



YODAK and Higher Education in North Cyprus

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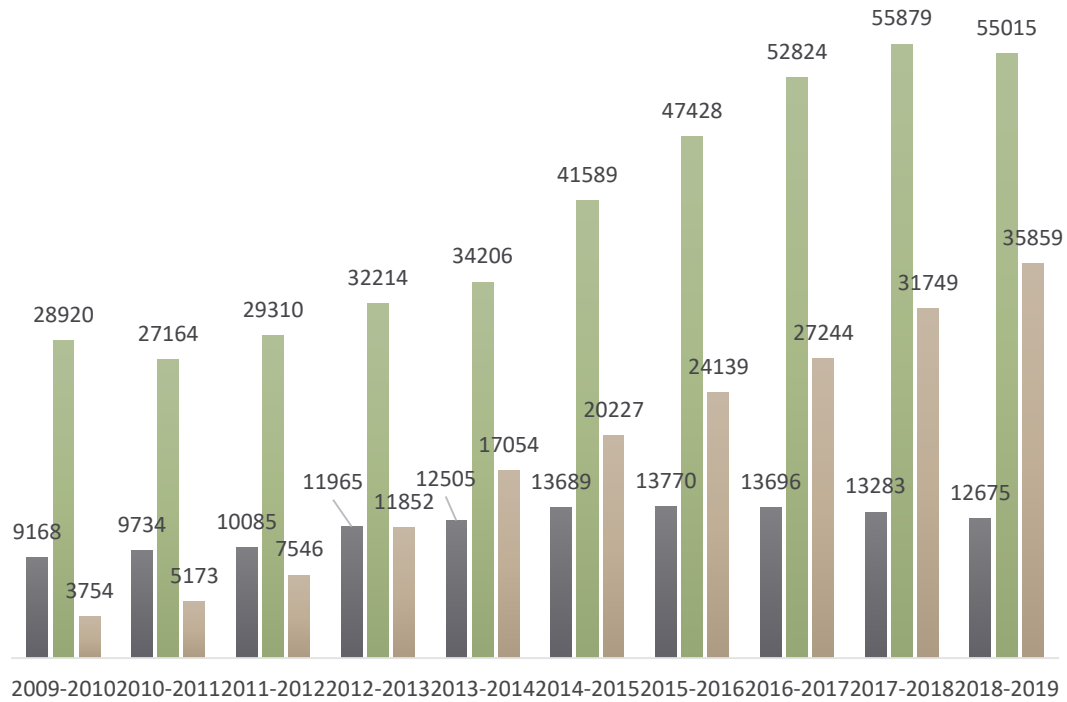
YODAK

	Universities in North Cyprus	Year of Establishment
1	Eastern Mediterranean University	1979
2	Girne American University	1985
3	Near East University	1988
4	European University of Lefke	1990
5	Cyprus International University	1996
6	Middle East Technical University-North Cyprus	2004
7	Istanbul Technical University-North Cyprus	2009
8	University of Mediterranean Karpasia	2012
9	University of Kyrenia	2013
10	Cyprus Science University	2013
11	Cyprus Social Sciences University	2014
12	Cyprus American University	2014
13	Cyprus Health and Social Sciences University	2016
14	Final International University	2016
15	Ada Kent University	2016
16	Bahçeşehir Cyprus University	2016
17	Rauf Denktaş University	2017
18	Arkin University of Creative Arts and Design	2017
19	Cyprus West University	2017
20	15 November University	2018
21	European Leadership University	2016

19 Universities are approved by YÖK

Student numbers- last 10 years

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In 2019-2020 academic year

- 50213 students from Turkey
- 41834 students from other countries
- 12271 students from North Cyprus
- Total of 104,318 students.



