

“Current UN Structure Works Against Muslims”

Prof. Dr. Şenol Durgun evaluating President Recep Tayyip Erdogan's speech at the UN General Assembly and the current UN structure, said, “The current UN structure is working against the Muslim peoples and the countries in general”.

The Head of the Department of Political Science and International Relations at Istanbul Gelişim University Prof. Dr. Şenol Durgun voicing that during the developments in the international arena after World War II the loser is mostly the people living in the Muslim geography, said: "Mr. President, with call for the reform at the latest UN General Assembly tries to accelerate the search for a new global order, as well as to invite Muslim and oppressed people to open a door to strengthen the hand against unfair sanctions, practices in the face of international efforts".

“ERDOGAN SHOWED THAT HE IS THE VOICE OF THE OPPRESSED PEOPLE”

Professor Dr. Senol Durgun, mentioned that “President Erdogan with his speech at the United Nations General Assembly has shown once again that he is the voice of oppressed people on the problems encountered by them in the international. As a matter of fact, President Erdoğan did not only spoke on Syria, Palestine, Iraq and Libya, that concern our region, but also he spoke on problems that took place and currently ongoing in different parts of the world such as the Rwanda and Arakan and tried to bring to the attention of the public.”

“IT CASTS A SLUR ON UN LEGITIMACY”

Evaluating the request for reform UN's structure in the Prezident’s speech Durgun, said: “The President's assessments on this issue are not new. He has expressed his views on this issue on various occasions both at national and international meetings. In fact, the phrase “the world is bigger than five”, which draws attention to this issue, has long been in the international arena as a popular slogan. With this statement, the President states that the structure of the UN designed according to the post-World War II period is insufficient to meet the problems in today's world and to provide solutions to the increasing poverty and injustices, and that the members of the UN Security Council did not create any result other than serving their national

interests. As a matter of fact, in the last UN General Assembly, he tried to explain the problem about this issue with the problem of obesity in developed countries, drawing attention to the death of the elderly, children and young people who have died of starvation in underdeveloped countries or a very different example. In other words, Erdoğan, with this speech, expressed that UN is not functioning with the current structure in the face of the increasing income imbalance and unfair practices on a world scale in general, moreover, the Security Council has not created any other result than working for five permanent members, and this has cast a shadow on the legitimacy of the UN.”

“THERE WAS DWELLED ON THE STRUCTURE OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL”

Professor Dr. Şenol Durgun continued his speech with following:

“As noted in the last UN General Assembly, the President emphasized the structure of the Security Council, which he considers as a global force element within the UN. He mentioned that this structure could not produce a solution in today's international problems. He tried to explain this by opening a parenthesis to the Palestinian problem, which was found to be a bleeding wound in the international arena for many years and could not be solved despite the UN resolutions. As you know, the occupation policies of Israel and the human rights violations in the Palestine problem have been going on for many years despite the decisions taken in the UN. Since this is due to the veto power of the UN Security Council member states, it invalidates the international resolution of UN resolutions. Noting that it is not possible to continue a global peace process under these conditions, the President proposes a comprehensive reform to prevent this situation. While the question of what these suggestions should be discussed, at least in the world, every country belonging to every belief or countries belonging to every civilization area should be in the Security Council and have rights like five permanent members, and that they can establish a balanced and justifiable order in the international arena. We can also understand from his speeches at times.”

International Students Choose IGU

International students from higher education institutions of four European countries preferred Istanbul Gelişim University (IGU) as part of the Erasmus Student Exchange Program.

The students who came together under coordination of Vice-Rector Prof. Dr. Nail Öztaş at the Erasmus Coordination Office shared their first impressions about the Erasmus Program and IGU.

Ronaldo Ramos from Madeira Island, Portugal, said that one of the reasons for choosing the university is equivalency: “Academics are the best in the field. When I saw the educational buildings, I was astonished. It's really spectacular”, he said.

