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4 QUALITY EDUCATION

SDG 4

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4 QUALITY EDUCATION

INSTITUTIONAL PROFILE

Piri Reis University at a Glance

Piri Reis University (PRU) is a foundation university established by the Turkish Maritime Education Foundation (TÜDEV), which was founded in 1993 by leading representatives of the maritime sector with the support of the İMEAK Chamber of Shipping; the University acquired legal personality upon the publication of Law No. 5733 in the Official Gazette on 8 February 2008. Its roots go back to the TÜDEV Maritime Education Centre, which trained 2,034 officers between 1995 and 2012.

Guided by its vision "to be a specialised university that is a pioneer in Türkiye and respected worldwide, adding value to the sector by striving for excellence in education and research in every maritime-related field", PRU explicitly commits in its mission to educating individuals who have embraced the Sustainable Development Goals; "Social Responsibility, Sustainability and Environmental Awareness" and "Respect for Diversity and Human Rights" are among the institution's core values.

The University provides education through its Faculties of Maritime Studies, Engineering, Economics and Administrative Sciences, Law, and Arts and Sciences, its Maritime Vocational School and its Graduate Institute, on the Sea Campus and the Preparatory Campus on the Marmara Sea coast in Tuzla. The Sea Campus was designed as a BREEAM-certified "Green Campus" and features a trigeneration plant, greywater and rainwater recovery systems and seawater-based cooling infrastructure.

PRU is the only Turkish foundation university that is a member of the International Association of Maritime Universities (IAMU). It was granted institutional accreditation under the YÖKAK Institutional Accreditation Programme on 21 March 2025, and its Maritime Simulators Centre was accredited by The Nautical Institute as an approved Dynamic Positioning (DP) Training Centre on 22 October 2024.

Piri Reis University in Numbers

6,330
total students (2025): 2,171 associate degree, 4,004 undergraduate, 155 postgraduate

210
full-time academic staff (+109 hourly-paid lecturers)

168
full-time administrative staff

5 + 1 + 1
faculties, vocational school and graduate institute

15
maritime simulators (including 3 full-mission bridges)

6
research and application centres (PRUSAM, DENEKAM, PUSEM, etc.)

42
student clubs, 1,996 club members

5 + 4
national and international patent applications in 2025

29%
share of women among students placed in 2025-26 (2014-15: 14%)

Source: Institutional Self-Evaluation Report (KİDR) 2025 (as of 31 December 2025) and sustainability.pirireis.edu.tr. The share of women is based on the table of placed students published on the sustainability website.

SUSTAINABILITY GOVERNANCE

Our Sustainability Approach and Reporting

Piri Reis University's 2023-2027 Strategic Plan is structured in alignment with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). For each SDG, the sustainability website publicly sets out the links with the Strategic Plan objectives (excellence of the learning environment, research quality, industry–university cooperation, institutional culture and becoming the best university in maritime) together with additional actions.

The Sustainability Research and Application Center (PRUSAM), established in 2024, works on energy management, decarbonisation, sustainable port operations and digitalisation in line with Net Zero targets; the Center's regulation lists the preparation of the sustainability report and similar outputs among its duties. The Social Contribution Commission, chaired by the Rector, and the Quality Coordination Office contribute to monitoring sustainability activities and disseminating them across the institution.

The University's Climate Change Mitigation and Action Policy Document (2023-2027) sets out the goal of becoming a carbon-neutral university by 2050. Campus operations are assured through the ISO 50001:2018 Energy Management System (2024-2027), the ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management System and the Zero Waste Certificate (February 2025).

PRU took part in the Times Higher Education (THE) Impact Rankings 2025 with all 17 SDGs and was placed in the 1501+ band overall. Its strongest results were in SDG 14 Life Below Water and SDG 15 Life on Land (401–600), followed by 601–800 in SDGs 6, 8, 12 and 16, 801–1000 in SDGs 5, 9, 11 and 13, 801+ in SDG 2, 1001+ in SDGs 1, 7 and 10 and 1501+ in SDGs 3, 4 and 17. This report series has been prepared separately for all 17 SDGs based on the THE Impact Rankings indicators and is published together with the general Sustainability Report.

