



# Akdeniz University International Relations Office

## Newsletter

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## **MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR**



Greetings from the 42<sup>nd</sup> issue of the Newsletter of the International Relations Office (IRO)

First and foremost, I would like to begin my words by wishing health, happiness, peace, and success to all of us for the Spring Semester of the 2023-2024 academic year.

I would like to inform you that our office's activities are continuing without interruption with our esteemed Prof. Dr. Şükrü Özen, who has been appointed to Vice-Rector of Our University. We held meetings with a delegation from the Don State Technical University in Russia, under the chairmanship of Prof. Dr. Şükrü Özen.

While our office continues to provide information sessions for our university under the Erasmus+ Programme, we also participated in meetings organized by the Turkish National Agency to further develop our knowledge in this field. In this context, we are working towards the announcement of the Call for Proposals for Interreg NEXT- MED Programme (Mediterranean Sea Basin Programme), which is one of the most comprehensive EU projects with a budget of approximately 282,000 euros, and enabling numerous applications from our university.

Announcing international scholarships and opportunities to our university students and staff is among our top priorities. To this end, we organized a presentation on Fulbright Master's/Ph.D. Scholarships with the participation of a representative from the Turkish Fulbright Education Commission in Ankara. Our presentations, which attracted great interest from our students, will continue.

In conclusion, I would like to extend a warm welcome to the students and guests who have come to our university for the Spring Semester of the 2023-2024 academic year under the responsibility of our office through Bilateral Cooperation Agreements and the Erasmus+ Programme. I wish them a successful academic life filled with achievements.

**Prof. Dr. İrfan TURHAN**  
**Coordinator of the International Relations Office**

### VISIT OF DON STATE TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY/RUSSIA

The meeting with Prof. Dr. Aleksey Beskopolniy, Vice Rector for Academic Studies and International Activities of Don State Technical University (Russia) was held under the chairmanship of our Vice-Rector Prof. Dr. Şükrü Özen. International Relations Office Coordinator Prof. Dr. İrfan Turhan and Cooperation Protocols/ Erasmus+ Programme Bilateral Agreements Responsible Lect. Alina Aksoy attended the meeting. We discussed possible collaboration and projects between our Universities.



### 2024 ERASMUS+ CENTRAL PROJECTS INFORMATION DAY

On January 23, 2024, the "2024 Erasmus+ Central Projects Information Day" meeting was held in Ankara by the Turkish National Agency. Prof. Dr. İrfan Turhan, Our Coordinator, attended the meeting where presentations on Erasmus+ Central Vocational Excellence Centers, Erasmus+ Vocational Partnerships for Innovation, and Capacity Building Projects in the Field of Vocational Education were delivered.





29 Ocak 2024 saat 11:00 da MS Teams platformunda Doç. Dr. Nusret DEMİR hocamızın katılımıyla gerçekleştirilecektir.



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## ERASMUS+ PROGRAMME CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS WEBINAR

On January 29, 2024, our office organized an online meeting within the scope of Erasmus+ Program Capacity Development Projects in Higher Education, coordinated by our Coordinator Prof. Dr. İrfan Turhan. The webinar, moderated by Instructor Bahar Şahin with the participation of Associate Professor Nusret Demir from the Faculty of Science, aimed to share experiences.

## INTERREG NEXT-MED MEETING



Interreg NEXT 'Mediterranean Sea Basin' (hereinafter 'NEXT MED') transnational cooperation programme is the third generation of one of the largest cooperation initiatives implemented by the European Union across borders in the Mediterranean area. The Programme aims to contribute to smart, sustainable, fair development for all across the Mediterranean basin by supporting balanced, long-lasting, far-reaching cooperation and multilevel governance.

We participated in the information session for the Interreg NEXT-MED Meeting, organized in Antalya by the Ministry of European Union Affairs, Antalya Representation on February 12, 2024, We aim to submit numerous applications from our university to this program, which our country is participating in for the first time.

## FULBRIGHT MASTER/DOCTORATE SCHOLARSHIPS SEMINAR

We organized a seminar with the participation of İrem Arıcan Yiğit from the Turkish Fulbright Education Commission to provide information about Fulbright Master/Doctorate Scholarships under the coordination of our office.

The seminar was opened with a speech by Prof. Dr. İrfan Turhan, our Coordinator, and moderated by Instructor Emel Aktaş.



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### **THE COOPERATION PROTOCOL WITH THE L.N. GUMILYOV EURASIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY**



Akdeniz University has renewed a Cooperation Protocol with the L.N.Gumilyov Eurasian National University in Kazakhstan. The protocol covers exchanges for students, academic staff members, as well as joint scientific activities.

