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**AKDENİZ UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONAL STUDENT EXAMINATION
(AKDENİZ/YÖS)-2018 WILL BE HELD AT 41 EXAM CENTRES IN 26 COUNTRIES**



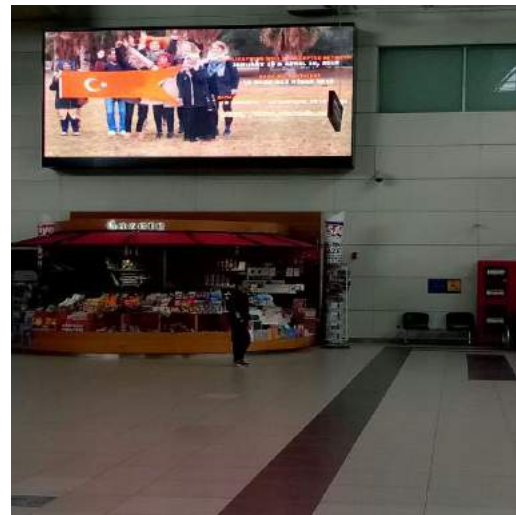
The AKDENİZ YÖS-2018 Examination, which is organized for international student candidates who would like to study on associate degree and undergraduate degree programmes at Akdeniz University, will be held at 14.00 Turkish time on Saturday, May 12th 2018 in 41 centres in 26 different countries. Prof. Dr. Mustafa Ünal, Rector of Akdeniz University, said of the examination; “Akdeniz University attracts a great deal of interest from international students each year, and our plan was to arrange the AKDENİZ YÖS examination at 41 centres in 26 different countries. Unlike last year, this year we have added new examination centres in Africa (Algeria, Egypt, Ghana and Guinea) and in the U.S.A. (Washington D.C., New York and Chicago). We do our best to enhance our reputation as an international university. The AKDENİZ YÖS Examination is also known as the most reliable of the YÖS Examinations which are offered by Turkish Universities, so we would like to encourage all international student candidates to choose our examination.” Online applications will be accepted until the deadline of April 16th 2018 on the following website; akus.akdeniz.edu.tr.

AKDENİZ YÖS-2018 Examination Centres: Turkey (Antalya, Ankara, Istanbul, Izmir, Van, Edirne and Trabzon), Germany (Cologne, Munich, Berlin, Hamburg), Austria (Linz and Vienna), Switzerland (Zurich), Sweden (Stockholm), Belgium (Brussels), Norway (Oslo), Denmark (Copenhagen), France (Paris),

Netherlands (Amsterdam), The U.S.A. (Washington D.C, New York, Chicago), Azerbaijan (Baku), Kazakhstan (Almaty), Turkmenistan (Ashgabat), Russia (Moscow), Ukraine (Kiev), Northern Cyprus (Nicosia), Iran (Urmia), Saudi Arabia (Riyadh, Jeddah, Medina, Taif), Kyrgyzstan (Bishkek), Bosnia and Herzegovina (Sarajevo), Afghanistan (Mazar-I Sharif), Egypt (Cairo), Algeria (Algiers), Ghana (Acra), Guinea (Conakry).

AKDENİZ YÖS-2018 PROMOTIONAL VIDEO

We have made a promotional video for the AKDENİZ YÖS-2018 Examination in cooperation with the Akdeniz University Faculty of Communication. The 30 second video has been released throughout Europe with a commentary in both Turkish and English, and it has also been made available to Antalya Airport in Turkish, English and Russian. With this widely acclaimed video, we aim to reach many more international students, and enhance the popularity of both Akdeniz University and the AKDENİZ YÖS-2018 Examination all over the world.



PROF. DR. MUSTAFA ÜNAL, RECTOR OF AKDENİZ UNIVERSITY, ATTENDED INFO MEETINGS ON THE AKDENİZ YÖS-2018 EXAMINATION IN GERMANY



A series of info meetings was arranged to introduce the AKDENİZ YÖS examination, which will be held at 14.00 Turkish time on Saturday May 12th 2018 in 41 centres in 26 different countries including Turkey. The meetings were for the benefit of international student candidates who would like to take part in the AKDENİZ YÖS examination so they can study on associate degree and undergraduate degree programmes at Akdeniz University.

Germany, which is one of our leading examination centres due to the 3.5 million Turkish people living there, provides most of the applicants from Europe for the Akdeniz-Yös Examination in four centres (Cologne, Munich, Berlin, Hamburg), and is therefore of vital importance for us.

