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International Teaching Activity of Ayten Nahide Korkmaz

The course titled “A Bioeconomic Approach to Sustainability,” delivered by Ayten Nahide Korkmaz, Chair of the International Development, Monitoring, and Steering Commission, was organized with the contributions of our international partner, Klaipeda University. During the session, Ayten Nahide Korkmaz and Ligita Simanskiene (Professor, Doctor of Social Sciences, and Head of the Department of

Management and Economics at Klaipėda University) discussed the concept of bioeconomy in the contexts of both Türkiye and the global landscape. In the final part of the event, students actively participated by posing insightful questions. We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to Professor Ligita Simanskiene and Klaipeda University for their kind invitation and for hosting such an engaging and productive event.



Expansion of International Collaboration between Istanbul Aydın University and Middle East College

In line with its commitment to strengthening international academic engagement, Istanbul Aydın University has taken a significant step toward establishing collaboration with Middle East College in the Sultanate of Oman. This initiative was spearheaded by Öğr. Gör. Ayten Nahide Korkmaz and Öğr. Gör. Fatemeh Khosravi Purian, who facilitated communication and drafted official messages to explore potential collaboration between the two schools. Öğr. Gör. Ayten Nahide Yılmaz and Öğr. Gör. Fatemeh Khosravi Purian helped facilitate communication and wrote official messages to explore possible ways for the two schools to collaborate. They facilitated effective communication and conducted formal correspondence to explore potential areas of cooperation between the two institutions. As a result of these interactions, a preliminary mutual understanding has been reached

in areas such as international collaboration, student exchange programs, including Erasmus+, and the development of joint academic activities. This achievement represents an important first step toward building a sustainable and strategic partnership between the two institutions. One of the most notable outcomes of this collaboration is the establishment of a pathway for students from Middle East College to participate in the Delightful Istanbul Summer School program, which offers valuable academic, cultural, and international experiences. Communications and coordination between the two institutions are ongoing as both parties work to further expand and strengthen their cooperation. Its constructive engagement marks a meaningful step toward the internationalization of higher education and enhances the global standing of Istanbul Aydın University.



Participation In International Seminar

Ayten Nahide Korkmaz, chair of the International Development, Monitoring, and Steering Commission, participated in a seminar on sustainable cities and energy held on April 8, 2026. The seminar featured valuable presentations by visiting researchers from Italy, as well as by our rector's advisor, Prof. Dr. Zafer Aslan.

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Dr. Güven Özdemir

Asst. Prof. Dr. Güven Özdemir's Statements to Hürriyet on the Super El Niño

Dr. Güven Özdemir made statements to Hürriyet regarding the Super El Niño phenomenon.

Recent data from the Pacific Ocean indicate that the world may be entering a forceful El Niño phase. Scientists are also highlighting the possibility that this event could reach "Super El Niño" levels.

This development raises important questions about how global weather systems may change and how it could shape weather conditions in Türkiye. Dr. Özdemir described it as a "meteorologically significant signal," offering notable insights into its potential regional and global impacts.

The latest climate data published by the Euro-

pean Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts (ECMWF) indicate that the world may be facing one of the strongest El Niño events in recorded history. According to scientists, if this developing El Niño continues to intensify, it could reach "Super El Niño" levels and significantly impact global weather systems.

As reported by The Washington Post, climate scientists warn that such powerful El Niño events may lead to global temperature records, an increase in extreme weather phenomena, and severe drou-



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TÜRKİYE'Yİ NASIL ETKİLEYEBİLİR?

Ülkemizin iklimini belirleyen temel sistemler şunlar:

- Atlantik jet akımı
- Azor yüksek basıncı
- Kuzey Atlantik Salınımı
- Sibirya yüksek basıncı

Güçlü bir Süper El Nino, Türkiye'yi doğrudan değil dolaylı yollarla etkileyebilir. Pasifik Okyanusu'ndaki ısınma, küresel atmosfer dolaşımını değiştirerek bu sistemlerin davranışında bozulmalara neden olabilir.

OLASI ETKİLER

- İlkbahar ve yaz aylarında kuraklık riski artabilir
- Yaz aylarında yüksek sıcaklıklar daha sık görülebilir
- Orman yangını riski artabilir
- Yağış miktarı normalin altında kalabilir
- Etki özellikle Akdeniz ve Ege bölgelerinde daha belirgin olabilir

ghts or flooding in many regions around the world.

What Is El Niño and How Does It Form?

El Niño is a climate phenomenon that occurs when sea surface temperatures in the equatorial region of the tropical Pacific Ocean rise above normal levels. This warming extends beyond local changes, altering atmospheric circulation patterns and influencing weather systems worldwide.

Under normal conditions, trade winds blowing from east to west across the Pacific Ocean push warm surface waters toward the western Pacific, where they accumulate. However, during El Niño events, these winds weaken or even reverse direction. As a result, warm water masses shift eastward, leading to an increase in sea surface temperatures across a large portion of the Pacific Ocean.

New Forecasts Point to a Strong El Niño

Recent model outputs published by the European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts (ECMWF) indicate that temperature anomalies in the Pacific Ocean are increasing rapidly, suggesting the possible development of a strong El Niño event.

Climate scientist Daniel Swain made notable remarks in his assessment, stating, “All signs point toward an increasingly strong, and potentially very strong, El Niño event.”

Scientists report that record-strength westerly winds measured over the Pacific are pushing warm water masses eastward, thereby accelerating the development of El Niño conditions. This process

closely resembles the early stages of major El Niño events observed in the past, such as those in 1997 and 2015, which were characterized by similar patterns of warm water displacement and atmospheric changes.

