ORTA DOĞU TEKNİK ÜNİVERSİTESİ
MIDDLE EAST TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
METU's mission is to attain excellence in research, education and public service for society, humanity and nature, in an environment nurturing creative and critical thinking, innovation, leadership, and universal values.
A leading international university that transforms its region and the world.
METU @ A GLANCE
METU HAS 3 CAMPUSES

1. MAIN CAMPUS
   ANKARA
   (founded in 1956)

2. ERDEMLİ CAMPUS
   MERSİN
   (founded in 1975)

3. NORTHERN CYPRUS
   KALKANLI
   (founded in 2000)
The campus area is 4500 hectares (45 km$^2$) with a forested area of 3043 hectares (30 km$^2$)
LAKE EYMİR
In 1956, within the 45 km² granted, a lake (Lake Eymir), was also allocated to the Middle East Technical University for use.
METU is the only university in Turkey with a lake in the campus area.

Lake Eymir is located 20 km south of Ankara at an altitude of 970 meters.

Area: 1–1.3 km²
Average depth: 3.2 m
METU has 54 years old Sailing Team in the city without sea.
The Graduate School of Marine Sciences offer postgraduate doctoral and post-doctoral research opportunities.

IMS studies are carried out with an emphasis on combined theory and practical laboratory work.

Türkiye's first Research Vessel the R/V Bilim2 belongs to the IMS and important research in Türkiye's 4 seas continues today.
Middle East Technical University Northern Cyprus Campus is the first overseas campus of a Turkish university, and was founded in accordance with an invitation conveyed to METU by the governments of Republic of Türkiye and Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus in the year 2000.

Located at the Güzelyurt district of North Cyprus, the Campus currently offers 15 undergraduate and 5 graduate programs providing the academic repertoire and quality maintained at the home campus in Ankara, Türkiye.
Türkiye's premier state research university

Established with an international mandate and an international vision

English as the medium of instruction at ALL levels and degrees
An Innovative University

Numerous “first”s introduced to the Turkish higher education and research area. Several examples:

1. First Turkish university to use **English as medium of instruction**
2. First Turkish university built on a campus
3. First Turkish university to use department, semester, and credit system
4. First **Internet Service Provider** (ISP) in Turkey (still serving as the DNS authority)
5. First **Technopark** in Turkey, a pioneering model in industry-university relations
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6. Establishment of first University Central Lab
7. First Campus Abroad (Northern Cyprus Campus)
8. First Turkish University in top 100 universities in international rankings (THE: 2014-2015, 85th)
9. First Confucius Center in Turkey
10. First to create a Faculty Development Program (FDP) Network
METU is ranked 1st in Türkiye and 285th in the World according to the QS World University Rankings 2023.

QS Europe: METU ranks 114th in Europe and first among Turkish universities.
According to QS World University Rankings, METU Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering has become only discipline from Turkey ranking among the top ten (the 10th best Petroleum and Natural gas Engineering) in the world.
General Overview and Main Indicators

- 26,251 Student
- 147,756 Graduate
- The top 1-5% of 2,000,000+ applicants
- ~1800 international students from 87 countries

Academic Personnel:
- 678 Faculty Members
- 2540 Administrative Staff
- 364 Professor
- 173 Associate Professor
- 141 Assistant Professor
- 2.143

- 336 Lecturer and Instructor
- 157 Specialist
- 151 Research Assistants under Article 35 (including OYP)
- 821 Research Assistants
- 45 International Faculty Members

- 220 Accredited Programs
- 17
- 47 Interdisciplinary Programs
- 41 Undergraduate Programs
- 107 Master's Programs
- 72 Doctoral Programs

5 Faculties
5 Graduate Schools
About 750 Bilateral Cooperation Agreements with 450 Universities in 85 Countries (Erasmus, Mevlana, Bilateral Cooperation Protocols)

Annually 1250 quota for exchange program
70% of acceptance rate for the students who apply for exchange.
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Top 10 nationalities within 1876 international students from 87 countries.
METU is the 1st university receiving ABET accreditation in Türkiye.

All 13 engineering programs have ABET accreditation.

