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# Annual Activity Report

# Activities

- **January 6**

The W37 Global Summit for Gender-Related UNESCO Chairs & Networks organized an online meeting on the theme "Tackling with the Anti-Gender Movement: a grave and growing obstacle for a more gender-equal world". This meeting, organized with the participation of UNESCO chairs working in the field of gender around the world, addressed the growing trends towards anti-gender discourses and policies on a global scale, drawing on national country experiences, and discussed strategies to combat the anti-gender movement and gender inequalities.

- **April 7**

Gender Equality Committee Meeting was held.

- **April 14**

In cooperation with the Faculty of Engineering and Natural Sciences, Department of Computer Engineering (English), Maltepe Municipality and Sultanbeyli Municipality, "Gender Equality Training" Seminar was held at Marma Hotel within the scope of the Project for Improving Women's Digital Literacy Skills.

- **November 2**

Women's Empowerment Projects and Good Practices - India Case Studies Seminar was organized jointly by MÜKÇAM and ITBF Social Work Department within the framework of the cooperation protocol signed with Amrita University. In the seminar organized with the participation of Prof. Dr. Meltem Alkoyak Yıldız, examples of good practices for women's empowerment in India were discussed.

- **November 24**

As stated in the Maltepe University Gender Equality Action Plan (MAU-CEP) goals, students are free from gender-based discrimination and violence,"dating violence workshop" was organized to pioneer a sustainable, fair and safe working and educational environment.

- **December 5**

As part of the December 5th Women's Rights Day activities, Prof. Dr. Fatmagül Berktay participated in a seminar titled "The Earth Belongs to No One, but Responsibility Belongs to Everyone: Reflections for a New Social Contract".

- **December 13**

"If my face could blush, it would: Overcoming the Gender Gap in Digital Skills through Education", a "Women's Digital Skills Development Project" was carried out under the leadership of MÜKÇAM and in collaboration with Maltepe University Computer Engineering Department. In this context, a digital literacy training module was developed with computer engineering students for women between the ages of 18-45. With the support of Sultanbeyli Municipality, 10 women were trained at Maltepe University.