“A Meteorologically Significant Signal”

When I consulted Istanbul Aydın University faculty member and meteorology expert Dr. Güven Özdemir regarding this situation, he stated that “El Niño is a meteorologically significant signal” and added:

“Currently, the global picture shows that La Niña is weakening in the Pacific. Some climate models have also begun to indicate a strong El Niño signal. The key indicator of this system is the Niño 3.4 index. This index is a climate indicator that measures how much sea surface temperature in a specific region of the central tropical Pacific Ocean deviates from normal conditions. It is particularly used to monitor El Niño events.”

Global temperatures may reach unprecedented levels.

One of the most striking impacts of strong El Niño events is the rapid rise in global temperatures. Historical records indicate that many of the warmest years coincide with periods of intense El Niño activity.

Climate scientist Zeke Hausfather, speaking to The Washington Post, highlighted the potential impact of the developing El Niño on global tempera-

EL NİNO NEDİR VE NASIL OLUŞUR?

Tropikal Pasifik Okyanusu'nun ekvatorial kesiminde, deniz yüzeyi sıcaklıklarının normalin üzerine çıkmasıyla ortaya çıkan bir iklim olayı. Bu ısınma yalnızca bölgesel bir değişimle sınırlı kalmaz; atmosfer dolaşımını değiştirerek dünyanın farklı bölgelerindeki hava modellerini etkileyebilir.



DÜNYANIN FARKLI BÖLGELERİNDE AŞIRI HAVA OLAYLARI ARTABİLİR

Bilim insanlarına göre olası etkiler arasında şunlar bulunuyor:

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 Sıcak hava dalgalarının daha sık görülmesi	 Tropikal fırtınaların dağılımında değişiklik

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tures, stating:

“El Niño is coming. This will raise our global temperature forecast for 2026. However, it is still not certain that it will surpass 2024 as the warmest year on record. On the other hand, the likelihood that 2027 will become the warmest year on record has increased significantly.”

Scientists note that during El Niño events, heat accumulated in the tropical Pacific is transferred into the atmosphere and redistributed across different regions of the world through global atmospheric circulation. Consequently, the effects of El Niño on global temperatures tend to be more pronounced approximately one year after the event peaks.

Dr. Güven Özdemir also drew attention to temperature records, stating:

“A Super El Niño can alter global atmospheric circulation. It can shift jet streams, and most importantly, trigger global temperature records. One of the largest warm anomalies in history occurred during the Super El Niño of 1997–1998. In terms of temperature anomalies, it covered a massive area.”

Climate Change May Intensify The Impacts Even Further.

According to experts, current El Niño events have the potential to produce stronger impacts compared to similar events in the past. One of the main reasons for these changes is the increasing accumulation of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere. Meteorologist Eric Webb, who works at the U.S. The Department of Defense explains this situation

as follows:

“Due to the increasing concentration of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere, the climate system is no longer able to dissipate the heat released during a major El Niño as quickly as it used to. As a result, each new strong El Niño pushes the global temperature baseline slightly higher.”

For this reason, it is suggested that a possible Super El Niño in the 2026–2027 period could release even more heat than the strong events observed in 1982–83, 1997–98, and 2015–16.

Extreme Weather Events May Increase Across Different Regions of the World

El Niño's effects can extend across a vast geographical area globally. The same source of warming can lead to entirely different outcomes in different regions.

According to scientists, the possible impacts include the following:

- * Increased risk of drought
- * Extreme precipitation and flooding in some regions
- * More frequent heatwaves
- * Changes in the distribution of tropical storms
- * Reduction in sea ice

Regions that may face an increased risk of drought include:

- * Africa's some regions
- * India
- * Indonesia
- * Australia



* The Caribbean

According to experts, long-term precipitation forecasts tend to be more reliable in tropical regions, whereas uncertainty is higher elsewhere.

During the 2015–2016 Super El Niño event, drought conditions caused major problems, particularly in the following countries:

- * Ethiopia
- * Somalia
- * Haiti
- * Central American countries
- * Papua New Guinea
- * Vietnam

How Might A Super El Niño Affect Turkey?

Dr. Güven Özdemir noted that the main systems shaping Türkiye's climate include the Atlantic jet stream, the Azores High, the North Atlantic Oscillation, and the Siberian High. He stated:

“El Niño affects Türkiye indirectly. The Mediterranean basin primarily reflects typical El Niño patterns for our country. However, a Super El Niño may also negatively influence the major systems that determine Türkiye's climate.”

He also shared possible impacts:

“In spring and summer, the risk of drought may increase, precipitation levels may fall below normal, higher temperatures may be observed more frequently during summer months, and the risk of forest fires may rise. These effects may be particularly more pronounced in the Mediterranean and Aegean regions.”

How Reliable Are The Forecasts?

Although scientists agree that the probability of a strong El Niño is increasing, they emphasize that it is still too early for definitive conclusions. The U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) states that the likelihood of El Niño development is high, but model outputs differ regarding its potential strength.

Michelle L'Heureux, lead scientist for El Niño–Southern Oscillation forecasting at NOAA, noted that forecasts are based on multiple models:

“When we examine many different models, we see probabilities ranging widely from a weak La Niña to a strong El Niño.”

NOAA's North American Multi-Model Ensemble system, similar to ECMWF, also indicates an increased probability of a strong El Niño this year.

Experts further emphasize that El Niño predictions are often more uncertain during spring, a phenomenon known in meteorology as the “spring predictability barrier.” Historically, some years saw strong El Niño forecasts that did not fully materialize, such as 2014, when a predicted strong event did not develop. Therefore, scientists stress that current forecasts should be monitored carefully.