### **COOPERATION WITH THE CAROL DAVILA UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND PHARMACY BUCHAREST/ROMANIA**

Akdeniz University has signed a Cooperation Protocol with the Carol Davila University of Medicine and Pharmacy Bucharest in Romania. The protocol covers exchanges for students, academic staff members, as well as joint scientific activities.



### **INCOMING STUDENTS FROM KAZAKHSTAN WITHIN THE FRAME OF THE COOPERATION PROTOCOL**

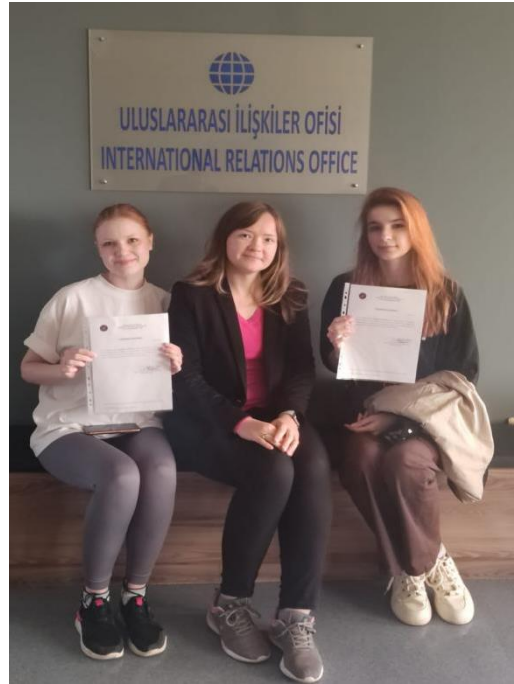
Within the scope of the Cooperation Protocols between our University and Abai Kazakh National Pedagogical University, M.Auezov South Kazakhstan University and L.N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University 5 incoming students will study in the Faculty of Letters, Department of English Language and Literature, Faculty of Letters, Department of Turkish Language and Literature, Faculty of Architecture, Department of Architecture and in the Faculty of Tourism, Tourism Management Department in the Spring Semester of the 2023-2024 Academic Year. We wish good luck to our students.





Within the scope of the Cooperation Protocol between our University and Satbayev University incoming student completed his internship at the Institute of Science between the dates of 29 February and 11 March, 2024.

Within the scope of the Cooperation Protocol between our University and Satbayev University incoming students completed their internship at the Institute of Science between the dates of 19-29 March, 2024.



## ERASMUS+ KA103/131 OUTGOING STAFF MOBILITY



In the General Report on University Monitoring and Evaluation 2023 prepared by the Council of Higher Education in Türkiye, 208 Turkish Universities have been evaluated according to 74 different indicators.

According to the evaluation report, our university has successfully secured the top position in the criterion of the number of faculty members participating in international exchange programs. Our office continues its outgoing staff exchange activities without slowing down.





## ERASMUS+ INCOMING STUDENTS



2023-2024 Academic Year Spring Semester Erasmus+ Programme students started to arrive at Akdeniz University. We wish all our precious students success in their study period for the Erasmus+ Programme and thank them for being part of our Akdeniz University family.



## ERASMUS+ INCOMING PERSONNEL VISITS



Ilze Ivanova from University of Latvia arrived at Akdeniz University to complete her Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching in the 2023-2024 Academic Year between the dates 18.10.2023 to 22.10.2023 at the Department of English Teaching and the Faculty of Education. We would like to thank our related Erasmus Department Coordinator Assist. Prof. Dr. Başak Eda Hancı Azizoğlu for her support in this mobility period.

Aziz Akkak from University of Foggia/Italy arrived at Akdeniz University to complete his Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2023-2024 Academic Year between the dates 01.02.2024 to 14.02.2024 at the Department of Field Crops of the Faculty of Agriculture.

We would like to thank Assoc. Prof. Dr. Engin Yol who is the Head of the Department and the Erasmus Department Coordinator Assist. Prof. Dr. Rüstem Üstün for their support in this mobility period.





Sara Roman from University of Agronomic Sciences and Veterinary Medicine, Bucharest has completed her traineeship mobility at the Department of Agricultural Biotechnology of the Faculty of Agriculture in the 2023-2024 Academic Year.

Katarzyna Krzaczkowska and Monika Zajac from University of Life Sciences in Lublin/Poland arrived at Akdeniz University to complete their Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2023-2024 Academic Year between the dates 11.03.2024 to 15.03.2024 in the International Relations Office. We would like to thank them for their visit.



Veronica Apetrei and Petronica Amisculesei from Iasi University of Life Sciences (IULS)/Italy arrived at Akdeniz University to complete their Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2023-2024 Academic Year between the dates 25.03.2024 to 29.03.2024 at the Department of Horticulture of the Faculty of Agriculture. We would like to thank the Erasmus Department Coordinator Prof. Dr. Songül Sever Mutlu for her support in this mobility period.





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