

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS DAZZLED WITH TECH PROJECTS

The 'Istanbul Provincial Symposium on Science Applications in High Schools' hosted by Istanbul Gelisim University was held with the theme of 'Future Technologies: Economy and Finance'. To the symposium, Istanbul Provincial Deputy Director of National Education Dr. Ömer Avcı, Provincial National Education Branch Manager Latif Demirkaya, Istanbul Gelisim University Rector Prof. Bahri Şahin, school principals and high school students attended. High school students introduced science projects by giving presentations. After visiting the workshops, certificates were distributed to the participants.

Dr. Omer Avcı said, "Today, by discussing the future of technology under the headings of economy and finance, we are opening the door to a discussion that will shape not only the present but also the future. Science and technology are now an integral part of our lives. However, we would like to point out that the field of science is not just about experiments, data and observations. At the core of science is a profound philosophical background that we call metaphysical intuition. Metaphysical intuition is an integral part not only of philosophy but also of science."

"WE MUST CONTRIBUTE TO ACHIEVING NATIONAL GOALS"

Istanbul Gelisim University Rector Prof. Bahri Şahin said, "There are national goals set by our country. Our country has taken a rapid step towards these national goals in the last 20 years. As universities, we have to contribute to achieve these national goals in a short time. One of the most important missions of universities is to walk towards goals together with its stakeholders. National Education is our closest stakeholder. Therefore, we are all a part of education. In fact, the higher the quality of previous education from kindergarten to preschool, primary school, secondary school, high school and university, the more quality outputs we can achieve at the university. We can continue our science journey more successfully."

Prof. Sahin: "Universities should always be ready and willing to support such scientific work at the high school level. As Istanbul Gelisim University, we see it as a responsibility to be with our young people who increase scientific awareness and strengthen their ability to question at every step. We will continue to support the production and intellectual development of our students on a wide platform ranging from Gelisim Art Gallery to our Technology Development Center, from our Technology Transfer Office to our social responsibility projects. "

ALTERNATIVE FUEL PROJECT FROM HYDROGEN

Defne Yılmaz, a 9th grade student at Beşiktaş Atatürk Anatolian High School, explained their project on hydrogen fuel with the following words:

"Due to the increase in fossil fuels in the world and their environmental impact, our tendency towards alternative energy sources has accelerated. So we chose hydrogen as a clean and sustainable energy source and showed that hydrogen can be useful. Together with the electrolysis method, we enabled the formation of hydrogen with other alternative renewable energy sources and created such a scanner with the literature method. With the transportation of fuel cells, we have revealed that it can be a really big project in terms of storing and transporting hydrogen and producing it separately, if certain costs can be taken care of. We would like to thank Istanbul Gelisim University for giving us the opportunity to introduce this project."

THEY DICTATED FABLES ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Mert Yıldırım and Rana Ezgi, students of Nişantaşı Nuri Akın Anatolian High School preparatory class, explained their research on the fable creation and effects of artificial intelligence. Yıldırım said, "We had artificial intelligences produce fables one by one and analyzed their emotional connections, allegorical structures and their suitability for Turkish. Then we conducted a survey with the participation of 50 people. As a result, we examined whether people could distinguish between artificial intelligence and human fables. Finally, we asked other artificial intelligence to criticize the fables written by artificial intelligence. We wanted to find out how constructive they could think. Our results showed that a fable written by artificial intelligence could be distinguished from one written by a human."

"OUR GOAL IS TO CREATE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE WITH TURKISH INFRASTRUCTURE"

Rana Ezgi stated that they middle the difference of artificial intelligence from human intelligence with the research and said, "The results we obtained were a little more ambiguous due to the fact that artificial intelligence has an English infrastructure. Our future goal is to create a Turkish-based version of artificial intelligence and to share this work in more detail and clearly by using it. To print a more detailed and longer text in the artificial intelligence program that we aim to create with our Turkish engineers and ourselves. Comparing this text with the books written by people and working with larger public opinion surveys to get a clearer and more detailed result."

2024 TURKIYE'S PATENT REPORT ANNOUNCED: IGU IS 1ST IN TURKIYE IN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE TECHNOLOGIES!

"2024 Türkiye's Patent Report" prepared by Patent Effect has been published. In the report, Istanbul Gelisim University (IGU) took its place at the top of the list by maintaining the title of "Turkish Patent Application Champion" with its 856 patent applications. The university also ranked 6th in the ranking of "Turkish Patent Registrations" with 94 patent registrations.

The Innovation Map of Türkiye and the "2024 Turkey Patent Report" of the Patent Effect, which was previously published, are based on the same basic data and offer two separate evaluations based on different data types. Istanbul Gelisim University, which ranks first in the Innovation Map as the institution that makes the most applications according to the patent application date, was ranked 3rd in Türkiye in the Patent Effect report prepared according to the publication date of the applications. While this difference is due to the data analysis methods adopted in the two reports, it is seen that IGU is the university that applied the most with 124 patent applications made during 2024, and it ranks 3rd in the general ranking with 106 applications published. These data reflect the university's dynamic R&D approach and uninterrupted patent production process.

