



# Akdeniz University International Relations Office (IRO)

## Newsletter

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## MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR



Greetings from the 47<sup>th</sup> issue of the Newsletter of the International Relations Office (IRO).

The Times Higher Education (THE), one of the world's leading higher education ranking organizations, has announced the Impact Rankings 2025. In this evaluation, Akdeniz University was ranked among the top 800 universities worldwide in four distinct categories. Specifically, the University was placed in the 301–400 band under Clean Water and Sanitation, in the 401–600 band under both Life on Land and Partnerships for the Goals, and in the 601–800 band under Reduced Inequalities. These results once again affirm Akdeniz University's contributions to sustainability on an international scale.

Furthermore, in the QS World University Rankings 2026—a list that includes only 26 universities from Türkiye and highlights the world's top institutions—Akdeniz University successfully maintained its place in the global rankings, while rising to 18th position among Turkish public universities. These remarkable achievements, under the leadership of our Rector, Prof. Dr. Özlenen Özkan, once more demonstrate the growing scientific productivity and international visibility of Akdeniz University.

Within the framework of the European Union Compliance, Consultation and Steering Committee Meeting, organized under the coordination of the Governorship of Antalya and hosted by the Antalya Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ATSO), our stand—which provided information about the University's EU-related activities and project initiatives— attracted significant interest.

In this issue, we also provide information on the new agreements signed within the scope of the Erasmus+ Programme, as well as details regarding the students and visitors welcomed from higher education institutions across different regions of the world. In addition, we feature updates on the activities carried out by our faculty members within the framework of EU Projects. I wish you an enjoyable reading experience.

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

**AKDENİZ UNIVERSITY  
ACHIEVES SIGNIFICANT SUCCESS IN THE THE IMPACT RANKINGS 2025**



**AKDENİZ ÜNİVERSİTESİ,  
THE 2025 ETKİ SIRALAMASINDA  
ÖNEMLİ BAŞARI ELDE ETTİ**

**THE** Times Higher Education  
Times Higher Education  
Impact Rankings 2025

KONU ALANI	DÜNYA SIRALAMASI İLK 1000
TEMİZ SU VE SİHHİ KOŞULLAR	<b>301-400</b>
AMAÇLAR İÇİN ORTAKLIKLAR	<b>401-600</b>
KARASAL YAŞAM	<b>401-600</b>
EŞİTSİZLİKLERİN AZALTILMASI	<b>601-800</b>

The Times Higher Education (THE), one of the world's leading higher education ranking organizations, has announced the World University Impact Rankings 2025. The Impact Rankings measure universities' performance in achieving the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) set by the United Nations. This year, a total of 2,526 universities from 130 countries were evaluated. With 121 institutions represented, Türkiye ranked as the third most represented country worldwide.

In the assessment, Akdeniz University was placed among the top 800 universities globally in four separate categories. The university ranked within the 301–400 band for Clean Water and Sanitation, within the 401–600 band for Life on Land and Partnerships for the Goals, and within the 601–800 band for Reduced Inequalities. Through these achievements, Akdeniz University once again demonstrated its strong contributions to sustainability on an international scale.



Times Higher Education  
**Impact Rankings 2025**

## AKDENİZ UNIVERSITY MAINTAINS ITS PLACE AMONG THE WORLD'S BEST



The QS World University Rankings 2026, which evaluates universities across 106 locations worldwide based on nine different indicators, has been announced. Among only 26 Turkish universities included in the rankings, Akdeniz University successfully retained its place on the list, while rising to 18th position among public universities in Türkiye.

In the 2026 QS evaluation, Akdeniz University managed to improve its scores across all nine indicators, showing notable progress particularly in strategic areas such as Academic Reputation, Employer Reputation, Citations per Faculty, and International Research Network. This achievement in the global list of the world's top universities once again highlights the university's growing scientific productivity and increasing international visibility.

## EUROPEAN UNION COORDINATION, CONSULTATION, and STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD in ANTALYA



The European Union Coordination, Consultation, and Steering Committee Meeting was held under the coordination of the Governorship of Antalya and hosted by the Antalya Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ATSO). The meeting, which took place at the ATSO Conference Hall, saw broad participation from public institutions, local governments, universities, and non-governmental organizations.

Representing Akdeniz University, a delegation led by Vice Rector Prof. Dr. Şükrü Özen attended the meeting. The delegation included Lecturer Bahar Şahin, Lecturer Dilek Hale Aybar, and Lecturer İsmail Veli Sezgin.

The university's stand, set up as part of the event, attracted significant attention. Antalya Governor Hulusi Şahin visited the stand and received information about the university's activities.