Scope of this report

- Reporting period: 2024-2025 academic year and 2025 financial year (1 September 2024 – 31 December 2025). Ongoing practices are also covered.
- Scope: Sea Campus and Preparatory Campus; all academic and administrative units, research centres and student clubs.
- Data sources: activities published on sustainability.pirireis.edu.tr, pirireis.edu.tr and unit subdomains, KİDR 2025, the 2023-2027 Strategic Plan, institutional directives and policies, and final reports of Scientific Research Projects (BAP).
- Structure: Indicators are organised according to the THE Impact Rankings methodology; publicly accessible evidence links are provided under each indicator.

SDG 4 · QUALITY EDUCATION

Quality maritime education and lifelong learning for all

Providing maritime education to international standards, PRU extends knowledge beyond the campus through its simulator centre, its Continuing Education Center (PUSEM), its open access archive and its public conferences.

Education at the Faculty of Maritime Studies is delivered entirely in English in compliance with IMO STCW standards. The Maritime Simulators Centre, with 15 simulators, was accredited in October 2024 as a DP Training Centre approved by The Nautical Institute, and the English Preparatory Department holds EAQUALS accreditation. The University received institutional accreditation by the Turkish Higher Education Quality Council (YÖKAK) on 21 March 2025.

PUSEM offers lifelong learning opportunities to the sector and the public through programmes such as emergency response in ports, marine technical management, yacht captaincy and STCW training. The Maritime Vocational School's weekly Can SALI Meetings bring sector professionals together with students.

100
related activities and practices (all periods)

57
activities in the reporting period (Sep 2024 – Dec 2025)

4
related research projects (BAP, TÜBİTAK, EU)

15
maritime simulators

Highlights of the period

- The Nautical Institute-approved DP Training Centre accreditation (22 October 2024) and YÖKAK institutional accreditation (21 March 2025)
- Open Access Directive and an Institutional Academic Archive indexed in international directories
- The "Şirin Çocuklar Library" established at a primary school, and stationery donations
- Maritime Vocational School Can SALI Meetings: weekly industry–student sessions throughout the semester
- THE Impact Rankings 2025 SDG 4: 1501+ band

THE IMPACT RANKINGS INDICATORS

Indicators, Explanations and Evidence

This section summarises Piri Reis University's policies, practices and activities against the indicators of the Times Higher Education (THE) Impact Rankings methodology for SDG 4. Evidence for each indicator is provided with links.

4.3 Lifelong learning measures

4.3.1 Free access to educational resources

In accordance with the Open Access Directive (Senate, 14 December 2021), the University's academic outputs are made freely available to all through the Institutional Academic Archive, which is indexed in Harman, BASE, OpenAIRE and OpenDOAR.

External users can use the library's study areas and collection by applying with the FR.KTP.01 External User Application form.

EVIDENCE

- Open Access Directive (Senate 14 December 2021) – https://pirireis.edu.tr/wp-content/uploads/2026/06/PIRI-REIS-UNIVERSITESI-ACIK-ERISIM-YONERGESI.pdf
- Institutional Academic Archive (open access) – https://openaccess.pirireis.edu.tr/
- Library – External Users – https://kutuphane.pirireis.edu.tr/vetisbt/?p=3&kategori=kutuphaneDokumanlari&id=333f4c13-b58e-4f14-b5f6-29a16069efe2

4.3.2 Public lectures, conferences and events

During the reporting period, numerous open events were held, such as "Seas of Türkiye and Blue Heritage", the Climate Change and Environment Symposium, the Green Fuels for Green Shipping workshop, scientific meetings on the publication of Pîrî Reis's Kitâb-ı Bahriye (Book of the Sea) and talks organised by the Culture Coordination Office.

Under the YÖK Science Café programme, a free public talk titled "Climate, Seas and Our Future" was held at the Tuzla Municipality Seaside Stage on 27 June 2025.

EVIDENCE

- "Turkish Seas and Blue Heritage" Event Held (2 May 2025) – https://sustainability.pirireis.edu.tr/etkinlikler/turkiye-denizleri-ve-mavi-miras-etkinligi-gerceklestirildi/
- Climate Change and Environment Symposium Held at Piri Reis University! (19 November 2025) – https://sustainability.pirireis.edu.tr/etkinlikler/iklim-degisikligi-ve-cevre-sempozyumu-piri-reis-universitesinde-gerceklesti/
- Panel on Pîrî Reis's Kitâb-ı Bahriye and the problems of its publication held (28 January 2025) – https://detam.pirireis.edu.tr/haberler/piri-reisin-kitab-i-bahriye-adli-eseri-ve-nesrinin-problemleri-paneli-gerceklesti/
- YÖK Science Café "Climate, Seas and Our Future" (27 June 2025) – https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1326027972856840&id=pirireisuniversity

4.3.3 Public vocational training and short courses

PUSEM organises courses and certificate programmes such as Emergency Response and Accident Management in Ports, Marine Technical Management, Seafood Cuisine, Yacht Captaincy and STCW training. The Maritime Simulators Centre offers DP Induction, DP Simulator and DP Maintenance courses, as well as Turkish Straits and narrow-channel navigation exercises.

