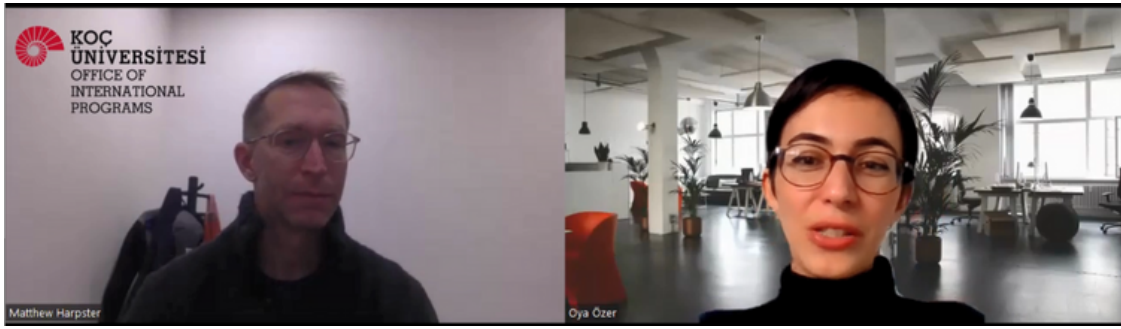




KOÇ UNIVERSITY ERASMUS+ KA2 PROJECTS NEWS

INTERVIEW WITH MATTHEW HARPSTER ON HIS ERASMUS MUNDUS DESIGN MEASURES PROJECT: MS-PCC



Archeology and History of Art Asst. Prof. Matthew Harpster's project "*Marine Spaces – Planning / Culture / Climate (MS-PCC)*" has been granted funding in the category of ERASMUS-EDU-2022-EMJM-DESIGN

Based on a collaboration between Koç University (Türkiye), the Universities of Oldenburg (Germany) and Copenhagen (Denmark), and the State Archaeology Department of Schleswig-Holstein (Germany) and the Ocean Decade Heritage Network (Denmark), this program will establish a Joint Master's program combining principles of **Maritime Cultural Heritage Management, Marine Spatial Planning, and Climate Change**. Experts with cross-disciplinary training in all three disciplines are required yet there is no such opportunity within the European Higher Education Area. This program aims to fill that educational gap while building a cohort of experts who can integrate these three domains in the local, national, and international policy sectors. [Click here](#) to watch the interview.



BANUU PROJECT: 5TH CONSORTIUM MEETING IN TURIN, ITALY



On December 7th - 8th, "*BANUU - Designing new pathways for employability and entrepreneurship of Iraqi students in Archaeology and Cultural Heritage*" project's 5th consortium meeting took place in Turin, Italy. Asst. Prof. **Çiğdem Maner** of the Department of Archaeology and History of Art, who is the project coordinator at KU, gave a presentation titled: "State of the art of the WP5 implementation (pilot entrepreneurship activities)".

For more information visit the [project web site](#).



PBL4COLLABTT PROJECT: KICK-OFF MEETING



On December 5th - 6th, KU's new KA220-HED - Cooperation partnerships in higher education project titled: *"PBL framework for Digital Collaborative Teacher Training"* kick-off meeting took place. The Coordinator Universidade Catolica Portuguesa (Portugal), Vilniaus Universitetas (Lithuania), and Munster Technological University (Ireland) are the project partners. The project aims to develop a flexible PBL approach for collaborative teacher training focused on digital enhancement for active learning, allowing personalized and flexible learning pathways.

Dr. Zuhale Zeybekoğlu; Manager, Office of Learning and Teaching; attended the meeting.



DBIAS PROJECT: TPM IN GHENT, BELGIUM

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The Art of De-biasing project team managed to have a TPM in Ghent, Belgium. Prof. **Zeynep Cemalcılar** of the College of Social Sciences and Humanities and Prof. **Tolga Etgü** of the College of Sciences attended the meeting. It significantly boosted the team's energy for working together, as the team members now know each other face-to-face. Most of the project activities have been focused on developing video scenarios and scripts, that are needed for the production of the planned short videos (Intellectual Output 2) to serve the projects further experimenting with biases in the educational context. It turned out to be a challenging process, with many hours spent in discussions within the nominated workgroup.

For more information on the project please visit [the website](#).