This report draws on the Washington Post article titled “Will there be a super El Niño later this year? Here's what that would mean..”

Source: hurriyet.com.tr / 12.03.2026 / İsmail SARI



The Banking And Insurance Program Organized An In-Class Talk

In the talk organized for students of the Banking Vocational School, Mr. Hasan Gürkan, an experienced professional in the sector who has also served as a branch manager in several public banks, met with the students. During the event, the present and future of the banking sector were discussed, and important insights were shared to support students' professional development.

Speaking at the session, the bank manager emphasized that banking is not a profession limited only to numbers but is also built on human relations, trust, and ethical values. He noted that, especially in today's rapidly digitalizing world, the role of technology in the banking sector is steadily increasing and underlined that students should continue to develop themselves in this area. Speaking at the session, the bank manager emphasized that banking is not a profession limited only to numbers but is also built on human relations, trust, and ethical values. He noted

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should continue to develop themselves in this area. He also offered advice on career planning, emphasizing the importance of internships and field experience. He stated that students who become familiar with the industry at an early stage gain a significant advantage in the job market after graduation. He further noted that strong communication skills, a collaborative mindset, and a continuous willingness to learn are among the key factors that lead to success in the banking profession.

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The session was attended by the head of the Banking and Insurance Program, Asst. Prof. Dr. Nurhan Talebi and Korkmaz Keskendir, an instructor in the Banking and Insurance Program.





The article by Korkmaz Keskendir, was published on April 26, 2026, in En Son Haber

Ahead of the high-stakes exam conducted under the Liselere Geçiş Sistemi, experts have delivered a clear message to students: “Manage your anxiety to enhance your performance.” Emphasizing the importance of maintaining psychological balance throughout the examination process, specialists share valuable, practical recommendations that support academic success.

According to the updated schedule announced by the Milli Eğitim Bakanlığı (MEB), the Liselere Geçiş Sistemi (LGS) will be held on Saturday, June 13, 2026.

Applications for the exam have been completed.

Covering the eighth-grade curriculum, the test will consist of two sessions, verbal and quantitative, and will feature skill-based questions designed to assess logical reasoning and analytical thinking.

As the Liselere Geçiş Sistemi approaches, Korkmaz Keskendir, an instructor at Istanbul Aydın University, has offered important insights to students, providing both encouragement and practical guidance throughout the examination process.

“The Exam Is Only a Phase”

Korkmaz Keskendir emphasized that the exam is merely one stage in a student’s academic journey and outlined key considerations to help students navigate the process in a healthier and more balanced way.

“Exams Are Not Life Itself, but Only a Part of It.”

Korkmaz Keskendir emphasized that students should maintain a balanced perspective regarding the meaning they attribute to examinations, stating: “Exams are a natural part of the educational journey; they do not represent life in its entirety. Reducing anxiety levels is a key factor in achieving success.”

“Approach Questions with the Right Strategy”

Korkmaz Keskendir stated that in the Liselere Geçiş Sistemi structure, there are 20 questions each in Turkish, mathematics, and science, and 10 questions each in social studies, religious culture, and English. However, he emphasized that success is not solely about knowing the content but about approaching questions with the right strategy and method.

Time Management and Mock Exams Are Crucial

Korkmaz Keskendir emphasized that time management is one of the fundamental keys to success in the Liselere Geçiş Sistemi. He advised students to solve previous LGS exams under real-time conditions, carefully timing themselves throughout the process.

He further stated: “Mock exams designed to simulate the real exam environment will both reduce exam-related stress and help students develop effective time-management skills.” In this context, he highlighted the importance of consistent and regular practice through mock testing.

Stop Studying a Few Days Before the Exam.



Emphasizing the importance of mental rest before the exam, Korkmaz Keskendir advised students to stop studying one or two days before the Lisele-re Geçiş Sistemi and instead focus on relaxation. He stated: “Stepping away from the exam agenda during this period will ensure greater mental clarity during the exam itself.”

Exam Day Strategy: Start with the Questions You Know

Korkmaz Keskendir emphasized that during the Lisele-re Geçiş Sistemi, students should begin with the questions they are most confident about. He em-

phasized that spending excessive time on unfamiliar questions can lead to unnecessary delays and disrupt overall performance.

He also recommended that every question should be read at least once, ensuring careful attention and reducing the risk of misinterpretation.

“No Interim Evaluation Should Be Made”

Instructor Korkmaz Keskendir stated that students should avoid discussing the exam between the first and second sessions of the Lisele-re Geçiş Sistemi. He noted that such post-session evaluations may negatively affect students’ morale and concentration.



The article by Korkmaz Keskendir, was published on April 5, 2026, in En Son Haber.

Search for Direction in Financial Markets: Gold, Silver, and Changing Investor Behavior instructor Korkmaz Keskendir, Instructor at Istanbul Aydın University, stated in his comments to En Son Haber that volatility in global financial markets is reshaping investors’ preferences. He emphasized that this environment is increasingly encouraging a shift toward long-term investment strategies, with trust emerging as a central determinant in financial decision-making. Recent volatility in global financial markets is reshaping perceptions of investment instruments. Instructor Korkmaz Keskendir, in the Banking and Insurance Program at Istanbul Aydın University, stated that fluctuations in gold prices, in particular, have a direct

impact on investor behavior and decision-making patterns.

“Gold Has Not Lost Its Safe-Haven Status”

Korkmaz Keskendir stated that short-term downward movements in gold prices should not be misinterpreted. He emphasized that occasional declines in gold do not mean it has lost its traditional role as a safe-haven asset. He further explained that such movements should instead be evaluated in the broader context of global interest rate policies and liquidity conditions.

