



# ANNUAL REPORT 2022

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**Dear Esteemed Members,  
Partners, Colleagues,**

It is my great pleasure to meet you once again, this time through our semiannual activity report.

To ensure that we stay in touch with our esteemed members and partners, we started launching EURAS Annual and Semiannual Reports, which summarize the union's achievements in the past months, starting with the success of EURIE 2022 Summit and the series of EURAS E-Talks and EURAS webinars delivered by valuable professors from different parts of the world. Despite the sudden change in our daily life and the challenges we now face, we remain resolutely focused on our core goals; to promote sustainable peace and advanced technology worldwide through the development of culture and

new educational systems; to open the borders of education to the public and to favor the exchange of knowledge and best practices among higher education institutions from the entire Eurasian region.

I extend my gratitude for your effective and active participation on our previous EURAS Activities, and I hope you enjoyed and benefited from them as much as we did. I also encourage those who did not have the chance to join the previous online activities to register and participate on the upcoming ones.

As always, we aim to provide services and support for all our members and will continue to do so in the following years as well with all your contributions.

**Assoc. Prof. Mustafa AYDIN**  
President

# 2022 overview

## INTRODUCTION



**Dear Members, Partners and Colleagues,**

We are glad to share our Annual Report regarding our activities developments that took place between January 2022 and January 2023.

This report covers activities and major developments the year. The highlight for this period was EURIE 2022 – Eurasia Higher Education Summit that took place in Istanbul on 02- 04 March 2022. This period was also marked by intense activity to develop cooperation within EURAS Members Institutions. A successful EURAS Board Members Meeting was held online in January 2022.

As with many other sectors, higher education sector has been deeply affected by the global pandemic. We aim to increase our online activities, our members' contributions in order to increase the synergy and thus achieving significant results for all the engaged members even during challenging times.

The accomplishments and events we held in the first half of the year can be credited to the dedication and enthusiasm of EURAS Team, EURAS members and partners and Board. We would like to thank our Guest Speakers for their incredible contributions during EURAS Webinars and EURAS E-Talks projects.

As EURAS, we will be delighted to support your activities and promote your institution and we are ready to collaborate and welcome any other proposal.

We would like to invite you to our online events such as EURAS Webinars, EURAS Online Conferences, and of course to our annual conference - EURIE 2023 Summit on 1-3March, 2023.

**Sabina HUSEYNOVA**

General Coordinator  
EURAS & EURIE

# EVENTS

*In this comprehensive annually report for January, 2022- January 2023 we provide information on our association's achievements during the last year.*

## EURIE 2022 - Eurasia Higher Education Summit



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EURIE 2022 annual summit features a virtual exhibition and a physical conference program which was held on 2-4 March 2022 in Istanbul to expand the knowledge, networks and collaboration opportunities for the participants

EURIE highlights the great potential of the Eurasian higher education systems, increases the international reputation and academic collaborations of Eurasian universities. EURIE 2022 proved to be a great success by bringing together more than 1000 international education professionals,

along with 324 participant institutions from 62 countries and 114 exhibitors in the virtual exhibition area, 170 speakers presented in 60 Panels, plenaries, Round-table and Networking sessions over three days of the EURIE 2022.

Thanks to EURAS members and all other attendees from various higher education institutions, private companies and public institutions, we succeeded to have an intensive and colorful EURIE Summit in Istanbul & on 2-4 March 2022

# EURIE 2022 - Eurasia Higher Education Summit



*EURIE 2022 Virtual Conference Platform*



*EURIE 2022 Conference Hall*



**Opening Remarks: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Mustafa Aydın, President of EURAS & EURIE**



**Muharrem Kasapoğlu,  
Minister of Youth and Sports**



**Mustafa Varank,  
Minister of Industry and Technology**



**Dr. Nurettin Nebati,  
Minister of Finance and Treasury**



**Dr. Mehmet Muş,  
Minister of Trade**



*EURIE Foyer Area,*



*Thematic Fashion Show*



*EURAS Dinner from EURIE 2022*




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# FACTS & FIGURES - EURIE 2022 SUMMIT



