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## THE LAUNCH OF A PROJECT ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT AND DISABILITY "LET'S OVERCOME DISABILITIES TOGETHER AGAINST DISASTERS!"

■ Res.Asst. Dilşad TEKİN

Anadolu University Student Center hosted an event about the launch of Erasmus+ project titled "Let's Overcome Disabilities Together Against Disasters!", in which Anadolu University is a partner, on Friday, January 27. Among the guests of the event were Azmi Çelik (Governor of Eskişehir), Prof.Dr. Naci Gündoğan (Rector of Anadolu University), Recep Bayar (Director of Eskişehir Disaster and Emergency Management Directorate), and academics that carry out the project.

"Disaster training module enables individuals with disabilities to develop disaster preparedness and awareness."

Recep Bayar, Director of Eskişehir Disaster and Emergency Management Directorate, said the following about the project: "Emergencies frequently occur in Turkey and the whole world. We cannot prevent natural disasters from happening, but we can take measures to minimize the minimize



the effects of disasters. Given the fact that disasters happen in a very short period of time and are unpreventable after they start, we need to take some measures before they take place. Under the training mobility initiated by the Disaster Relief Agency (AFAD) to prepare the society for disasters, we have so far delivered training to about 50 thousand students and 12 thousand adults in Eskişehir."

"The number of individuals with at least one disability is 785 million, i.e. 15% of the world population, according to the World Health Organization data, four million in Turkey according to the Turkish Statistical Institute data (TÜİK), and 42 thousand in Eskişehir," Bayar said. "Our aim is to design an easily accessible disaster module for individuals with physical disability



or hearing and visual impairment, and to ensure that they have disaster preparedness and awareness to survive without the assistance of others in case of disasters and emergencies and become aware of their power and abilities. With this project, we aim to prepare the whole society for disasters and emergencies based on positive discrimination. We need to get more familiar and empathize with individuals with disabilities. I would like to thank to Prof.Dr. Naci Gündoğan, Rector of Anadolu University, and his team members for their support to the project,” he added.

“I would like to congratulate everyone who contributed to this project. Given that even non-disabled people are faced with substantial

difficulties in the event of a disaster, the importance of this project becomes more evident. Undoubtedly, it is very important to facilitate the lives of individuals with disabilities, enhance their knowledge and awareness of disaster and emergency risks, enable them to become aware of self-power when faced with a disaster or emergency situation, and enhance their problem-solving capacity. By doing so, I believe that we can ensure the integration of individuals with disabilities with the society and allow them to assume social responsibilities as individuals embracing the future with hope,” said Azmi Çelik, Governor of Eskişehir.

“Our main principle is to overcome obstacles not on behalf of individuals with disabilities, but together with them”

Project leaders, Oğuz Çetin and Serkan Erinci, were then invited to the floor to present the project: “The point of departure of this project is to ensure equal opportunities for individuals with disabilities in disaster and emergency training. We proposed a project about the development of a disaster training module for individuals with physical disabilities and hearing and visual impairment, and submitted it to the Turkish National Agency. Our proposal was one of 21 project proposals – out of 139 proposals – that met the eligibility criteria of the Agency and received funding.”

Stressing that the target group of this project was individuals with physical disabilities and hearing and visual impairment, Çetin and Erinci continued as follows: “This is a training and awareness-raising project that sets out to develop an accessible disaster training model suitable for different types of disasters and categories of disabilities, and prepare individuals with disabilities against disaster risks. The project aims to enhance disabled individuals’ knowledge and awareness about disaster risks and to make them become aware of their power in the event of a disaster and hence to improve their problem-solving skills. Becoming a society prepared for disasters is the ultimate aim of this project. The project is the product of the strategic partnership of three local and three international organizations that are specialized in three foci of the project: disaster and emergency situation, disability, and education. The project is coordinated by Eskişehir Disaster and Emergency Management Directorate, whose local partners are Anadolu University and Eskişehir Office of the Turkish Red Crescent. The international partners are University of Social Sciences (Poland), Handy Club Ostrava (Czech Republic), and Bulgarian Development Agency. In this project, which aims to develop disabled individuals’ awareness of disaster risks, our main principle is to overcome obstacles not on behalf of individuals with disabilities, but together with them.”



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■ Res.Asst. Kübra AŞAN



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### A NEW WEBSITE FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND ACTIVITIES IN THE OPEN EDUCATION SYSTEM

■ Res.Asst. Hakan ALTINPULLUK



*Event Announcements*

■ The Scientific Research Website is available at <http://www.acikbilim.anadolu.edu.tr/> with its new interface and content, providing information on all research activities conducted in the Open Education System of Anadolu University. This website, managed by the Coordination Office for R&D and International Relations (<http://argegrup.anadolu.edu.tr/>), offers a wide range of content from projects to graduate theses on distance education, and from seminars to international conferences. The website has already drawn the interest of many visitors with its new organization and content.

The homepage offers up-to-date announcements regarding weekly seminars and videos of the most recent events. Users can access the videos embedded into the website easily with one click. Announcements as well as videos provide details about title, date, time and venue of the event, plus the speaker.