IGU IS THE FIRST IN 6 CATEGORIES WITH ITS PATENT STUDIES!

Istanbul Gelisim University, which spreads its research and innovation culture to all its academic units, has achieved remarkable success by entering the list in 16 of 20 technology categories according to 2024 data. The university, which ranked first in 6 of these categories, stood out with its technological diversity and innovative production capacity and took a strong position in the field of higher education with its innovative production potential.

IGU CONTINUES TO LEAD IN AI

Istanbul Gelisim University, which stands out with its scientific productivity, maintained its position at the top with 66 patent applications in the Artificial Intelligence Technologies category and became the first in Turkey with 572 patent applications in the field of Food and Beverage, 49 in Automotive, 46 in Agriculture, 23 in Aerospace and Defense, and 13 in Retail and E-Commerce.

RISE IN INTERNATIONAL PATENTS

Continuing its vision of patent-oriented internationalization, Istanbul Gelisim University also showed a significant rise in the list of International Patent Applications (PCT) for 2024. The university, which rose to 3 places with 38 applications compared to the previous year, ranked 3rd in Türkiye.

This success of the university sets an example in terms of strengthening intellectual property awareness in higher education, commercializing academic knowledge and encouraging value-added production. Istanbul Gelisim University continues to lead Türkiye's innovation ecosystem with its strong R&D infrastructure, interdisciplinary collaborations and student-oriented entrepreneurship model.

BROTHER COUNTRIES: BROADCASTING AND EDUCATION SUPPORT FROM IGU TO UZBEKISTAN

The two brother countries, which are at the heart of the Turkish world, continue to deepen their cooperation in the field of education and culture between Turkey and Uzbekistan. Representatives of Istanbul Gelisim University (IGU) paid an official visit to Uzbekistan State University of World Languages and discussed the possibilities of cooperation between the two universities. The visit was an important development that contributed to the deepening of relations based on common history, deep-rooted ties and mutual trust in the field of higher education.

On behalf of Istanbul Gelisim University, Head of Corporate Communication and Promotion Department Asst. Prof. Bülent Deyirmenci, Department of Political Science and Public Administration Prof. Şenol Durgun and University Coordinator Hasan Umarov took part in the visit. Uzbekistan State World Languages University Rector Prof. Ilhomjon Tukhtasinov, as well as Vice Rector for International Cooperation A. Nasirov, Head of International Cooperation Department Kh. Yuldoshev, Second Head of Foreign Languages Department Yuldoshev and Turkish teacher Z. Komilova also participated.

PUBLICATION SUPPORT TO TURKISH LANGUAGE TEACHING CENTER

One of the prominent topics of the visit was the publication support to be provided by Istanbul Gelisim University to the Turkish Teaching Center within the Uzbekistan State World Languages University. In this context, IGU aims to enrich the resource pool of the center with books, academic publications and cultural contents that can be used in language teaching.

This step is expected to facilitate access to up-to-date and qualified materials for students learning Turkish in Uzbekistan. At the same time, it is aimed to contribute to Turkey's language diplomacy studies.

MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION WAS SIGNED

At the end of the meeting, a cooperation protocol was signed between the parties in line with mutual understanding. With the protocol, the basis for cooperation on joint scientific studies, advanced education courses and international projects, as well as student, faculty and researcher exchange programs, has been formalized.

PERMANENT AND VERSATILE ACADEMIC SOLIDARITY IS AIMED

During the negotiations, which continued in a friendly environment throughout the meeting, the parties agreed on the joint development and implementation of various international projects, particularly Erasmus+ programs. In addition, a common will was declared to assign Turkish teachers to Uzbek universities and to establish long-term cooperation between the two universities.

With this visit, a concrete step was taken to strengthen the place of Turkish among the world languages in line with the internationalization vision of Istanbul Gelisim University.

COOPERATION PROTOCOL SIGNED BETWEEN ISTANBUL GELISIM UNIVERSITY AND ISTANBUL PROVINCIAL DIRECTORATE OF NATIONAL EDUCATION

An important protocol was signed between Istanbul Gelisim University (IGU) and Istanbul Provincial Directorate of National Education in order to develop sustainable cooperation in the field of education. Protocol ceremony was carried out with the participation of Istanbul Gelisim University Rector Prof. Bahri Şahin and Istanbul Provincial Director of National Education Assoc. Prof. Murat Mücahit Yentür. IGU Secretary General Assoc. Prof. Serdar Egeli, Director of Continuing Education Application and Research Center Asst. Prof. Tayfun Timuray, Vice Director Nuray Firat and Assoc. Prof. Nurhüda Sözen from Istanbul Directorate of National Education also participated.