Rising Interest in Silver Korkmaz Keskendir noted that silver has increasingly come to the forefront as an alternative to gold. He stated that the growing demand is reshaping investor expectations and portfolio

preferences in precious metals markets. However, he also underlined that silver is a considerably more volatile investment instrument compared to gold and therefore requires a higher level of risk awareness from investors.

Interest in the Stock Market and the Emphasis on Technology Korkmaz Keskendir also evaluated the rising interest in equity markets, noting that the strong demand for initial public offerings (IPOs) signals a shift in investor profiles. He further stated that the growing attention directed toward technology companies indicates that future market competition will increasingly be shaped within the technology sector, particularly as investors seek innovative solutions and advancements in areas such as artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, and renewable energy.

Advice on Long-Term Investment Korkmaz Keskendir emphasized the importance of a long-term perspective in investment decisions, stating that investors should

act based on financial literacy and seek professional guidance when necessary. He further highlighted that, for economic sustainability, strengthening trust in the financial system, integrating informal savings into the economy, and guiding investors toward appropriate financial instruments are all critical priorities.

Key Steps for Economic Sustainability: Korkmaz Keskendir outlined several important measures for enhancing economic sustainability: The evaluation of physical gold and silver through reliable and regulated channels. Reducing the information gap between banks and investors. Strengthening trust in the financial system. Developing incentives to bring informal household savings into the formal economy is essential for enhancing financial inclusion and ensuring that these savings can be utilized for investment and economic growth. Supporting investors who contribute new capital to the system.

Source: En Son Haber News Center En Son Haber



“Parenting in the Digital Age Workshop” Held in Collaboration with AKEV

The “Parenting in the Digital Age Workshop,” organized in collaboration with AKEV, addressed children’s use of digital media, the challenges faced by families, and protective digital

parenting approaches from a multidimensional perspective. As part of the workshop, Instructor Tuğba Eryiğit took part at Table 5 with a session titled “Digital Parenting and Awareness.”



“Discover Through Science, Learn Through Play Festival”

The “Discover Through Science, Learn Through Play Festival,” organized by the ABMYO Child Development Program on Monday, April 20, 2026, was held with the participation of 4-year-old children from Küçükçekmece Municipality Kindergarten. The event was designed in line with the “Quality Education” goal, one of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, with the aim of supporting children’s learning processes.

The festival included a wide range of scientific activities, engaging science experiments, and educational material applications. Children had the opportunity to learn by doing and experiencing, while also gaining experiences that fostered their scientific curiosity.

The event also featured the “Sustainable Workshop Activities” conducted over the course of a semester with first-year students of the ABMYO Child Development Program. Within this scope, students developed creative products using waste materials. At the end of the process, musical instruments made from recycled materials were exhibited at the festival.

One of the highlights of the program was the visit to the IAÜ Observatory. Children had the opportunity to observe the sun through a telescope and enjoyed an unforgettable experience.

The “Discover Through Science, Learn Through Play Festival” contributed to fostering scientific awareness in early childhood while also providing university students with a practical and educational experience.



Family Education Programs – The Art Of Fatherhood

The talk titled “The Art of Fatherhood,” organized within the scope of family education programs at Şehit İbrahim Yılmaz Kindergarten, was delivered by the author Tamer Levent. The event was attended together with our students, under the guidance of our sector advisor.

During the talk, the role of fatherhood in child development, the importance of family communication, and fathers’ contributions to children’s emotional, social, and cognitive development were discussed. Tamer Levent’s insights and reflections highlighted that fatherhood is not merely a biological role but a multifaceted process that requires love, responsibility, guidance, and awareness.



Traditional Spring Children’s Festival Held with Great Enthusiasm

The Traditional Spring Children’s Festival, organized through the collaboration of Istanbul Aydın University ABMYO Child Development Program, the Faculty of Sports Sciences, and Istanbul Bil Schools, was held on April 8, 2026, at the T Block Sports Hall.

Implemented with the motto, “We learn through fun, we develop through movement,” the event brought children together with a full day of sports, entertainment, and play-based activities.



Students Participated in First Aid Training

A large number of our students participated in the first aid training titled “Trust Knowledge, Not Chance,” held on April 8, 2026, in collaboration with the Foreign Trade and Logistics Club and the First Aid Club. Club Advisor and Head of the Foreign Trade Program, Dr. Özlem Şenel, along with Vice Head of the Foreign Trade Program, Dr. Serap Elüstü, also attended the training.

Organized to emphasize the vital importance of accurate and informed intervention in emergencies, the training was delivered by Instructor Tuğçe Bilge Yıldırım, who serves in the First and Emergency Aid Program of the Vocational School of Health Services. She provided detailed ins-

tructions on first aid practices for infants, children, and adults.

The training covered topics such as basic life support, intervention in airway obstructions, consciousness assessment, and the Heimlich maneuver, which is a technique used to treat choking by applying pressure to the abdomen. An interactive learning process was ensured through hands-on applications using mannequins. The training attracted strong interest from students and proved highly productive, raising awareness about first aid and contributing to the development of correct intervention skills in potential emergencies.



Customs Regimes Through Case Analyses: A Journey from Theory to Practice – Seminar

The seminar titled “Customs Regimes Through Case Analyses: A Journey from Theory to Practice” was organized by our Foreign Trade and Logistics Club on April 22, 2026. The event featured Baybora Kök, CEO of Batı Exim Foreign Trade Consultancy, as the guest speaker. Drawing on case analyses, he addressed customs regimes and shared his sectoral knowledge and professional experience with the students. The seminar concluded with an interac-

tive Q&A session, where the students received answers to their questions.