During the meeting, the current status of Antalya's integration process with the European Union, ongoing EU projects carried out by institutions, and future cooperation opportunities were discussed.

## **VISIT BY UNIVERSITY of NEBRASKA–LINCOLN FACULTY MEMBER WITHİN THE SCOPE OF ERASMUS+ KA171**

As part of her visit to discuss potential mobility activities under the Erasmus+ KA171 project and bilateral cooperation agreements, Dr. Suna Gunter, a faculty member from the University of Nebraska–Lincoln (USA), was provided with a comprehensive briefing by our Deputy Office Coordinator for the Erasmus+ KA131 Project, Dr. H. Nuran Caner.

We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to Assoc. Prof. Dr. Sevilay Gök, Erasmus+ Departmental Coordinator of the Traditional Turkish Music Department at Akdeniz University Antalya State Conservatory, for her valuable support and contributions to the discussions. Her input was instrumental in evaluating prospective collaboration and project opportunities with the Global Arts Academy at the University of Nebraska, USA.



## NEW ERASMUS+ BILATERAL AGREEMENTS

Within the scope of the Erasmus+ Programme, a total of 18 new bilateral agreements were signed via the Erasmus+ Without Paper (EWP) system during April, May, and June 2025. Among these, four agreements were established with universities ranked within the top 500 in the THE–QS World University Rankings. The names of the partner universities and the relevant departments/programs are presented below.

The full list of Akdeniz University's 1.314 Erasmus Bilateral Agreements with 346 different universities by department/program can be accessed via the following link:<https://app.erasmus.akdeniz.edu.tr/tr/euc-iias/quotadistribution-report-v2>

### 1. Slovakia / **EKONOMICKA UNIVERZITA V BRATISLAVE**

Faculty of Tourism – Department of Tourist Guiding



### 2. Greece / **ARISTOTELIO PANEPISTIMIO THESSALONIKIS**

Faculty of Agriculture – Department of Agricultural Economics (Prof. Dr. Mustafa Erkan)



ARISTOTLE  
UNIVERSITY  
OF THESSALONIKI

### 3. Poland / **UNIwersytet Zielonogorski**

-Faculty of Engineering – Department of Artificial Intelligence and Data Engineering

-Faculty of Engineering – Department of Materials Science and Engineering

-Faculty of Architecture – Department of Landscape Architecture

-Faculty of Architecture – Department of Urban and Regional Planning





4. Romaina / **UNIVERSITATEA DE ȘTIINȚE AGRICOLE ȘI  
MEDICINA VETERINARĂ CLUJ NAPOCA**

-Faculty of Architecture – Department of Urban and Regional Planning  
-Faculty of Architecture – Department of Landscape Architecture



5. Romania / **UNIVERSITATEA DIN ORADEA**

Faculty of Letters – Department of Geography (Erasmus+  
Department/Programme Coordinator: Assist. Prof. Dr. Mehmet Tahsin  
Şahin)



6. Germany / **TECHNISCHE UNIVERSITÄT BERLIN**

Faculty of Education – Department of Turkish Language Education  
(Prof. Dr. Mehmet Canbulat)



7. Czech Republic (Prague) / **PANEVROPSKÁ UNIVERZITA PRAHA**

-Faculty of Communication – Department of Public Relations and  
Promotion  
-Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences – Department of  
Econometrics



8. Austria / **BOKU UNIVERSITY**

Graduate School of Natural Sciences – Department of Climate Change and Policies  
(Programme Coordinator: Prof. Dr. Aslı Seyhan Çığgın)



9. Poland / **STAROPOLSKA AKADEMIA NAUK STOSOWANYCH  
W KIELCACH**

-Faculty of Letters – Department of Psychology  
-Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences – Department of  
Econometrics



10. Poland / **AKADEMIA NAUK STOSOWANYCH WSGE IM. A.  
DE GASPERI W JÓZEFOWIE**

-Faculty of Applied Sciences – Department of International Trade and  
Logistics  
-Faculty of Law – Department of Law



11. Lithuania / **Vilnius Gediminas Technical University**

-Faculty of Architecture – Department of Landscape  
Architecture  
-Graduate School of Natural Sciences – Department of  
Landscape Architecture (Erasmus+ Coordinator: Assoc. Prof.  
Dr. Ahmet Benliay)



