1. Executive Summary:
Major outcomes, results and impact of the Chair, including on national policies, in relation to its objectives as stated in Article 2 of the Chair Agreement (between the Institution and UNESCO) (Not exceeding 300 words)

- Continuation of the M. A. Programme on Human Rights. 10 graduates in the academic year 2017-2018.
- Short term human rights training for various groups.
- Publication of the second and third issues of the Bulletin of the UNESCO Chair and the Centre of Human Rights.
- A Study on the needs of Youth and Children Centers of Kadıköy District Municipality.
2) Activities:  
*Overview of activities undertaken by the Chair during the reporting period*

**a) Education/Training/Research**  
*key education programmes and training delivered and research undertaken by the Chair during the reporting period, target group and geographical coverage*

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| **i) Education** (leading to certificate) | - The M. A. programme of the Centre and the Chair admitted 33 students in the academic year 2017-2018.  
- The M. A. programme of the Centre and the Chair gave 10 graduates in the academic year 2017-2018. The titles of their theses and graduation projects are listed in the relevant section of this report.  
- Two courses on human rights in Fall and Spring Semesters were offered to students of different departments of Maltepe University (To approximately 80 students) |
| **ii) Training** (short term) | - A seminar of 15 hours on “Ethics and Human Rights” was, also this year, organized on 18 and 19 November 2017, for a group of university students, supported by the Çelikel Foundation.  
- A seminar of 40 hours on “Justifying Law by Human Rights” for 52 law students was organized in collaboration with Ankara University’s Philosophy of Law Department at Akdeniz University (Antalya), in the Ernst Hirsch Centre for Research of the Foundations of Law. |
| **iii) Research** | - A research was conducted in order to evaluate the work done in the Educational Centres for Youth and Children of the Kadıköy District Municipality, and to determine additional needs. |
### b) Conferences/Meetings  
(key conferences and meetings organized by the Chair or to which its Chairholder contributed)

#### i) Key conferences and workshops hosted by the Chair

- On the occasion of the World Human Rights Day, the ombudsman of the daily *Milliyet*, Ms Belma Akçura, gave a lecture on "Is self-control of the media in Turkey possible?", on 11 December 2017.
- The Centre and the Chair organized, in collaboration with the Municipality of Kadıköy District, two series of lectures 1) On “Philosophy and Literature”, consisting of 9 sessions, between 1st November 2017 and 27 December 2017 and 2) On “Philosophy and Cinema”, consisting of 11 sessions, between February 2017 and April 2017.

