Mersin University's Sustainability and Environmental Events

Mersin University is dedicated to fostering a sustainable future through its proactive role as a green campus. The university continually prioritizes environmental education and sustainability initiatives, recognizing their critical importance in shaping responsible global citizens. This commitment is evident in the various events and programs aimed at promoting ecological awareness, social responsibility, and institutional resilience. The following list highlights key activities that exemplify the university's dedication to sustainability and community engagement.

List of Events Related to Environment and Sustainability Organized by Mersin University





Gender Equality and Violence Awareness Training

In collaboration with Mersin University, as part of the 2023 In-Service Training Plan, an Awareness Training on Gender Equality, Violence Awareness, EBRD Environmental and Social Management Plans, and Environmental and Social Action Plans was conducted for the bus drivers of the Transportation Department on Monday, March 20, 2023, at the Grand Hall of the Congress Center. The training was delivered by Prof. Dr. Aslıhan Doğan Topçu, and a total of 134 personnel attended the session.





Effective Communication in the Workplace Training

In collaboration with Mersin University, as part of the 2023 In-Service Training Plan, a Training on Effective Communication and Communication Skills in the Workplace from a TCE Perspective was held on Thursday, March 23, 2023, at the Grand Hall of the Congress Center. The training was delivered by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Recep Ünal, and 102 personnel participated in the session.

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Training on Coping Strategies and Social Management Plans

In collaboration with Mersin University, as part of the 2023 In-Service Training Plan, a training session was organized for personnel who are in direct communication with the public. On Monday, March 28, 2023, at the Grand Hall of the Congress Center, the training covered topics related to "Coping Strategies for Incidents such as Reactions Towards Refugees or Conflicts/Arguments, Violence, and Harassment Arising from Gender-Based Issues," as well as raising awareness on EBRD Environmental and Social Management Plans and

Environmental and Social Issues Action Plan. The training was delivered by Lecturer Deniz Müzeyyen Türkmenoğlu, with 165 personnel in attendance.

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Disaster Risk Reduction Seminar

On February 6, 2023, the earthquake disaster that occurred in our country highlighted the critical importance of the Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction Plan, and it became evident that secondary disasters caused by earthquakes can also occur. In line with this, a technical training and seminar were organized within the scope of the Monitoring and Evaluation System. The event took place on Tuesday, March 28, 2023, at 13:30 in the Grand Hall of the Congress Center, under the moderation of Prof. Dr. Kıvanç Zorlu Aras, a faculty member of Mersin University's Faculty of Engineering / Department of Applied Geology, and Dr. Kemal Zorlu, Head of Mersin Metropolitan Municipality's Department of Climate Change and Zero Waste. The program was attended by local administrators, relevant institutions, NGOs, and 240 personnel from our municipality. https://www.mersin.bel.tr/uploads/files/2023yilihzmetetmdeerlendrmeraporu43226654-904152.pdf



Leadership and Decision-Making Techniques Training

In collaboration with our Municipality and Mersin University, as part of the 2023 In-Service Training Plan, a Leadership and Decision-Making Techniques Training was organized for Department Heads, Branch Managers, and Supervisors. The training took place on Tuesday, April 11, 2023, in the Grand Hall of the Congress Center and was conducted by Associate Professors Dr. Muhammet Saygın and Dr. Fatma İnce. A total of 151 personnel attended the session.



Coping with Exam Stress Training

In collaboration with our Municipality and Mersin University, a "Coping with Exam Stress" training session was organized for personnel who are parents on May 25, 2023. The session was presented by Dr. Ertuğrul Gödelek from Mersin University and was attended by 51 personnel, along with students from our Municipality's educational centers.

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Flood Risk Management Seminar

As part of the Monitoring and Evaluation System of the Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction Plan (IRAP), actions include "33A5H4E2 organizing a seminar on flood risk management with the participation of academics, local

administrators, and relevant institutions once a year" and "33A5H4E5 conducting technical training sessions aimed at strengthening the institutional capacities of organizations to reduce and prevent floods."In line with these action plans, on May 31, 2023, a training and seminar program was held in Kongre Merkezi Hall-1, with a presentation by Prof. Dr. Zübeyde Hatipoğlu Bağcı from Mersin University. A total of 49 personnel participated in the event.

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Ethics Week Event

As part of Ethics Week, held from May 25-31, an event was organized at the Büyük Saloon of the Congress Center, with the participation of our Mayor, Mr. Vahap Seçer. The event included bureaucrats from the Metropolitan Municipality, department heads, employees of the Metropolitan Municipality, MESKİ personnel, and representatives from Mersin University. During the program's opening, videos on "Ethics" created by MESKİ Ethics Committee Chairman Hakan Yıldız and field personnel were shown. Following this, a training session on "Ethical Behavior and Principles in Public Service" was conducted by Prof. Dr. Taşkıner Ketenci, Dean of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences at Mersin University. A total of 792 personnel attended the event.