Europass certificate in all diplomas from all METU

European Association for Public Administration Accreditation
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UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

ENGINEERING (13)
- Aerospace Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Electrical and Electronics Engineering
- Environmental Engineering
- Food Engineering
- Geological Engineering
- Industrial Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Metallurgical and Materials Engineering
- Mining Engineering
- Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering

ART & SCIENCES (10)
Biology, Chemistry, History, Mathematics, Molecular Biology and Genetics, Philosophy, Psychology, Physics, Sociology, Statistics

ARCHITECTURE (3)
- Architecture
- City and Regional Planning
- Industrial Design

EDUCATION (7)
- Computer Education and Instructional Technology
- Educational Sciences
- Elementary Education
- Foreign Language Education
- Physical Education and Sports
- Secondary Science & Math. Education
- English Language Teaching (METU-SUNY)

ECONOMICS & ADMINISTRATIVE SCIENCES (6)
- Business Administration
- Economics
- International Relations
- Political Science and Public Administration
- Business Administration (METU-SUNY Binghamton)
- Global and International Affairs (METU-SUNY Binghamton)
METU Teknokent
1.4 billion USD export
17 billion TL national technology sale
415 companies
10,000 employees

Laboratories
40 research centers
430 research and training laboratories

Library
Over 1,000,000 resources
266,000 electronic books
43,100 electronic journals
Seating capacity of 1,350 people
METU, has been selected as the most successful research university (among the 23) in the last 6 years by YÖK (Higher Education Council), provides approximately 25% of its budget every year from competitive national and international research funds with its research and development activities.
METU & EU Projects @ a glance

Horizon 2020
- 55 Projects
- ~18 M€ METU Budget
- 6 Coordinatorship
  - PRIMA Section I, MSCA & REA I&A
  - MSCA Co-fund ~20 post doctoral researchers
  - Green & Blue Transition

Horizon Europe
- 37 Projects
- ~14.60 M€ METU Budget

METU ranked 1st in Horizon Europe with receiving the highest number of projects.

METU is the only public university in Türkiye with 6 European Research Council (ERC) projects.
## ERC Projects of METU

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<td>FLAMENCO</td>
<td>An Autonomous and Fully Implantable Cochlear Implant</td>
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<td>2) Validation of Magnet-Free Wireless Charging and Communication for Intra-body Devices (ARIA)</td>
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<td>Go-Space</td>
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ROBOROYALE

INCREASING LIVE ECOSYSTEMS WITH ROBOTIC REPLICA TO OPTIMIZE PRODUCTIVITY

PROJECT BUDGET: 3,3 MILLION €
METU BUDGET: 335K €

*Future and Emerging Technologies. FETs can be considered as ERC projects with multi-partners.
With the project, it was aimed to support the competitiveness and sustainability of entrepreneurs, micro SMEs and SMEs in the fields of gaming, wearable technologies and new generation film production and to increase their place in the global market by creating a creative center.

FINANCIAL SOURCE: The Ministry of Industry and Technology / EU Competitive Sectors Programme
TARGET SECTORS: Gaming, Wearable Technology, Film
PROJECT BUDGET: 5M€

With the project, it is aimed to establish a digital innovation center to provide R&D training and mentoring services in the digital transformation of the manufacturing industry, and to have this center play an important role in the ecosystem to be formed by participating in national and international networks in the field of digital transformation.

FINANCIAL SOURCE: The Ministry of Industry and Technology / EU Competitive Sectors Programme
TARGET SECTORS: Machine manufacturers and automotive
PARTNERS: MAKFED (Turkish Machinery Federation) and ODTÜ TEKNOKENT
PROJECT BUDGET: 8M€
METU has HR Excellence in Research Award, which is given to research friendly universities.

METU is the first Turkish university to receive HR Logo, that is an important symbol for the international visibility and reliability of universities.
Society and Science Application and Research Center

METU proudly houses the first Society and Science Center among all Turkish universities.

This center welcomes more than 30,000 K-12 students throughout the year.

All activities are free of charge.
Office of Science Communication

METU is the pioneering Turkish university to establish a dedicated Science Communication Office.

