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# THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE "DIGITAL COMMUNICATION AND TECHNOLOGY LABORATORY" WAS HELD!

The opening ceremony of the "Digital Communication and Technology Laboratory", organized by the Departments of Public Relations and Advertising, Television Journalism and Programming, and New Media and Communication at the Faculty of Applied Sciences of Istanbul Gelisim University was held.

Opening was held on Friday, May 26, 2023, between 10:00 and 11:00 with the participation of Chairman of the Board of Trustees Abdülkadir Gayretli, Rector Prof. Dr. Bahri Şahin, Vice-Rector Prof. Dr. Nuri Kuruoğlu and Dean of the Faculty of Applied Sciences Prof. Dr. Kamil Kaya, Deputy Dean Asst. Prof. Dr. Nevruz Berna Tatlısu, Head of Public Relations and Advertising Department Assoc. Prof. Dr. Emel Tozlu Öztay, Head of New Media and Communication Department Assoc. Prof. Dr Şebnem Gürsoy Ulusoy, Television Journalism and Programming Department Head Asst. Prof. Dr. Hande Ulusoy and other lecturers and students.

### "PROGRESS NEVER ENDS"

The ceremony, which started with the opening speeches, continued with the visit of the application exhibition consisting of the works of the students of Public Relations and Advertising, Television Journalism and Programming and New Media and Communication departments and presentation of the technical equipment in the laboratory. The opening ceremony of the Digital Communication and Technology Laboratory ended with the product shootings carried out by the Chairman of the Board of Trustees Abdülkadir Gayretli and Rector Prof. Dr. Bahri Şahin with the slogan "Progress Never Ends".

# 'UNIVERSITY OF THE YEAR' AWARD TO IGU!

Istanbul Gelisim University was chosen as the "University of the Year" at the Golden Palm Award Ceremony held in Baku, the capital of Azerbaijan. Abdülkadir Gayretli, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of IGU, was awarded the "Businessperson of the Year".

The Golden Palm Award Ceremony, organized to reinforce the friendship between Turkey and Azerbaijan, was held in Baku, the capital of Azerbaijan. Istanbul Gelisim University (IGU) was chosen as the "University of the Year" at the ceremony where the best of the year from the art, media and business worlds were announced. Abdülkadir Gayretli, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of IGU, was awarded the "Businessperson of the Year".



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"THE HISTORICAL FRIENDSHIP OF TÜRKIYE AND AZERBAIJAN HAS A VERY STRONG BOND"

Abdülkadir Gayretli, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of IGU, took the stage twice to receive both the "University of the Year" and the "Businessperson of the Year" award. Gayretli stated the following in his speech: "Turkey ranks high among the countries preferred by Azerbaijani students. The historical friendship of Türkiye and Azerbaijan has a very strong bond. Scientific research and projects, student and academician exchange programs and collaborations between Azerbaijani universities and IGU are on our agenda. In our university, which continues to progress with the vision of "World University", we adopt an understanding that is suitable for the age, developing and producing with the education quality offered at global standards. We are ranked 16th in the world and 1st in Turkey in the "Quality Education" category in the 2022 rating of Times Higher Education (THE), one of the most respected higher education rating institutions in the world. We continue our efforts to leave a better world for future generations and to achieve lasting success. Internationalization is very significant to us. Istanbul Gelisim University's 65 programs are internationally accredited. Our students receive diplomas with international validity. We cooperate internationally to produce projects that will add value to our country. We are open to all kinds of academic and scientific projects. We have a strong cultural bond with Azerbaijan. We will further strengthen it as well."

# RUR RESULTS HAVE BEEN ANNOUNCED: IGU RANKED 391ST IN THE WORLD AND 7TH IN TURKEY IN THE 'INTERNATIONAL DIVERSITY' INDICATOR!

According to the results announced by Round University Ranking (RUR), which is one of the organizations ranking world universities, Istanbul Gelisim University ranked 1122nd in the world general ranking and 33rd among universities in Turkey. Continuing to progress with the vision of "World University", IGU achieved a great success by being ranked 391st in the world and 7th in Turkey in the "International Diversity" indicator.

Round University Ranking (RUR), one of the prestigious institutions ranking world universities, announced its 2023 results. Evaluating the leading universities around the world according to a total of 20 indicators under the headings of Teaching, Research, International Diversity and Financial Sustainability, RUR evaluates certain criteria for its ranking. While determining the scores of the universities, 40% of the teaching and research dimensions as the main indicators, and 10% of the international diversity and financial sustainability indicators are reflected in the total score.



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The list, published by the RUR Rankings Agency for 14 years, evaluates higher education institutions every year according to the criteria of "teaching, research, international diversity and financial sustainability" as an international rating platform. According to the announced ranking, Istanbul Gelisim University (IGU) ranked 1122 in the world ranking and 33rd among universities in Turkey.

Standing out in the "International Diversity" indicator in the 2023 rankings, IGU has reached the "Bronze League" with the rise it has shown in the last 3 years. Ranking 391st in the world and 7th in Turkey, IGU achieved a significant success. In the same indicator, IGU, which is the 40th university in the world in "International Co-Authored Papers", ranked 3rd in Turkey. Thus, IGU has achieved to the 'Diamond League', which is the most valuable of these rankings.

According to the ranking announced in the Teaching, Research and Financial Sustainability indicators, IGU ranked 1117th in the world and 30th in Turkey in the 'Teaching' indicator. In the 'Web visibility', which is included in the same indicator, it ranked 640th in the world and 11th in Turkey in line with the digital strategies it implements globally.

