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A) NEWS ABOUT THE PROJECT:

2018 European Year of Cultural Heritage Label was awarded to “The Protection of Geographical Indications and Traditional Speciality Guaranteed in the European Union Law-EUGIs” Project by EU Commission:

The right to use the European Year of Cultural Heritage 2018 Label was awarded to the Jean Monnet Module by the European Commission.

"The Protection of Geographical Indications and Traditional Speciality Guaranteed in the European Union Law" Jean Monnet Module was awarded the right to use the European Year of Cultural Heritage 2018 Label by the European Commission. 2018 year was selected as European Cultural Heritage Year by the European Commission. In this context, the logo, slogan and promotional materials determined by the European Commission for the year of cultural heritage can be used in the project activities. The use of the 2018 European Year of Cultural Heritage Label belongs only to projects selected by the European Commission and institutions are not entitled to use this label. Additional information about 2018 European Cultural Heritage can be found at <https://europa.eu/cultural-heritage/> internet page.

The logo for the 2018 European Year of Cultural Heritage. It features a teal background with the year '2018' in large white font, followed by the European Union flag (a blue rectangle with twelve yellow stars in a circle). Below the flag, the words 'EUROPEAN YEAR OF CULTURAL HERITAGE' are written in white, all-caps, sans-serif font. At the bottom, the hashtag '#EuropeForCulture' is written in a smaller, dark teal font.

2018 EUROPEAN YEAR OF CULTURAL HERITAGE #EuropeForCulture

Erasmusdays 2018:

Info Day of the Jean Monnet Module was organised at Istanbul Technical University on 12 October 2018 within the scope of Erasmusdays 2018. In the Info Day Dr.Didem Özgür presented the activities of the Jean Monnet Module to the participants. In the Info Day general information about the protection systems of geographical indications and traditional specialties guaranteed both in the EU and in Turkey was given to the participants. Dr.Didem Özgür emphasized the cultural heritage dimension of geographical indications and traditional specialties guaranteed to the participants in the Info Day.



Geographical Indications Seminar:

The Geographical Indications Seminar took place at Istanbul Technical University on 14 December 2018. Dr.Didem Özgür presented the activities of the Jean Monnet Module to the participants and she also gave information about the protection of geographical indications in the European Union Law. The key staff of the module who is Assist.Prof.Dr.Gökmen Gündoğdu from Yıldız Technical University gave information about the protection of geographical indications in Turkey. Birol Uluşan from Metro Gross Market presented the activities of Metro Gross Market about geographical indications to the participants. Apart from students public authorities, lawyers, technology transfer officers, trade mark and patent attorneys participated to the seminar.







Geographical Indications Seminar:

For the outreach activities of Jean Monnet Module and the Attitude, Investment and Domestic Goods Week the module coordinator, Dr.Didem Özgür was invited to Handan Ziya Öniş Primary School to make a presentation about geographical indications on 19 December 2018. 60 students participated to the seminar.



EUGIs Jean Monnet Module is at the Eurodesk Best Practices Booklet:

The Eurodesk Best Practices Booklet was published in December 2018. In the booklet best practices of Turkish Eurodesk Contact Points that were implemented in 2018 was presented. EUGIs Jean Monnet Module was also presented at this booklet. The booklet was published in 2000 copies and distributed to all Turkish Eurodesk Contact Points. The booklet was published in Turkish and can be downloaded from <https://bit.ly/2Sljx8l> internet page.

Third Term of Jean Monnet Module:

EUGIs Module's third term started on 8th February 2019.



Presentation about European Opportunities:

The module coordinator Dr. Didem Özgür made a presentation about Eurodesk Network, European opportunities like internships, master programmes, summer courses, volunteering, Erasmus+ Youth

Programme, scholarship opportunities about European Union and geographical indications to the students of the module on 12 April 2019.