12. Poland / **SZKOŁA GŁÓWNA GOSPODARSTWA WIEJSKIEGO**

-Faculty of Applied Sciences – Department of International Trade and Logistics

-Faculty of Engineering – Department of Computer Engineering



13. Romania / **UNIVERSITATEA BABEŞ BOLYAI**

-Faculty of Communication – Department of Journalism

-Faculty of Communication – Department of Public Relations and Promotion

-Faculty of Communication – Department of Advertising



**UNIVERSITATEA  
BABEŞ-BOLYAI**

14. Poland / **UNIwersytet Zielonogorski**

-Faculty of Letters – Department of English Language and Literature

-Graduate School of Social Sciences – Department of English Language and Literature



15. Germany / **DEUTSCHE SPORTHOCHSCHULE KOLN**

Faculty of Sport Sciences – Department of Physical Education and Sports Education





16. Bulgaria / **KONOMICHESKI UNIVERSITET – VARNA**

- Faculty of Communication – Department of Public Relations and Promotion
- Faculty of Agriculture – Department of Agricultural Economics
- Faculty of Tourism – Department of Tourist Guiding
- Faculty of Applied Sciences – Department of International Trade and Logistics



17. Poland / **UNIWERSYTET ZIELONOGORSKI**

- Graduate School of Natural Sciences – Department of Space Sciences and Technologies
- Faculty of Science – Department of Space Sciences and Technologies



18. Germany / **UNIVERSITÄT PADERBORN**

- Faculty of Letters – Department of English Language and Literature
- Graduate School of Social Sciences – Department of English Language and Literature



## INCOMING STUDENTS FROM KAZAKHSTAN WITHIN THE COOPERATION PROTOCOL



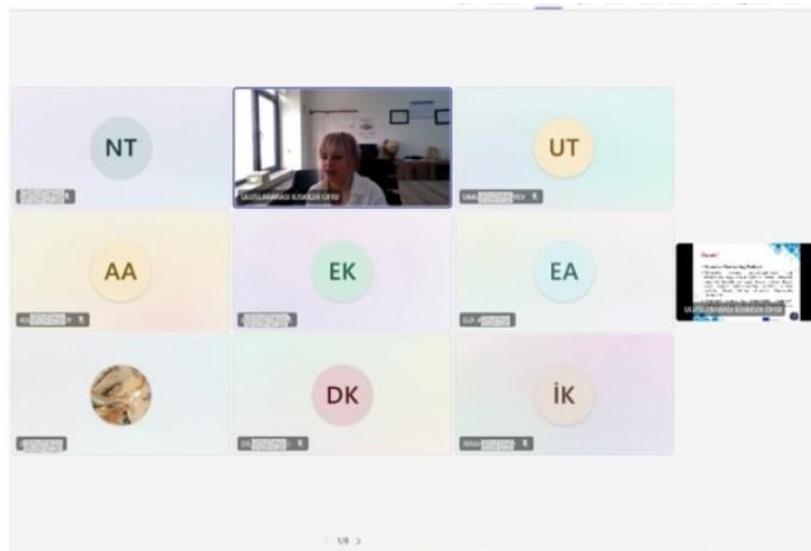
Within the scope of the Cooperation Protocol signed between our university and M. Auezov South Kazakhstan University, the incoming student will do her internship mobility at the Institute of Fine Arts between April 14 and April 28, 2025. We would like to thank Dr. Mariyam Yeziyeva from the Faculty of Fine Arts for her help in organizing and coordinating this internship.



## ONLINE INFORMATION MEETING on STUDENT MOBILITY UNDER THE ERASMUS+ KA131 PROJECT



We organized an online Information Meeting on Student Mobility under the Erasmus+ KA131 Project on May 16, 2025, at 14:00. During the meeting, which was held with high participation, we provided students with detailed information regarding study and internship mobility opportunities. At the end of the meeting, we addressed and answered students' questions.



## INFORMATION MEETINGS FOR STUDENTS AND STAFF WITHIN THE SCOPE OF ERASMUS KA171 ERASMUS+ PROGRAMME



We organized an information meeting regarding the mobility processes for students and staff selected to be mobile in various countries outside the EU (Cameroon, USA, China, Dominican Republic, Moldova, etc.) within the scope of the KA171 project in 2023. We wish our students and staff success in their mobility.



**OUTGOING PERSONELL WITHIN the SCOPE of  
the ERASMUS+ PROGRAMME**



Within the framework of the 2022 Erasmus+ KA171 Project – Staff Training Mobility, Prof. Dr. Osman Kadir Topuz, a faculty member of the Department of Food Engineering at the Faculty of Engineering, carried out various training activities in the field of food technologies at Tufts University (USA) between 03–09 March 2025.

As part of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Teaching Staff Mobility, faculty members of the Department of Gerontology, Faculty of Health Sciences, Prof. Dr. Hasan Hüseyin Başbüyük and Prof. Dr. Gülüşan Özgün Başbüyük, participated in teaching mobility at UMIT Tirol University (Austria) between 30 March–13 April 2025.