Virtual & in Istanbul  
**HYBRID**  
March 2-4, 2022

  
3 days of  
**HYBRID Summit**

  
**1000+** Attendees

  
**62**  
Countries  
Represented

  
**22**  
Collaborative  
Partners

  
**12**  
Sponsors

  
**324**  
Participant  
Institutions

  
**114**  
Exhibitors in the  
Virtual Exhibition Area

  
**170** Speakers

  
**60**  
Panels,  
Plenaries,  
Roundtables and  
Networking Sessions

  
**32**  
Award Winning  
Entrepreneurs

  
**34**  
Posters by Innovation  
Based Entrepreneurs

  
**10**  
Jury  
Members

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# EURAS ACTIVITIES

## Official visit to Venezuela

Service Exporters Association (HİB) Committee which is under the presidency of T.R. Minister of Commerce Dr. Mehmet Muş, met with Minister of Culture Ernesto Villegas and authorities of the Ministry of Higher Education. After, a meeting was held with Venezuela President and his delegation..

In the meetings, current data relating to all sectors of service export were obtained and ideas about the initiatives that will take the bilateral relationship much further were exchanged.



*EURAS President met with Venezuela President*

## Meetings With Ministers of Venezuela

EURAS & EURIE President, Services Exporters' Association (HİB) Vice President and Education Services Committee President Assoc. Prof. Mustafa Aydın, within the scope of visiting Venezuela with the committee under the presidency of T.R. Minister of Commerce Dr. Mehmet Muş, a series of meeting with Venezuela Vice President and Minister of Science, Technology, Education and Health Gabriela Jimenez, Minister of Tourism Ali Ernesto Padron Paredes, Minister of Communications Ramon Velasques and Investment Agency Presidents..

Assoc. Prof. Mustafa Aydın noted that important information was shared about the export of education in the meeting with the ministries and mentioned that the meetings were exceedingly fruitful.



With the participation of Venezuela Vice President Delcy Rodriguez and business people, the inauguration of "Türkiye-Venezuela Trade Delegation and B2B Meetings" was held. Before opening speeches by holding a press conference, information about Turkish Airlines and Service Export was given to the press. In the meeting, Rodriguez drew attention to the level of trade volume between Türkiye and Venezuela, "Trade between Türkiye-Venezuela, exceeds 1 billion dollars! This shows how much our commercial relations have grown." Stating that the meeting with the Turkish business people strengthened the deep friendship between the two countries, Rodriguez said they will continue to work to maximize and develop the strategic cooperation unit. EURAS & EURIE President, HİB Vice President, Education Services Committee President and IAU President Assoc. Prof. Mustafa Aydın, stating that in consequence of the meetings, important steps were taken in the field of education, mentioned that they met with the rectors and representatives of the 12 leading universities of Venezuela and made cooperation agreement in the different fields.



# MEETING WITH TASHKENT TECHNICAL INSTITUTE OF UZBEKISTAN REPRESENTATIVES

Representatives of Uzbekistan Tashkent Technical Institute visited IAU within the scope of cooperation meetings with the Eurasian Universities Association (EURAS). The guests, who visited the campus and examined the working environment of IAU, later, a meeting with the participation of the President of Istanbul Aydın University Assoc. Dr. Mustafa Aydın was held.

The representatives of Tashkent Technical Institute of Uzbekistan made constructive evaluations with Assoc. Prof. Dr. Mustafa Aydın shared ideas concerning international cooperation and projects to be implemented in the field of education. At the end of the meeting, the representatives thanked Associate Professor Mustafa Aydın for their hospitality and hosting and presented them with gifts.