EVIDENCE

- PUSEM – Continuing Education Center activities – https://pirireis.edu.tr/hakkimizda/toplumsal-katki/pusem-faaliyetleri/
- PUSEM – https://sustainability.pirireis.edu.tr/etkinlikler/pusem/
- Simulator training – https://sustainability.pirireis.edu.tr/etkinlikler/simulator-egitimleri/
- The Nautical Institute DP Training Centre accreditation (22 October 2024) – https://pirireis.edu.tr/haberler/universitemiz-the-nautical-institute-standartlarina-gore-onayli-dynamic-positioning-egitim-merkezi-olarak-akredite-edildi/

4.3.4 Educational outreach beyond campus

ÖDEK clubs established the “Şirin Çocuklar Library” at a primary school through book donations and provided stationery support to girls at Mevlana Primary School on 8 March.

Off campus, the YÖK Science Café talk at the Tuzla Municipality Seaside Stage (27 June 2025) informed the public about climate and the seas.

EVIDENCE

- Şirin Children’s Library opened! (20 October 2025) – https://odek.pirireis.edu.tr/etkinlikler/sirin-cocuklar-kutuphanesi-acildi/
- Stationery gifts from our Anti-Harassment and Violence Support Unit and Social Entrepreneurship Club to 4th-grade girls at Mevlana Primary School, as part of the 8 March Women’s Day “WOMEN SEAFARERS” event (8 March 2025) – https://odek.pirireis.edu.tr/duyurular/611/
- YÖK Science Café (27 June 2025) – https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1326027972856840&id=pirireisuniversity

4.3.5 Equal access to lifelong learning for all

The Anti-Discrimination Principle prohibits discrimination in education, student admissions, scholarships and programmes on grounds such as gender, religion, national or ethnic origin, race, disability, age or political affiliation, and covers all educational activities, including those of PUSEM.

EVIDENCE

- Anti-Discrimination Principle – https://pirireis.edu.tr/hakkimizda/akademik-ilkelerimiz/ayrimcilik-karsitligi/

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

Our Activities under SDG 4



7th activity of the Can SALI Meetings, 2025-2026 autumn semester

9 December 2025 • Maritime Vocational School (MVS)

The 7th session of the 2025-2026 Autumn Semester of the “Can SALI Meetings” programme, held every week by the Piri Reis University Maritime Vocational School (PRU MVS), took place on 09.12.2025. Within this programme, which will make an important contribution to developing university–industry cooperation, our school’s students and teaching staff met and exchanged information with representatives of the relevant sector.

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Source: https://dmyo.pirireis.edu.tr/duyurular/can-sali-bulusmalarinin-2025-2026-guz-donemi-7-faaliyeti/

PRU English Preparatory Department at TESOL Türkiye LAMSIG (Leadership and Management Special Interest Group)

15 November 2025 • English Preparatory Department

As the Piri Reis University English Preparatory Department, we attended the TESOL Türkiye LAMSIG (Leadership and Management Special Interest Group) event held at Acıbadem University on 15 November 2025. We believe that leadership and management play a critical role in improving quality in foreign language education. While teachers in the classroom are always the key determinant of student success, a strong administrative structure and effective leadership are needed for them to realise their full potential. On this important platform, where foreign language teaching professionals can develop their management and leadership skills, share experiences and contribute professionally, we came together with many universities.

SDG 4

Source: https://prep.pirireis.edu.tr/haberler/pru-ingilizce-hazirlik-bolumu-tesol-turkiye-lamsigde-leadership-and-management-special-interest-group/



Maritime Career Days

3 November 2025 • Faculty of Maritime Studies

Maritime Career Days were held at our Tuzla Sea Campus on 3-7 November 2025. Representatives of Acechem Tanker, DFDS, DESE Crew Management, Lucent Maritime, Veysel Vardal Tankercilik, Battal Marine, Medlog, Akar Group, Akkon Lines, Manta Bulk-Gas, Mass Petrox, Akbaşoğlu Denizcilik, Arkas Holding, Srediste Shipping, Coship Crew Management, Go-Turtle, Suse Sea, Bluefin Crew Management, Akbaşoğlu Denizcilik, Beşiktaş Shipping, Nakkaş Shipping, Scot Tanker, V-Ships, YMN Tanker, QSM Global, Omikron Crew Management, Geden Lines, Spark Ship Management, Kıran Holding, Medkon, Ditaş Tankercilik and YASA Holding attended the Maritime Career Days.