COLLABORATION THAT PROMOTES EQUAL OPPORTUNITES IN EDUCATION

Within the scope of the protocol, the personnel working in all educational institutions affiliated to the Istanbul Provincial Directorate of National Education and their first-degree relatives will be able to benefit from the education discount opportunity at the rates determined in the wide academic range of Istanbul Gelisim University from Vocational School to postgraduate programs. This application, which covers all educational employees throughout Istanbul, draws attention as an important step of support for teachers and their families.

JOINT ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

The protocol includes not only educational discounts, but also various activities aimed at academic and professional development between the two institutions. In this context, conferences, symposiums, seminars and various training programs will be organized through Istanbul Gelisim University Continuing Education Application and Research Center (SEM) in cooperation with Istanbul Gelisim University and Istanbul Provincial Directorate of National Education. These planned studies aim to contribute to the development of the professional competencies of the personnel.

STRATEGIC SUPPORT FOR EDUCATION FROM ISTANBUL GELISIM UNIVERSITY

Istanbul Gelisim University continues to reinforce its lifelong learning vision with its strong collaborations with all stakeholders of education. While contributing to the academic development of teachers, education administrators and their families through this protocol, the university aims to strengthen the sharing of qualified information and institutional solidarity.

"I BECAME A MOTHER" PROJECT IMPLEMENTED: SUPPORT FOR MOTHERS FROM BAKIRKOY MUNICIPALITY AND ISTANBUL GELISIM UNIVERSITY

The cooperation protocol signed between Bakırk y Municipality and Istanbul Gelisim University, covering academic, scientific and educational fields, took its first concrete step with the social responsibility project titled "I Became a Mother". The project was implemented in accordance with the protocol signed in the office of Mayor of Bakırk y Assoc. Prof. Ay eg l Ovalio lu.

HIGH LEVEL OF PARTICIPATION AT THE EVENT

Bakırk y Mayor Assoc. Prof. Ay eg l Ovalio lu, Rector of Istanbul Gelisim University Prof. Bahri  ahin, Vice Rector Prof. Arda  zt rkcan, Director of Vocational School of Health Services Prof. Mustafa Nizamlio lu, Deputy Director Asst. Prof. Ali Karaa a , VSHS Health Institutions Management Program Head Lect. Ebru Cengiz and the academic authors of the booklet prepared within the scope of the project participated.

"I BECAME A MOTHER" BOOKLET AND DIAPER BAG WERE PREPARED

Within the scope of the project, the "I Became a Mother" booklet prepared by SHMYO academicians was designed to guide mothers who have just given birth. The booklet contains comprehensive information about the points that mothers should pay attention to before and after birth, the situations they may encounter physically and psychologically, and the conscious motherhood process.

The booklet will be delivered free of charge to mothers in need, with basic supplies for baby care and a "diapers bag" containing special products for the needs of the mother after birth. With this application, it is aimed to provide an informative resource and to make mothers feel that they are not alone.

PURPOSE OF THE PROJECT: CONSCIOUS AND STRONG MOTHERS

The main purpose of the "I Became a Mother" project is to support mothers to raise their babies consciously from birth, to provide moral and psychological support to mothers, especially during this period of intense hormonal changes, and to guide mothers to return to their normal lives in a healthy way as soon as possible.

TRAINING PROGRAMS ARE PLANNED

In the later stages of the project, it is planned to organize training programs for mothers who give birth in cooperation with Istanbul Gelisim University. In these trainings; basic topics such as bonding with the baby after birth, breastfeeding, mental health management will be discussed. Thus, it is aimed that mothers become stronger not only physically but also emotionally and socially.

Istanbul Gelisim University continues to lead projects that especially affect health, education and family life within the framework of its understanding of social responsibility. The university not only produces academic knowledge, but also acts with the vision of transforming this knowledge for the benefit of society.

IGU aims to support the empowerment of the individual and society by making scientific, sensitive and sustainable contributions to the motherhood process, which is one of the most sensitive periods of life, through projects such as "I Became a Mother".

This meaningful project stands out as a strong example of the local government and the academic world coming together to carry out social benefit-oriented studies.

THE PROJECT WITHIN IGU TTO REPRESENTS TURKEY IN THE USA!

Yusuf Enes Gültekin, a long-term intern at Istanbul Gelisim University Technology Transfer Office, represents Turkey at Regeneron ISEF 2025 International Science and Engineering Fair in Ohio, USA. In this prestigious organization, which is considered the "Oscar of Competitions", Yusuf Enes competes in the Environmental Engineering category with his project titled "Vacuum Boiler Design". The project includes an innovative vacuum system that allows hot water to reach directly when hot water is requested from the tap, preventing the waste of cold water that comes first.