“Protection of Geographical Indications and Designations of Origin for Agricultural Products and Foodstuffs in the EU Law” Lecture:

The module’s key staff, Dr.Gail Elizabeth Evans from Queen Mary University of London gave a lecture about “Protection of Geographical Indications and Designations of Origin for Agricultural Products and Foodstuffs in the EU Law” on 26 April 2019 to the students of the module at Istanbul Technical University.





Study Visit:

Together with the module participants we visited Eataly to learn about Italy's registered geographical indications and designations of origins in the EU on 29.04.2019.



Quality Policy of the European Union and the Protection of Geographical Indications and Traditional Specialities Guaranteed in the European Union Law Seminar:

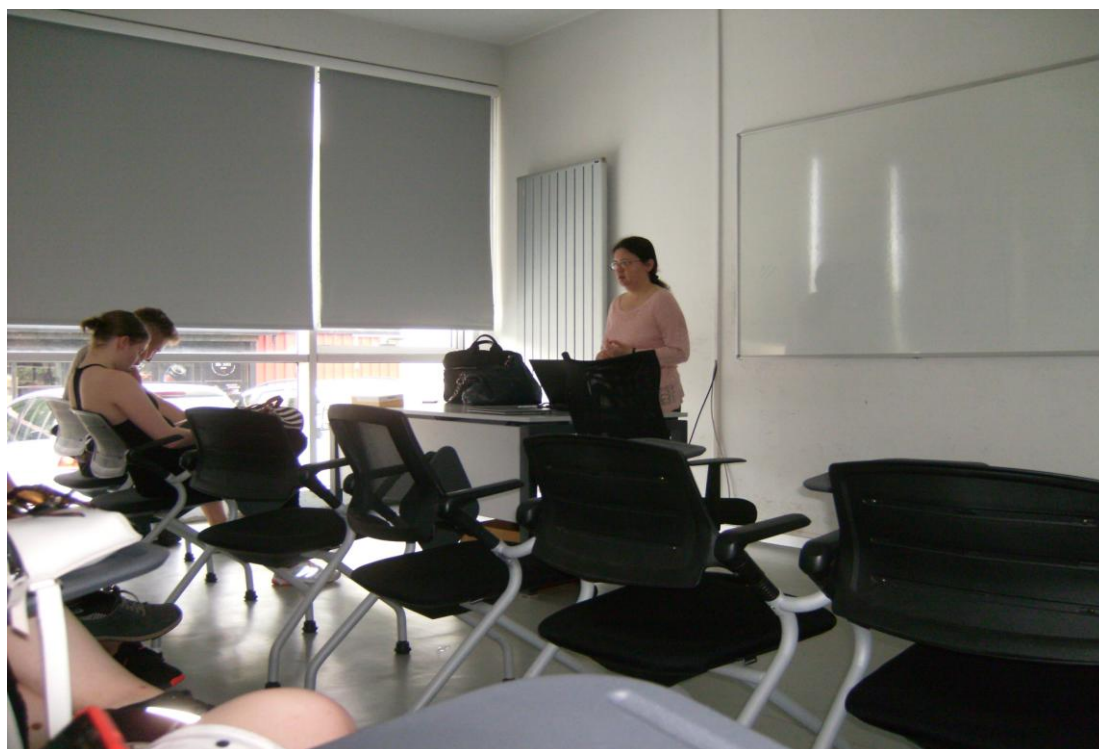
Within the scope of the dissemination activity of the Jean Monnet Module “The Protection of Geographical Indications and Traditional Speciality Guaranteed in the European Union Law and the 30th Anniversary of the Jean Monnet Programme “Quality Policy of the European Union and the Protection of Geographical Indications and Traditional Specialities Guaranteed in the European Union Law” Seminar took place on 17 May 2019 at Istanbul Technical University. Nermin Kahraman, Sector Manager for Agriculture (Including Food Safety, Veterinary, Phytosanitary Policy) from Delegation of the European Union to Turkey participated to the seminar as an invited speaker. Nermin Kahraman made a presentation called “Quality Policy of the European Union and Protection of Geographical Indications and Traditional Specialities Guaranteed in the European Union Law” to the participants during the seminar. The Module Coordinator Dr.Didem Özgür presented the activities of the Jean Monnet Module to the participants and she also gave information about the protection of Traditional Specialities Guaranteed in Turkey and gave information about Jean Monnet Programme to the participants. Apart from the students and academics, experts who are working at the Ministry of Agriculture, lawyers, technology transfer office representatives, trademark and patent attorneys attended to the seminar.