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Source: https://sustainability.pirireis.edu.tr/etkinlikler/denizcilik-kariyer-gunleri/



Şirin Children's Library opened!

20 October 2025 • ÖDEK – Human Rights Club

The Piri Reis University Human Rights Club opened a library at Tuzla Osmangazi Primary School on 20 October 2025 to provide a library to a school that did not have one. Named the "Şirin Children's Library" to keep alive the memory of the child Şirin, who lost her life as a result of violence, the library has become a source of hope for children with a donation of nearly 4,000 books.

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Source: https://odek.pirireis.edu.tr/etkinlikler/sirin-cocuklar-kutuphanesi-acildi/



PRU English Preparatory Department at ICPLTL-2025

20 October 2025 • English Preparatory Department

The PRU English Preparatory Department attended the International Conference on Psychology for Language Teachers and Learners (ICPLTL-2025), hosted by Medipol University. This dynamic event brought together educators, researchers and practitioners from around the world. The conference offered an inspiring platform to explore the interaction between psychology and language education, highlighting innovative approaches to motivation, learner engagement and teacher well-being. It also provided valuable insights and opportunities for collaboration that enrich our ongoing commitment to excellence in language teaching and learning.

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Source: https://prep.pirireis.edu.tr/haberler/pru-ingilizce-hazirlik-bolumu-icpltl-2025de/



Speaking & Writing Club announcement (Speaking & Writing Hubs)

16 October 2025 • English Preparatory Department

The English Preparatory Department announced the Writing & Speaking Hub to support students' writing and speaking skills. At the hub, students can sign up for 40-minute face-to-face sessions to develop their essays and paragraphs, practise speaking and receive feedback from their instructors, prepare for exams and presentations, and organise their ideas.

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Source: https://prep.pirireis.edu.tr/duyurular/konusma-yazma-kulubu-duyurusu-speaking-writing-hubs/



CADMATIC Training Internship Programme organised by SANMAR A.Ş. and ARTI Denizcilik A.Ş. completed

6 August 2025 • Faculty of Engineering

At a ceremony held on Wednesday, 6 August 2025 at 13:30 at the Piri Reis University Sea Campus, certificates of participation were presented to our students who successfully completed the CADMATIC Training Internship Programme. As part of the programme, a technical visit was made to the SANMAR A.Ş. Altınova Shipyard on Thursday, 7 August 2025.

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Source: https://muhendislik.pirireis.edu.tr/haberler/sanmar-a-s-ve-arti-denizcilik-a-s-tarafindan-duzenlenen-cadmatic-egitimi-staj-programi-tamamlandi/



Our student who has earned a Jean Monnet Scholarship

29 May 2025 • Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences

Our student Hikmet Serdar Turgut, who is successfully pursuing a double major in Management Information Systems and Economics and Finance, has achieved an important success through his outstanding academic performance and determination. By winning the prestigious Jean Monnet Scholarship, awarded to only 190 people across Türkiye for the 2025-2026 academic year, he has earned the right to pursue a master's degree under this respected scholarship programme supported by the European Union.

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Source: https://iibf.pirireis.edu.tr/haberler/jean-monnet-bursunu-almaya-hak-kazanan-ogrencimiz/



Assoc. Prof. Dr. Tutku Eker İşcioğlu delivers presentation on “The Importance of Vocational Training for Sustainable Port Operations and Greenport Alliances”

15 May 2025

During Maritime Pilots Week (12-16 May), at the panel titled “Those Who Steer the Course to Safety” organised by the Turkish Maritime Pilots’ Association, presentations were given by Captain Nildeniz Sütçü Şen, President of the Turkish Maritime Pilots’ Association, Captain Simon Pelletier, President of the International Maritime Pilots’ Association, and Captain Arie Palmers, representative of the European Maritime Pilots’ Association, together with a presentation on the Greenport Alliances project, led by Piri Reis University, by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Tutku Eker İşcioğlu.