Students from the Foreign Trade (Turkish), Foreign Trade (English), and Air Logistics programs attended the seminar. The event was also attended by Dr. Özlem Şenel, Club Advisor and Head of the Foreign Trade Program; Instructor Atila Er, Assistant Club Advisor for the Foreign Trade (English) Program; and Dr. Serap Elüstü, Vice Head of the Foreign Trade Program.



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Makalenin Adı: **Exploring the Intersection
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Consumer Behavior: A Thematic Analysis
of Expert Perspectives on Green
Economy and Food Security**

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International Publication by Instructor Ayten Nahide Korkmaz – 1 (In Collaboration with International Partners)

The Scopus- and WoS-indexed Q1 article titled “Exploring the Intersection of Climate Change, Sustainability, and Consumer Behavior: A Thematic Analysis of Expert Perspectives on Green Economy and Food Security,” authored by Instructor Ayten Nahide Korkmaz from

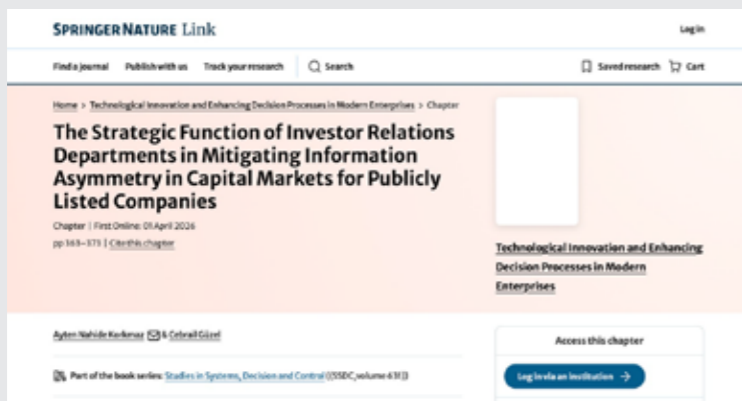
This study examines the complex interconnections between climate change, sustainability, consumer behavior, and food security through a comprehensive thematic analysis of expert perspectives.

Based on interviews with experts in green finance, environmental policy, and sustainability consultancy, the research identifies key thematic areas such as the transition to a green economy, the role of consumer behavior in promoting sustainability, and the significant threats posed by climate change to global food security.

the Foreign Trade (English) Program, was published on April 1, 2026. It was a great honor to contribute to this study alongside esteemed academics from both national and international platforms. We hope it will provide meaningful contributions to the academic field.

The findings suggest systemic changes in economic incentives and policy frameworks to support green innovations and sustainability practices. Consumer demand is emphasized as a key driver in shaping market dynamics, while sustainable agricultural policies are considered essential for mitigating the impacts of climate change on food systems.

The study concludes that addressing climate change requires an integrated approach that combines technological innovation, policy reform, and shifts in consumer behavior.




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International Publication By Instructor Ayten Nahide Korkmaz

The Scopus (Q2)-indexed study authored by Instructor Ayten Nahide Korkmaz from the Foreign Trade (English) Program is hoped to contribute meaningfully to academia and internationalization efforts. Investor relations professionals employ various approaches in technology adoption, communication, and the dissemination of accurate informa-

tion. A qualitative research design was employed, based on interviews conducted with ten investor relations specialists from publicly listed companies. The findings of these professionals' perceptions reveal ongoing challenges such as trust issues, lack of open dialogue, technological integration gaps, and structural communication deficiencies.



Teaching Activity By Instructor Ayten Nahide Korkmaz

Instructor Ayten Nahide Korkmaz delivered a training session titled “Bioeconomy and the Environment” on April 16, 2026.



International Meeting By Instructor Ayten Nahide Korkmaz

An online international meeting was held on Friday, April 24, 2026, with the participation of Prof. Dr. Necati Sözüöz from Felician University (USA) and under the coordination of Prof. Dr. Zafer Aslan, with the involvement of faculty members from the Department of Computer Engineering. The meeting focused on the double-degree joint diploma program. We hope this initiative will contribute to the internationalization of our institution.



Webinar On “A Perspective On Sustainability And Bioeconomy”

Instructor Ayten Nahide Korkmaz hosted a webinar titled “A Perspective on Sustainability and Bioeconomy” on April 27, 2026. The event featured Prof. Dr. Zuhal Karakayacı (agricultural economist) as a guest speaker.



Instructor Fatemeh Khosravi Purian Invited to TÜBİTAK Webinar

Within the scope of international academic collaborations, Instructor Fatemeh Khosravi Purian was invited to the webinar titled “Your Path to Open Access Publishing,” organized in collaboration between TÜBİTAK (ULAKBİM) and Springer Nature.

At the end of the event held on April 2, 2026, a certificate of participation was presented to her. This webinar was organized with the aim of promoting open access publishing and enhancing the quality of academic research.



Electronic Technology Program Students Met the Industry at ELES Expo 2026

Anadolu BİL Vocational School’s Electronic Technology Program continues to bring its students together with sectoral events. Within this scope, faculty members and students of the program organized a technical visit to ELES Expo 2026, held at the Istanbul Expo Center on April 24, 2026.

The exhibition, which showcased the most innovative products in the fields of electrical and electronic systems, lighting, automation, smart technologies, and energy systems, provided students with the opportunity to reinforce the theoretical knowledge gained in class through

real-world applications. Throughout the visit, students observed the functioning of automation systems, next-generation energy solutions, and smart device technologies on site, gaining insight into current industry trends.

