



Country News GA 2025

Name of Country: Türkiye

Name of Delegate: Özgür Salur

Topic	News
1. Professional development:	
2. Training:	MÜZTED (Turkish Music Therapy Association) president Burçin Uçaner Çifdalöz and music therapist Özgür Salur continued to teach university courses towards non-music therapy students, either face to face or online, in Ankara Hacı Bayram Veli (HBV) University and Özyeğin University.
3. Research:	<p>Two articles from the MIDDEL research project has been published:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- <i>Barriers and Facilitators for Implementing Music Interventions in Care Homes for People with Dementia and Depression: Process Evaluation Results of the Multinational Cluster-Randomized MIDDEL Trial</i> <p>Music Interventions for Dementia and Depression in Elderly care (MIDDEL) was an international cluster-randomised trial project and had partners in Norway, Netherlands, Germany, UK, Australia and Türkiye.</p> <p>Burçin Uçaner Çifdalöz and her team led the Türkiye branch of the project and collected and forwarded the research data.</p>
4. Role of music therapy in society/health care etc.	<p>EMTD has been celebrated across the country.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Researcher Bahar Güngör Karaman and MÜZTED president Burçin Uçaner Çifdalöz presented on "Music Therapy Training in Lebanon, Jordan and Tunisia" in an online event organized by Müzik Terapi Akademisi & MÜZTED.- Music therapist Zeynep Nazlı Kale presented on "Music Therapy Training in Germany" in an online event organized by Ayşe Ünügür & Müzik Terapi Akademisi.



For the first time in the country, a music therapy internship is being held in a neonatal intensive care unit by Burçin Uçaner Çifdalöz. It is observed that teammates working in the unit have undergone changes in their attitudes towards music therapy.

Presentations and workshops have been conducted by Büşra Turna and MÜZTED members Burçin Uçaner Çifdalöz, Zeynep Nazlı Kale, Özgür Salur and Bahar Güngör Karaman online and in person, across the country.

MÜZTED members participated in local and international academic and educational events, presentations, seminars, symposia, conferences, local tv and radio shows to promote music therapy.

5. Questions/Requests for Core Board/Board or GA:

It has been sadly observed that some non-music therapists who are known to publish articles in which they abuse the music therapy discipline and concepts, are reaching out to colleagues worldwide for collaboration.

As suggested before, preparing a communication database where names of the abusers are held could be very useful for protecting the objectives, reliability, dignity and the credit of EMTC. This way, whenever a colleague receives an international offer, they can check out this database for having more information about the sender.

Thank you for your support and we're looking forward to future collaborations.