● Nijerya : 6795
 Zimbabve: 2659
 Libya : 1390
 Mısır : 1196
 Kamerun: 1083
 Kongo : 841
 Sudan : 475
 Kenya : 442
 Somali : 357
 Fas : 318
 Demokratik Kongo: 271
 Etopya : 205
 Gambiya: 202
 Zambiya: 195
 Tanzanya: 190
 Svaziland: 175
 Gana : 148
 Uganda : 147
 Güney Afrika: 127

Ruanda : 121
 Cezayir: 71
 Sierra Leon: 59
 Eritrea : 58
 Namibya : 56
 Botswana : 53
 Tunus : 41
 Gine : 35
 Malawi : 26
 Cibuti : 25
 Cad : 25
 Fildişi Sahili : 21
 Togo : 21
 Mozambik : 17
 Mali : 14
 Lesotho : 12
 Senegal : 12
 Angola : 7
 Brundi : 7

Burkina Faso: 7
 Liberya : 6
 Mauritius : 6
 Benin : 5
 Nijer : 5
 Gine - Bissau: 4
 Güney Sudan: 2
 Komoros : 2
 Moritanya : 1
 Toplam : 17935

● Ürdün : 3155
 Suriye : 2288
 Pakistan : 2229
 İran : 2129
 Irak : 1538
 Filisten : 1144
 Kazakistan : 497
 Lübnan : 467
 Türkmenistan : 449
 Yemen : 449
 Azerbaycan : 412
 Bangladeş : 374
 Kırgızistan : 340
 Hindistan : 272
 Rusya : 249
 Sri Lanka: 221
 Tacikistan : 131
 Afganistan : 104
 Özbekistan : 104

Sudi Arabistan: 89
 Çin : 61
 Umman : 51
 Bahreyn : 24
 Katar : 22
 Gürcistan : 17
 Nepal : 17
 Kuveyt : 16
 BAE : 12
 Moğolistan : 12
 Maldiv : 11
 Filipin : 10
 Vietnam : 10
 Kore : 6
 Endonezya : 4
 Güney Kore : 3
 Abhazya : 2
 Japon : 2
 Kıbrıs : 2

Singapur : 1
 Tayland : 1
 Uygur : 1
 Tayvan : 1
 Toplam : 16499

● Ukrayna: 141
 Almanya: 133
 Beyaz Rusya: 114
 Moldova: 68
 Birleşik Krallık: 53
 İngiltere: 40
 Bulgaristan: 26
 Avusturya: 25
 Portekiz: 20
 Fransa: 19
 Romanya: 16
 Arnavutluk: 15
 Hollanda: 13
 İsveç: 13
 İsviçre: 13
 Kosova: 12
 Sırbistan: 7
 İrlanda: 6
 İtalya: 6

Litvanya: 6
 Polonya: 6
 Danimarka: 5
 Finlandiya: 4
 Güney Kıbrıs: 4
 İspanya: 4
 Makedonya: 4
 Belçika: 3
 Bosna: 3
 Gagavuz: 3
 Norveç: 3
 Lüksemburg: 2
 Tataristan: 2
 Yunanistan: 2
 Çek Cumhuriyeti: 1
 Estonya: 1
 Hırvatistan: 1
 Macaristan: 1
 Montenegro: 1
 Slovenya: 1
 Toplam: 797

● ABD: 107
 Gine: 29
 Dominik: 2
 Beliz: 1
 Toplam: 139

● Brezilya: 10
 Venezuela: 7
 Arjantin: 1
 Toplam: 18

● Avustralya: 13
 Yeni Zelanda: 4
 Toplam: 17

Academic Staff

701 Profs,

478 Assoc Prof,

1368 Assist Prof.,

1461 academic staff with PhD

556 resarch staff and other academic staff

A total of 4564

Program levels

335 5th level

785 6th level,

314 7th level

149 8th level

Total 1583 programmes

Accreditation and memberships

YODAK encourage programme accreditation from international accreditation agencies, and value international external evaluation

We also encourage joint diploma programmes. North Cyprus universities have joint programmes with universities in Turkey, Europe and USA.

Accreditation and Memberhips of Our Universities

PROGRAMME ACCREDITATION

ABET
AHPGS
AQAS
ASIIN
FIBAA
ICE
NAAB
TEDQUAL,
MIAK
MUDEK
EPDAD
FEDEK
ILEDAAK.....