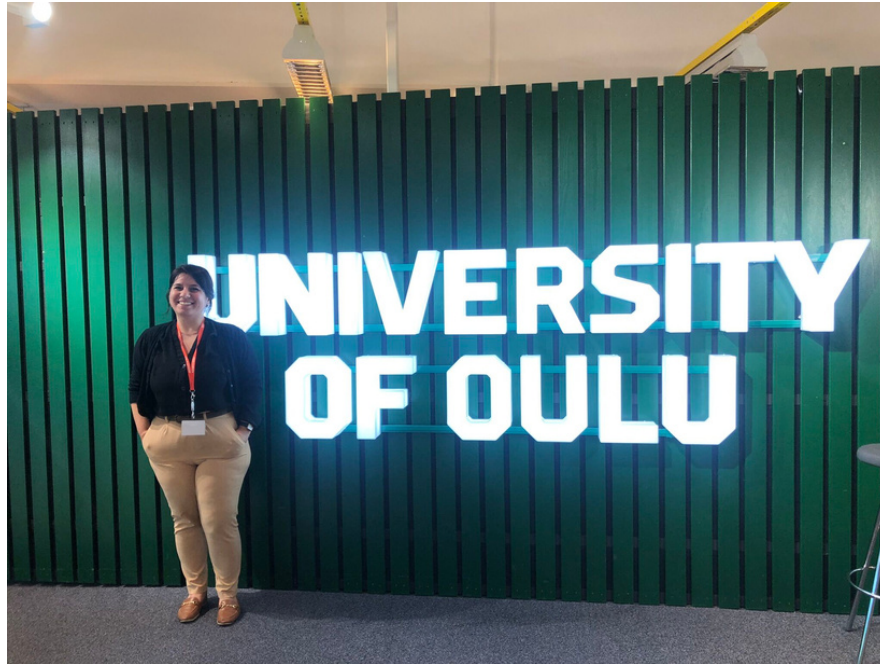


UNIC DAY @ KOÇ UNIVERSITY CAMPUS

On January 4, UNIC Team and KU students came together in the scope of UNIC Days organized by all partner universities to raise awareness about the alliance. They discussed how the UNIC alliance provides students with the means to engage with fellow students and faculty at nine UNIC partner institutions as well as city partners and civil society stakeholders.



OIP @ OULU UNIVERSITY



"After 1.5 years of online meetings, finally I had the opportunity of meeting with my colleagues at UNIC :) It was an amazing week, thank you for everything!

P.S. I love how colorful the University of Oulu is!" **Tuğba Güven**, Exchange Programs, Partnerships and UNIC Mobility Hub (Incoming) Specialist

UNIC GENERATIONS' LAB: BLENDED INTENSIVE PROGRAM

This program is based on the design thinking methodology that provides a solution-based approach to solving problems. During the course, participants solved real-life challenges in groups consisting of participants from inside and outside the university, representing different generations and cultural backgrounds.

Here you will read the testimonial of Öykü, one of the participants of the program.



"UNIC is one of the experiences that I can say "I'm glad I lived". I came back from this program that promised to teach the Design Thinking method, with friendships that I can still get together, detailed information about different cultures, and projects that brought realistic solutions to real-life problems. UNIC gave me important competencies and new perspectives in terms of project development and group work, as well as cultural and social skills. When we came together to Oulu as students from different universities in Europe, I realized that with the diversity of our educational backgrounds, we could bring versatile approaches to the cases given to us for our projects. I also got to know many cultures closely, from their food to their history and upbringing. It was a unique experience for me to have the chance to get to know Finnish culture and history closely, especially during this face-to-face phase of the program. How many times in my life can I try salmon soup, tar sugar, and experience 20 hours long daytime? All these were the main factors that made me say "I'm glad I became a part of UNIC" when I look back." Öykü

UNIC ONLINE LANGUAGE MODULES ARE NOW LIVE

UNIC offers online language and information modules that provide an introduction to each university, city, and official university language(s) across the whole alliance. That includes Basque, Croatian, Dutch, English, Finnish, French, German, Irish, Spanish, and Turkish.

Koç University's Turkish module "Türkçe Öğreniyoruz - Learn Turkish" is an asynchronous survival Turkish course that introduces the university, city and Turkish language and is open to everyone who is interested in Turkish as well as the international community at Koç University.

Türkçe Öğreniyoruz – Learn Turkish

UNIC Online Language Modules for Beginners



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TURKISH NATIONAL AGENCY'S MEETING

OIP's Global Programs & Projects Specialist **Oya Özer Kurt** represented Koç University and OIP at the "Erasmus+ Central Projects in the Field of Higher Education" meeting held by Türkiye Ulusal Ajansı (Turkish National Agency) at Uludag University, Bursa, Türkiye.

We are open to new collaborations in the new semester!



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