## The Workshop on Agile Transformation Process

Within the scope of cooperation with the Eurasian Universities Union- EURAS at Istanbul Aydın University, "Academic Motion Action Plan Search Conference" was held with participation of IAU President Assoc. Prof. Mustafa Aydın, board of trustee members, rector, vice-rectors, deans, executive and academic staff. Evaluating the travelled distance in the process of agile transformation, ideas were exchanged in order to move forward the reached point.

## Mediterranean Region University Representatives gathered at The Unimed Gala Dinner

Mediterranean Universities Union (UNIMED) representatives gathered in the gala dinner in Amman, the capital of Jordan. EURAS President Assoc. Prof. Dr. Mustafa Aydın participated at the dinner attended by many university representatives from Mediterranean Region. Evaluations were made regarding the higher education potential in the Mediterranean Region and the mobility in the education sector, project drafts for the next period were shared in the meeting, and also it was very productive in terms of creating many cooperation opportunities.



## Meeting with National Team Polytechnic Institute

The mou signed between İstanbul Aydın University and National Team Polytechnic Institute (IPN) Rector Prof. Dr. Arturo Reyes Sandoval who was the "Keynote Speaker" in EURIE 2022 as one of the inventors of Astra Zeneca vaccination. The general director of IPN Prof. Dr. Arturo Reyes Sandoval and his delegation visited İstanbul Aydın University within the scope of signed protocol with IPN, that place is the one of the leading universities of Mexico. Prof. Sandoval gave the seminar about "increasing the research and innovation capacities of universities" and shared his experiences with academicians. A very-well known virologist thanks to his groundbreaking vaccine studies, Prof. Dr. Sandoval and the President Assoc. Prof. Mustafa Aydın exchanged their ideas about joint project and exchanged student-instructor programs.



## EURIE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

EURIE Advisory Board meeting was held on 2022, April 4. Deputy Minister of Tourism and Culture Ahmet Misbah Demircan, the partners of EURIE, Rectors of Yeditepe University, İstanbul University, Marmara University, İstanbul Ticaret University, Altınbaş University, the President of TUBITAK Prof. Dr. Hasan Mandal and the President of TİM İsmail Gülle attended to the meeting where hosted by İstanbul Aydın University President Assoc. Prof. Mustafa Aydın. EURIE 2022 was evaluated and ongoing EURIE activities discussed in the organization took place both in the form of an iftar dinner and a meeting. EURIE Advisory Board exchanged their opinions about final situations of current projects, talked about preparations of planned activities and evaluated problems and solutions. In addition, they reviewed studies on advertising activities. The meeting ended with wishes and requests to move further for the success of EURIE in the future.



## **“Social, Economic and Human Consequences of the COVID-19 Pandemic in Turkey and in the World”**

### **“COVID-19 CREATED A COLLECTIVE CONSCIOUSNESS”**

A webinar titled “Social, Economic and Human Consequences of the COVID-19 Pandemic in Turkey and in the World” was held with the participation of the president of Eurasian Universities Union (EURAS) & Eurasian Higher Education Summit (EURIE) Assoc. Prof. Mustafa Aydın. Assoc. Prof. Mustafa Aydın emphasized that COVID-19 closely affects many things such as employment, wages and working models in the economic field, “Especially the change in working models; It pushed both managers and employees to take actions to keep up with digitalization.” said. On the other hand, Aydın stated that most of the population is trying to adapt to the change in the normal rhythm of daily life due to compulsory social distance; He stated that everyone makes sacrifices to come together with their work, family and social circles, and also drew attention to the fact that this creates a collective consciousness. In addition, he added that they once again understood how precious cultural values are with the time individuals spend with their friends and families thanks to this collective consciousness.

### **Visit of Former Minister of Vocational Education of Yemen**

Former Minister of Vocational Education of Yemen Abdul Rezzak Yahya El Eşval visited EURAS General Office. He met with the president of IAU Assoc. Prof. Mustafa Aydın. During the meeting, education in Yemen and the continuity of education during the pandemic were discussed.



