the AKP's need for the votes of groups such as the MHP in domestic politics and caused it to reshape its policies. He stated that soft power policies have been replaced by rather harsh policies.

“Natural Gas Discoveries Led to Regional Geopolitical Changes”

Assist. Prof. Dr. Kahveci stated that the natural gas discoveries off the Eastern Mediterranean caused regional geopolitical changes. Stating that the Greek Cypriot Administration's hydrocarbon exploration activities in the last ten years and its attempt to use the issue as a pressure tool in the negotiations, the negotiations have become difficult, Assist. Prof. Dr. Kahveci mentioned that Turkey and the TRNC had previously acted on the principle of reciprocity, but after the Crans Montana talks failed, a more proactive Turkish foreign policy has been observed. Assist. Prof. Dr. Kahveci pointed out that the

international community does not have a concrete policy in the region, and drew attention to the negative effects of the Arab Spring, the Syrian war and the lack of regional power on the Cyprus problem.

“Reconciliation and Trust Must Be Built”

Dr. Borman stated that especially in the past 10 years, the Eastern Mediterranean has turned into a regional security complex, which means security dilemmas concentrated in certain geographical areas. Stating that the hydrocarbon issue and the acceptance of Cyprus, which the Greek Cypriots unilaterally represent, to the European Union played an important role in this process. Dr. Borman also pointed out that the developments in the Eastern Mediterranean were articulated with the established political discourses and social insecurities in Cyprus. Dr. Borman said that the security dilemma in Cyprus should be revisited in terms of reconciliation and trust building, so that we can imagine a Cyprus beyond realpolitics and today's Cyprus. Dr. Borman claimed that these processes are the key in transforming the two communities on the island into a pluralistic one.



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SEMINAR ON “CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR EURO-ATLANTIC COOPERATION IN COUNTER-TERRORISM AND BORDER SECURITY” BY PROF. DR. GIRAY SADIK (20 OCTOBER 2021)

Organized by EMU Political Science and International Relations Department and Eastern Mediterranean University Cyprus Policy Center (EMU-CPC)



Prof. Dr. Giray Sadik
Professor of International Relations

Prof. Dr. Giray Sadik is the Chair of the Department of International Relations at Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University (AYBU). He was previously a Swedish Institute Postdoctoral Fellow in the Department of Global Political Studies at Malmö University, Sweden. He received his PhD in Political Science from the University of Georgia, USA, specializing in International Relations and Comparative Politics. In addition to his various international publications, recently Prof. Sadik was a contributing editor to a book on hybrid threats titled: Europe's Hybrid Threats: What Kinds of Power Does the EU Need in the 21st Century? Prof. Sadik is Director of European Studies Research Center at AYBU, where he conducts research and teaches graduate courses on European security and foreign policy, Transatlantic relations, and hybrid threats.

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“Challenges and Opportunities for Euro-Atlantic Cooperation in Counter-terrorism and Border Security”

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ACTIVITIES

PROF. DR. METE FERİDUN PRESENTS HIS NEW BOOK TO THE EMU RECTOR PROF. DR. AYKUT HOCANIN

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Business and Economics Faculty, Banking and Finance Department academic staff member Prof. Dr. Mete Feridun presented his new book “The Past, Today and Tomorrow of the Global Banking Regulations” to EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın. EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Hocanın received Prof. Dr. Feridun and EMU Banking and Finance Department Chair

Prof. Dr. Nesrin Özataç on Wednesday, 23 December 2020. Prof. Dr. Hocanın congratulated Feridun for his new book and contributions to academic world and wished him continued success. Prof. Dr. Feridun provided information to Prof. Dr. Hocanın about the content of his book and expressed his happiness for being a part of a powerful institution like EMU.



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EMU FACULTY OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS GRADUATE AND TURKISH REPUBLIC MINISTER OF TRADE DR. MEHMET MUŞ VISITS THE EMU



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Business and Economics Faculty, Business Administration Graduate Dr. Mehmet Muş, who has been appointed as the Republic of Turkey Minister of Trade on 21 April 2021, came to the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) and had a series of meetings. In scope of his schedule, Minister Muş visited EMU on Friday, 4 June 2021, at 10:45 a.m. The visit, which took place at the EMU Senate Hall, was attended by Minister of Trade Dr. Mehmet Muş, some members of the parliament and ministry officials, TRNC Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Economy and Energy Prof. Dr. Erhan Arıklı, Ambassador of the Republic of Turkey to Nicosia Ali Murat Başçeri, President of the EMU Board of Trustees Dr. Erdal Özçenk, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hoca'nın, Members of the Board of Trustees, Vice Rectors, Faculty of Business and Economics academic staff members and Dr. Muş's friends who were studying during his period.

