In cooperation with the Atatürk Research Center Presidency and the Rectorate of Recep Tayyip Erdoğan University, International Symposium on “Migrations into Turkey, Being an Immigrant and Social Harmony” is going to be held in Rize on 7-9 October 2021.

Anatolian lands have hosted immigrants for centuries. This tradition reached its peak in the Ottoman Empire. Immigrants of different nationalities and different faiths were treated with great tolerance and it was ensured that immigrants maintained their own religion, language and culture. Especially in the global transformation in the 19th century, the Ottoman Empire, as a country of migration, provided both migration route and humanitarian service to the immigrants. Immigrants in the Ottoman Empire also contributed to the development of art, music, education, and scientific studies. The Republic of Turkey continued this cultural heritage of the Ottoman Empire in the 20th century. Especially during World War II, a large immigration mass including artists and scientists from Europe was embraced as a state policy acceptance. These immigrants who took refuge in Turkey during World War II contributed to the country they lived in by taking part in academic studies, performing art, and making music.

Due to the global problems and wars in the world in the 21st century, Turkey has now become a country of immigration. Academic studies in the field of migration show that the influx of migration to Turkey will increase even more. Today, the interaction of states and nations with each other due to war, immigration, education or economic reasons has increased a lot compared to the past. This interaction naturally brings up the issue of learning the language of the host country. Along with the language, the culture of the host country is also learned. Being familiar with the culture of the country is as important as knowing its language. Acculturation includes integration activities in many areas with the foreign society in the host country.

This international symposium, which aims to deal with immigrants and acculturation and includes a situation assessment, aims to discuss Turkey’s practices in Migration, Immigrants and Acculturation, and the integration of immigrants in today’s Turkey into Turkish society and education system.

Papers to be presented at the symposium should not have been presented elsewhere before and should not have been published and processed in an article, book, chapter in a book, an empirical study, chapter of a thesis, main title or sub-title.

The topics, which are planned to be included in the symposium, are presented below. Paper topics are not limited to these topics. Papers under different headings can be presented provided that they do not stray the point and the general framework of the symposium is followed.
SYMPOSIUM SUB-TITLES

Ottoman Period

- Migrations into the Ottoman Empire, Immigrants and Social Cohesion in the 19th century
- Immigrant Rights and Foreign States

Turkey and Republic Period

- Migrations into Turkey, Immigrants and Problems in the 20th and 21st century
- Demography and Internal-External Migration
- Immigration by the State

Migration and Integration

- Education of Immigrants
- International Students
- Migration, Being an Immigrant and Social Media
- Social Integration of Immigrants
- Immigrants and Non-Governmental Organizations
- Consequences of Migration in Abandoned Countries
- Relationship of Immigrants with Indigenous People in Immigrant Regions

Migration, Women and Children

- Migration and Gender
- Studies on Immigrant Women
- Immigrant Children and Labor

Migration, Management and Policy

- Legal Regulations
- International Law and Transnational Fields
- Housing Policies
- Migration and Labor Market
- Migration and Health
- Security, Conflict and Terrorism
- Migration, Immigrants and Local Governments
- Immigrant, Asylum and Refugee Friendly Cities
- Migration, Globalization and International Social Policies
Migration Studies

- Ethics and Method in Migration Studies
- Migration and Discourse Studies: Politics, Press and Mass Media
- Resources in Migration Studies

We will be pleased to see scientists and researchers here with their academic studies based on new information, documents and evaluations in the fields mentioned above.

It is essential to participate in the symposium with a paper. Qualifications to be sought in the papers and other information are available on the Institution's web page with atam.gov.tr extension and at https://tamga.gov.tr/gocsempozyum. Scientists who want to participate in the symposium should apply through https://tamga.gov.tr/gocsempozyum by the end of business day on July 26, 2021. Abstracts must include at least 300 words. After the evaluation of the abstracts by the referees of the Symposium Scientific Committee, the accepted ones will be announced and full texts will be requested.

Accommodation and transportation expenses of the paper holders will be covered by the Institutions organizing the Symposium.

We wish you to participate in the symposium.

Best regards,

Ataturk Research Center Presidency

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