**GENERAL INFORMATION OF ISTANBUL UNIVERSITY**

Founded in 1453, Istanbul University is among the first and longest-standing institutions in Turkey. Located in various Campuses and Research Centers in and around the city, Istanbul University is a public academic institution comprising: 15 Faculties, 1 Conservatory, 2 Vocational Schools, 2 Colleges and 12 Graduate Institutes. Besides, the university is home to a total of 50.690 Undergraduate, 21.014 Graduate, 2000 International Students, 3.337 Academic and 4.184 Administrative Staff. Furthermore, Istanbul University holds one of the most renowned Medical Faculties in the country, namely Istanbul Tıp, with 3.000 medical students and approximately 1,700 medical staff including academics. This faculty operate 1 grand hospital and Oncology Institute and Dentistry Faculty comprising a total bed capacity of 1.500 and 1.5 million outpatients and 40,000 inpatients per annum. According to the Academic Ranking of Worldwide Universities in 2011, Istanbul University ranked among the first 400 universities making it the sole Turkish University in the first 500. Istanbul University has ongoing protocols with over 50 institutions worldwide spanning from USA to Europe and Asia along with over 500 Erasmus agreements. In 2006, the Nobel Prize for Literature was awarded to Orhan Pamuk, an Istanbul University graduate of journalism, marking an unrivalled success in the history not only of Turkish universities but also of the country. Furthermore Aziz Sancar, an Istanbul University graduate of Medical Faculty, is a biochemist and molecular biologist specializing in DNA repair, cell cycle checkpoints, and circadian clock. In 2015, he was also awarded the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his mechanistic studies of DNA repair.

Under Istanbul University, the procedures about the EU and other international projects are carried out by the EU and International Projects Office of Istanbul University. This Office aims to increase the number and quality of the EU projects and other international projects and to develop the recognition and awareness of the University sustainably at national and international level in the projects and collaborations related to the grants and supports by the EU and international organizations.

Within the University, there are 20 ongoing and 25 completed EU and other international projects, which are equal to 46 EU and other international projects in total. These projects are based on 5 HORIZON2020 projects, 5 ERA-NET projects under HORIZON2020, 2 ERASMUS+ KA2 projects, 19 other projects from previous framework programmes of the EU before the start of HORIZON2020 in 2014, 4 IPA projects coordinated by the Central Finance And Contracts Unit of Republic of Turkey and 15 other international projects based on specific bilateral agreements. Moreover, at the national level, the University has ongoing 1483 projects and the projects supported by the University are 1.587. In this regard, with our deep knowledge and experience in projects at the institutional level, our partnership will be mutually beneficial.