Social Sciences and Humanities Conference, Berlin *

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Abstract. As being indispensable events for science environment, congress and conferences are very important for all scientists. In this way, scientists have opportunity to share their academic studies and also can follow the recent scientific studies, which are produced based on the latest theory and applications. At the same time, these events enabled them to learn and meet and even to make cooperation with renowned academician, who became ecole in their areas for scientific studies. When the conference is international and limited into certain subjects, it gave benefits to perform the purposes of the conferences in terms of getting together related academician as much as possible. Academic Development Platform -ADP- organized its first conference in April 17-19, 2015 as a new platform taking responsibility of creating conferences with International conferences. As continuing its conferences in different European cities, ADP organized its fourth conference in Berlin, 2016. This study covers a short evaluation for the conference, organized with the title of “Social Sciences and Humanities Conference” by ADP in May, 19-22.

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Conference Notes

As organizing the first three conferences in Paraguay, Budapest in 2015 and Barcelona in 2016, International Academic Development Platform (ADP) organized its fourth international conference with the title of Social Sciences and Humanities Conference in capital city of Germany, Berlin during 19-22 May, 2016.

The conference launched with a cocktail in which all participant were present in Berlin Swiss Hotel, in the evening of May, 19th. Conference sessions started in Swiss Hotel, May 20th and continued in May 21st with host of Bahçeşehir University. Conferences lasted from 9 am to 6 pm in each of two days. Five different sessions took place in the first day of the conference while twenty eight in the second day. In all sessions, scientists enjoyed the opportunity of sharing their studies and meeting new scientists to some extent. The conference, which covered academic studies from all areas of social and humanity sciences, were an international multi-disciplinary event. Reports related to various study subjects including language, religion, literature, health, education, history, sociology, psychology, art, environment, archeology, art history, international relations, Turkish Environment Relations, communication, business administration,

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management and economics, woman and gender issues which are important for both Turkey and the whole world.

In the conference where experiences were shared mutually, research methods were determined and current issues were mentioned, future perspectives of scientific researches were discussed. In the conference to which almost 200 important academicians and researchers from different countries participated, the presented reports were generally focused on the subjects of immigration movements and immigrants in the history, current issues of education world and quality education, violence within family and precautions to be taken, comparative analyses of Turkish and foreign literature, interaction between Turkish and world music up to date, gender and culture, technology culture and positive and negative effects of technology to future generations, foreign capital and economic development, visual arts and archeology, productive studies for medicine, societal changes and developments in Turkey and the world, World economic crisis and development plans. In the conference, where life’s practical issues were majorly discussed, the presented reports delivered the results and solution suggestions of the applied researches conducted by the participant academicians to the academic world. Many applied researches from social media usage problems to health problems, from violence in adolescence period to elder psychology, from technology in education to renewable energy sources happened to be the center focus of participant academicians. In the conference, where some of the reports were delivered through remote communication means, some of the reports were presented as a poster for the science environment.

The applied and field research related to especially sociology, education and engineering subjects, which were in relatively more amounts, were interesting in the conference. This situation was promising for our country, which remained behind to organize education programs and develop human force in the direction of new technologies. The necessity of Turkey to get along with new developments and to involve extensive studies immediately in order to benefit from e-commerce, which has spread fast, was mentioned once again in direction of the technologies which changed in a short period of time.

On the other hand, theoretic and applied studies conducted with the subjects of violence, violence in adolescence period, violence to woman, discussed in coverage of Sociology, showed that the political and societal effort to eliminate violence in our country existed in also academic environment. The subject of violence seems to be one of the major focus areas of Sociology for many congress and conferences in the future.

Limited period of time allocated for the report presentations in the conferences created obstacles for academicians for them to deliver their studies in detailed version. On the other hand, participant scientists were generally Turkish people although the conference was held in international means. In this respect, it could be said that foreign scientists might be motivated to attend in order to perform the purpose of the conference better. As a general evaluation, it could be said that Berlin Social Sciences and Humanities Conference made contributions to science world, to communication network constituted among scientists and to studies which were made and to be made in various areas of social sciences. The presented reports in the conference will be collected in a book by an international Publisher under an editor in the following days so that it will take its place in science world literature.
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