THE SUCCESS STORY FROM TUBITAK TO THE USA

Yusuf Enes Gültekin was the third in Turkey in the 2204-A High School Students Research Projects Competition organized by TUBITAK, and with this success, he managed to become one of the 14 teams that were entitled to participate in the fair in the USA.

Yusuf Enes and his team completed their preparations for Regeneron ISEF, which was held between 10-16 May 2025, and opened their booth in Ohio to exhibit their projects.

Held for the 75th time this year, the event began on 10 May, bringing together more than 1,800 young scientists from 78 countries. Yusuf Enes Gültekin stands out among young scientists by successfully representing Turkey on this important platform.

FULL SUPPORT FOR SCIENCE!

Istanbul Gelisim University continues to support its students with scientific research, innovative thinking and global representation. While the university is proud of the international achievements of young researchers, it continues to inspire future scientists with its environment that encourages scientific production.

SCIENTIFIC PARTNERSHIP BEYOND BORDERS FROM IGU: COOPERATION WITH HILLA UNIVERSITY!

Istanbul Gelisim University (IGU) continues to strengthen its academic collaborations in line with its vision of internationalization. In this context, a new step was taken and an academic cooperation protocol was signed with Hilla University, one of the leading higher education institutions in Iraq, in the province of Babylon. Istanbul Gelisim University Vice Rector Prof. Necmettin Marařlı, Head of Public Relations and Promotion Department Asst. Prof. Bülent Deyirmenci, Asst. Prof. Ali Semin and Lecturer Mohammed Abdulqader; Rector Prof. Aqeel Al-Saadi, Vice Rector for Scientific Affairs Assoc. Prof. Imad Salam Abbu met in Babylon, Iraq.

"WE AIM TO ESTABLISH A PRODUCTIVE PARTNERSHIP"

The cooperation between Istanbul Gelisim University and Hilla University aims to build an important bridge not only in the academic field but also in the cultural and social sense. In this context, Prof. Necmettin Marařlı stated that they found a highly developed scientific environment at Hilla University and added, "We aim to establish a fruitful partnership that will increase the quality of higher education on behalf of both countries." The strong academic infrastructure of Hilla University and the innovative approach of Istanbul Gelisim University open the doors to new opportunities for the students and academicians of both institutions.

MULTIDIRECTIONAL APPROACH IN INTER-UNIVERSITY COOPERATION

While this protocol signed between the two universities paves the way for a stronger cooperation towards achieving common goals, it is aimed to deepen cultural interactions by increasing scientific contributions at the global level. In this context, joint activities will be carried out in many areas such as mutual exchange of students and academicians, conducting joint scientific research, organizing conferences and workshops, workshops, and Gelisim Film Academy. Hilla University Rector Prof. Aqeel Al-Saadi said: "We believe in the importance of opening up to world universities. This agreement is an important step taken to provide information exchange and to contribute to the international academic studies of our students and academicians."

Within the scope of the visit, the IGU delegation visited some classrooms and medical laboratories of the university and was informed about their academic studies. At the end of the visit, souvenir gifts were presented mutually to express the depth of scientific and cultural relations between the two institutions.

EXPERTS WARN: FASHION DIETS CAN DISRUPT YOUR HEALTH!

With the summer months approaching, many people are looking for rapid weight loss. However, according to experts, unconscious practices in this process not only prevent permanent weight loss, but can also pose serious health risks. Istanbul Gelisim University Head of Nutrition and Dietetics Department Assoc. Prof. H. Merve Bayram made important warnings especially about very low-calorie diets, skipping meals, uniform nutrition and detox applications.

LOW-CALORIE, STANDARDIZED DIETS SLOW METABOLISM

Nutrition and Dietetics Specialist Assoc. Prof. H. Merve Bayram stated that one of the most common mistakes that individuals make when entering the summer months is to turn to unsustainable diets. "Although very-low-calorie lists, fad diets, or programs based solely on a specific food group can lead to weight loss in the short term, in the long term it can lead to serious consequences such as muscle wasting, a decrease in basal metabolic rate, lack of energy, and vitamin-mineral deficiencies."

DETOX WATERS CAUSE ILLUSION, NOT LOSE WEIGHT

Emphasizing that the concepts of detox teas which have become very popular in recent years, have no scientific basis, Assoc. Prof. Bayram said, "Detox is actually a process that our organs such as liver, kidneys and intestines perform naturally. These systems already work effectively in healthy individuals. "

Assoc. Prof. Although positive effects have been observed that detox waters sometimes provide appetite control or increase water consumption, this is not a real weight loss method. Detox waters can create a temporary decrease in the scale because they are low in calories. However, this loss is usually not caused by fat, but by water and muscle mass in the body. This is not a sustainable weight losing."

ATTENTION THOSE WITH CHRONIC CONDITONS!