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Source: https://sustainability.pirireis.edu.tr/etkinlikler/doc-dr-tutku-eker-iscioglu-tarafindan-surdurulebilir-liman-operasyonlari-icin-mesleki-egitimin-onemi-ve-geeenport-alliances-sunumu-gerceklestirildi/



PRU Preparatory Department holds a meeting point event on English language teaching

2 May 2025 • English Preparatory Department

The event “ELT Connect: Sharing Voices, Shaping Practices”, organised by our University’s English Preparatory Department, was successfully held. At the event, attended by teachers from various universities, current approaches and practices in English language teaching were discussed, and participants had the opportunity to share their knowledge and experience. Aiming to support academic interaction and professional development, the event offered participants an inspiring environment.

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Source: https://prep.pirireis.edu.tr/haberler/pru-hazirlik-bolumu-ingilizce-ogretiminde-bulusma-noktasi-etkinligi/



Greenport Alliances Project Featured at the European Maritime Summit

28 March 2025

At the European Shipping Summit, held in Brussels on 19-20 March with the aim of steering the future of the European maritime sector, key topics were addressed, including reducing carbon emissions by supplying ships in port with shore power, assessing Europe’s transition to competitive green maritime fuels, ship dismantling and recycling processes, diversity-focused leadership approaches, and decarbonisation of the sector through the role of the human factor beyond technology.

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Source: https://sustainability.pirireis.edu.tr/etkinlikler/greenport-alliances-projesi-avrupa-denizcilik-zirvesinde-yerini-aldi/

ETKİNLİK

The fourth newsletter of the Greenport Alliances project, managed by our University, has been published

24 January 2025

The fourth newsletter of the Greenport Alliances (Erasmus+) project, coordinated by Piri Reis University, has been published (January 2025). The newsletter includes project updates such as the advocacy of the European Tugowners Association (ETA) for exempting tugboats in European ports from the EU MRV Regulation.

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Source: https://sustainability.pirireis.edu.tr/etkinlikler/universitemiz-tarafindan-yonetilmekte-olan-greenport-alliances-projesinin-dorduncu-haber-bulteni-yayinlandi/

RESEARCH AND PROJECTS

Research Projects Related to SDG 4

Below are research projects related to SDG 4 that were assessed as highly or moderately relevant to sustainability. They were compiled from final reports of Scientific Research Projects (BAP) and from BAP, TÜBİTAK and EU project records.

GAP-101139879 · AB - Erasmus+

GREENPORT Alliance

Prof. Dr. M. Taner ALBAYRAK; Assoc. Prof. Dr. Tutku EKER İŞCİOĞLU

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BAP-A-2025-01-09 · BAP Infrastructure · 2024-2025 (1st call)

Scientific Research Project on Strategies and a Roadmap for Maritime Students Working at Sea

Prof. Dr. Aykut ARSLAN · Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences

A two-phase survey study was carried out to identify the factors that reduce Turkish seafarers' motivation to work at sea: Phase 1 reached 1,760 final-year students from all schools providing maritime education (~32% of the population), and Phase 2 reached 715 seafarers. PCA, cluster and regression analyses showed that the intention to remain in the sector differs according to motivation profiles centred on 'love of the profession' and 'economic return', and that gender has a significant negative effect on length of stay. The results were shared with representatives of the İMEAK Chamber of Shipping (DTO) and sector stakeholders on 30 June 2025.

OUTPUTS

Two-phase final report and policy recommendations; Sector stakeholder meeting (30 June 2025, PRU)

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BAP-2025-03-03 · BAP · 2024-2025 (3rd call)

Design of a Basic Training Simulation for Anchoring and Anchoring Equipment: Piri Reis University Green Campus Application

Ali Cem KUZU

To strengthen hands-on teaching in maritime education, a training rig modelling a ship's forecastle anchoring station (electric windlass, chain, anchor, forecastle platform) was designed, installed and functionally tested. The rig is intended for use in the Seamanship, Ship Manoeuvring and Deck Equipment courses and to contribute to a culture of safe working. Expenditure: TRY 300,000.

OUTPUTS

Training rig (anchoring training platform)

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BAP-2025-01-02 · BAP · 2024-2025 (1st call)

Raising Public Awareness of Juvenile Delinquency and Child Victims of Crime, and Fostering Criminal Law Awareness Among Children Regarding the Phenomenon of Crime

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ANNEX

SDG 4 Activity Inventory

The table below lists all activities associated with SDG 4 during and before the reporting period that are publicly available on the university's websites. The links serve as evidence.