#### ii) Other conferences/organizational activities undertaken by the Chairholder

- She gave a lecture on “The Concept of Dignity and Human Rights” in Neum (Bosnia-Herzegovina), in a meeting organized on the work of the “Praxis Group”, on 28 September 2017.
- She participated in the meeting of the International Commission against the Death Penalty, held on 2-3 October 2017.
- She gave a lecture at the Doğa College, on “Why Philosophy?”, on 13 October 2017.
- She delivered two lectures on “Knowledge and its Kinds”, in a series of lectures organized by the Philosophy Department of Maltepe University in collaboration with the Municipality of Kadıköy District, on 14 and 21 October 2017.
- She organized, in collaboration with the Goethe Institute (Ankara), a session on M. Heidegger’s *Schwarze Häftle*, in which their editor, Prof. Dr. Peter Trawny, also participated, on 27 October 2017.
- She organized, a seminar consisting of six sessions on Arthur Schopenhauer’s Anthropology, between October 2017-March 2018, in Ankara.
- She gave two courses on Human Rights, for the course organized in collaboration with the Çelikel Foundation, on 18 and 19 November 2017.
- She gave two courses on “Ethics and its Problems” in the Philosophy of Law Seminar, organized by Antalya Bilim University Law School, on 1 December 2017.
- She gave the inaugural speech of the 29th Istanbul Seminar of the Philosophical Society of Turkey, hosted by the Philosophy Department of Mimar Sinan University, on “Justice and Responsibility”, on 7 and 8 December 2017.
- She gave a lecture on “Ethics and its Training” at Boğaziçi University, on 8 December 2017.
- She gave a course on “Human Rights as Ethical Principles and as Premises for the Deduction of Law” within the framework of European Political School of Boğaziçi University, on 28 January 2018.
- She gave a course on human rights in the programme organized by the Human Rights Association of Turkey, on 10 February 2018.
- She gave two courses in the program on “Human Rights as Ethical Principles and as Premises for the Deduction of Law”, organized by the Philosophical Society of Turkey, in collaboration with the Ernst Hirsch Centre for Research of the Foundations of Law of Akdeniz University and the Section of Philosophy of Law of the Law Faculty of Ankara University, on 29 January- 2 February 2018.
- She read a paper on “Evaluation of Translations of Poetry and Homer in Turkish”, in a conference organized on the occasions of UNESCO Year of Troy, on 11 April 2018.
- She gave a key-note lecture on “The Specificities of Law which Protects Human Rights”, in the conference organized by the Association of Constitutional Lawers, on 21-23 April 2018.
- She spoke on “The Anthropological Foundation of Human Rights” in a meeting organized in memoriam of Takiyettin Mengüşoğlu, by the Faculty of Education of Adana University, on 27 April 2018.
- She gave a lecture on “Philosophy and Literature”, at the Aratos Philosophy School, in Tarsus, on 28 April 2018.
- She gave a lecture on “The Concept of Conscience”, organized by an NGO in Bursa, on 4 May 2018.
- She participated in the meeting of the International Commission against the Death Penalty, held on 28 and 29 May 2018 in Madrid, during which she presented her project of publication of a book on “Death Penalty: Justice or Revenge?”
- She participated in the 24th World Congress of Philosophy, held in Beijing between 13-20 August 2018, in which she presented papers, in different capacities, on “Ethical Politics: a Possibility or an Oxymoron?”, “Looking at our World in the Second Decade of the 21st Century”, “FISP and its Future”. She participated in various administrative meetings of the International Federation of Philosophical Societies, of the International Institute of Philosophy and of the Afro-Asian Philosophy Association.
iii) A selection of conference presentations by the Members of the Chair

- **Prof. Dr. Betül Çotuksöken**
  - She organized a workshop on “Journey to Nermi Uygur’s Philosophical World”, on 5-12-19-26.10.2017.
  - She gave the following lectures:
    - “Relation of Being and Knowledge from the Anthropontological Point of View”, in the series of lectures organized by the Department of Philosophy of Maltepe University, in cooperation with Kadıköy Municipality-Caddebostan Cultural Centre, on 6.10.2017.
    - “Ethics and Professional Ethics”, in the training programme of the Çelikel Foundation on Some Preconditions of Living Humanely, on 19.11.2017.
    - “The Human Being and Science from the Past to the Future”, at Maltepe University, on 30.11.2017.
    - “Enlightenment as the Historical Background of the Republican Reforms”, in the Enlightenment and Atatürk’s Reforms Workshop, organized by the Republican People’s Party, the Platform of Science, Management and Culture, on 15.12.2017.
    - “On the Right to Education: Education as an Outcome of Philosophy, Education as a Human Right”, in the Çankaya Philosophical Talks, Association for Philosophy, Culture and Art, on 16.12.2017.
    - “Philosophy of Mind from the Anthropontological Point of View”, Philosophical Talks 18: Philosophy of Mind, organized by Maltepe University, Kadıköy Municipality and Istanbul Marmara Educational Foundation, on 07.04.2018.

- **Prof. Dr. Sevgi İyi**
  - She gave the following lectures:
    - “Problems of Value and Evaluation”, in Akdeniz University, Faculty of Law, Antalya, on 31 January 2018.
    - “Philosophy and Education: Ethos, Pathos, Logos”, Association for Philosophy, Culture and Art, in Ankara, on 17 February 2018.
    - “Value and Values”, Aratos series of lectures, Tarsus, on 14 April 2018.