MEMBERSHIPS

EUA
EUA CDE
IAU
FUIW
EAAE
UK NARIC
TOLES
EURAS
IACBE
ICHRIE
UNAI.....

RANKINGS

THE
QS

Eastern Mediterranean University



Girne American University



Near East University



Cyprus International University



European University of Lefke



METU-North Cyprus



ITU North Cyprus



University of Mediterranean Karpasia



Kyrenia University



Cyprus Science University



Cyprus Social Sciences University



American University of Cyprus



Cyprus Health and Social Sciences University



Final International University



Ada Kent University



Bahçeşehir Cyprus University



Rauf Denktaş University



Cyprus West university



<https://cwu.edu.tr/tr/>

Arkin University of Creative Arts and Design



15 November University



European Leadership University



YÖDAK

Higher Education Planning, Evaluation, Accreditation and Coordination Council



Established in 1993 under the
Ministry of Education

Became independent in 2005

Law renewed in 2009 and 2017

YODAK

Higher Education Planning, Evaluation, Accreditation and Coordination Council

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Memberships of YODAK

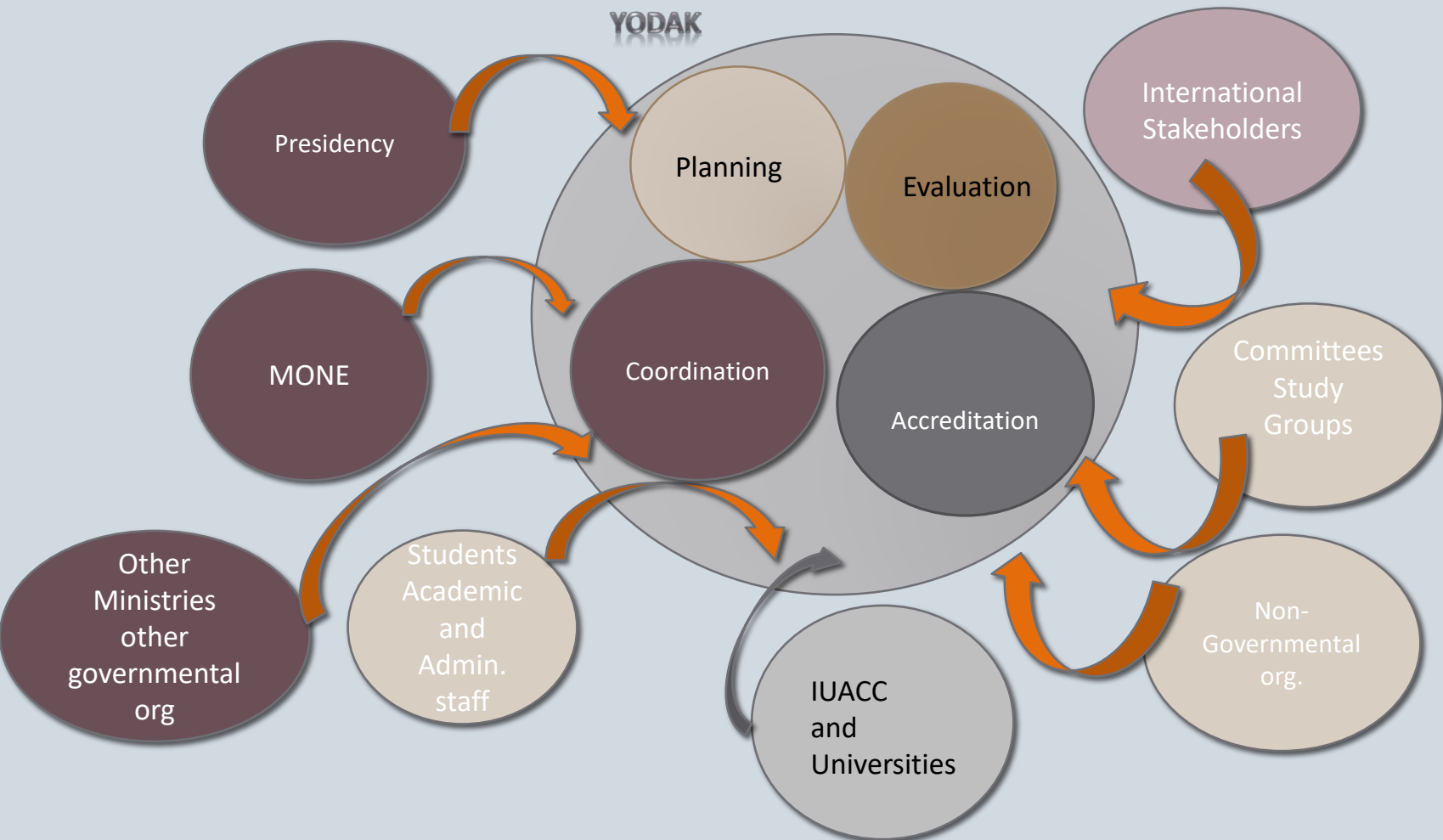
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UK NARIC