Within the framework of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Teaching Staff Mobility, Dr. Çağrı Elmas, Research Assistant at the Department of Sociology, Faculty of Letters, will carry out his mobility at University of Łódź (Poland). We wish our academic staff member success in his Erasmus+ mobility.

As part of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Project, an information meeting regarding the procedures of the “Teaching” mobility was held by our office on 13 March 2025 for all staff members entitled to participate in this activity. We extend our best wishes for success to all staff members granted this mobility.





Similarly, within the framework of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Project, our office also organized an information meeting on 13 March 2025 for candidates entitled to participate in the “Training” mobility. We wish all participants success in their upcoming mobilities.

Within the scope of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Staff Training Mobility, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ebru Akköprü, faculty member of the Department of Geography, Faculty of Letters, successfully carried out her mobility at Université de Rouen Normandie (France).



As part of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Staff Training Mobility, Dr. Ebru Kaya Başar, Lecturer at the Statistical Consulting Application and Research Center, completed her mobility at TU Dresden University (Germany).



Within the scope of the 2023 Erasmus+ KA131 Project – Staff Training Mobility, Emirhan Berberoğlu, Research Assistant at the Department of Geography, Faculty of Letters, successfully carried out his mobility at Université de Rouen Normandie (France).

Within the framework of the 2023 Erasmus+ KA131 Project – Staff Teaching Mobility, Dr. Hatice Karakaş, Research Assistant at the Department of Tourism Management, Faculty of Tourism, carried out her mobility at Katholieke Hogeschool Vives Noord University (Belgium) between 21 April – 4 May 2025.



Within the scope of the 2023 Erasmus+ KA131 Project – Staff Teaching Mobility, Dr. Ayşe Deliktaş Demirci and Dr. Fatma Dursun Ergezen, faculty members at the Faculty of Nursing, carried out their teaching mobilities at Åbo Akademi University (Finland).

Within the framework of the 2023 Erasmus+ KA131 Project – Staff Teaching Mobility, Dr. Mehmet Tahsin Şahin, faculty member at the Department of Geography, Faculty of Letters, carried out his teaching mobility at Universitat de Girona (Spain).



Within the framework of the 2023 Erasmus+ KA131 Project – Staff Training Mobility, Prof. Dr. Engin Yol, faculty member at the Department of Field Crops, Faculty of Agriculture, carried out his training mobility at Hamburg University of Technology (Technische Universität Hamburg), Germany.

Within the scope of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ceren Karaman, a faculty member of the Department of Electricity and Energy at the Vocational School of Technical Sciences, carried out a teaching mobility at the University of Warsaw in Poland.



Within the scope of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching, Dr. Lecturer Rüstem Üstün, a faculty member of the Department of Field Crops at the Faculty of Agriculture, conducted a teaching mobility at the University of Life Sciences in Lublin, Poland.



Within the scope of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching, Dr. Lecturer Nehir Yasan Ak from the Department of Management Information Systems at the Manavgat Faculty of Social and Human Sciences completed a teaching mobility at Pavol Jozef Šafárik University in Košice, Slovakia.



Within the scope of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching, Dr. Lecturer Abdullah Çiftçi from the Department of Special Education at the Faculty of Education carried out a teaching mobility at the Polytechnic Institute of Porto in Portugal.



Within the scope of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Yunus Kılıç, a faculty member of the Department of Insurance at the Faculty of Applied Sciences, completed a training mobility at Logistica Integral Berrio, S.L. in Spain.



Within the scope of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Aylın Kabaş, a faculty member of the Organic Agriculture Program at Manavgat Vocational School, conducted a training mobility at the National Polytechnic Institute of Toulouse in France.



Within the scope of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Melike Koçyiğit Özyiğit, a faculty member of the Guidance and Psychological Counseling Program in the Department of Educational Sciences at the Faculty of Education, carried out a teaching mobility at the University of Education Upper Austria in Austria.



Within the scope of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Aslihan Kıymalıoğlu, a faculty member of the Department of Economics and Finance at Serik Faculty of Business, completed a teaching mobility at Vytautas Magnus University in Lithuania.



Within the scope of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training, Research Assistant Esra Ersoy from the Department of Nursing Management at the Faculty of Nursing carried out a training mobility at the University of León in Spain.



Within the scope of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Yavuz Selim Alkan, a faculty member of the Department of Political Science and Public Administration at the Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences, completed a teaching mobility at Evangelische Hochschule Berlin in Germany.