An introductory info meeting, with the participation of Prof. Dr. Mustafa Ünal, Rector of Akdeniz University, was held on March 20th 2018 in Berlin to encourage Turkish people living abroad to study at Akdeniz University. Information was provided about Akdeniz University and the AKDENİZ YÖS Examination Calendar, and the meeting attracted great interest from everyone who attended. Rector Ünal made a presentation about Akdeniz University, and gave details of the requirements of the Akdeniz-Yös Examination and the application process. At the end of the meeting questions about our university were answered.

In addition to Germany, info meetings were also arranged in Denmark, Norway and Sweden, at which presentations were made about the requirements and procedures which must be followed in order to become an international student at Akdeniz University. The result of these meetings was that International student candidates were provided with answers to all the questions they may have had about the examination and Akdeniz University. We would like to thank everyone who attended for their participation in the meetings, and wish them all the greatest possible success in their educational lives.



NEW COOPERATION PROTOCOL



Akdeniz University has recently signed scientific and educational cooperation protocol with Cooperation University of Azerbaijan (Azerbaijan). The protocol covers mobility for students and academics, as well as joint scientific activities. The list of the universities with which we have cooperation protocols can be found on the website of the

International Relations Office at the following location; <http://uio.akdeniz.edu.tr/current-cooperation-agreements>.

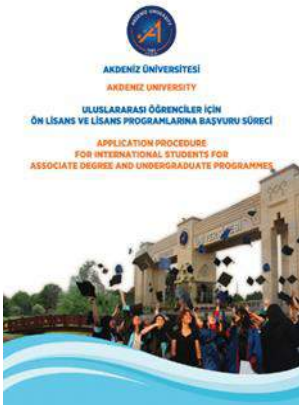
A VISIT BY THE CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION IN ANTALYA TO OUR OFFICE

A meeting was arranged by the International Relations Office with Oleg Rogoza, Consul-General of the Russian Federation in Antalya, and Deputy Consul-General Vyacheslav Mikhaylov, who visited our Office on February 16, 2018. A number of Russian students who are studying at Akdeniz University were also invited to attend the meeting, which was held in the university conference hall.



There were discussions about opportunities for collaboration, and an introduction was made to the AKDENİZ YÖS examination. The Russian students presenting expressed their satisfaction with Akdeniz University and Antalya shown great interest in the meeting.

BROCHURES GIVING DETAILS OF THE APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS



We have now completed the preparation of a series of brochures which outline the application process for associate degree, undergraduate, and graduate programmes for the 2018/2019 academic year. The brochures provide information about application procedures, and are a useful introduction to Akdeniz University for use at international education fairs.

The Brochures are available on the Akdeniz University International Relations Office website: <http://uio.akdeniz.edu.tr/publications>.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ESN (ERASMUS STUDENT NETWORK) HELD IN COSTA BRAVA

The ESN Annual Meeting, which is arranged each year by the Erasmus Student Network, was held this year in Costa Brava in Spain. The meeting was attended by approximately 800 people, consisting mainly of administrators and students from all European countries which are associated with the Erasmus+ programme. The



meeting dealt with the Erasmus+ programme, exchanges within the framework of Erasmus+, and the opportunities which the Erasmus programme can provide for students. The timetable also included 'Eurodinner', an event in which representatives of the various countries provided flavours from their national cuisines, and an Educational Exposition, which allowed the participants to display information and material about their universities.

THE INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMME FOREIGN LANGUAGE EXAMINATION



The International Exchange Programme (Erasmus+ and Mevlana) Foreign Language Examination for the 2018/2019 academic year was held under the coordination of the Akdeniz University International Relations Office and the School of Foreign Languages. Almost 2,000 students who wish to benefit from these programmes took part in the examination.

ERASMUS+ APPLICATIONS

For the 2018/2019 academic year, applications for the Erasmus+ Programme have been divided into autumn and spring semesters. Applications for the autumn semester were accepted by the International Relations Office between February 22nd and March 9th 2018. Almost 500 applications were received from students studying in the various academic units of our university who would like to benefit from education and training in another country under the terms of the Erasmus+ programme.



AN ORIENTATION PROGRAMME FOR ERASMUS+ STUDENTS FROM OTHER COUNTRIES



An Orientation Programme was arranged for students from a wide range of European countries who are attending our university in the spring term of the 2017/2018 academic year under the terms of the Erasmus+ programme. This programme, which is guided by the coordinator of the International

Relations Office, aims to provide for the mutual exchange of students and educators throughout Europe by creating favourable conditions for international cooperation between universities. The Orientation Programme provided the students with information about the life and culture of Akdeniz University, Antalya and Turkey. There was also a presentation of information about historical and cultural trips organized for students by the ESN (Erasmus Student Network). The ESN is a voluntary organization which organizes historical and cultural trips, as well as offering a wide range of other activities for students from other countries who attend Akdeniz University within the framework of various exchange programmes.