Stating that excessive consumption of detox water may cause fluid and electrolyte imbalances in the body, Assoc. Prof. Bayram said that this may be manifested by symptoms such as muscle cramps, weakness, dizziness, low blood pressure. The diuretic effect of ingredients such as parsley, lemon and cucumber, which are frequently used in detox waters, may aggravate this.

Assoc. Prof. Bayram added: "Detox applications in individuals with chronic diseases (such as diabetes, blood pressure, kidney and heart diseases) can have serious consequences. For example, excessive consumption of vegetables with high potassium content in individuals with kidney disease can lead to heart rhythm disorders. Fruit detox recipes in diabetic patients may cause blood sugar fluctuations. In addition, some herbal ingredients may interact with the drugs used and pose serious health risks."

0.5-1 KG PER WEEK SHOULD BE TARGETED

Stating that a healthy weight loss process should be planned according to the age, gender, metabolic rate and health status of the individual, Assoc. Prof. Bayram emphasized that the ideal weight loss should be between 0.5-1 kilogram per week: "The important thing is not to reduce muscle and water, but to reduce fat mass. For this, a balanced diet containing sufficient protein, healthy fats and fiber should be followed."

Stating that very low-calorie lists such as the "summer diet" should be approached cautiously, Assoc. Prof. Bayram, "Food diversity is generally insufficient in such diets. Standardized food consumption can cause many health problems such as muscle loss, low blood pressure, hair loss. Such diets create a "yo-yo cycle" in the long term, that is, the individual quickly regains the weight they have lost in a short time and enters the cycle of weight gain and loss again.

PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECTS SHOULD ALSO NOT BE IGNORED

Istanbul Gelisim University Head of Nutrition and Dietetics Department Assoc. Prof. H. Merve Bayram stated that unhealthy diets have not only physical but also psychological consequences and added: "Strict and restrictive diets may cause consequences such as guilt, eating disorders and loss of motivation in individuals. The weight loss process should proceed with professional support and sustainable goals.

Mistakes made while preparing for the summer have long-term effects, not short-term effects. Individuals who want to lose weight should adopt a lifestyle based on a balanced diet and adequate physical activity, instead of popular but lacking scientific basis."

HISTORICAL SUCCESS FROM ISTANBUL GELISIM UNIVERSITY SPORTS CLUB!

Istanbul Gelisim University Sports Club once again made a name for itself with its success in underwater sports. The outstanding performance of the Turkish Underwater Sports Federation (TSSF) in the Turkish Fishing Club Championship and National Team Draft held in Aydın Didim Güllük Bay between 9-11 May 2025 revealed the level of university sports. While the Women's Team became the Turkish Champion by surpassing all its competitors, the Men's Team achieved the title of Turkey Second.

DOUBLE VICTORY ON THE WAY TO THE NATIONAL TEAM

In addition to team achievements, the grades obtained in the individual categories of women and men showed that Istanbul Gelisim University Sports Club stood out with its individual athlete development. Ebru Karabulut in women's individual and İbrahim Şakar in men's individual became the Turkish Champion, surpassing all rivals. Both athletes were entitled to be elected to the National Team Candidate Squad with these superior performances. This double victory was a tangible indication of the club's understanding of talent-oriented athlete training. Ebru Karabulut, Sibel Bircan Kurağı, Elçin Güner, Aşkın Banu Tuğlu took part in the women's team, while İbrahim Şakar, Ali İbrahimiye, Rojhat Basut, Gökay Gülhep represented the university in the men's team.

The organization, which took place with the participation of 24 clubs and 27 teams from 11 provinces in total, offered one of the most important competitive environments in underwater sports throughout the country. Istanbul Gelisim University Sports Club not only achieved a degree, but also attracted attention with its combat discipline, athlete ethics and team spirit.

ISTANBUL GELISIM UNIVERSITY CONTINUES TO SUPPORT ITS ATHLETES!

Bringing together academic success with the developing and integrative aspects of sports, Istanbul Gelisim University continues to offer young athletes areas where they can show themselves at both national and international levels. Such achievements, which are the result of the investment in sports in an institutional sense and the understanding of systematic athlete development, constitute an important part of the university's educational philosophy.

THREE-DAY LONG ART MARATHON: SATMER FESTIVAL OPENS ITS DOORS

The SATMER Culture and Art Festival organized by Istanbul Gelisim University was opened. It is aimed to make the festival, which brings together art lovers by bringing together 15 different art branches from the Ottoman Empire to the present day with technology, a tradition and to take it to the international level.

Culture and Art Festival was organized under the leadership of Istanbul Gelisim University, Art Design Application and Research Center (SATMER). The festival, which started on May 14 and will last for three days, combines traditional arts such as calligraphy, illumination and miniature with modern applications such as waste metal sculptures and digital portraits. Enriched with interviews and concerts of famous artists, the event offers a different experience to art lovers. It was also stated that the IGU Art Design Application Research Center (SATMER), which was introduced within the scope of the festival, is a first among universities in Turkey.