Within the scope of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training, faculty members Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ayşe Meydanlıoğlu and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nilgün Aksoy from the Faculty of Nursing participated in a training mobility at the University of Bremen in Germany.



Within the scope of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching, Prof. Dr. Nuray Acar Aydemir from the Faculty of Medicine carried out a teaching mobility at the George Emil Palade University of Medicine, Pharmacy, Science, and Technology of Târgu Mureş in Romania.



Within the scope of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Merve Şeyda Karaçıl Ermumcu, a faculty member of the Faculty of Health Sciences, completed a training mobility at the State University of Applied Sciences in Przemyśl, Poland.



Within the scope of the 2023 KA131 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Banu Terzi, a faculty member of the Faculty of Nursing, carried out a teaching mobility at Bjelovar University of Applied Sciences in Croatia.

## INCOMING PERSONELL AT THE SCOPE of ERASMUS KA131 PROGRAMME



Renata Legenzova from Vytautas Magnus University came to Akdeniz University to complete her Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 07.04.2025 to 10.04.2025 at the Department of Business Administration and the Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences. We would like to thank the Erasmus Coordinator of the Business Administration Department, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Umut Kubat Dokumacı for her support in this mobility period.

Katarzyna Kruk from the University of the National Education Comission in Krakow to complete her Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 07.04.2025 to 11.04.2025 at the Department of International Relations Office. We would like to thank her interest in Akdeniz University.





Ingvild Aune from Norges Teknisk-Naturvitenskapelige Universitet NTNU to complete her Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 07.04.2025 to 11.04.2025 at the Faculty of Nursing. We would like to thank the Vice Dean and the Erasmus Coordinator of the Nursing Faculty, Prof. Dr. Öznur Körükcü, for her support in this mobility period.

Tamara Ilieva-Tsvetkova from Universitet Po Architektura Stroitelstvo I Geodezija came to Akdeniz University to complete her Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 07.04.2025 to 11.04.2025 at the Department of Remote Sensing and Geographical Information System and the Institute of Natural and Applied Sciences. We would like to thank the Erasmus Coordinator of the Remote Sensing and Geographical Information System Department, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nusret Demir for his support in this mobility period.





Tamás Enikő Anna from Ludovika University of Public Service to complete her Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 14.04.2025 to 18.04.2025 at the Department of Civil Engineering and the Faculty of Engineering. We would like to thank the Erasmus Coordinator of the Civil Engineering Department, Prof. Dr. İzzet Ufuk Çağdaş, and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Halil İbrahim Burgan, for their support in this mobility period.

Birute Slyziene and Evaldas Slyzius from the Lithuanian University of Health Sciences came to Akdeniz University to complete their Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates from 17.04.2025 to 23.04.2025 at the Department of Zootechnics and Faculty of Agriculture. We would like to thank the Erasmus Coordinator of the Zootechnics Department, Prof. Dr. Burak Karacaören, for his support in this mobility period.





Anamaria Bud, Eugen-Silviu Bud, and Alexandru Vlasa from the University of Medicine, Pharmacy, Sciences and Technology George Emil Palade of Târgu Mureş came to Akdeniz University to complete their Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates from 21.04.2025 to 25.04.2025 at the Faculty of Dentistry. We would like to thank the Erasmus Coordinator of the Dentistry Faculty, Prof. Dr. Mükerrerem

Hatipoğlu, for his support in this mobility period.

Katarzyna Samborska, Marta Plichta, and Alicja Barańska-Dołomisiewicz from Warsaw University of Life Sciences came to Akdeniz University to complete their Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 12.05.2025 to 16.05.2025 at the Department of Food Engineering and the Faculty of Engineering. We would like to thank the Erasmus Coordinator of the Food Engineering Department, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Barçın Karakaş Budak for her support in this mobility period.





Milena Peneva and Petya Strasmirova, from the University of Economics-Varna, came to Akdeniz University to complete their Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 12.05.2025 to 16.05.2025 at the Department of Distance Education Application and Research Center. We would like to thank the Director of the Center, Prof. Dr. Ümit Deniz Uluşar, for his support in this mobility period.

Lidia Zawistowska, Dorota Danilewicz, and Kornelia Pacholska from Bydgoszcz University of Science and Technology came to Akdeniz University to complete their Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 19.05.2025 to 23.05.2025 at the Faculty of Communication. We would like to thank the Vice Dean and the Erasmus Coordinator of the Communication Faculty, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Hediye Aydoğın for her support in this Mobility period.