In the 'research' indicator, it ranked 1116th in the world and 34th in Turkey. IGU ranked 660th in the world and 27th in Turkey in terms of "Social media visibility" in line with its success in national and international posts and stories with the content it produces on a social, cultural and academic basis. In the

"Financial Sustainability" indicator, IGU ranked 1075th in the world and 31st in Turkey.

### GREAT SUCCESS FROM IGU IN THE "AREA-BASED COMPETENCY ANALYSIS OF UNIVERSITIES" REPORT!

The "Area-Based Competency Analysis of Universities" report prepared by TUBITAK has been published. Taking place in 17 of 21 main research areas and 62 of 132 sub-research areas, Istanbul Gelisim University came to the fore.

The "Area-Based Competency Analysis of Universities" report, prepared by the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK), in which the performance of universities in 21 main fields and 132 sub-research areas is evaluated based on research intensity and quality indicators, has been published.



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The report, which is obtained from Scopus data, aims to evaluate the performances of universities on the basis of research areas in comparison with each other. In addition, it is determined which of all the research activities carried out by the universities themselves are more competent. Located in 17 of 21 main research areas and 62 of 132 sub-research areas, Istanbul Gelisim University (IGU) came to the fore among Turkish universities in terms of both quality and research intensity in 9 of its main research areas and 26 of its subresearch areas.

### IGU IS AT THE TOP IN "PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION"!

In the report, which evaluates the performances of universities on the basis of research areas, Istanbul Gelisim University achieved success in the main research areas of Information and Communication Technologies, Social and Human Sciences, Environmental Sciences, Energy, Physics, Aviation and Space, Construction, Automotive and Basic Sciences. Continuing to progress with the vision of a 'Research University', IGU received important degrees in the ranking of Turkish universities both in quality and research intensity. While IGU is at the top of the sub-research field of Public Administration in Turkey Research Intensity Ranking, it was also in the top 10 in Information Security, Broadband Technologies, Internet of Things, Law, Politics and International Relations and Coal sub-research fields.

#### IGU ACHIEVED GREAT SUCCESS IN MANY AREAS

In the report, which determines which of the research activities carried out by the universities are more competent, Istanbul Gelisim University has achieved success in many areas in the Quality Ranking of Turkish universities.

Continuing its work in both academic and social fields with its contemporary, developing, producing and quality education approach, IGU was ranked 1st in the sub-research areas of Information Security, Law, Public Administration, Urbanization, Politics and International Relations, Sociology, Transportation Railway Systems, Logistics, Meteorology, Coal, Aircraft Design and Electric and Hybrid Vehicle Technology.

Continuing many studies on contributing to the production of new technologies and developing projects that will benefit society, IGU took place in the top ten in Türkiye-General Quality Ranking with Broadband Technologies, Internet of Things, Robotics, Economics, Business Administration, Mass Communication, Energy Storage, Satellite and Launch Technology, and Civil Engineering subresearch areas.



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### "CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND PSYCHO-SOCIAL APPROACHES TRAINING" WAS HELD BY IGU

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"Child Sexual Abuse and Psycho-Social Approaches Training" was held by Istanbul Gelisim University Vocational School of Health Services for Child Development Program instructors and students. In the event organized to raise awareness, training was given by Asst. Prof. Dr. Bülent Tansel, from the Department of Psychology. Dr. Tansel stated that the most significant point to be made about preventing sexual abuse against children is to be informed and conscious about it.

"Child Sexual Abuse and Psycho-Social Approaches Training" was planned by Istanbul Gelisim University (IGU) Continuing Education Center and lasted for two days, was held on 1-2 June 2023 at IGU Mehmet Akif Ersoy Conference Hall.

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Asst. Prof. Dr. Bülent Tansel from the Psychology Department of Istanbul Gelisim University (IGU), who made a statement to the participants in the hall about the program before the training, informed about the sensitivity and difficulty of the subject and expressed his thoughts as follows:

"Sexual abuse against children is among the most important issues in our country as well as in the rest of the world. The most crucial point to be made about preventing sexual abuse against children is to be informed and conscious about it. It is extremely important to know the characteristics of such people and to understand what kind of attitude and behavior they have in today's world where child sexual abusers' actions against children are increasing.

#### LEARNING THE EARLY WARNING SIGNALS!

Knowing the attitudes and behaviors of sexual abusers towards children is of vital importance in combating this issue and in prevention studies.

Dr. Tansel: "Today, it is important to learn the early warning signals in order to understand how and how child sexual abuse is committed, to understand the situations where there is a suspicion of abuse, and to know how to approach children. In this training, an interdisciplinary approach was discussed for the students who will work with children in the pre-school level after graduating from the Child Development Program. Adequate information on the subject



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was conveyed, studies in the field of practice were shared, effective psychosocial intervention methods were emphasized and field experiences on real cases were included.

"AWARENESS AND SENSITIVITY OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROFESSIONALS, WHO HAVE AN IMPORTANT POSITION IN PREVENTING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE, MUST BE DEVELOPED"

Stating that new programs are being prepared for the next period in order to increase the number of such trainings, Lect. Merve Mercan, Head of the Child Development Program of IGU: "Child Development associate degree curriculum includes courses on child abuse and neglect. Studies on child sexual abuse in the world and in Türkiye show that there is a serious increase in this issue and the extent of pedophilia cases has reached. Social networks and family factor are also effective in this regard. Child development professionals, who have an important position in preventing child sexual abuse, must raise awareness and sensitivity on this issue. We will continue to organize such trainings throughout their student life so that our students receive a versatile and qualified education."