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## **Turkey**

## "Excursion To Edirne"

Nowadays globalisation is becoming an important value over the world. By the way young people are not familiar with their own national values and sometimes do not respect their culture and tradition. Through this project we want to make young people become more familiar interested and proud of the national and even global history. To reach this goal weuse new innovative methods of education. Our intention is to bring students closer to the subject through excursions.



Turkey Maltepe Fen Lisesi Turkey- excursion – activity was carried out on the national level. The excursion to Edirne was carried out 18.05.2022 42 students and 3 teachers participated to excursion.

Edirne is located in basin fed by the Tunca, Meric, Arda and Ergene Rivers in the east of Europe. It is a city of history, culture and tourism, connecting Asia and Turkey to Europe through the Balkans. Selimiye mosque is one of the most magnificent historical buildings which was taken into UNESCO World Heritage list in 2011.

The participants of this excursion got acquainted with information that the Selimiye Mosque was built by Sinan the Architect at the age of 80 and was called "My Masterpiece" by Sinan. The single great dome supported by eight pillars has a diameter of 31.5 over a prayer space of 45mx36m, and with its four soaring minarets it dominates the city skyline. The innovative structural design allowed numerous windows creating an extraordinary illuminated interior. The interior decoration using Iznik tiles from the peak period of their production testifies to an art form that remains unsurpassed in this material. The complex is considered to be the most harmonious expression ever achieved of the Ottoman külliye, a group of buildings constructed around a mosque and managed as a single institution.

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The lecturer explained that the structure consists of nine base units as follows: the Selimiye Mosque, Dar'ul Madrasa, Dar'ul Kurra Hadis Madrasa, Sıbyan (Primary) School, the Clock House Arasta, (Muvakkithane), the Library, the courtyard with sadirvan and the outer courtyard. Students and teachers visited monuments, mosques, and important historical places and they caught all important moments by the camera.



They made a short film later on. The short film is available on YouTube <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jgjII\_57Iko">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jgjII\_57Iko</a>

The students got pleasure with this activity all participants acquired a wide range of knowledge about history, culture and cultural heritage of their country and got opportunity to enhance the digital skills and competences in processing of the results of this activity.