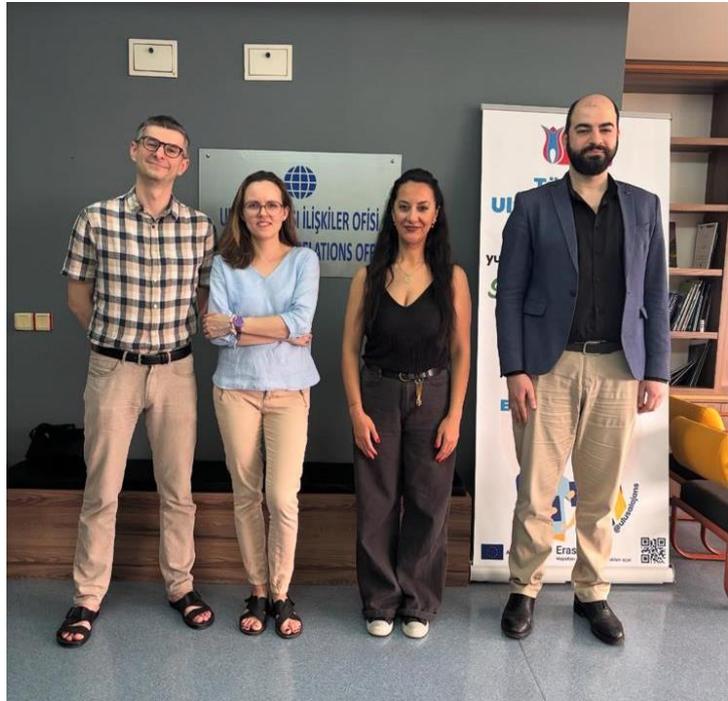




Malgorzata Pogorzelska and Katarzyna Stelmach from Lublin University of Technology came to complete their Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 20.05.2025 to 22.05.2025 at the Department of Civil Engineering and the Faculty of Engineering. We would like to thank the Erasmus

Coordinator of the Civil Engineering Department, Prof. Dr. İzzet Ufuk Çağdaş, and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Halil İbrahim Burgan, for their support in this mobility period.

Anna Głogowska-Balcerzak and Mateusz Balcerzak from the University of Lodz came to Akdeniz University to complete their Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 26.05.2025 to 28.05.2025 at the Department of Law and the Faculty of Law. We would like to thank the Vice Dean and the Erasmus Coordinator of the Faculty of Law, Asst. Prof. Dr. Cem Ümit Beyoğlu for his support in this Mobility period.





Daniela Gotseva, Ognyan Nakov, Roumen Trifonov, and Galya Pavlova from the Technical University of Sofia came to Akdeniz University to complete their Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 26.05.2025 to 30.05.2025

at the Department of Computer Engineering and the Faculty of Engineering. We would like to thank the Erasmus Coordinator of the Computer Engineering Department, Asst. Prof. Dr. Hüseyin Gökhan Akçay for his support in this Mobility period.

Marcin Mich, Anna Zakrzewska, Malgorzata Przybylo-Micek, Gregorz Jan Data, and Joanna Klinger-Krizar from Jagiellonian University came to Akdeniz University to complete their Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 26.05.2025 to 30.05.2025 at the Faculty of Communication. We would like to thank the Vice Dean and the Erasmus Coordinator of the Communication Faculty, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Hediye Aydoğın for her support in this Mobility period.





Anne-Sofie Helvik from Norges Teknisk-Naturvitenskapelige Universitet NTNU to complete her Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 26.05.2025 to 05.06.2025 at the Department of Public Health Nursing and the Faculty of Nursing. We would like to thank

the Vice Dean and the Erasmus Coordinator of the Nursing Faculty, Prof. Dr. Öznur Körükcü, for her support in this mobility period.

Giedrius Jucevicius from the Vytautas Magnus University came to Akdeniz University to complete his Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 02.06.2025 to 05.06.2025 at the Department of Business Administration and the Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences. We would like to thank the Erasmus Coordinator of the Business Administration Department, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Umut Kubat Dokumacı for her support in this mobility period.





Lenka Lachytová from the Pavol Jozef Šafárik University came to Akdeniz University to complete her Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates from 06.06.2025 to 13.06.2025 at the Department of Social Service and Manavgat Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities. We would like to thank the Erasmus Coordinator of the Social Service Department, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Sinem Burcu Uğur for her support in this mobility period.

Angelika Szatmári from the University of Szeged came to complete her Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 09.06.2025 to 13.06.2025 at the Faculty of Nursing. We would like to thank the Vice Dean and the Erasmus Coordinator of the Nursing Faculty, Prof. Dr. Öznur Körükcü, for her support in this mobility period.