Board of European Student of Technology's 'Roll Me Like One of Your Kebaps' Summer School:

The Summer School 'Roll Me Like One of Your Kebaps' was organized by Istanbul Board of European Students of Technology between 17-27 June 2019 at Istanbul Technical University with 20 participants from 14 different countries. Students from Romania, Poland, Czech Republic, Italy, Austria, Hungary, Spain, Turkey, Ukraine, Iceland, Serbia, Moldova, Russia and France participated to the summer school. The students were coming from different departments like civil engineering, computer engineering, law, chemistry and biotechnology.

The Module Coordinator Dr.Didem Özgür, and the Dean of the Faculty of Chemical Metallurgy of Istanbul Technical University, the key staff of the Module, Prof.Dr. Beraat Özçelik participated to the summer school as invited speakers. Dr.Didem Özgür and Prof.Dr.Beraat Özçelik made presentations about, Turkish Cuisine and The Protection of Geographical Indications and Traditional Speciality Guaranteed in the European Union Law and in the Turkish Law to the participants of the summer course on 21 June 2019 at Istanbul Technical University. In the afternoon session of the event, the participants made presentations about the products that were registered as geographical indications in their countries. In their presentations, the students also mentioned the problems of the registered products in their countries and made their suggestions. Their presentations were assessed by Prof. Dr. Beraat Özçelik and Dr. Didem Özgür and the students got their final marks for the summer school.









Certification Ceremony of Jean Monnet Module:

The third certification ceremony of "The Protection of Geographical Indications and Traditional Speciality Guaranteed in the European Union Law" Jean Monnet Module took place on 02 July 2019 at Istanbul Technical University together with the module coordinator Lecturer Dr.Didem Özgür, the key staff of the module and Dean of Faculty of Chemical and Metallurgical Engineering Prof.Dr.Beraat Özçelik.







B)THE TEAM MEMBERS' PUBLICATIONS RELATED WITH THE PROJECT'S SUBJECT AND THE ACTIVITIES THAT THE TEAM MEMBERS PARTICIPATED ABOUT THE PROJECT'S SUBJECT:

“The Protection of Geographical Indications and the Designations of Origin on Agricultural Products and Foodstuffs in the European Union” Presentation:

The module coordinator, Dr.Didem Özgür participated to International Aegean Interdisciplinary Innovative Scientific Research Symposium from 26-27 March 2019 in Izmir, Turkey and presented her paper called “The Protection of Geographical Indications and the Designations of Origin on Agricultural Products and Foodstuffs in the European Union”. Abstract of the paper was published in the proceedings.

“The Protection of Designations of Origin and Geographical Indications on Wines in the European Union Law” Presentation:

The module coordinator, Dr.Didem Özgür participated to Third Conference on Current Developments in European Union Law on 08 May 2019 in Research Center for European Communities, Ankara University and presented her paper called “Avrupa Birliği Hukukunda Şaraplar Üzerindeki Menşe Adlarının ve Coğrafi İşaretlerin Korunması (The Protection of Designations of Origin and Geographical Indications on Wines in the European Union Law-in Turkish).” Abstract of the paper was published in the proceedings.

Geographical Indication Protection in the UK and China: A Retrospective and Prospective Analysis Workshop:

Dr. Gail Elizabeth Evans who is the key staff of the module participated as a presenter to Geographical Indication Protection in the UK and China: A Retrospective and Prospective Analysis Workshop on 24 June 2019 at Faculty of Law, University of Oxford and made a presentation called “The Assessment of Genericness and the International Registration of Geographical Indications: Developments within EU and US Free Trade Agreements”.