"WE AIM TO BE AMONG THE TOP EIGHT HUNDRED OR EVEN THE TOP FIVE HUNDRED"

Speaking at the opening of the festival, Abdülkadir Gayretli, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Istanbul Gelisim University, said, "This festival is of great importance for students, academicians and the future of the country. Istanbul Gelisim University is constantly evolving. We ranked in the Times Higher Education (THE) World rankings between one thousand one and one thousand two hundred bands. With your contributions, we aim to be among the first eight hundred or even the first five hundred in the coming years."

"WE WILL RUN FROM SUCCESS TO SUCCESS BY CONTINUING THE RACE"

Gayretli, stated that the university is on the way to becoming a hundred-year-old institution with an international vision, added:

This is a relay race. We will run from success to success by continuing this race with our students and future generations. Wherever one wants to see oneself, one finds value. It is very valuable for us that our students create value in unity and solidarity."

"THE LEADING ARTISTS OF OUR COUNTRY AND THE WORLD CAME TOGETHER WITH OUR STUDENTS"

Istanbul Gelisim University Rector Prof. Bahri Şahin: "We have just established SATMER. Art, social sciences and technology are the three pillars of civilization. We have created an ecosystem that combines artistic, social and technical innovation with SATMER. As a university, we strengthen this field, which has been neglected for years, by positively discriminating against art.

The activities organized within SATMER brought art together with students and industry professionals. We organized exhibitions and meetings every two weeks. Last week, we opened the exhibition of our faculty member İsmet Çavuşoğlu. The leading artists of our country and the world came together with our students. The university presented an innovative model by holding student-sector meetings with artists, academics, industrialists and social scientists."

Prof. Sahin visited the festival and was impressed by this organization where different branches of art came together. He said: Our students met with famous artists and got first-hand information about art. We were very happy with this combination. Our university continues to grow in the fields of art, social sciences and technology with 38 thousand students and 7 thousand international students. We have gained an important place in the world rankings. We are the university with the most international accreditation. We have also received institutional accreditation granted by the Higher Education Quality Board (YOKAK). It's significant to us. Istanbul Gelisim University is an international university."

"OUR GOAL WAS TO CREATE A FESTIVAL CONCEPT THAT APPEALED TO ALL SEGMENTS"

SATMER Director Asst. Prof. Mustafa Günay, on the other hand, stated the followings: "The festival included innovative applications such as traditional arts such as calligraphy, illumination, miniature, waste metal conversion sculptures and digital portraits created with computer programs. This diversity was a first in Turkey."

Our goal was to create a festival concept that appealed to all segments. Taking into account the interest of young people in technology, we have combined traditional and modern art branches. Thus, we offered an attractive event for both young people and all art lovers. At the festival, environmentally friendly works such as sculptures made of waste metals also attracted great attention. We will continue to show the unifying power of art by bringing this festival to a wider audience on larger platforms."

PRODUCTION PHASE STARTED IN IGU TTO JET DRONE PROJECT!

Launched under the coordination of Istanbul Gelisim University (IGU) Technology Transfer Office (TTO) and implemented as a student-oriented initiative, the Jet Drone project has reached an important milestone by moving to the production stage. The project, which progresses in cooperation with academicians, students and industry stakeholders, is being developed with the aim of contributing to domestic and innovative technologies.

STRENGTHENED BY THE COOPERATION OF ACADEMIC STAFF AND STUDENTS

Hüseyin Furkan Celik, Research Assistant at Istanbul Gelisim University, is the project manager of Jet Drone. Research Assistant Oktay Mayuk and Research Assistant Ziya Atay, who is responsible for analysis processes, are also in charge of design in the project team. Having successfully completed the design process, the team has recently transitioned to the production phase.

During the production phase, an important cooperation was realized with the Ankara-based Volo Composite company, which specializes in the field of composite material technologies. Thanks to this partnership established with the support of Istanbul Gelisim University Rector Prof. Bahri Şahin, the tail wings of the Jet Drone were produced with practical training and production support at the company's facilities. At the same time, the project team actively contributed to the process by receiving comprehensive training on composite production techniques.

TOWARDS TEST FLIGHTS

Jet Drone continues to be developed under the roof of IGU Technology Transfer Office with its structure based on domestic production. The project, which gained momentum with the technical infrastructure and academic support of the university, aims to move to a new stage with the test flights and performance analyzes to be carried out in the coming period.

STRONG SUPPORT FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND TECHNOLOGY FROM IGU

Istanbul Gelisim University continues to support student projects, promote entrepreneurial culture and strengthen university-industry cooperation through its Technology Transfer Office. Such projects, which enable innovative ideas to be realized, contribute directly to both students' gaining practical knowledge and the country's domestic technology moves.