The science communication model implemented at METU is designed within a framework characterized by creative elements based on what is referred to in the literature as the second-generation approach. This model aims to establish bidirectional communication between the scientific community and society.
Science at Home is on Turkish Airlines In-Flight Entertainment System
Office of Science Communication

Examples of our recent projects:

Science is Life

Cooperation between METU and TRT gave way to various television and radio programs

This is a radio program that was aired on TRT-Radio 1.

Podcasts of the program were also produced.

The program was hosted by a student from METU.

A radio studio was established at GİSAM.

20 Episodes – SCIENCE is LIFE
Radio Program – TRT Radyo 1
ODTÜ Podcast/Spotify
Examples of our recent projects:

METU Presidential Lecture Series

In this program, we invite world-renowned scientists and researchers to deliver speeches at METU.

Guest Speaker Examples:

Dr. Peter Agre: Nobel Prize winner in Chemistry, 2003

Dr. William Colglazier: Former Science and Technology Advisor to the USA Secretary of State

Dorothy Marie "Dottie" Metcalf-Lindenburger: NASA Astronaut
Türkiye's "Most Entrepreneurial and Innovative University" in 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 consecutively.

TÜBİTAK in collaboration with Ministry of Industry and Technology as well other state and private institutions.
• First technopark in Turkey
• One of the most successful technoparks in Turkey – According to the Technology Development Zones Performance Index Study of Ministry of Industry and Technology between 2011-2021, ranked first for 7 times
• 400+ technology companies – More than %70 are started up in ODTÜ TEKNOKENT
• A total closed area of 170,000 m² in 3 campuses
• 13,000+ total personnel & 11,000+ researchers
• 3+ Billion USD – technology exports & 40+ Billion TL – domestic technology sales since 2002
- Yeni Fikirler Yeni İşler (YFYİ) Acceleration Program
  - First of its kind in Turkey
  - 19 years of success with more than 1000 employment, 250+ startups established

- Animation Technologies and Digital Gaming (ATOM) Pre-Incubation and Incubation Center
  - First of its kind in Turkey
  - 15+ years of success with more than 2000+ developers supported, 700+ games developed, 50+ startups established and 20+ Million USD exports realized employment, 250+ startups established

- Incubation Centers focusing on education Technologies, serious gaming, impact, space and aviation and academic entrepreneurship
  - 70+ new startups established each year
  - 150+ startups/spinoffs hosted at a time

- One of the first technology transfer offices in Turkey established in 2007
  - 200+ inventions, 50+ commercialized patents, 550+ patent applications and 280+ patents granted in its portfolio
  - 2000+ joint R&D projects between university and technopark companies, 700+ different academics matched with the industry, 3000+ contracts between university and technopark companies
• Growth Circuit Ventures, investment in early startups (Pre-seed and seed)
• Investments realized between 50,000USD - 250,000USD per venture
• A total amount of 2 Million USD investment realized to 14 startups by the end of 2022, by the start of 2023 within its exit stage

• Venture Capital Investment Fund established in collaboration with Turkiye Development Fund and İstanbul Development Agency
• Seed investments to 22-25 early stage technology startups and 7 follow on investments will be realized focusing on deep tech, gaming, life sciences and renewable energy areas
• Closed 2022 with 6 Million USD, aims to reach a size of 10 Million USD by the end of 2023 with its second closing
• 5+ investments realised in 2023
• Turkey's first technopark supported co-working zone
• Total closed area of 4500m² with more than 600 members
• Offers various membership models and services in the form of private and shared offices, co-working, virtual office, meeting rooms and event zones
ODTÜ- Research Park

- Seating Area: 10,800 m²
- Total usable area: 28,150 m²

October 2023
- Directorate of Research Coordination
- Directorate of Scientific Research Projects
- Center for Robotics and Artificial Intelligence (ROMER)
- Energy Materials and Storage Devices Research Center
- Center of Excellence in Biomaterials & Tissue Engineering
- ODTÜ Center for Solar Energy Research & Applications
- Climate Change and Sustainable Development Application & Research Center.

June 2024
- ODTÜ-Central Lab.- R&D Center for Molecular Biology and Biotechnology
- Cancer System Biology Lab.
- Ecosystem Implementation and Research Center
- The Research and Application Center for Space and Accelerator Technologies

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