- **Prof. Dr. Hülya Şimga**
  - She gave the following courses and lectures:
    - “Problems of Connection”, in the course on “Some Prerequisites of Living Humanely”, organized by the Çelikel Foundation, Istanbul, on 18 November 2017.
    - “Problems of Connection”, in the Philosophy of Law Seminar, organized by Akdeniz University Law School, Antalya, on 1 February 2018.
    - “The Concept of Gender”, in Gender Equality Awareness Workshop, organized in cooperation with the Gender Equality Committee of Turkish National Commission for UNESCO and Eastern Mediterranean University (Cyprus), on 3 April 2018.
    - “Whose Rights are Women’s Human Rights?: Gendered Perspectives on Learning to be Human”, 24th World Congress of Philosophy, Beijing, China, on 14 August 2018.
    - “Gender Equality in the Second Decade of the 21st Century and Perspectives for the Future”, 24th World Congress of Philosophy, Beijing, China, on 19 August 2018.
• Associate Prof. Dr. Muttalip Özcan

- He presented a paper on “The Problem of Freedom in The Brothers Karamazov”, in the series of lectures on “Philosophy and Literature”, organized by the Human Rights Centre of Maltepe University and Kadıköy District Municipality, on 15 November 2017.
- He presented a paper on “The Problem of Ontology and Epistemology in the Antiquity”, in the series of lectures on “Ontology and Epistemology”, organized by the Department of Philosophy of Maltepe University and Kadıköy District Municipality, on 21 October 2017.
- He delivered a series of lectures on “Ethics and Philosophical Anthropology”, organized by Kartal District Municipality, from 1 November 2017 to 24 May 2018, at the Cultural Center of Soğanlık.

• Assist. Prof. Dr. Neşe Şahin Taşğın

- She carried out, in four groups, the training program of the year 2017 in-service training of social workers of Hatice Halim Abbas Children Homes of the Ministry of Family and Social Policies, in November 2017.
- She carried out −together with Seda Erzi− the research on “the Needs of Youth and Children Centres” conducted by the Human Rights Centre, for the Kadıköy District Municipality, between 1 October 2017-15 January 2018.
- She presented a paper on “Social Services to Migrants and the Duties of the Academia”, in the 2018 Social Work Congress, held on 11-12 May 2018, at Istanbul Aydın University.
- She coordinates, on behalf of our Human Rights Centre, and is carrying out together with Seda Erzi, a project on the kindergartens of the Kadıköy District Municipality, started in 22 May 2018 and going on.
- She coordinates, and takes part in, the Project “Providers Aspire-Research in the Secondary Trauma of Social Workers Who Serve Syrian Refugees”, carried out by the Social Work Departments of Columbia University and Istanbul Aydın University, started in July 2018 and going on.

• Assist Prof. Dr. Bergen Coşkun Özyaydın

- She gave a lecture on “Where is philosophy to be found in the theater?”, within the framework of the series on “Philosophy and Literature”, on 8 November 2017.
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<td>- The partnership with the Institute of Philosophy of the Russian Academy of Sciences continues.</td>
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Give details of major publications and materials including full citations.

i) Theses and graduation papers prepared by the students of the M.A. Programme

1) İnci Çakır 2017 "İnsan Haklarını Belirleme Sorunu ve Barış Hakkı" / "The Problem of Determining Human Rights and the Right to Peace".

2) Yücel Ercan 2017 "Çok Dini ve Çok Etnik Kökenli Toplumlarda Birarada Yaşayabilmenin Ön Koşulları Olarak İnsan Hakları" / "Human Rights as Prerequisites for Living together in Multi-religious and Multi-ethnic Societies".

3) Mehtap Pulat 2017 "Çağımızdaki Sosyal Adaletsizliğin Tarihsel Boyutu" / "The Historical Dimension of Our Era’s Social Injustice".

4) Verda Körfeç 2017 "Kent Yaşamında Barınma Hakki" / "The Right to Housing and the City".