International Seminar Geographical Indications Afyonkarahisar Gathering:

The module coordinator, Dr.Didem Özgür and key staff and Dean of Faculty of Chemical and Metallurgical Engineering Prof.Dr.Beraat Özçelik participated to the “International Geographical Indications Seminar Geographical Indications Gathering” from 04-05 October 2018 in Afyonkarahisar. The seminar was organised by Afyonkarahisar Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Geographical Indications Research Network in Turkey. Governance and control of geographical indications, latest developments about geographical indications in Turkey, examples of geographical indications from Afyonkarahisar, geographical indications gastronomy and tourism subjects were covered in the seminar.

Hakan Kızıltepe, Geographical Indications head of department from Turkish Trademark and Patent Office, Claude Vermot- Desroches from Comté Cheese Chairman of the Inter-professional Management Committee, Christian Telaude from Chairman of the Board of the Olive World Institute, Hacer Nihal Sayar from Turkish Standardization Institute and many speakers about geographical indications from different countries and institutions participated to the seminar. The presentations of the symposium and additional information is available at Local Products and Geographical Indications Research Network in Turkey’s internet page <http://yucita.org/uluslararasi-etkinlikler>







C) NEWS-ANNOUNCEMENTS ABOUT GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIONS:

Turkish Applications that were Made to EU Commission:

Antakya Künefesi was applied to EU Commission as a Protected Geographical Indication (PGI) on 14.03.2019.

New Database about Geographical Indications in the European Union:

New database about geographical indications eAmbrosi entered into force on 01.04.2019 in the European Union. eAmbrosi, the European Union's new database for geographical indications, will first include information about geographical indication registered wines. In the summer of 2019, geographical indication registered Spirit-Drinks will also be included in the database. At the end of 2019, registered agricultural products and foodstuffs will also be included in the database. eAmbrosi database will replace e-Bacchus database, e-Spirit-Drinks database and Door database and will contain information on all registered products in the European Union.

New Regulation about Protection of Geographical Indications on Spirit Drinks Entered Into Force:

(EU) 2019/787 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2019 on the definition, description, presentation and labelling of spirit drinks, the use of the names of spirit drinks in the presentation and labelling of other foodstuffs, the protection of geographical indications for spirit drinks,

the use of ethyl alcohol and distillates of agricultural origin in alcoholic beverages, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 110/2008 entered into force on 24 May 2019 and it shall apply from 25 May 2021.

The Regulation is available at <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:32019R0787>

Worldwide Symposium on Geographical Indications:

Worldwide Symposium on Geographical Indications took place from July 02-04 2019 in Lisbon, Portugal. In the symposium, participants from different parts of the world discussed the important issues related to geographical indications. More information about the symposium is available at https://www.wipo.int/geo_indications/en/symposia/2019/

D) NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS ABOUT EUROPEAN UNION:

Annual Report of 2017 Erasmus+ Programme Published:

Annual Report of 2017 Erasmus+ Programme was published on 24.01.2019. 750.000 people participated to 1.900 events organized in 44 countries related to the 30th anniversary of Erasmus+ Programme celebrations in 2017. 800.000 people were the beneficiaries of Erasmus+ Programme in 2017. 84,700 institutions took part in the Erasmus + Program with 22,400 projects. 43097 participants took part in 1304 projects supported by the Turkish National Agency in 2017. More information about the report is available at https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/news/erasmus-almost-800-000-people-benefited-eus-flagship-programme-2017_en

30 Years of Jean Monnet Activities:

Jean Monnet Activities, which encouraged excellence in research and teaching in the field of European Union studies in the world, came into force in 1989 in Europe. Celebrating its 30th Anniversary in 2019, Jean Monnet Activities aims to improve research and education in European Union Studies in the worldwide. Jean Monnet Activities were dedicated to French economist-politician Jean Monnet (1888-1979) known as the architect of the European integration process. Jean Monnet Activities are in force since 2001 in Turkey. In the last 30 years 5200 Jean Monnet Projects were supported in 100 countries. Each year more than 1700 academic staff and around 300.000 students benefit from Jean Monnet Activities.