Date	Activity	Unit	SDG
9 December 2025	7th activity of the Can SALI Meetings, 2025-2026 autumn semester	Maritime Vocational School (MVS)	4 8 17
15 November 2025	PRU English Preparatory Department at TESOL Türkiye LAMSIG (Leadership and Management Special Interest Group)	English Preparatory Department	4
11 November 2025	4th activity of the Can SALI Meetings, 2025-2026 autumn semester	Maritime Vocational School (MVS)	4 8 17
3 November 2025	Maritime Career Days	Faculty of Maritime Studies	4 8
20 October 2025	Şirin Children's Library opened!	ÖDEK – Human Rights Club	4 17
20 October 2025	PRU English Preparatory Department at ICPLTL-2025	English Preparatory Department	4 3
16 October 2025	Speaking & Writing Club announcement (Speaking & Writing Hubs)	English Preparatory Department	4
14 October 2025	1st activity of the Can SALI Meetings, 2025-2026 autumn semester	Maritime Vocational School (MVS)	4 8 17
15 September 2025	PRU English Preparatory Department attends the MEF University School of Foreign Languages Training Day	English Preparatory Department	4
25 August 2025	Piri Reis University Robotics Club achieves great success at NJORD Challenge 2025 in Norway!	R&D / Innovation and Technology Transfer Office – Robotics Club	9 4
6 August 2025	CADMATIC Training Internship Programme organised by SANMAR A.Ş. and ARTI Denizcilik A.Ş. completed	Faculty of Engineering	4 8
11 July 2025	Second edition of the LEARN4SEA newsletter published!	PRUSAM – Sustainability Research and Application Center	14 4 17
23 June 2025	Our Dean Prof. Dr. Cüneyt Ezgi visits the Latvian Maritime Academy	Faculty of Maritime Studies	17 4
4 June 2025	European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA) inspection	Faculty of Maritime Studies	14 4
29 May 2025	Our student who has earned a Jean Monnet Scholarship	Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences	4 17
23 May 2025	TÜBİTAK 2209-A project and TÜBİTAK BİGG (Individual Young Entrepreneur) programme selection results	Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences	9 4
23 May 2025	Piri Reis University inter-student project presentation results	Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences	3 4
23 May 2025	Project workshop & simulator yacht race	R&D / Innovation and Technology Transfer Office	9 4
15 May 2025	Assoc. Prof. Dr. Tutku Eker İşcioğlu delivers presentation on "The Importance of Vocational Training for Sustainable Port Operations and Greenport Alliances"		4 13 17
13 May 2025	Can SALI Meetings spring semester closing event	Maritime Vocational School (MVS)	4 8 17
13 May 2025	Mechatronics programme students meet AVATEC	Maritime Vocational School (MVS)	8 4
7 May 2025	Advanced manufacturing technologies seminar	Faculty of Engineering	9 4