### Son Yapılan Etkinlikler

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#### Geleceğin Kurumlarında Risk Zekası Oluşturma

Prof. Dr. Seval Kardeş Selimoğlu  
Anadolu Üniversitesi İİBF  
08 Şubat 2017 Çarşamba - 13.00 - 15.00  
AÖF 9. Kat Konferans Salonu



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#### Açıköğretim Sınavlarında Tablet Kullanımı: Bir Uygulama

Prof. Dr. Ayhan Gaffar HAKAN  
Maltepe Univ. Eğitim Fakültesi  
Doç. Dr. Alper Tolga KUMTEPE - Arş. Gör. İlker KAYABAŞ - Öğr. Gör. Bahar AY - Arş. Gör. Merve ÇELİK  
Anadolu Üniversitesi AÖF  
03 Şubat 2017 Cuma - 14.00 - 16.00  
AÖF 9. Kat Konferans Salonu



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#### Hemşirelerin Uzaktan Eğitime İlişkin Algıları

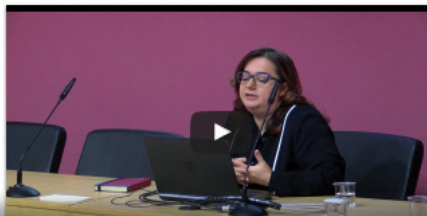
Öğr. Gör. Dr. Belgin BOZ YÜKSEKDAĞ  
01 Şubat 2017 Çarşamba 13.00- 14.00  
AÖF 9. Kat Konferans Salonu



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#### Herkes İçin Finans

Yard. Doç. Dr. Özlem Sayılır  
Anadolu Üniversitesi İşletme Fakültesi  
26 Ocak 2017 Perşembe 14.00-16.00 AÖF 9. Kat Konferans Salonu



*Videos of Recent Events*

videos are provided on the webpage. The links to videos of not only seminars but also e-seminars, workshops and panel meetings are also available on the webpage. The “Events” page also provides information on international conferences about open and distance learning, as well as SSCI and peer-reviewed journals in the field.

Under the title “Projects”, the website presents information on EU-funded projects, projects funded by TÜBİTAK (The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey), scientific research projects, and projects funded by other institutions, carried out in the Open Education System.

“Scientific Publications” provides details about textbooks used in the Open Education System, scientific journals AUAd and TOJDE, books related to open and distance learning, and Ph.D. and Master’s theses written in the Program in Distance Education.

The “Events” page offers information regarding seminars, e-seminars, workshops and panel meetings held in the Open Education System. Up-to-date information about the events is provided on this page. Video records of seminars are converted into an appropriate format and uploaded to Youtube, and the links to



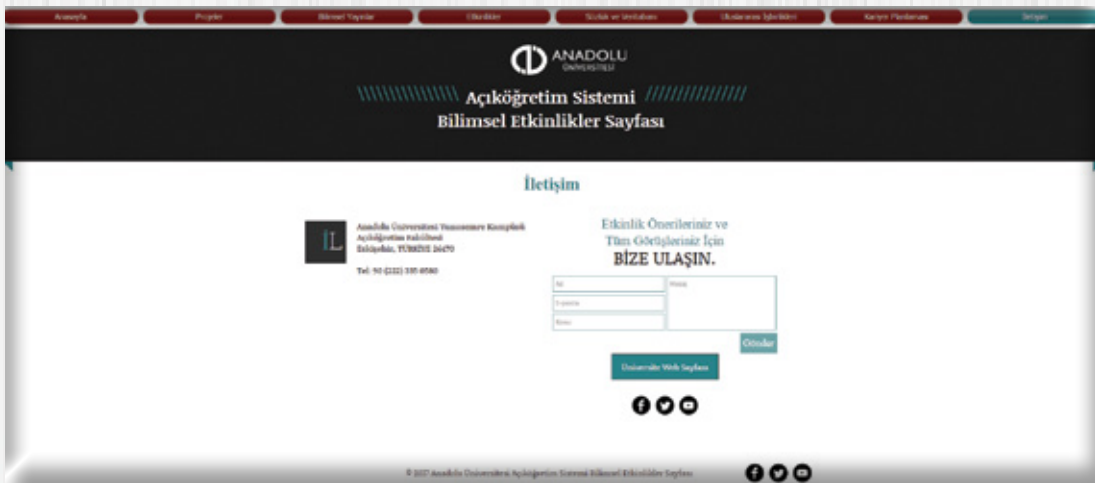
*International Open and Distance Learning Conferences in 2017*

The links to “Glossary of Open and Distance Learning”, including concepts and terms related to open and distance learning, and “Patents for Papers”, an international database, are available under “Glossaries and Databases”.

Under the title “International Cooperation”, there is information regarding institutions that play a key role in open and distance education, including “The Asian Association of Open Universities (AAOU)”, “The European Association of Distance Teaching Universities (EADTU)”, “The European Distance and E-Learning Network (EDEN)”, and “The International Council for Open and Distance Education (ICDE)”.

“Career Planning” offers information and links about academics that participate in Erasmus mobility programs as well as Mevlana exchange program, TÜBİTAK support for publications, and grants offered by TÜBİTAK and other institutions.

The website also has a contact form that users can fill in to communicate their suggestions and opinions regarding scientific events and research. This allows us to make updates and innovations in consideration of visitors’ suggestions.



*Contact*

Users are welcome to visit and take advantage of continuously updated information on Scientific Research page of the Open Education System.