“A VERY NICE OPPORTUNITY FOR LEARNING TURKISH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE”

Lucian Marian Modiga (Romania), who stated that Istanbul Gelişim University was his first choice in Erasmus Program, said: “This is a great university. I came across many new things for me. In the beginning I was a little nervous, but with a good adaptation process, I quickly adapted. I will definitely recommend IGU to my friends and share my experiences”.

Adem Ameti (Macedonia), referring to the fact that IGU places great importance on international students, stated: “There are many lessons I can take to be a good engineer. There are a lot of laboratories I can use. I've never seen such a big university before. When I return to my country at the end of Erasmus, I will recommend this place to all my friends. I'd love to see them come here”.

Cristina Pullay, a student of architecture from the University of Malaga, said: “I will definitely recommend the university to my friends. Students can recognize many different cultures here. A very good opportunity to learn Turkish language and culture”.

“LESSONING IN A MULTI-CULTURAL ENVIRONMENT IS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE”

Emphasizing that Erasmus Student Exchange Program is a very valuable experience for the students in terms of giving a different experience abroad and recognizing different cultures, Abdulkadir Gayretli, the Chairman of IGU Board of Trustees, said:

“In a multicultural environment, course work is of great importance for post-training work and professional connections. International students are aware of the fact that Istanbul Gelişim University is a world university and the quality of education. Exchange programs also are very important in terms of the dissemination Turkish Language and promotion of Turkey.”

Lecturer Gülşah Konakoğlu Won An Award in Europe With Her Thesis

The master's thesis written on 'The Physical Traumas of Mothers with Disabled Children' by Gülşah Konakoğlu - lecturer of Department of Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation at Istanbul Gelişim University, was among the top 5 theses in the competition titled 'The ENPHE Master Thesis Award 2018'.

On the acceptance of application made by Gülşah Konakoğlu, a lecturer at the Department of Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation, she was invited to the 23rd ENPHE conference in Paris in September together with her thesis mentor Asst. Prof. Gülşah Kınalı. According to the results of the competition, Konakoğlu's thesis was among the top 5 theses.

“MOTHERS OF DISABLED CHILDREN CAN EXPERIENCE PHYSICAL TRAUMA”

Lecturer Gülşah Konakoğlu, who carried out her dissertation study on mothers of children with disabilities who constitute an important risk group in terms of psychological, social and physical burdens, said: “In the literature, a lot of research has been done on the psychological traumas of mothers of children with disabilities, but we have not seen enough information about their physical traumas. Therefore, in our study, we focused on the physical exposures of the mothers of children with disabilities and we aimed to evaluate the early signs of cumulative trauma disorders such as Carpal Tunnel Syndrome (wrist nerve compression) and to prepare the foundation for the protective rehabilitation programs to be established.”

“DISABILITY MAY OCCUR IF NOT TREATED”

Konakoğlu stating that mothers with physical disabilities experienced cumulative trauma disorders in the hand and wrist regions due to excessive physical loading, added: “Late detection of these disorders leads to progression of symptoms, increased treatment time and cost. In some cases, disability occurs. Therefore, in our study, when we measure the hand grasping force of the mothers of handicapped children and the muscles acting on the forearm and the hand gripping force simultaneously, we found that the results obtained were lower than the healthy mothers of the other group.”

“PHYSICAL THERAPY AND REHABILITATION SHOULD BE GIVEN PRIORITY”

Emphasizing that, preventive physiotherapy and rehabilitation should be given priority in order to prevent physically disabled mothers from being exposed to cumulative trauma, Konakoğlu, ended her speech as follows:

“It is needed to develop technological devices that help to reduce workload of people with disabilities. Mothers with disabled children are crushed under the burden of having disabled children. Therefore, bodily micro-traumas are reaching the disease size over time. Early prevention of these diseases is a social issue. We aim to deepen our work in the future and conduct social responsibility projects for mothers of children with disabilities. Rehabilitation for mothers with disabled children; is a social activity that must be carried out together with The Ministry of Health, universities, municipalities and research and development teams. We believe that these efforts will contribute greatly to the development level of our country.”