

**TURKISH REPUBLIC  
ATATÜRK UNIVERSITY  
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

**April 18, 2012**

**Distinguished Colleagues,**

I am very pleased to declare that two very significant joint events will be held on October, 2012 in Erzurum and Trabzon Provinces respectively.

**The first event is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Eurasian Silk Road Universities Convention of the ESRUC Consortium from October 13 to 15, 2012 in Erzurum/Turkey by the host of Ataturk University.** As a very significant international conference on Higher Education, we feel very privileged as the host to welcome all the distinguished guests from all parts of the world. This event provides a unique opportunity for university presidents/rectors/vice-chancellors and their representatives to gain knowledge and experiences from experts with a wealth of experiences in Higher Education from the university to global levels. Such knowledge and experiences will serve as valuable guidelines on Higher Education in various countries.

Hence, the main theme adopted for this 3<sup>rd</sup> ESRUC General Assembly is “***Most Successful Projects in Your Administration***”.

Prospective colleagues are invited to submit one or more favorite Projects in English before **the deadline September 7, 2012** by e-mail to “**esruc@atauni.edu.tr**”.

**The second event is the Mimar Sinan International Project Olympics that will be held in October 15-18, 2012 in Trabzon Province under the patronage of the President of Republic of Turkey H.E. Mr. Abdullah Gül. So, the selected ESRUC projects will be nominated for the Mimar Sinan International Project Olympics. The deadline for the project submission of this second event is May 15, 2012.**

Please let us know as soon as possible if you will be able to accept the above invitations and if so, please send us the title and the details of your Project before the mentioned deadlines to make the appropriate arrangements.

Your contribution to this symposium would definitely benefit all the participants.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Please do not hesitate to let me know if you have any concerns and/or suggestions.



**Sincerely yours,  
Prof.Dr. Hikmet KOÇAK  
President**