ENQA (affiliate)





Committees and Study Groups

Before 2017-

Inter University Academic Coordination Council

Ethics Committee

Diploma and degree equivalency commissions

Expert commissions

Committee for secure higher education

Committees and Study Groups

After 2017-

Rectors committee

Deans committees (NQF specific fields)

Higher Education and YODAK Strategic Planning Group (Cont. under MONE)

Higher Education Students Study Group (safe and student friendly HEA project..)

North Cyprus Higher Education Qualifications Study Group (Completed NQF)

International relations study group

Medicine and health sciences education study group

Economic and social sustainability study group

Scientific Research and project coordination group

Study groups for law and legislation..

International Stakeholders

YÖK

YÖKAK

EU

World Bank

CEENQA

INQAAHE

UK NARIC

ENQA

IAU

EUA

Other international accreditation and evaluation associations

In 2019:

220 programs were evaluated, 57 programs were rejected,

Initial accreditation of 1 university was cancelled

(11 more universities are waiting)

In 2019

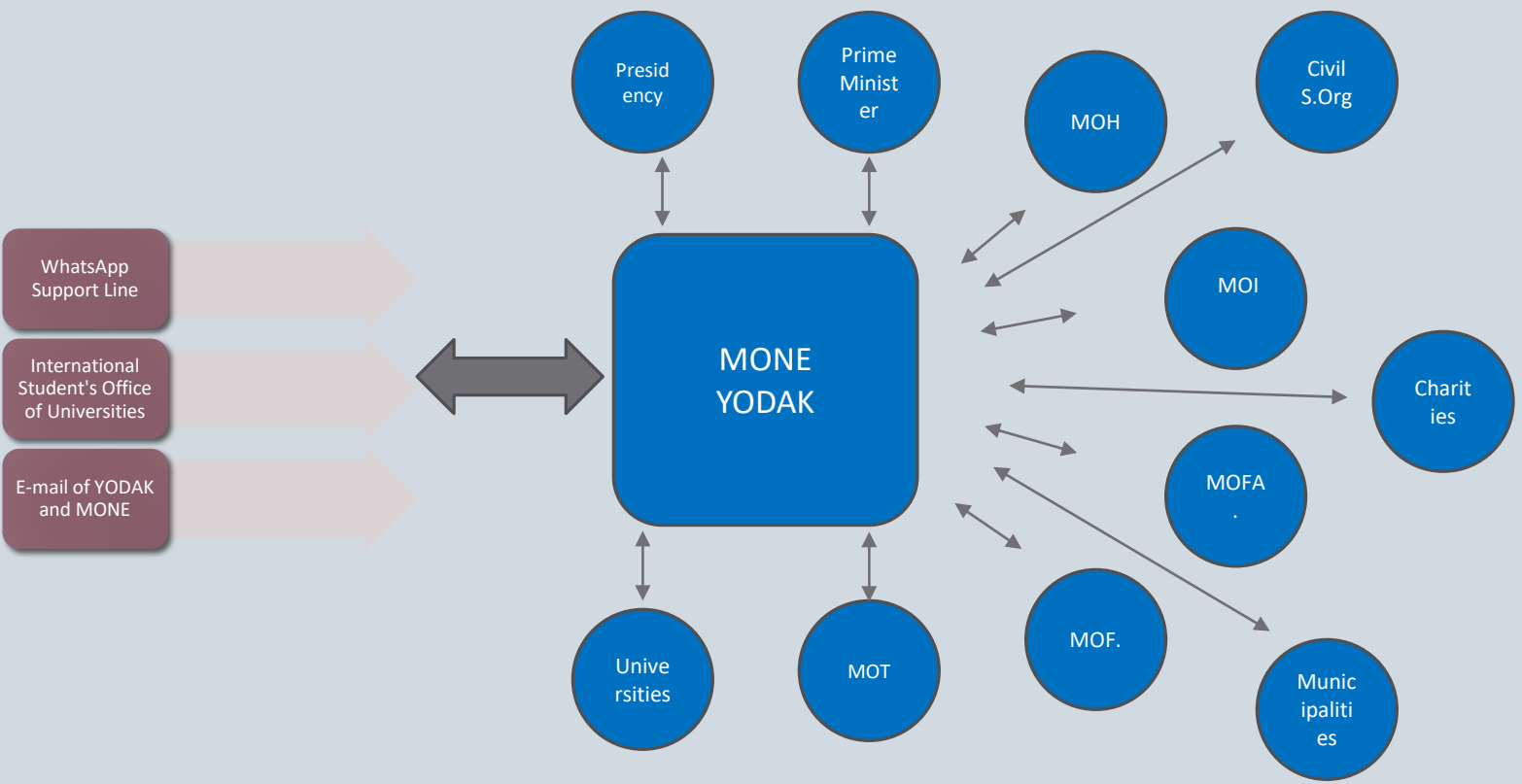
101 diplomas were evaluated for equivalency and 92 of them were certified as equivalent

YODAK IN PANDEMIC

- ✓ Lockdown started on March 12 due to COVID-19 pandemic
- ✓ YODAK immediately switched to digital platform and continued to work
- ✓ From the beginning of pandemic up to the 1st of July YODAK had 28 digital meetings. Now 64
- ✓ Also evaluation of 6 universities were completed during this period.
- ✓ Inter University Academic Coordination Council meeting was held in a hybrid way both online and face to face.

YODAK IN PANDEMIC