Gender Equality in Media Training

As part of the 2023 In-Service Training Plan of our Municipality, and in line with the Local Equality Action Plan, the "Local Equality Action Plan Training Package (Gender Equality in Media and Discourses)" was conducted on June 16, 2023, at Mersin University's Yenişehir Campus Continuous Education and Research Center Training Hall. The training was delivered by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Recep Ünal and targeted personnel from the Press, Publication, and Public Relations Department. A total of 20 personnel participated in the training. https://www.mersin.bel.tr/uploads/files/2023yilihzmetetmdeerlendrmeraporu43226654-904152.pdf



Leadership Training with a Gender Perspective

In collaboration with Mersin University, a "Service Delivery and Leadership Training from the Gender Equality Perspective" was held on June 19, 2023, as part of the 2023 In-Service Training Plan and the Local Equality Action Plan Training Package. The training, conducted by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Muhammet Saygın, took place at the Akdeniz Cultural Center on Mersin University's Çiftlikköy Campus. A total of 113 senior management personnel participated in the training.



Intervention for Children Witnessing Violence Training

As part of the 2023 In-Service Training Plan and the Local Equality Action Plan Training Package, a "Intervention Training for Children Witnessing Violence" was conducted on June 20, 2023, for personnel working in the Shelter and Child Units. The training took place at the Uğur Oral Cultural Center on Mersin University's Çiftlikköy Campus and was delivered by Dr. Ertuğrul Gödelek. A total of 100 personnel participated in the training.

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Awareness Training on Gender Equality and Vulnerable Groups

In collaboration with our municipality, the "Local Equality Action Plan Training Package" was implemented as part of the 2023 In-Service Training Plan. On June 21, 2023, a training session focusing on "Awareness of Gender Equality, Human Rights/Women's Rights, Combating Discrimination, and Awareness of Vulnerable Groups (Disabled, Elderly, LGBTQ+, Refugees)" was conducted at the Uğur Oral Cultural Center on Mersin University's Çiftlikköy Campus. The training was delivered by Dr. Research Assistant Canan Dural Tasouji and Dr. Ertuğrul Gödelek. A total of 157 personnel participated in the training.



Environmental and Social Management Plan Training

In collaboration with our municipality, as part of the 2023 In-Service Training Plan, a training session titled "Awareness Training on EBRD Environmental and Social Management Plans and Action Plans on Environmental and Social Issues" was held on August 8, 2023. This training covered topics such as "Complaint Mechanism, Employee Complaint Procedure, Gender-Based Violence and Harassment Policy, and Reporting Requirements." The training was conducted by Dr. Research Assistant Canan Dural Tasouji at the Uğur Oral Cultural Center on Mersin University's Çiftlikköy Campus. A total of 172 personnel participated in the training.

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Project Cycle Management Training

In collaboration with our municipality, the "Project Cycle Management Training" was conducted from August 16 to 18, 2023, as part of the 2023 In-Service Training Plan. The training took place at the Continuing Education and Research Center at Mersin University's Yenişehir Campus and was led by instructor Serkan Atik. A total of 23 personnel participated in the training.



Mechanical and Traffic Safety Education

In collaboration with our municipality, the "EBRD-Environmental and Social Management Plans and Environmental and Social Issues Action Plan Awareness Training," covering "Mechanical, Fuel-Efficient Driving, and Traffic Safety Education," was conducted on September 8, 2023. The training was held at the Mediterranean Culture Center of Mersin University and was led by Assoc. Prof. Dr. İlker Sugözü. A total of 268 personnel participated in the training.

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Training on Child Labor and Forced Labor Awareness

In collaboration with our municipality, the "EBRD-Environmental and Social Management Plans and Environmental and Social Issues Action Plan Awareness Training," which focused on "Child Labor and Forced Labor, Complaint Mechanisms," was conducted on September 13, 2023. The training took place at the Mediterranean Culture Center of Mersin University and was delivered by Prof. Dr. Hüseyin Mualla Yüceol and Erhan Gülcan. A total of 178 personnel participated in the training.



Flood Management and Institutional Capacity Training

As part of the Monitoring and Evaluation System for the Disaster Risk Reduction Plan (İRAP), our action plans include the periodic organization of a seminar once a year with the participation of academics, local administrators, and relevant institutions regarding the management of risks related to floods and inundations (33-A1-H4-E5), as well as the provision of technical training aimed at strengthening the institutional capacities of organizations to reduce and prevent floods and inundations (33-A1-H4-E8). In this context, a training and seminar program was held on November 23, 2023, in the MESKİ Service Building Meeting Hall, presented by Prof. Dr. Zübeyde Hatipoğlu Bağcı from Mersin University. A total of 86 personnel participated in the event.







