Being An Engineer and an Entrepreneur

The Career Talks Series started the new year with an emphasis on entrepreneurship and the field of information technologies. On January 8 we have hosted Assoc. Prof. Sadi Vural, who is an academic, an engineer and an entrepreneur. As the founder and CEO of Ayonix Face Technologies, he has shared his professional and personal experience which has started in Turkey and reached Japan. As an entrepreneur he underlined the importance of perseverance, endurance and keeping one’s expectations realistic while setting goals. He has mentioned the significance of difficulties and failure as well as the success in his entrepreneurial journey. The event was open to all universities and high schools in Kayseri which aroused great attention of all students.

Professional Development Workshop with EEE

On February 11 as AGU Career Center we have been guest trainer in the Professional Development Course and met with the students of Electrical and Electronics Engineering Department. The main highlight of the training was CV-Writing and effective use of peer-review. During the workshop the importance of professional and career development early on in one’s college life is emphasized.
**Fulbright Grants for an Academic Career**

*Within Career Talks Series*, on February 12, Betti Delevi from Fulbright Commission Istanbul Office visited our campus and met with AGU students. The main highlight of the seminar was graduate studies and targeted students who are planning an academic career. Our guest shared detailed information about the differences of the education systems in Turkey and the U.S.A. The main emphasis was on how the applications are processed, how the materials for Fulbright grants can be prepared and why one should choose to be a Fulbright Grantee.

**Professional Development Workshop for Industrial Engineering**

AGU Career Center is offering interactive *Professional Development Workshops* on a departmental basis. On 26 February, the session designed for the students of Industrial Engineering Department there was great attention from all classes, especially first and second year students who are aware of starting to build their CV early on. The workshop includes a SWOT analysis, peer review of resumes.

**Regional AGU Alumni Homecoming-Istanbul**

A comprehensive seminar on the career opportunities brought forth by via the digital transformation in the sector of finance took place on 27 November 2019. Guest speakers from five leading institutions of the finance sector shared the significance of the rapidly changing nature of the business world through digitalization. The institutions represented at the seminar were SPL, BDDK, TSPB, TDUB and SPK. The seminar drew the interest of students from neighboring cities and six different universities attended the event with student groups.

**Everything or Nothing - Mindfulness**

On the 4th of March, the founder and CEO of Voscreen, a worldwide known App was, our guest. Deniz Dündar as a successful entrepreneur and also a “mindfulness expert” gave an interactive and lively seminar where all participants were directly involved. He not only talked about how his journey to founding Voscreen was but also how a healthy and creative office environment should be like. Another highlight of his seminar was social responsibility projects and practicing mindfulness. As a self-proclaimed mindfulness expert, he shared with us his current work on offering official college-level courses on “awareology.”