# Visit of Minister of Higher Education of the Republic of Afghanistan

Afghan Minister of Higher Education Dr. Abas Basir and his committee visited to EURAS General office. At the meeting with the committee, academic collaborations that could be made jointly were discussed. Afghanistan Minister of Higher Education Dr. Abas Basir met with Afghan students and academicians . They have about the problems they experienced while coming to Turkey.



## **Prof. Dr. Mohamed Ghoma, Rector of Libya Gharyan University, visited the EURAS General Office and discussed academic collaborations.**

Rector of Libya Gharyan University Prof. Dr. Mohamed Ghoma paid a visit to EURAS General office. At the meeting held during the visit, a memorandum of understanding was signed with Gharyan University.



## **The Standing Committee for Euro Mediterranean Partnership of Local and Regional Authorities (COPPEM) Presidents Council Meeting was held with the participation of COPPEM Vice President and EURAS & Turkey COPPEM President Assoc. Prof. Mustafa Aydın**

At the meeting, the final preparations were evaluated before the General Assembly, the projects and activities planned for the new period were determined. Assoc. Prof. Aydın stated that as COPPEM Turkey, we plan to organize conferences where current issues will be discussed and projects that will seek solutions to the social and cultural problems of the region and he said "As COPPEM, which acts as a bridge between Europe and the Mediterranean region, and Turkey, which is one of the most important countries in this region, we will have intensive studies in the coming period. We will implement these studies and projects as soon as possible."

## **"Blockchain Talks Digitalization"**

The "Blockchain Talks Digitalization" webinar with international participants was held. The President of EURAS Assoc. Dr. Mustafa Aydın, Retired Maltese Prime Minister H. E. Joseph Muscat and Afghanistan Minister of Communications and Information Technologies Dr. Masooma Khawari attended. Assoc. Dr. Mustafa Aydın expressed the importance of block chain technology in his opening speech. After his statements, Retired Malta Prime Minister H. E. Joseph Muscat talked about the problems they experienced and the successes they achieved in the digital transformation of the country and the use of block chain technology during his prime ministership. On the other hand, Afghanistan Minister of Communication and Information Technologies Dr. Masooma Khawari evaluated the effects of digitalization and block chain technologies in daily life and shared information about the work that his country has carried out and plans to carry out in this field. More than 20 countries participated in the webinar.

## **“International Ranking for Young Higher Education Institutions: Challenges and Opportunities EURAS-BHOS joint international conference” organized by the Eurasian Universities Association (EURAS) and Baku Higher Petroleum School (BHOS).**

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## **EURAS AND QILAA HAVE SIGNED A COOPERATION AGREEMENT.**

The Eurasian Universities Union and QILAA Chairman Sheikh Dr. Abdulaziz A. Rahman Al-Thani - QILAA Consulting signed a cooperation agreement to provide training and consultancy services for potential collaborations on international student recruitment.

Sapienza University of Rome's representative office in Istanbul, Turkey, was officially opened with the support and organization of EURAS



## Dr. Rinaldo Marmara's book named "la Casa Della Vergine Maria" promotion was held in Italy with the collabroration of EURAS

In his address during the book's introduction, Assoc. Dr. Mustafa Aydın said, "This book contains vital documentation about the early years of the Republic. particularly 19 and 20. Italians speak both French and Italian. The Vatican Archives are home to the majority of the records pertaining to "history of Turkey" throughout that century. EURAS President Assoc. Dr. Mustafa Aydın official visit to the Sapienza University of Rome. Exchange of ideas on expanding the existing cooperation between Rome La Sapienza University and the EURAS.