“We Are Proud Of Our Honorable Minister”

Delivering the opening speech of the meeting, EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hoca'nın thanked the Minister of Commerce of the Republic of Turkey Dr. Mehmet Muş, who is also a graduate of EMU, for his visit and provided information about the history of the university and as well as the developments in the university after Muş's graduation.

Prof. Dr. Aykut Hoca'nın, “We are proud of Minister Muş. We are extremely happy that he honored us with his visit.” EMU Board of Trustees President Dr. Erdal Özçenk also stated that EMU has graduated a President, a Prime Minister and Ministers and added “We welcome you to your home. Our doors are wide open for your future visits”.

“EMU Is One of the Leading Institutions of the Country”

Turkish Republic Minister of Trade Dr. Mehmet Muş also stated in his speech that they came to the TRNC for a busy schedule. Expressing his pleasure with the opportunity to visit the university he graduated from, Minister Dr. Muş talked about the joint projects that the Ministry of Trade of the Republic of Turkey plans to realize regarding the TRNC. Minister Dr. Muş drew attention to the importance of the existence of the TRNC state. Stating that EMU is one of the leading institutions in the country, Minister Dr. Muş expressed his satisfaction with the progress of the university he graduated from and asked questions about the university. After the speeches, EMU’s Promotional Film was screened. Afterwards, Minister Dr. Muş talked with his term friends and professors and shared his memories at EMU.

To mark the visit, EMU Board of Trustees President Dr.

Erdal Özçenk and EMU Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hoca'nın presented Dr. Mehmet Muş a plaque. Following the meeting, a campus tour was organized for Minister Dr. Muş, who visited his faculty and received information about the campus. The visit ended after a lunch organisation held at the EMU Beach Club

Who is EMU Graduate Dr. Mehmet Muş?

Dr. Muş was born on 01.05.1982 in Trabzon Sürmene. He graduated from EMU Business and Economics Faculty, Business Administration Department. He holds a master’s degree in Economics from Washington State University School of Economic Sciences. He worked as a Budget Planning and Reporting Specialist in the private sector. He completed his PhD in Economics at Marmara University, Department of Economic History.



TRNC STATISTICS INSTITUTE VISITS EMU

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Rector Prof. Dr. Aykut Hocanın hosted the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) Statistics Institution Vice-Chair Assist. Prof. Dr. Türel Öksüzoğlu and her team on Wednesday, 9 June 2021 at 10:00. Possible collaborations were discussed during the visit.

Stating that EMU is ready to contribute to the institution in the matter of forming TRNC's statistical infrastructure, Prof. Dr. Hocanın expressed his appreciation on Assist. Prof. Dr. Türel Öksüzoğlu's visit.

On the other hand, Assist. Prof. Dr. Türel Öksüzoğlu shared information regarding the recent Statistics Council meeting and Official Statistics Program (OSP) which was unanimously approved during voting. Prof. Dr. Hocanın presented Assist. Prof. Dr. Türel Öksüzoğlu a souvenir. EMU Business and Economics Faculty member and Statistics Council member Assoc. Prof. Dr. Kamil Sertoğlu was present at the meeting.



EMU GIMER REPRESENTED AT GIANT INTERNATIONAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP WEEK EVENT



Eastern Mediterranean University Entrepreneurship and Innovation Center (EMU GIMER) is represented at the 7th Annual Manama Entrepreneurship Week event. The event, held between 20 – 26 October 2021, was attended by EMU GIMER Executive Board President Prof. Dr. Mustafa Tümer and his students participated online. The first day of the Bahrain-based giant international event, with more than 7 thousand participants from over 70 countries, started with the opening ceremony.

Afterwards, sessions were held on topics such as awareness of sustainable development and setting goals for personal and professional success. Internationally recognised entrepreneurs, data and analytics experts, authors and academics are among the participants of the event as speakers.

The event aims to bring together new entrepreneurs from all over the world with successful entrepreneurs and benefit from experience, knowledge sharing and advice.

“We are Very Happy”

Expressing the EMU GIMER’s happiness regarding to be invited to such an important and international entrepreneurship event, EMU GIMER President Prof. Dr. Mustafa Tümer stated that the event was significantly effective for the students. Saying that students who attended the event had the opportunity to listen the ideas and advices of internationally achieved entrepreneurs, Prof. Dr. Tümer stated that Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) and EMU Entrepreneurship and Innovation Center being involved in such projects play a vital role in the promotion of the country as well as the futures of the students. Prof. Dr. Tümer thanked the Bahrain Manama Management, the organizer of the Annual Manama Entrepreneurship Week.