Disaster Risk Reduction Plan

Mersin Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction Plan Flood Workshop https://www.mersin.edu.tr/haberler/380604/mersin-il-afet-risk-azaltma-plani-seltaskin-calistayi



On November 8, 2023, Mersin University hosted a special panel in celebration of World Radiology Day. The event was organized by the Faculty of Medicine and Radiology Department to honor the significant contributions of radiology to modern healthcare, especially in early disease detection, diagnostics, and treatment monitoring. During the panel, leading experts from the university and guest speakers discussed recent advancements in imaging technologies, the role of artificial intelligence in radiology, and its growing impact on personalized medicine. The event also featured a session dedicated to radiation safety and best practices, ensuring healthcare professionals and patients benefit from these technologies with minimal risks. World Radiology Day is celebrated annually on November 8 to commemorate the discovery of X-rays by Wilhelm Conrad Roentgen in 1895, which revolutionized medical imaging. Mersin University's event aimed to increase awareness of radiology's pivotal role in healthcare and to inspire future professionals in the field. Mersin Üniversitesi - Duyurular - 8 Kasım Dünya Radyoloji Günü



Felt Art in Yoruk Culture from Central Asia to Anatolia Course November 27 - December 22, 2023

The "Felt Art in Yörük Culture from Central Asia to Anatolia" course was successfully held between November 27 and December 22, 2023. The course highlighted the historical and cultural significance of felt-making within the Yörük culture, tracing its roots back to Central Asia and examining its evolution through to Anatolia. Throughout the course, participants engaged in hands-on workshops, learning traditional techniques of felt-making while also gaining insights into its uses in nomadic life, from clothing and shelter to artistic expressions. The event also emphasized the importance of preserving this cultural heritage for future generations. The course was well-received, attracting a diverse group of attendees interested in cultural arts and anthropology.

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Women's Issues Application and Research Center (MERKAM) "Early Intervention for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities in Turkey" Workshop November 21, 2023

The Women's Issues Application and Research Center (MERKAM) successfully organized the workshop titled "Early Intervention for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities in Turkey" on November 21, 2023. This workshop focused on early diagnosis and intervention strategies for children with disabilities in their formative years. Experts, including child development specialists, therapists, and educators, discussed the latest approaches and challenges in providing early care and support for these children within the context of Turkey's healthcare and education systems. Participants also explored best practices for enhancing early intervention programs and fostering collaboration between families, healthcare professionals, and educational institutions. The workshop emphasized the importance of early intervention to improve long-term outcomes for children with disabilities and promote inclusive practices in society.

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Idea Atlas Patent & Utility Model Information Day -15 December 2023

The Idea Atlas Patent & Utility Model Information Day was successfully held on December 15, 2023. This event aimed to provide participants with in-depth knowledge about patents, utility models, and intellectual property protection strategies. Experts from the field discussed the application processes, legal frameworks, and practical tips for filing patents and utility models. The workshop was designed for entrepreneurs, researchers, and innovators, guiding them on how to safeguard their inventions and innovations effectively. Attendees also had the opportunity to engage with professionals in intellectual property rights, fostering networking and collaboration within the innovation ecosystem.

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Future Technologies, Future Professions Interview December 14, 2023

A conference titled "Future Technologies, Future Professions" was held for students of the Higher Education Institutions and Vocational Schools in Erdemli and Silifke. The event aimed to equip students with insights into emerging technologies and the evolving nature of professions in response to technological advancements. Experts from various sectors shared their knowledge on topics such as artificial intelligence, automation, biotechnology, and digital transformation, highlighting the critical skills needed for future career success. This initiative encouraged students to adapt to rapidly changing technology landscapes, focusing on innovation and career planning to meet the demands of the digital age.

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Logistics and Employment Opportunities in Mersin- December 20, 2023

A conference titled "Logistics and Employment Opportunities in Mersin" was held on 20 December 2023. This event aimed to provide insights into the logistics sector in Mersin, a city known for its strategic location and as one of Turkey's key logistics hubs. Industry experts and professionals discussed the current trends in logistics, the impact of technological advancements, and how the city's port and infrastructure contribute to global trade routes. In addition to these topics, the conference highlighted the employment opportunities that arise from the expanding logistics sector, especially for young graduates and professionals looking to advance their careers. Participants were also informed about the skills required for success in the industry, including supply chain management, digital logistics, and international trade.

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Mersin University Students Meet with Business World Interview- 27 December 2023

On December 27, 2023, Mersin University organized an event titled "Mersin University Students Meet with the Business World Interview." This meeting was designed to bring students together with key figures from the business community, offering a valuable opportunity to learn firsthand about industry expectations, employment opportunities, and career development strategies.

Students from various faculties had the chance to engage directly with professionals, gaining insights into different sectors, including logistics, technology, and entrepreneurship. The event aimed to bridge the gap between academic learning and real-world business practices, helping students prepare for their future careers with practical advice and networking opportunities.

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