IGU OPENS A WAY TO SCHOLARSHIPS FOR YOUNG TALENTS IN THE FIELD OF HEALTH

The "Healthcare Professionals Compete in Turkey" final, organized to draw attention to the importance of vocational and technical education in the field of health, was held on May 7, 2025 at Esenyurt Recep Tayyip Erdoğan Complex. Under the responsibility of Istanbul Provincial Directorate of National Education, with the support of Esenyurt District Governorship; within the scope of the cooperation protocol signed between Esenyurt District Directorate of National Education and Istanbul Gelisim University, the competition organized under the coordination of Fatih Sultan Mehmet Vocational and Technical Anatolian High School was held with intense participation from across Turkey.

FULL SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS FROM ISTANBUL GELISIM UNIVERSITY

Three schools from Adana, Ankara and Denizli entered the competition and won important scholarship opportunities.

Adana Çağrıbey Vocational and Technical Anatolian High School students, who won the first prize, received a full scholarship at Istanbul Gelisim University. Ankara Mustafa Kemal Vocational and Technical Anatolian High School students who won the second place received 75% scholarship, while Denizli Çivril Vocational and Technical Anatolian High School students who won the third place were given 50% scholarship.

In addition, the mentor teachers of all schools participating in the competition were entitled to receive a master's degree with 100% scholarship and a doctorate with 75% scholarship at Istanbul Gelisim University.

Students from Adana, Adapazarı, Aksaray, Ankara, Ardahan, Balıkesir, Bolu, Burdur, Bursa, Çorum, Denizli, Eskişehir, Giresun, Istanbul, İzmir, Kırklareli, Kocaeli, Manisa, Muğla, Sivas, Şanlıurfa, Şırnak, Tokat, Trabzon, Niğde, Hatay, Sinop and Edirne participated in the competition, which was applied by schools from 29 provinces all over Turkey.

EMPHASIS ON UNIVERSITY AND SECTOR COOPERATION

Speaking on behalf of Istanbul Gelisim University in the competition, Vice Rector Prof. Arda Öztürkcan drew attention to the importance of vocational education in the field of health and the roles of young people in this field. Prof. Öztürkcan stated that the cooperation between the university and the sector contributes to the training of qualified health professionals and that such organizations support this process.

WIDE PARTICIPATION PROTOCOL

In addition to Vice Rector Prof. Arda Öztürkcan, the university's strong academic staff in the field of health also took part in the protocol on behalf of Istanbul Gelisim University. Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences and Faculty Member of the Department of Occupational Therapy Prof. Dr. Rifat Mutuş, Department of Nutrition and Dietetics Prof. Hasan Hakan Bozkurt, Deputy Dean Prof. A. Yüksel Barut, Deputy Dean of Nursing Department Asst. Prof. Neşe Kıskaç, Head of Nursing Department Asst. Prof. Mahruk Rashidi and Faculty Member of the Department of Nutrition and Dietetics Assoc. Prof. Hatice Merve Bayram attended the event on behalf of the university.

State institutions also strongly supported the competition. Istanbul Provincial Deputy National Education Directors Metin Nari and Ömer Avcı, Beylikdüzü District National Education Director Zekariya Postacı, Büyükçekmece District National Education Director Zekariya Artar, Esenyurt District National Education Director Tayfun Önyolcu, Esenyurt District Health Director Oktay Dokuz, MHP Esenyurt District President Metin Yazar and Justice and Development Party Esenyurt District President Togay Çoban also took part in the protocol.

The competition, which encourages future health professionals, attracted attention as a successful example of cooperation between academia and public institutions.

“TURKISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY 100TH YEAR LIBRARY” HAS BEEN OPENED IN IGU!

Within the scope of the activities of the 100th anniversary of the Republic, in order to increase the access of researchers and students to basic and secondary sources in the field of history, with the works selected from the publications of the Turkish Historical Society, “100th Year Library” was established.

The library opened in the Central Library of the University with the participation of TTK Vice President Assoc. Prof. Yunus Pustu, Istanbul Gelisim University Rector Prof. Bahri Şahin, Vice Rectors Prof. Nuri Kuruoğlu, Prof. Necmettin Maraşlı, Prof. Arda Öztürkcan, Dean of the Faculty of Economics, Administrative and Social Sciences Dean Prof. Kenan Aydın Secretary General Assoc. Prof. Serdar Egeli, Head of Library and Documentation Department Ahmet Şenol Armağan, academicians, librarians and administrative staff.

“WE HAVE A STRONG STAFF”

Istanbul Gelisim University Rector Prof. Bahri Şahin, who made the opening speech of the exhibition, pointed out the importance of the university's development process, academic achievements and cooperation with public institutions:

“It is also significant that this opening is being held for the first time at a foundation university. Istanbul Gelisim University is in a significant development at both national and international levels. We are one of the four universities that are granted institutional accreditation by YOKAK. This accreditation documents not only the academic structure, but also competence in all areas from library services to administrative processes.

