Outstanding Chapter Activities

We as Bilkent University Chapter Officers have planned and executed activities which are listed below.

Orientation: We opened a stand to give information for our academic and social activities at the beginning of the semester. Fresh students gained opportunity to be a part of our organizations which are executing during the year.

Dinner with ACM Bilkent: We organized a dinner to opportunity to get closely acquainted with Bilkent ACM student chapter members.

BiLWiC Acquaintance Meeting: After planning the activities, we organized acquaintance meeting for Bilkent University students. Coordinators gave detailed information and answered questions of participants regarding organizations. We got the information of the students who would like to take part in activities. We draw lots for our *'Meet the Grads activity'*. Cocinella Pasta was sponsor for BiLWiC Acquaintance Meeting.

Meet the grads: Four grads who work in different department attended to the '*Meet the Grads*' night. Participants had a chance to meet professionals and the speed-networking with them. Also, participants found an opportunity to reach information about the link between different sectors and computing.

Ada Lovelace day: We organized a day for Ada Lovelace who is the first programmer in the world. The day aims to celebrate women who work and have success in the field of science, encourage new generations to meet each other. Ada Lovelace Day was organized by both BiLWiC and IEE WIE. We opened a stand and students wrote whatever comes to their mind about informatics.

Conversation with Çağla Büyükakçay: Ms. Büyükakçay is a Turkish tennis player, who won her first title at her home tournament in İstanbul and became the first player from Turkey representing in Olympics. Ms. Büyükakçay explained her career life and talked about her 2016 Rio Olypics adventure. Participants found opportunity to know personally.

iLKadınlar: We organized İLKadınlar organization to encourage women from different areas such as aviation, sport, literature, industry and music. Participants spent quality time with first women of their own fields. They talked about their journey and adventures throughout their process. Our sponsors were *Simit Center* and *stajim.net*.

Hour of Code: To celebrate the Computer Science Education Week (5-11 December) we organized an event to be able to introduce coding to 50 kids from TEGV (Education Volunteers Foundation of Turkey) at Microsoft Turkey Ankara Office. We had one hour of coding lesson followed by presentations and surprises kids. While completing Minecraft steps, children met with coding and thought what coding is. Microsoft Turkey became sponsor for '*Hour of Code'* organization.

ACM Ankara Celebration of Women in Computing: Organized in 23 countries around the world, celebration was held for the first time in Turkey. Senior female speakers from various areas of computer science took part in celebration. Organization brought together students who are interested in computing world or who are directly involved in the field and professionals. Celebration was organized to support gender equality which is the one of the biggest deficiencies in the world. Our main sponsors were ACM and Microsoft. Media sponsors were stajim.net, webtekno, radio Bilkent.

Url: <u>http://acwic.org/</u>

CSector Breaks: We are planning to organize two workshops which are related to *integrated cloud applications* & *platform services* and *Python programming*. Organization will be separated in two days. Participants will be students and grads who are interested in computer science.