- ✓ Soon after the lockdown a Higher Education Scientific Council (HESC) was established under MONE in which YODAK was represented with the president and a member. The meetings held online
- ✓ The main aim of HESC was
 - ✓ to search for different scenarios and produce solutions for higher education in every aspect during the pandemic
 - ✓ to assist MONE and YODAK to support foreign students staying in the island (about 30000)



YODAK IN PANDEMIC

- ✓ Online higher education was implemented by our universities after cabinet decision in March.
- ✓ YODAK established an under committee of experts for online education.
- ✓ Experts committee defined minimum standards and prepared a short guideline for all the universities
- ✓ One of our members was in charge of experts committee for online education.
- ✓ Universities prepared their online education accordingly and YODAK checked their work during 2019- 2020 spring semester

YODAK IN PANDEMIC

- ✓ YODAK continued its evaluations during lockdown and first site-visits started soon after.
- ✓ 3 members completed side visits even in partial lockdown days.
- ✓ With strict precautions COVID-19 was eradicated till the end of lockdown in North Cyprus.
- ✓ BUT the number increased and strict precautions are taken again

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- ✓ For the 2020-2021 Academic year our first scenario is to lower the number of cases and accept students with PCR tests and quarantine offered by universities and government, and
 - ✓ Implement a hybrid model 60% face to face and 40% online.
 - ✓ We hope to welcome our students with the concept of “**safe and student friendly**” island.

THANK YOU

“It’s not enough to do your best, you must know what to do and then do your best”

E. Deming