Date	Activity	Unit	SDG
7 May 2025	23rd Maritime Education Council	Faculty of Maritime Studies	4
2 May 2025	“Turkish Seas and Blue Heritage” Event Held	DETAM – Maritime History Research and Application Center	14 4 11
2 May 2025	PRU Preparatory Department holds a meeting point event on English lang uage teaching	English Preparatory Department	4 17
30 April 2025	Prof. Dr. Iryna Semeniuk Zümrütdal represented Piri Reis University at the Eaquals Annual General Meeting	English Preparatory Department	4 17
29 April 2025	6th activity of the Can SALI Meetings, 2024-2025 spring semester	Maritime Vocational School (MVS)	4 8 17
29 April 2025	Event announcement	English Preparatory Department	4 17
21 April 2025	TESOL ELT Conference at Erciyes University, Kayseri, 18-19 April 2025	English Preparatory Department	5 4
10 April 2025	2nd LEARN4SEA meeting	PRUSAM – Sustainability Research and Application Center	14 4 17
5 April 2025	Piri Reis University at the Eaquals International Conference 2025	English Preparatory Department	4 17
3 April 2025	Conference participation at the College of Liberal Arts, Towson University	English Preparatory Department	16 4
28 March 2025	Greenport Alliances Project Featured at the European Maritime Summit		4 13 17
20 March 2025	Second scientific meeting on “The Publication of the First Version of Pîrî R eis’s Kitâb-ı Bahriye” held	DETAM – Maritime History Research and Application Center	11 4
18 March 2025	2nd activity of the Can SALI Meetings, 2024-2025 spring semester	Maritime Vocational School (MVS)	4 8 17
8 March 2025	Stationery gifts from our Anti-Harassment and Violence Support Unit and Social Entrepreneurship Club to 4th-grade girls at Mevlana Primary Schoo l, as part of the 8 March Women’s Day “WOMEN SEAFARERS” event	ÖDEK – Anti-Harassment and Violence Support Unit & Social Entrepreneurship Club	5 4 10
27 February 2025	Scientific research meeting on “The Publication of the First Version of Pîrî Reis’s Kitâb-ı Bahriye” held	DETAM – Maritime History Research and Application Center	11 4
24 February 2025	Latvian Maritime Academy visits our Faculty	Faculty of Maritime Studies	17 4
3 February 2025	End-of-autumn-semester seminar series 2	English Preparatory Department	3 4
28 January 2025	Panel on Pîrî Reis’s Kitâb-ı Bahriye and the problems of its publication hel d	DETAM – Maritime History Research and Application Center	11 4
24 January 2025	The fourth newsletter of the Greenport Alliances project, managed by our University, has been published		4 13 17
15 January 2025	LEARN4SEA	PRUSAM – Sustainability Research and Application Center	9 4 14 17
15 January 2025	Second issue of the newsletter published	PRUSAM – Sustainability Research and Application Center	4 17
15 January 2025	BLUE4SEA	PRUSAM – Sustainability Research and Application Center	14 4 17
31 December 2024	50% scholarship opportunity in graduate programmes	Graduate Institute	4 10
24 December 2024	Applications open for the 2025 National Internship Programme!	Career Center and Alumni Office	8 4 10
20 December 2024	Career and Competence Meetings (alumni announcement)	Career Center and Alumni Office	8 4
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18 December 2024	“Atatürk’s Activities in 1938 and His Death, in the 100th Year of the Republic” presentation (18 December 2024 – Director of Health, Culture and Sports Services T. Necmettin Özçelik / Culture Coordination Office)		4
10 December 2024	7th activity of the Can SALI Meetings, 2024-2025 autumn semester, held	Maritime Vocational School (MVS)	4 8 17
12 November 2024	4th activity of the Can SALI Meetings, 2024-2025 autumn semester, held	Maritime Vocational School (MVS)	4 8 17
2 November 2024	Maritime Career Days at the Maritime Campus, 4-8 November!	Faculty of Maritime Studies	8 4
2 November 2024	Piri Reis University becomes a new member of IAESTE!	Career Center and Alumni Office	4 17 8
25 October 2024	EAQUALS	English Preparatory Department	4
15 October 2024	1st activity of the MVS Can SALI Meetings, 2024-2025 autumn semester, held	Maritime Vocational School (MVS)	4 8 17
14 October 2024	Piri Reis University presents at Eaquals Online 2024	English Preparatory Department	4
12 September 2024	Piri Reis University English Preparatory Department attends MEF University Open Training Days	English Preparatory Department	4 17
24 May 2024	Outgoing students	International Relations Office	4 17
24 May 2024	Incoming students	International Relations Office	4 17
3 April 2024	“The Middle East and the World Order” presentation – Prof. Dr. Ali Poyraz Gürson, Dean of the Faculty of Business and Administrative Sciences, Okan University (3 April 2024 – Culture Coordination Office)		4
28 March 2024	Training at the Qatar Naval Academy		4
27 March 2024	“An Overview of the History of Turkish Theatre” presentation – Lecturer Betül Solmaz, Faculty of Arts and Sciences (27 March 2024 – Culture Coordination Office)		4
12 March 2024	“The Poet of Independence: Mehmet Akif Ersoy” presentation – Lecturer Betül Solmaz, Faculty of Arts and Sciences (12 March 2024 – Culture Coordination Office)		4
8 March 2024	“Portraits of Women from the Turkish World of Culture and Science” presentation – Director Hüsamettin Ünlüoğlu (8 March 2024 – Culture Coordination Office)		4
5 March 2024	Visit to the Istanbul Chamber of Commerce	Maritime Vocational School (MVS)	8 4
28 February 2024	“Behiç Erkin, the Turkish Diplomat Who Founded the Railways, in the 100th Year of the Republic” presentation – Asst. Prof. Dr. Uğur Baran Hanağası, Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences (28 February 2024 – Culture Coordination Office)		4
23 February 2024	“The Identity of the Republic of Türkiye” presentation – Lecturer Eyyub Kandemir, Maritime Vocational School (23 February 2024 – Culture Coordination Office)		4
7 February 2024	“Turkish Soldiers and the Ankara School in the Korean War, in the 100th Year of the Republic” presentation – Mr Tuğrul Necmettin Özçelik, Director of Health, Culture and Sports Services (7 February 2024 – Culture Coordination Office)		4
24 January 2024	“Neuromorphic Computing and Memristor Technology” presentation – Laboratory Specialist Gökhan Ekinci, Department of Physics, Faculty of Arts and Sciences (24 January 2024 – Culture Coordination Office)		4

