

Summary of 4th Project Meeting in Düzce / TURKEY
30. 09. 2013 – 02.10.2013

4th SAME Project meeting was held between 30 September and 02 October in Düzce / Turkey. The participants of the meeting and their countries were as follows:

Germany Hoch Vier e. u., Potsdam	Dr. Michael Jahn Genevieve Braune Diego Andres Diaz Tamayo Anke Gutermuth Katrin Junemann
Sweden Centrum för livslångt lärande, Tyresö	Anders Åström Irena Berglund
Austria Die Kärntner Volkshochschulen, Klagenfurt	Sonja Landfried Benjamin Hell
Switzerland Verband der Schweizerischen Volkshochschulen	Aparna Gairola Tanay Maithani
France GRETA du Velay, Le Puy-en-Velay	Jérôme Combaz
Turkey Düzce University, Faculty of Education, Düzce	Dr. Engin Aslanargun Dr. Aslıhan Kuyumcu Vardar Dr. Abdurrahman İlğan Taner Atmaca

30 September 2013 – Monday

The first day of meeting Dr. Engin Aslanargun made a presentation about the statistics of internal migration flow particularly in Düzce and Turkey in general. The unique aspects of migration issue to the point of how it differentiated from Europe were tried to be explored culturally and historically.

Prof. Dr. Funda Sivrikaya Şerifoğlu, Rector of Düzce University, explained the perspective of higher education and units of university while dealing with the project topic during her visit. She also talked about her visits abroad and female points of migration.

Dr. William Peachy gave lecture about how migrants feel in Turkey underlining his own experience of 30 years. He tried to explore the motivational factors that students generally face with while learning English in Turkey.

01 October 2013 – Tuesday

Dr. Aslihan Kuyumcu Vardar gave lecture about basic Turkish language grammar and underlined the structural differences of language family between Turkish and European languages. She had taught mostly used words and phrases in daily life and made short conversations between partners.

Mr. Ali İhsan Su, Governor of Düzce, called *vali* in Turkish, welcomed the partners and made official statements of how administration in Düzce considers migrants and what it meant for the public. He also declared that although some misunderstandings in Turkey, society is ready to welcome to migrants as in the case of Syrians, and the multicultural structure of community also proves it.

Dr. Yusuf Şen talked about the particular situation of Circassians that have been living in Turkey for two centuries. He has informed that nearly two millions of Circassians have been living in Turkey then, forty thousands of whom were living in Düzce. Their traditions, folklores, expectations were also been discussed during presentations. The death languages of the region and Circassians' effort to enliven their mother tongue were underlined in University and Turkey in general. He also explained the motives behind why people try to survive their mother tongue on the basis of Circassians.

Experiencing some traditional art that is called EBRU took place in the afternoon of second day's meeting in Kaynaşlı Vocational School. The expert of art and paintings, Miss. Mahpeyker, explained the idea of her paintings that lied behind. Partners had found chances to create their own ebru arts and imaginations doing by themselves with the help of expert Mr. Yusuf.

In the evening, one of the ethnic cultural unions was visited as a group. Their members and young generations were ready to welcome project partners. Three lecturers of Circassians language also attended the meeting while project partners were discussing the ethnic cultural issues with community members. The young members of the community had displayed their own traditional folk dance. After a long, tiring mutual question answer section, the evening part of the project was closed.

02 October 2013 – Wednesday

The project partners made evaluation and shared their opinions about the fourth meeting in Düzce and Turkey. Anders made contribution with his short and brief presentation. The meeting was closed after planning the next meeting and Sonja's brief information about Klagenfurt's visit.

Following visits are going to be:

-Monday	24.02.2014	–	Wednesday	26.02.2014	Austria
-Wednesday	04.06.2014	–	Friday	06.06.2014	Switzerland