Such activities, organized to support students’ professional development, facilitate communication with industry representatives before graduation and help them gain valuable perspectives on their career paths. During the fair, students also had the opportunity to meet company representatives directly and receive information about internships and industrial practices.



Food Technology Program Students Participated in a Technical Visit Organized by Asst. Prof. Dr. Nuray Can

Within the scope of the courses Special Food Technologies and Ready Meal Technologies taught by Asst. Prof. Dr. Nuray Can, a technical visit was organized to the production facilities of Elit Chocolate and Adile Sultan Home Cooking (TEMAŞ) companies.

During the visit, company representatives provided information on production stages, quality control processes, and R&D activities, while also sharing their professional experience with the students of the Food Technology Program. By observing modern technological infrastructure and industry operations on site, students had the opportunity to reinforce the theoretical knowledge gained in class and examine current developments in the field.



Asst. Prof. Dr. Nuray Can Participated in Career Day and Delivered a Department Introduction Seminar

Asst. Prof. Dr. Nuray Can participated in the Career Day event held at Özel Bağcılar Şafak Vocational and Technical Anatolian High School and delivered a departmental introduction seminar for the Food Technology Program.

The seminar presented the program's curriculum, laboratory facilities, career opportunities, and industry collaborations. The event concluded with an engaging Q&A session, during which prospective students' questions regarding university life were also addressed.

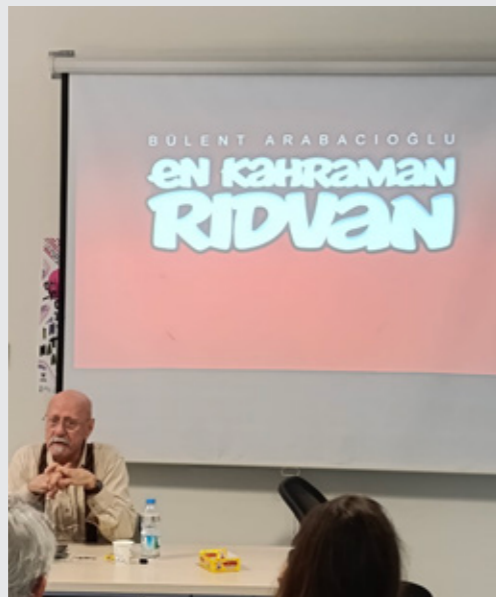


Food Technology Program Students Participated in the “Stages of Entrepreneurship” Event Accompanied by Asst. Prof. Dr. Nuray Can

Second-year students from the Food Technology Program participated in the event titled “Stages of Entrepreneurship,” accompanied by Dr. Nuray Can.

The event was organized in collaboration with the Istanbul Aydın University Science Communication Office, TEKMER, and TTPYO. During the session, Deniz Keskin, General Manager of TEPE Prefabrik Inc., shared key stages of the entrepreneurial journey.

Students taking the Entrepreneurship course listened to inspiring experiences and gained valuable insights throughout the event, which included practical advice on overcoming challenges and strategies for successful business development.



Part-Time Instructor Bülent F. Arabacıoğlu Invited to Event Organized by Yaşar University

As part of the “International Animation Week,” held for the first time this year by the Animation Department of the Faculty of Art and Design at Yaşar University, he met with students in İzmir on April 10, 2026. During the event, he delivered a presentation featuring highlights from his artistic career spanning over fifty years, covering areas such as caricature, comics, animation, graphic design, and illustration.





Part-Time Instructor Bülent F. Arabacıoğlu Invited to Eskişehir Technical University Event

Bülent F. Arabacıoğlu, who serves as a part-time instructor within ABMYO, was invited to a talk held on April 19, 2026, in Eskişehir as part of the “EESTEC Comic Fest” organized by the Animation Department of Eskişehir Technical University. During the event, he participated in a discussion on the past and present of their art alongside prominent figures in humor and illustration—Ergün Gündüz, Necmi Yalçın, and Mümin Durmaz—sharing his experiences and responding to students’ questions.



Industry Talks: We Hosted Creative Director Mesut Çelik

As part of the industry engagement events organized by the Graphic Design Program of Anadolu BİL Vocational School (ABMYO), we hosted Mesut Çelik, founder and creative director of Sanatkar Advertising Agency.

The workshop titled “Agency Life 101,” held with strong student participation, featured valuable insights into industry dynamics and creative processes. Following this productive session, our Program Chair, Instructor Nihat Kemankaşlı, presented a plaque to Mesut Çelik on behalf of our university in appreciation of his contributions.

We continue to bring future designers together with industry professionals.





Industry Engagement: Technical Visit by Graphic Design Program Students to Cem Offset Matbaacılık Sanayi Inc.

Students of the Graphic Design Program at Istanbul Aydın University Anadolu BİL Vocational School organized a technical visit to Cem Ofset Matbaacılık Sanayi Inc. on Wednesday, April 15, 2026, between 14:00 and 16:30, under the supervision of Instructor Tuğba Başak Şahin. The visit was conducted within the scope of the Printing Terminology course, with the aim of integrating theoretical knowledge with industry practice. Notably, the company also serves as the program's official sector representative.

Cem Ofset Matbaacılık Sanayi Inc. represents more than a production facility for students; it functions as a strong bridge between academia and industry, providing a valuable collaboration platform where current professional practices can be directly observed. In this respect, the technical visit offered a high-quality learning experience that contributed significantly to students' professional development.

During the visit, students had the opportunity to observe all stages of the production line, from pre-press preparation processes to the final product. Industry experts demonstrated the step-by-step transformation of a completed design into a finished printed product. Students examined the production flow directly

through offset printing machines, reinforcing their theoretical knowledge with real-world applications.