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EMU FACULTY OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS, ONE OF THE BEST IN THE WORLD, AWAITS NEW STUDENTS



Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) Faculty of Business and Economics, which is among the world's leading faculties in the field of Business and Economics, is waiting for its new students in the 2021-2022 Academic Year with its faculty members who are on the list of the world's most influential academics. EMU Faculty of Business and Economics, which has brought up nearly 9,000 successful graduates from all over the world, has the Foundation for International Business Administration Accreditation (FIBAA) accreditation. EMU Faculty of Business and Economics, which provides education through 4 departments, 15 undergraduate programs, 24 postgraduate programs and 4 doctorate programs, also has memberships in The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) and European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR).

The U.K. based Times Higher Education (THE), the publisher of widely-referenced university rankings worldwide announced the 2022 World University Rankings in the field of Business and Economics. EMU Business and Economics Faculty, which appeared in the 401-500 band last year, increased its success this year and has appeared amongst the world's top 250 Business and Economics Faculties, whilst sharing the first place with Koç University in Turkey in the 201-250 band.

Bilkent University, METU, Sabancı University and Yıldız Technical University, which succeeded in being listed among Turkish universities, have appeared in the 401-500 band and thus, come second. Boğaziçi University, Dokuz Eylül University, Hacettepe University, Istanbul University and Marmara University shared the third place in the 601+ band.

Three universities in total made it to the list across the island of Cyprus, while EMU has appeared in the top band among these universities. Among the said universities, the second ranked university is in the 501-600 band.

EMU Faculty of Business and Economics has the unique quality of appearing as the only faculty from the island of Cyprus in the field of Economic Sciences in the ShanghaiRanking World Universities Academic Ranking 2021. Among Turkish universities, only Koç University, Bilkent University and EMU made it to the list.

Among the World's Best

The international achievements of EMU Faculty of Business and Economics are not limited to this. Three master's programs have been included in the top 200 master's programs for 2021 in the report prepared by the rating agency Eduniversal, which evaluates master's programs at the global level, while more than 22,000 programs from nearly 4,000 schools from 154 countries have been included in the said evaluation. According to the ranking, EMU Business and Economics Faculty, Economics and Banking Finance Departments' joint master's program, titled Energy Economics and Finance, ranks 5th in Eurasia and the Middle East in Energy and Natural Resources, while Banking and Finance Master's program ranks 10th in Corporate Finance in the Eurasia and the Middle East region and Economics Master's Program ranks 10th in the Eurasia and Middle East region.

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The World’s Most Influential Academics

EMU Business and Economics Faculty, Economics Department Head Prof. Dr. Mehmet Balcilar ranked within the top 0.27% according to the publications in the last 10 years, in the ranking of the most influential researchers made by “Research Papers in Economics (RePEc)”, which is known as the most important publication and researcher database in the world’s economy. Prof. Dr. Mehmet Balcilar ranks 163rd on the said rankings. The list, in which the departments and researchers registered on the IDEAS site of RePEc, which has more than 60 thousand registered members as of September 24, 2020, are ranked, is known as the most important ranking in the field of economics. Prof. Dr. Balcilar ranks 1,504th and within the top 2.5 % when all years are taken into account. At the same time, EMU Faculty of Business and Economics academic staff members Prof. Dr. Salih Katircioğlu and Prof. Dr. Mehmet Balcilar have successfully appeared on the list of the most influential scientists in the world. In the study conducted by the USA Stanford University and published in the journal PlosBiology, Faculty of Business and Economics, Department of Banking and Finance academic staff member Prof. Dr. Salih Katircioğlu is in the top 2% of the world’s most influential scientists in the one-year impact (2019) and career-long impact categories. In the said ranking, Faculty of Business and Economics, Economics Department Chair Prof. Dr. Mehmet Balcilar, on the other hand,

appears in the 2% of the world’s most influential scientists in the one-year impact (2019) category.

“Leading Academic Center”

Making a statement on the subject, EMU Business and Economics Faculty Dean Prof. Dr. Selcan Timur said, “Our faculty is the leading academic center in the field of social sciences in Northern Cyprus. While maintaining a student friendly environment, we take pride in the high academic standards we achieve. Our faculty members also have qualified academic qualifications with doctorate degrees from leading universities. They stay up-to-date in their fields of expertise with their research and publications in top scientific journals. The media as well as private and public institutions are regarded as an authority, and their knowledge and opinions in their fields are regularly consulted. We also carry out various joint projects together with the Chambers of Commerce and Industry, the Central Bank and other stakeholders. Among notable alumni of the EMU Faculty of Business and Economics is the Republic of Turkey Minister of Commerce Dr. Mehmet Muş.

Further information on the programs and application requirements of EMU Faculty of Business and Economics is available at <https://fbe.emu.edu.tr/>, or 0392 630 12 81 or fbe@emu.edu.tr and via WhatsApp (+90 533 844 9170).



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Sözen, A. (2021 October 13). The Conflict in Cyprus and the Broader Lessons that Emerge from it in Relation to the Challenges and Opportunities for Conflict Resolution. [Paper presentation] Panel organized by *the EUROSUD South European Studies Consortium*, Virtual.