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	Civil defence and OHS information boards		4
	Liquid State Symposium		4
	“50th Anniversary of the Cyprus Peace Operation Exhibition” – private collection of Mr T. Necmettin Özçelik, Director of Health, Culture and Sports Services (Culture Coordination Office)		11 4
	“On Psychology” presentation – Specialist Clinical Psychologist Fırat Tokat		4
	Ahilik Week event – presentation “The Philosophical Anthropology of Anatolia: Sufi Movements and Ahilik in the Process of Turkification and Islamisation” – researcher and author Umut Güner		4
	30 August Victory Day event – Director of Health, Culture and Sports Services T. Necmettin Özçelik – Lecturer Betül Solmaz, Faculty of Arts and Sciences		4
	“Psychological Techniques” presentation – Specialist Clinical Psychologist Ece Demir		4
	“An Important Step in Our Maritime History: The Transition from Galley to Galleon and the Difficulties Encountered” presentation – Lecturer Hakan Mehmet Köktürk (DETAM – Culture Coordination Office)		4
	“The Victory of Kut’ul Amare” presentation – Director of Health, Culture and Sports Services Necmettin Özçelik (Culture Coordination Office)		4
	“Contributions of the East to Cartography” presentation – Asst. Prof. Dr. Oktay Çetin, Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences (Culture Coordination Office)		4
	“From the Defence of Law to the Path Leading to the Republic” presentation – Lawyer Hüseyin Özbek, former Vice-President of the Union of Turkish Bar Associations (Culture Coordination Office)		4
	“Thoughts on the Concept of Strategic Foresight” presentation – Asst. Prof. Dr. Nazmi Çeşmeci (DETAM – Culture Coordination Office)		4
	“The Geopolitical and Geostrategic Importance of the Eastern Mediterranean, Technological Transformations in the Historical Process and the Role of Submarines Today” presentation – Asst. Prof. Dr. N. Murat Koray (DETAM – Culture Coordination Office)		4
	“Economic Structure and Formation Before and During the Founding Period of the Republic” presentation – Prof. Dr. Mehmet Ufuk Tutan, Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences (Culture Coordination Office)		4
	“Atatürk and the Turkish Language in the 100th Year of the Republic” presentation		4
	“Atatürk in Memories in the 100th Year of the Republic” presentation – Lecturer Betül Solmaz, Faculty of Arts and Sciences (Culture Coordination Office)		4
	“Turkish Librarianship from the Proclamation of the Republic to the Present” presentation – Esra Erdem, Director of Library and Documentation (Culture Coordination Office)		4
	“They Left as They Came: The 100th Anniversary of the Liberation of Istanbul” presentation – Dr. Uğur Baran Hanağası (Culture Coordination Office)		4
	A conversation with our veterans in the 100th year of the Republic (Directorate of Health, Culture and Sports Services / Culture Coordination Office)		4

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	Diving training for staff and students		4
	MVS Can SALI Meetings		4 8
	Seminar on water treatment systems on ships		4
	“Get Bullying Out of Your Head” training		4
	Simulator training		4
	PUSEM		4
	Career Days		4
	Preparatory Department accreditation		4
	DP accreditation		4
	Information boards – AFAD – earthquakes		4
	AFAD Support Volunteer Project		4 15
	Diving at 100 sites in 100 years		4

CONCLUSION

Conclusion and Assessment

Maritime education to IMO STCW standards, the DP Training Centre approved by The Nautical Institute, institutional accreditation by YÖKAK on 21 March 2025 and EAQUALS accreditation underpin quality education. The open-access archive, PUSEM courses, free international conferences and the off-campus YÖK Science Café talk bring knowledge to the wider community.

Development areas include reporting public education and events regularly with participant numbers, increasing off-campus projects with schools and communities and publishing the principle of equal access to lifelong learning as a separate policy.



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