Turkey's 2019 Progress Report Published:

Turkey's 2019 Progress Report was published on 29 May 2019. Regarding quality policy in Chapter 11 of the Report on Agriculture and Rural Development, in quality policy, further implementing regulations were adopted following the 2017 Intellectual Property Law that increased the level of alignment with the EU Geographical Indications legislation. The EU-Turkey reinforced cooperation on mutual registration of Geographical Indications (GIs) has been relaunched, aiming at facilitating the mutual registration and adequate protection of GIs through information and knowledge exchange. For additional Information about the Report, <https://ec.europa.eu/neighbourhood-enlargement/sites/near/files/20190529-turkey-report.pdf>

European Parliament's Elections:

According to the unofficial results of the European Parliament elections held on May 26, 2019, the center-right and center-left parties across the continent suffered the greatest losses. Liberals, greens and extreme rightists have increased the number of seats. Voter turnout has reached its highest level since 1994 with 50.95 percent. EPP (center right) ranked first with 182 seats, while S&D (center left) ranked second with 147 seats. ALDE, which increased its seat in the parliament, took the third place with 109 seats. In the

elections G / EFA (Greens) 69, ENF (Nationalists) 58, ECR (Conservative) 59, EFDD (Extreme Right) 54, GUE / NGL (Left) took 38 seats in the European Parliament.

Ursula von der Leyen Became the New Head of the EU Commission:

The European Parliament (EP) approved the appointment of German Defense Minister Ursula von der Leyen as President of the European Union (EU) Commission. At the EP General Assembly in Strasbourg, France, the appointment of von der Leyen as President of the EU Commission was accepted. In the voting 383 "yes" and 327 "no" votes were cast, 22 deputies abstained. Leyen became the first woman to be appointed as the EU Commission President. The current EU Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker's term will end on 31 October 2019. Leyen is expected to take office on 1 November 2019.

David Maria Sassoli Became the new President of the European Parliament:

David Maria Sassoli, the Italian candidate for Social Democrats (S&D) became the new president of the European Parliament (EP). Sassoli at the age of 63, won 347 of 667 valid votes in the second round of voting and was awarded to be the new President of the European Parliament for two and a half years. Sassoli, a former Italian presenter and journalist born in Florence in 1956, has been a European Parliamentarian for 10 years.

Charles Michel Became the President of the EU Council:

Belgium's Prime Minister Charles Michel, who will take over the presidency of the Council of Europe from former Polish Prime Minister Donald Tusk on 1 December 2019, is the second Belgian Prime Minister

elected to the Presidency of the EU Council after Herman Van Rompuy, who served in 2009-2014. Michel's term of office, which will head the EU Summits and Euro Summits for two and a half years until May 31, 2022, will be renewed once.

Josep Borrell Fontelles Became the EU High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy:

Josep Borrell, 72, who will take over the High Representative of the Foreign and Security Policy from former Italian Foreign Minister Federica Mogherini after the approval of the Commission President and the European Parliament, has been in Spain's socialist Prime Minister Pedro Sánchez's cabinet since June 2018, serving as. A well-known figure in EU politics, Borrell served as EP President during 2004-2007.

Christine Lagarde Becomes First Female President of the European Central Bank:

IMF President French Christine Lagarde will take over the presidency of the European Central Bank from Italy's Mario Draghi, whose eight-year mandate expires on October 31 2019 after formal consultation with the European Parliament and the European Central Bank. Currently, the 63-year-old Lagarde, regarded as one of the most powerful women in the world as the first female President of the IMF, will be the first woman to be appointed president of the European Central Bank.