We hope that this cooperation with the Turkish Historical Society will not be limited to this publication. We believe that we can contribute to the Turkish Historical Society at different levels in line with the expertise of our academicians. We have a strong staff in every field with approximately 1000 academicians and we are at the service of our country.”

"FOR THE FIRST TIME, WE ARE CARRYING OUT AN OPENING IN A FOUNDATION UNIVERSITY"

Turkish Historical Society Vice President Assoc. Prof. Yunus Pustu drew attention to the versatile activities of the institution in the field of social sciences and the importance of publishing in these studies. He emphasized that the opening of the library at Istanbul Gelisim University was the first among foundation universities:

"As the Turkish Historical Society, we have been carrying out a wide range of activities in the field of social sciences since the day we were found. An important part of these studies is our publication activities. However, we do not consider it sufficient to produce only academic knowledge. We also care about the fact that the information produced reaches a wider audience and is accessible. In this direction, in 2023, we have implemented a project called 'Turkish Historical Society 100th Year Library'. * Within the scope of our project, we have opened 24 libraries so far. We usually make these openings in public universities. Today, we are opening our 25th library for the first time at a foundation university, which is Istanbul Gelisim University."

The new library strengthens Istanbul Gelisim University's educational approach that prioritizes access to information, while transforming the university library into a more equipped and rich research environment in the field of history. Bringing together the institutional knowledge of the Turkish Historical Society with the university, it will both contribute to the quality of academic studies and enable students to access resources directly. This permanent contribution is considered a meaningful step supporting the university's research-oriented vision.

IGU RECEIVED THE YOKAK CORPORATE ACCREDITATION CERTIFICATE WITH THE DOCUMENT PRESENTATION CEREMONY HELD AT THE YTU HISTORICAL BATH!

The document presentation ceremony held at Yıldız Technical University Davutpaşa Campus Historical Bath Building brought together 12 universities accredited by the Higher Education Quality Board (YOKAK). Istanbul Gelisim University Rector Prof. Bahri Şahin and Vice Rector Prof. Arda Öztürkcan attended the ceremony. YOKAK President Prof. Ümit Kocabiçak, Vice President Prof. Mustafa Çufalı and members of the board of directors also took part.

ISTANBUL GELISIM UNIVERSITY IS ON THE TOP!

As a result of the detailed evaluation process completed in December, Istanbul Gelisim University was entitled to receive full accreditation for 5 years with its high standards in the fields of education, research and development, management system and community service. IGU, which belongs to this prestigious group, where only 4 universities out of 35 universities evaluated in 2024 were fully accredited, reinforced its pioneering position in quality management and sustainable excellence in education, and once again showed that it is one of the most internationally accredited universities in Turkey with 65 international accreditations and 45 Turkey Qualifications Framework (TQF) logos.

Within the scope of the ceremony, the documents were first presented to the universities that received conditional accreditation and then to the universities that received full accreditation. Full accreditation certificate of Istanbul Gelisim University was presented to IGU Rector Prof. Bahri Şahin by YOKAK President Prof. Ümit Kocabıçak and Vice President Prof. Mustafa Çufalı.

“SUSTAINABILITY IS OUR CORNERSTONE IN OUR VISION OF BECOMING A RESEARCH UNIVERSITY”

Prof. Bahri Şahin stated after the ceremony, "The fact that we have been fully accredited by the Higher Education Quality Board for 5 years is the registration of the high standards and quality-oriented vision that Istanbul Gelisim University has achieved in education and corporate governance. This success reflects not only our current performance, but also our strategic goals for the future, especially our vision of becoming a research university and our understanding of sustainable development. With 65 international accreditations and 45 Turkish Qualifications Framework (TQF) logos, our university increases its competitiveness in the global education arena and continuously strengthens its scientific productivity. This accreditation provides a solid basis for implementing our strategic plans."

“QUALITY ASSURANCE IS BUILDING THE UNIVERSITY OF THE FUTURE”

Vice Rector for Quality, Accreditation and Internationalization Prof. Arda Öztürkcan, on the other hand, said, "This accreditation is an indication of our determination to build not only the present, but the future. As IGU, we continuously improve our quality management systems and adopt an innovative, student-oriented and research-based education approach. YOKAK's trust in us is our source of motivation on this journey. In line with our 2024-2028 Strategic Plan, we aim to provide our students with the best learning environments by ensuring the continuity of excellence in national and international standards."

The institutional accreditation process carried out by the Higher Education Quality Board (YOKAK) is one of the most important quality assurance systems that objectively and comprehensively evaluates the quality standards of universities in the fields of education, research, management and community service. The fact that Istanbul Gelisim University has achieved full accreditation for 5 years strongly reveals its claim to provide quality education on a national and international scale.