Ovidi-Simon Cotoi from the George Emil Palade University of Medicine, Pharmacy, Science and Technology of Târgu Mureş came to complete his Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 09.06.2025 to 13.06.2025 at the Faculty of Medicine. We would like to thank the Erasmus Coordinator of the Medicine Faculty, Prof. Dr. Nuray Acar Aydemir, for her support in this mobility period.

Katarzyna Wojcik Oliveira and Warner Oliveira from the Lublin University of Technology came to Akdeniz University to complete their Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 16.06.2025 to 18.06.2025 at the Department of Environmental Engineering and the Faculty of Engineering. We would like to thank the Erasmus Coordinator of the Environmental Engineering Department, Asst. Prof. Dr. Fatih Yılmaz for his support in this mobility period.





Barbara Drapikowska, Kamila Alicja Pawlowska, Anna Kacprzak, and Agnieszka Król from the MANS Warsaw Management University came to Akdeniz University to complete their Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates

16.06.2025 to 19.06.2025 at the Department of Business Administration and the Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences. We would like to thank the Erasmus Coordinator of the Business Administration Department, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Umut Kubat Dokumacı for her support in this mobility period.

Artur Pędziwiatr from the Warsaw University of Life Sciences came to Akdeniz University to complete his Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates from 16.06.2025 to 20.06.2025 at the Department of Soil Science and Plant Nutrition and the Faculty of Agriculture. We would like to thank the Erasmus Coordinator of the Soil Science and Plant Nutrition Department, Asst. Prof. Dr. İnci Tolay for her support in this mobility period.





Tamara Cicmil from the University of Belgrade to complete her Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 30.06.2025 to 04.07.2025 at the Department of International Relations Office. We would like to thank her interest in Akdeniz University.

Ceylan Türkyılmaz and Carolin Knese from Technischen Universität Berlin came to Akdeniz University to complete their Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates from 30.06.2025 to 04.07.2025 at the Department of Turkish Language Teaching and the Faculty of Education. We would like to thank the Erasmus Coordinator of the Turkish Language Teaching Department, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ümit Yıldız for his support in this mobility period.





Kamil Kucharski from the Rzeszów University of Technology came to Akdeniz University to complete his Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates from 30.06.2025 to 04.07.2025 at the Department of Mechanical Engineering and the Faculty of Engineering. We would like to thank the Erasmus Coordinator of the Mechanical Engineering Department, Prof. Dr. Erdem Çamurlu, for his support in this mobility period.

#### INCOMING PERSONELL AT THE SCOPE of ERASMUS KA131 PROGRAMME



Elena Stepco and Cristina Postaru from the “Nicolae Testemitanu” State University of Medicine and Pharmacy of the Republic of Moldova came to Akdeniz University to complete their KA171 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 07.04.2025 to 11.04.2025 at the Faculty of Dentistry. We would like to thank the responsible person from the Dentistry Faculty, Prof. Dr. Mürkerrem Hatipoğlu, for his support in this mobility period.



Olha Bilychenko and Nataliia Nikitina, from the State Higher Educational Institution “Donbas State Pedagogical University”, came to Akdeniz University to complete their KA171 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 12.05.2025 to 25.05.2025 at the Department of English Language Teaching and the Faculty of Education. We would like to thank the responsible person from the English Language Teaching Department, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Oğuzhan Atabek for his support in this mobility period.



Amra Nozinovic Mujanovic from the University of Tuzla (UNTZ) came to Akdeniz University to complete her KA171 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 19.05.2025 to 30.05.2025 at the Department of Sport Management and the Faculty of Sport Sciences. We would like to thank the responsible person from the Sport Management Department, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Cenk Temel for his support in this mobility period.

Olena Denysiuk and Kateryna Orlova, from Zhytomyr Polytechnic State University, came to Akdeniz University to complete their KA171 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Teaching in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 26.05.2025 to 30.05.2025 at the Department of Tourism Management and the Manavgat Faculty of Tourism. We would like to thank the responsible person from the Sport Management Department, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ramazan Eren for his support in this mobility period.



Liudmyla Kliuchko and Kateryna Kravchenko from the V.N. Karazin Kharkiv National University came to Akdeniz University to complete their KA171 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 10.06.2025 to 14.06.2025 at the Department of Geography and the Faculty of Letters. We would like to thank the responsible person from the Geography Department, Asst. Prof. Dr. Mehmet Tahsin Şahin for his support in this mobility period.



Ibrahim Kofahi and Mohammed Qudah from the University of Jordan came to Akdeniz University to complete their KA171 Erasmus+ Staff Mobility for Training in the 2024-2025 Academic Year between the dates 30.06.2025 to 04.07.2025 at the Department of Basic Islamic Sciences and the Faculty of Theology. We would like to thank the responsible person from the Theology Department, Asst. Prof. Dr. Encümen Bayram for his support in this mobility period.