5) Aydın Yücesoy 2017 "Temel Kişi Haklarının Korunmasına bir Durumun Adını Doğru Koyabilmenin Önemine Örnek: Dr. Rieux’nün Vebayla Mücadelesi" / "An Example of the Importance of Giving the Right Name to a Situation for the Protection of Basic Rights: Dr Rieux’s Fight against the Plague".

6) Şebnem Şimşek 2018 "Yerel Yönetimlerin Sosyal Destek Hizmetinde İkamete Dayalı Destek ve Sorunları" / "Problems Related to Social Services on the Basis of Residence".

7) Fatih Kalkan 2018 "Yabancı Uyruklu Hükmürlü ve Tutukluların Ceza İnfaz Kurumlarında Karşılaştıkları Dezavantajlı Durumlar" / "The Disadvantages that Foreign Nationals Have to Face in Prisons".

8) Muhammet Temel 2018 "Çocukları Suç İşlemeye Yönelten Nedenler ve İnsan Hakları" / "Reasons that Lead Children to Crime and Human Rights".


10) Volkan Artuç 2018 "Mülteci ve Geçici Koruma Statüleri Arasındaki Farktan Doğan İnsan Hakları Sorunları" / "Human Rights Problems Arising from the Difference Between the Status of Refugee and the Status of Provisionary Protection".
ii) Publications

- **Prof. Dr. Ioanna Kuşuradı**

- **Prof. Dr. Betül Çotuksöken**
  - A series of 12 articles on “History of Philosophy: An Anthropontological Reading” in the following issues of the review İnsançıl: 15 September, 16 October, 17 November, 18 December 2017; 19 January, 20 February, 21 March, 22 April, 23 May, 24 June, 25 July, 26 August 2018.
  - Felsefe Söyleşileri IX: Varlık Felsefesi / Antropontoloji ya da İnsan-Varlıkbilgisi, Felsefenin Gör Dediği I / Anthropontology or Human-Ontology, What Philosophy invites us to see I, Notos Publ., İstanbul, 2018.

- **Assist. Prof. Dr. Neşe Şahin Taşın**

- **Assist. Prof. Dr. Bergen Coşkun Özüaydı**
  - Lanetliler, Utanmazlar ve Sorumlular” / “Damned, Shameless and Responsible”, Cogito, no. 87, Summer 2017, ISSN: 1300-2880, p.136-144.
### e) Cooperation with UNESCO Headquarters, Field Offices

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### f) Other

*any other activities to report*

- The Chairholder took part, this year too, in the work of the juries for the “Sedat Simavi Journalism Prize” of the Association of Journalists of Turkey and of the “Yunus Nadi Prize for Social Sciences” of the daily newspaper *Cumhuriyet*. She also took part and in the “Melih Cevdet Prize for Literature”.

- The Chairholder was awarded the “Theme Prize” of the Flying Broom Women’s Film Festival, whose theme was “Hope”.

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### 3. Future Plans and Development Prospects:

*Outline of action plan for the next biennium and short/medium and long-term development prospects. Please do not hesitate to refer to difficulties that the Chair has experienced*  
(Not exceeding 300 words)

The Centre and the Chair:
- Will organize an international conference on the occasion of the 70th anniversary of the proclamation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, on 6-7 November 2018.
- The Ph. D. programme in human rights, submitted by the university to the Council of Higher Education and rejected without any justification, was submitted once again.
Appendix:

1) Human Resources

- The Centre’s and the Chair’s staff consists of four professors, one associate professor and two assistant professors.
- The number of administrative staff is 1.
2) Financial Resources

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Give details of financial contributions, material resources and space.

- Almost all expenses for the activities of the chair were met by the University.
- The Municipality of Kadıköy District met the travel expenses of the speakers of the two series of conferences, on Philosophy and Literature” and “Philosophy and Cinema”.
- The Anel Company contributed, this year too, ~2.000$ for the training programme organized for the university students whom it supports.
- The Centre and the Chair have at their disposal 5 offices, and one meeting room and library.
- All equipment and machines (5 computers, 1 fax and 1 printing machine) are provided by the University.