The program also covered topics such as color management, plate preparation, print control processes, and post-press operations in detail, with professional production practices demonstrated in an applied manner.

One of the most notable parts of the visit was Cem Ofset's special exhibition area, reflecting its 47-year production history. In this section, students examined brand packaging designs from different periods, gaining insight into the historical development of graphic design and its transformation alongside industrial production. This experience highlighted that design is not merely an aesthetic process but also a multidimensional field carrying cultural and industrial memory.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Human Resources Manager Filiz Palazoğlu for sharing her knowledge and experience, to İsmet Bal for demonstrating pre-press processes, to Yunus Altun for explaining post-press production stages in detail, and to Vice Chairman of the Board Emre Duran and Chairman of the Board Ali Cem Duran for their valuable contributions.



The Air Logistics Program participated in three events in April 2026: a panel, a webinar, and a fair

Instructor İdil Şahin, Head of the Air Logistics Program, participated in the event titled “Artificial Intelligence in the Logistics Sector: Opportunities and Risks,” held on April 15, 2026, in collaboration with the Istanbul

Bar Association Logistics and Transportation Law Commission and LODER. The event was a comprehensive panel that examined developments in the logistics sector from a legal perspective.



The Head of the Air Logistics Program, Lecturer İdil ŞAHİN, participated in the Artificial Intelligence-Based Decision Making in Supply Chains Webinar on April 29, 2026.

In this webinar, the growing role of AI-supported decision-making mechanisms in supply chain management was discussed, and insights on new approaches and current perspectives were shared.

Organized in partnership with SCP Club, LODER, and Slimstock, the event also provided a platform to collectively evaluate the potential impacts of artificial intelligence on supply chain processes.



Together with the students of the Air Logistics Program, participation was also made in the International Aviation Training Fair held at Atatürk Airport on April 18–19, 2026.

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From Foundation to Permit: The Journey of a Building

The event titled “From Foundation to Permit: The Journey of a Building,” organized by the Construction Technology Department of Istanbul Aydın University ABMYO, was held on April 16, 2026, in the D Block Blue Hall with strong student participation. Addressing the key stages of the construction sector, the event brought together academic knowledge and field experience, offering participants a comprehensive perspective.

As part of the event, speakers Bayram Haydaroğlu and Figen Tunoğlu examined the entire process of a building’s development, from foundation to the permitting stage. Beginning with the project design phase, critical stages such as design, implementation, regulations, and licensing were presented in detail, supported by concrete examples and real field experiences. The program not only imparted technical knowledge to participants but also helped them develop valuable insights into potential challenges in the sector and practical solutions.

Throughout the program, students had the opportunity to direct their questions to experts. The interactive sessions reinforced how theoretical knowledge translates into practice through concrete examples. In this respect, the event served as an important platform for enhancing professional awareness and supporting students’ career planning.

The event, which provided valuable guidance for students interested in the construction sector, received outstanding appreciation from participants. Istanbul Aydın University continues to bring students together with experienced professionals from the industry and to organize activities that support their professional development.



Our Industry Representative, Mr. Mehmet Kestane, met with Our Students

As part of our Human Resources Management (HRM) Program's Performance Management System course, Mehmet Kestane, Human Resources and Organizational Development Manager at Arena Computer Inc.,

met with our students and shared insights into the implementation of the widely recognized "OKR methodology" within their organization, an approach that has recently received considerable attention in the business world.



External Stakeholder Meeting Held

An external stakeholder meeting of the Human Resources Management Program was held on April 27, 2026, with the participation of Assistant Professor Dr. Güven Özdemir, Vice Director of ABMYO, Assistant Professor Dr. Ercan Öge, Head of the Human Resources Management Program, Instructor Kaan Can Uyanık, Vice Head of the Human Resources Management Program, Mr. Mehmet Kestane, Industry Representative of the HRM Program

and Human Resources & Organizational Development Manager at Arena Computer Inc. The meeting focused on a comprehensive review of the outcomes and implementation status of the decisions made in the previous session. In addition, strategic issues and key academic and operational agenda items for the upcoming period were discussed in depth, with the aim of further strengthening program-industry collaboration and enhancing program quality.



The alumni talk titled "If I Had My Current Mind" was held

The "If I Had My Current Mind" alumni talk was held on April 21, 2026, with the participation of graduates from the Human Resources Management Program.

This session provided current students with a valuable experience, helping them become more realistic, more conscious, and more motivated in their career journeys.



A Breathing Break on Campus: Mind and Body Met Yoga

A Pause for Breath on Campus: Mind and Body United Through Yoga. The Governance Club of Istanbul Aydın University organized a meaningful event that invited ABMYO students to step away from the rush of daily life and embark on an inner journey.

Under the guidance of yoga instructor Ms. Ezgi Gölemenli, the two-session program emphasized the power of breathing, the flexibility of the body, and the calmness of the mind. Students experienced not only a physical practice but also a special moment in which they discovered the peace of being present in the moment and achieving inner balance. In an atmosphere where

stress was replaced by tranquility with every breath and mental noise gradually faded away, participants enjoyed the true essence of yoga.

Guided by instructor Ezgi Gölemenli, the yoga sessions offered students a gentle exploration of their physical limits, helping them gain a renewed perspective. We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to Instructor Nesli Kahraman Gedik, who led the organization of this awareness-focused event, to yoga instructor Ezgi Gölemenli, and to the Governance Club, which added energy and vibrancy to the campus.

“Every step taken on the mat is a new window opening in the mind.”