## INCOMING STUDENT WITHIN the SCOPE of ERASMUS+ KA171 PROGRAMME



Luka Marijanović from the University of Tuzla (UNTZ) came to Akdeniz University to complete his KA171 Erasmus+ Student Mobility for Traineeship in the 2024-2025 Academic Year at the Department of Sport Management and the Faculty of Sport Sciences.

Tetiana Zavaliy from the Zhytomyr Polytechnic State University came to Akdeniz University to complete her KA171 Erasmus+ Student Mobility for Traineeship in the 2024-2025 Academic Year at the Department of Tourism Management and the Manavgat Faculty of Tourism.



### ERASMUS+ PROGRAMME INCOMING STUDENTS

2024-2025 Academic Year Incoming Erasmus+ Students completed their mobility at Akdeniz University. We would like to thank each of our students who are members of the Akdeniz University family for their efforts here and for choosing our University. We wish all our precious students a successful life..



### OUR STUDENTS FINISHED THEIR ERASMUS+ TRAINSHIP MOBILITY in OUR UNIVERSITY



Within the scope of the 2024–2025 Academic Year, a total of 5 Erasmus+ students completed their Traineeship mobility at our University’s Faculty of Medicine, Faculty of Dentistry, Faculty of Agriculture, and the Institute of Science during April, May, and June. We would like to thank each of our students who are members of the Akdeniz University family for their efforts here and for choosing our University. We wish all our precious students a successful life

## ASSOC. PROF. DR. HAKAN ÖNİZ REAPPOINTED AS DIRECTOR of CMAS UNDERWATER CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMITTEE



The Elective General Assembly Meeting of CMAS (Confédération Mondiale des Activités Subaquatiques / World Confederation of Underwater Activities) was held in Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt, between 7–11 May 2025. At this international assembly, where approximately 85 countries cast their votes, President of the Turkish Underwater Sports Federation (TSSF), Mr. Kadir Sağlam, was elected as a member of the CMAS Board of Directors as a result of the efforts of a team that included our University's faculty member, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Hakan Oniz.

Within the scope of the general assembly, the cultural heritage activities carried out by the CMAS Scientific Committee over the past four years were presented to the participants by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Hakan Oniz and the former Chair of the Scientific Committee, Mr. Francisco Lacase. Among five presentations delivered, this particular presentation attracted significant interest and was met with great appreciation and acclaim.

At the same assembly, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Hakan Oniz of Akdeniz University was unanimously reappointed as the Director of the CMAS Scientific Committee on Underwater Cultural Heritage for a further four-year term. Under his leadership, all underwater archaeology and cultural heritage activities conducted within CMAS—comprising member federations from 120 countries—will continue to be coordinated.



## INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON AGRICULTURAL REHABILITATION IN PRISONS HELD AT AKDENİZ UNIVERSITY



Hosted by Akdeniz University, an international workshop was organized within the scope of the European Union (Erasmus+) Program conducted in collaboration with Germany, Italy, Portugal. The project aims to support the rehabilitation and vocational training of inmates through agricultural production in correctional institutions.

The project's national coordination in Türkiye is led by Prof. Dr. Hamide Gübbük from the Faculty of Agriculture at Akdeniz University. The workshop brought together project partners and representatives from partner institutions. As part of the program, participants visited the Elmalı and Döşemealtı open prisons to observe current agricultural practices on-site.

The project team also includes Dr. Recep Balkıç and Dr. Lokman Altınkaya, lecturers from Akdeniz University's vocational schools. Prof. Dr. Gübbük emphasized that the agricultural and vocational training workshops implemented in Turkish prisons attracted considerable interest from international partners, who highlighted their potential contribution to inmates' rehabilitation.



## 2024-2025 AKADEMİK YIL IAESTE BİLGİLENDİRME TOPLANTISI

An information meeting regarding the 2024–2025 Academic Year IAESTE (International Association for the Exchange of Students for Technical Experience) program, including an introduction to the program, the application process, and the required Candidate Student Documents, was organised by IAESTE Representative Ayşe Tuğcan on Friday, May 16, 2025.



## CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF PROFESSOR NEELAKSHI PREMAWARDHENA

We extend our heartfelt condolences on the passing of Professor Neelakshi Premawardhena, Erasmus+ KA171 project partner and Director of the Centre for International Affairs at the University of Kelaniya in Sri Lanka. We are deeply saddened by this loss. May her soul rest in peace!





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