Sözen, A. (2021, October 6). A common European future or a permanent division. Invited speaker at the seminar organized by *Association for Social Reform*, Virtual.

Sözen, A. (2021, September 13-17). Invited speaker at the panel on Re-exploring the Mediterranean: Identity, Politics, Safety. 14th *European International Studies Association (EISA) Conference: The Power Politics of Nature*, organized by *the European International Studies Association (EISA)*, Virtual.

Şahin, D. & Sözen, A. (2021, September 17). The Multiplayer chess board - The Transformation of Traditional Patterns of the Mediterranean. [Paper presentation] 14th *European International Studies Association (EISA) Conference: The Power Politics of Nature*, organized by *the European International Studies Association (EISA)*, Virtual.

Sözen, A. (2021, August 12). A New Era in Cyprus Diplomacy? Scenarios for Future. Speech delivered in the panel organized by *SETA Brussels ASBL*, Virtual

Sözen, A. (2021, June 23). Türk Dış Politikası ve Kıbrıs Uyuşmazlığı. Invited speaker at the panel organized by *Tuzla Rotary Club*, Virtual.

Sözen, A. (2021, June 12). Ankara's Strategic Autonomy and Membership in the Transatlantic Club in Turkey Between the USA, EU and Russia: Turkish Foreign Policy between Geopolitical Changes and Old Alliances. Invited speaker at the conference organized by *Permanent Open Space for Dialogue and Friendship*, Virtual.

Sözen, A. (2021, June 01). Barış İnşa Süreci. Invited speaker at the panel organized by *Aydın Adnan Menderes University International Relations*, Virtual.

Sözen, A. (2020, December 22). Doğu Akdeniz Kıyılarında: Çözülmemiş eski ve yeni fikir ayrılıkları. Türkiye ve Yunanistan arasındaki tartışma, Kıbrıs ve deniz sınırları için çözüm nedir?. Invited speaker at the *Radical Party Turkey in Europe Conference*, Virtual.

Sözen, A. (2020, November 16). Making Sense of Developments in the Eastern Mediterranean. Invited speaker at the panel organized by *Center for International and European Studies*, Virtual.

Sözen, A. (2020, October 31). Democratic Values and the Future of Turkey. Invited speaker at the panel organized by *Centre in Modern Turkish Studies at Carleton University and Council of Turkish Canadians*, Virtual.

Sözen, A. (2020, November 3). The Outcome of the recent Turkish Cypriot Selections. Invited speaker at the panel organized by *European Policy Center*, Virtual.

Sözen, A. (2020, October 9). Building a Peaceful Future in Cyprus. Invited speaker at the panel organized by *Turkish Heritage Organization*, Virtual.

Sözen, A. (2020, September 28). KKTC 2020 Seçimleri ve Doğu Akdeniz'e Etkisi. Invited speaker at the panel organized by *Diplomatik İlişkiler ve Politik Araştırmalar Merkezi*, Virtual.

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Gürzel, A. G. A. & Pretorius, J. (2021, April 4). The Eroding Nuclear Order: A Turkish, Brazilian, South African view. [Paper presentation] *Nuclear Proliferation, Reversal, and Status Quo (ISA) Convention*, Virtual

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Kaymak, E. (2021, June 16). Invited speaker at the "Turkey as a European Energy Partner and Challenge for European Security" Panel, Research Seminar on *Revisiting the Cyprus Conundrum in Turkey-EU Relations*, Virtual on Zoom.

Assist. Prof. Dr. Gülay Umaner Duba

Umaner-Duba, G. (2021, September 1-3). Constitutional Asymmetry as a Device for Diffusing Conflict in Multinational Contexts. [Paper presentation] *CLISS- International Summer School 2021 on Current Legal Issues in Post-Conflict and Transitional Societies*.

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Sözen, A., Hatay, M., Sadık, G., Borman, İ. & Kahveci, H. (2021, October 20). Presentation at the panel on *Eastern Mediterranean Cyprus Politics*, organized by Eastern Mediterranean University Cyprus Policy Center and the Department of Political Science and International Relations.

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Tümer, M. (August 2021). Project Manager, *KKTC Organize Sanayi Bölgeleri Mevcut Durum Analizi Raporu*.
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Fon, N. N. A. (2021, May 13). The 'Woke' Way or the Highway: Democracy in the Age of 'Wokism' and 'Cancel Culture'. [Paper presentation] *2021 IAPSS World Congress: Democracy, Identity, and Power*, Virtual.

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Liubchak, V. (2021, February 26). Compromise as a Tool for Resolving Interstate Conflicts: History and Research Perspectives. [Paper presentation] *Russian Theory and Practice of Modern Agrarian Science Conference*.