# EURAS Webinar Series

## “Russian Invasion to Ukraine and Humanitarian Impact to the Region”

**LIVE WEBINAR**

**SPEAKERS**

**Assoc. Prof. Dr. Mustafa Aydın**  
EURAS President

**Ignacio Packer**  
Executive Director  
ICVA International Council of Voluntary Agencies

**Prof. Dr. Viacheslav Shobik**  
Vice Rector  
Odessa Polytechnic National University

**Muzaffer Baca**  
General Secretary  
Eurasian Universities Union

**Murat Can Öztürk**  
War Correspondent  
TRT Haber

**Paul Anticoni**  
Chief Executive  
World Jewish Relief

**Sid Penuvema**  
ADH  
(Aktion Deutschland Hilft)

**Fuat Kozluklu**  
Speaker  
TRT Haber

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**SPEAKERS**

**Assoc. Prof. Dr. Mustafa Aydın**  
President,  
EURAS & EURIE

**Prof. Dr. Olgun Çiçek**  
Vice-President, CEENQA-Central and Eastern European Network for Quality Assurance Agencies in Higher Education

**Erik Martijnse**  
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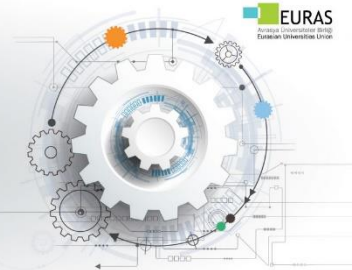
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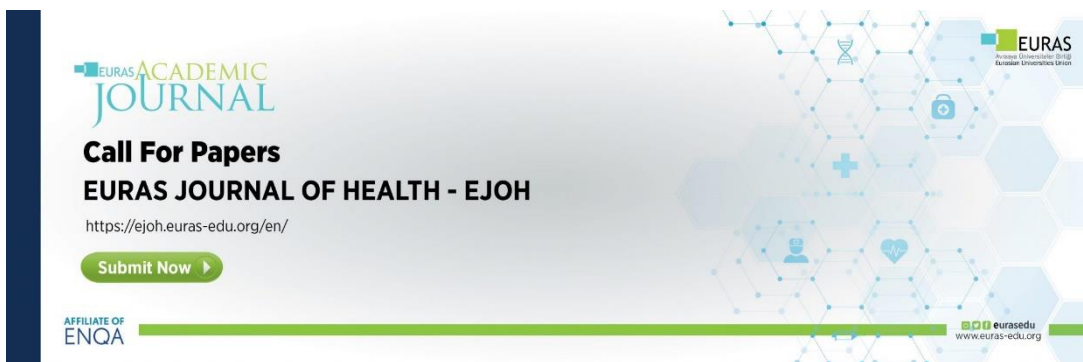
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# EURIE - Eurasia Higher Education Summit

EURIE is an annual international higher education conference and exhibition organized since 2016. EURIE has quickly become the largest international education event in Eurasia, connecting the dynamic higher education sector in the Eurasian region to the world. EURIE's rich conference program addresses current issues in internationalization of higher education and key topics in higher education management with the participation of prominent speakers and sector leaders. EURIE exhibition offers great networking, academic partnership and business development opportunities for higher education institutions and other stakeholders in the international education sector coming from all around the world. Join us in Istanbul at EURIE 2023 at the largest international education event in Eurasia!



# EURAS LATEST PUBLICATIONS

## EURAS Catalog



We published the new edition of EURAS Catalogue, which plays an important role in giving detailed information about our Union, last year's activities, list of the members and partners, publications, information regarding upcoming events and future goals and projects.

<https://euras-edu.org/about-us/catalog/>

## EURAS Brochure



As we are always keen on updating information regarding EURAS, we published our new brochure with a quick glance about our union, updated list of members and partners and EURAS future goals and projects. In our brochure. You can also follow the timeline of EURAS meetings, conferences, trainings and academies.

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## About EURAS



Launched in 2008, EURAS-Eurasian Universities Union is a non-profit international education association, promoting cooperation among over 120 member universities and partner institutions from all around the world and working for the global advancement of educational standards in the Eurasian region.

EURAS, the main supporter and endorser of EURIE Summit, is the largest and strongest higher education association of the region, focuses on improving the international collaborations and cooperative activities via unique networking and sharing the latest trends on innovation, globalization and quality assurance.

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