Court Office Services Program



Inter-Class “F Keyboard Competition” Held

Istanbul Aydın University successfully held the Inter-class “F Keyboard Competition” in classroom D2315, attracting broad participation on April 8, 2026. In the event, students demonstrated their ten-finger keyboard typing skills. Particularly notable was the strong participation and high performance of students from the Court Office Services Program, who are expected to develop proficiency

in this area as part of their curriculum. Organized under the theme “Show Your Keyboard Speed!”, the competition challenged participants to achieve the highest number of error-free words within a given time limit. Students of the Court Office Services Program, who will serve as judicial staff and court clerks in the future, had the opportunity to test and strengthen their professional practical skills.



Visit Of Textile Company Owners To The Department

The Fashion Design Department of Istanbul Aydın University hosted industry representatives. Savaş Çelik, consultant at Tailor-Made, and Mr. Mehmet, the company owner, visited the department on April 2, 2026. During the visit, Instructor Nihal Bolkol, Head of the Fashion Design Program, and Assistant Professor Dr. Emine Eryazıcı provided information about the department's academic structure and educational facilities, contributing to the program's presentation. The program's hands-on training opportunities and its collaborations with the industry also informed the guests.



Visit To Sadberk Hanım Museum

Within the scope of the Fashion Design Program at Istanbul Aydın University, a museum visit was organized to contribute to students' academic and professional development.

As part of the courses AI-Assisted Fashion Design, Vocational English II, and Costume History, second-year fashion design students participated in a visit to the Sadberk Hanım Museum on Thursday, April 9, 2026, between 11:00 and 17:00.

During the visit, students had the opportunity to examine historical costumes and archaeological collections in person. The activity was observed to reinforce course content and provide inspiration for students' design processes.



Industry Meetings II: Home Textile Talk On The Agenda

Within the scope of the Industry Meetings II event series organized by the Fashion Design Department of Istanbul Aydın University, the talk titled “Home Textile in Focus” was held on April 17, 2026, with strong participation.

The event addressed current developments and future projections in the home textile sector. The speakers included Mehmet Yasubuğa, Chairman of the Board of Süper Holding and Board Member of İTHİB, and Murat Şahinler, Chairman of the Board of TETSİAD and Board Member of İTHİB. The session was moderated by Dr. Necla Yılmaz.

Students had the opportunity to gain valuable knowledge about sector dynamics, production processes, export potential, and the role of design in home textiles. The event also included an interactive Q&A session, where we addressed students’ questions.

Providing direct engagement with industry representatives, the event was both highly productive and inspiring for fashion design students.



Visit To The Governor Of Istanbul

Fusun Terzioğlu and Instructor Nihal Bolkol, Head of the Fashion Design Program at Istanbul Aydın University, paid a visit to the Governor of Istanbul, Davut Gül, at his office on May 21, 2026.

During the visit, they shared sustainability, zero-waste initiatives, and social responsibility projects. In addition, the “Princes’ Islands” themed graduation project prepared by Fashion Design Program students was presented to Governor Gül.



Basic Art Education: Original Print Design

Within the scope of the courses conducted by Instructor Hüsnü Erhan Şanal, linocut prints and fundamental artworks produced by Fashion Design Program students received outstanding appreciation at the exhibition.

As part of the exhibition program, a Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Instructor Şanal by Prof. Dr. Nalan Büker, Dean of the Faculty of Fine Arts.



From Tradition To Today: Tepme Felt Workshop

The “From Tradition to Today: Tepme Felt Workshop,” which brings traditional handicrafts together with contemporary design approaches, was successfully conducted under the supervision of instructor Muhsine Gülgün Tekin, a faculty member at Istanbul Aydın University.

The workshop was held at Istinye University’s Vadi Istanbul Campus with the participation of students from the Textile and Fashion Design Department of the Faculty of Fine Arts. Participants had the opportunity to practice the traditional “tepme felt” technique hands-on while also observing how traditional production methods can be integrated into contemporary design processes.

The event was further enriched by the participation of Prof. Dr. Dilek Alpan and Prof. Dr. Zeki Alpan, creating a productive environment that supported interdisciplinary interaction.

Organized upon a special invitation and collaboration proposal addressed to Istanbul Aydın University, the workshop served as an important indicator of the university’s strong academic expertise in art and design, as well as its status as a preferred institution.

Such events, which are crucial for preserving traditional arts and bringing them together with new-generation designers, are expected to continue and expand in the future.





Department Visit On Gerber Software And Information Technologies

Nesrin Türe and Masallah Güneş from Glengo Lectra Technology visited the information technologies unit of the fashion design program.

A meeting was held with Instructor Nihal

Bolkol, Head of the Fashion Design Program, and Instructor Esra Kaya. Following the meeting, a tour of the department classrooms was conducted as part of the program introduction.



Faculty Members of the Aircraft Technology Program Participated in the IFTE Aviation Education Fair

Within the scope of the IFTE Aviation Education Fair held on April 17–19, 2026, Assistant Professor Dr. Osman Nuri Sunar, Head of the Department of Transportation Technologies; Assistant Professor Dr. Zafer Ümit Kolukısa, Head of the Aircraft Technology Program; and Instructor Metin Çetin from the Aircraft Technology Program participated in a series of meetings with industry representatives.

During the fair, discussions were held with Turkish Airlines, Turkish Aerospace Industries (TAI), Gendarmerie Aviation Command, UTEK, Nişantaşı University, Kapadokya University, INOVATECH, SunExpress, and AFA regarding student internship opportunities, developments in the aviation sector, and potential collaborations in education.

The meetings contributed to strengthening mutual cooperation between academia and industry in the field of aviation technologies.