Students from a number of different European countries stated that they prefer to come to Antalya because Akdeniz University provides an appropriate level of education to incoming students, as well as many activities for exchange and international students. They also mentioned that studying in Turkey is more economically attractive than in other European countries.

EUROPEAN STUDENTS PREFER AKDENİZ UNIVERSITY FOR THE ERASMUS+ PROGRAMME

For the spring semester of the 2017/2018 academic year, a large number of students from Germany, the Czech Republic, the UK, Switzerland, Latvia, Lithuania, Macedonia, Poland, Romania and Slovakia have shown a preference to attend Akdeniz University with the Erasmus+ Programme, as well as many students from Indonesia, Kyrgyzstan and Pakistan with the Mevlana Exchange Programme.



ERASMUS+ INFORMATION MEETING



An information meeting dealing with the Erasmus+ application process was organized by the International Relations Office for the benefit of students who are planning to apply for the Erasmus+ Programme for the autumn semester of the 2018/2019 academic year.

A WELCOME DINNER FOR ERASMUS+ AND MEVLANA EXCHANGE PROGRAMME STUDENTS

A welcome dinner was organized for students who are attending Akdeniz University within the framework of the Erasmus+ and Mevlana Exchange Programmes for the spring semester of the 2017/2018 academic year. The dinner, which was held in the Kır Kahvesi social facilities of Akdeniz University, was attended by Prof. Dr. Ahmet ÖGKE, Vice-rector of Akdeniz University, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Binnur Genç İLTER, Advisor to the Rector for International Relations, Nurgül BÜYÜKKALAY, Erasmus+ and Mevlana Exchange Programme Institutional Coordinator, Emel KAHRAMAN, Farabi Exchange Programme Institutional Coordinator, and personnel from the International Relations Office.



APPLICATIONS FOR THE MEVLANA EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

Applications from outgoing students for the Mevlana Exchange Programme for the 2018/2019 academic year were accepted by the International Relations Office between February 12th and March 9th 2018. Applications were submitted by almost 500 students who would like to study in various academic units of foreign universities.

THE PROJECT-BASED MEVLANA EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

Members of the academic staff have the opportunity to apply to the Project-Based Mevlana Exchange Programme, designed for exchanges between incoming and outgoing students or academic staff members. Selection is carried out by the CoHE, and applications can be made up to the deadline of April 9th 2018 through the YOKSIS online system.

INFORMATION MEETING FOR THE PROJECT-BASED MEVLANA EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

An information meeting was organized by the International Relations Office for the benefit of faculty members of Akdeniz University who would like to apply to participate in the Project-Based Mevlana Exchange Programme.



INDONESIAN STUDENTS AT AKDENİZ UNIVERSITY



For the first time students from Indonesia are attending Akdeniz University within the framework of the Mevlana Exchange Programme. Students from the State University of Malang in Indonesia will receive their education in the Faculty of Engineering of our university.

STUDENTS FROM THE AKDENİZ UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF THEOLOGY ARE IN MOROCCO WITH THE MEVLANA EXCHANGE PROGRAMME



As part of the agreement which we have with Sultan Moulay Silimane University in Morocco, students from the Akdeniz University Faculty of Theology will be studying there in the spring semester of the 2017/2018 academic year. Our students stated that they were pleased with the education that they were receiving, and that they had also improved their knowledge of

the Arabic language.

ERASMUS+ PROGRAMME PROJECT APPLICATIONS IN 2018

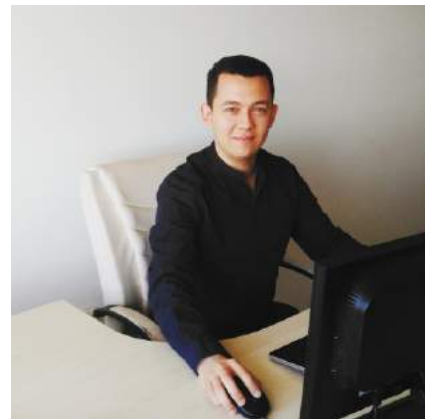


Erasmus+

The different departments of Akdeniz University have submitted applications for 25 Erasmus+ Projects, including 9 Erasmus+ Key Action 1 Projects and 16 Erasmus+ Key Action 2 Projects in February and March 2018. If they are given funding our university will take on the role of coordinator in 10 projects, and participate as a partner in 15 others. The results will be announced in June and July 2018.

WE WELCOME A TRAINEE FROM CZECH REPUBLIC UNDER THE ERASMUS+ PROGRAMME

Bulat Nigmedzianov, from the University of Hradec Kralove in Czech Republic, has started his traineeship at the Akdeniz University EuroMed Youth Centre. The traineeship will last for two months, and he will work on EU Projects and learn about youth work and non-formal learning techniques.





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