**Kütahya Dumlupınar University**

**“ *The Unifying Power of the Cultures and the Role of Universities Workshop”***

**27-28 February 2019**

By Kütahya Dumlupınar University Development Strategies Research Centre (GESAM), which is at the location where Ottoman Empire was founded;

* *“Peace spreading out from Domaniç to the World: International Ottoman Culture and Civilisation”* symposium with 33 attenders from 17 different countries between 22-24 October 2018
* *15 July Military Coup Attempt’s Echoes in the Islamic Geography”* symposium with 52 attenders from 31 different countries between 24-26 August 2016
* *“Jerusalem Means Macca, Medina, Istanbul”* panel on 25 December 2017 and;
* *‘19-21April 2017Ankara Ambassadors of African Countries visit to KDPÜ*
* *“Abdulhamid II and Turkish-Arabian Relations in Arab Memory”* symposium with 38 attenders from 15 different countries between 12-15 December 2018 were organised.

The common output of these projects was perceptibly declared at the final declaration of *Abdulhamid II. and Turkish-Arabian Relations in Arab Memory Symposium.*

In this context, it is planned to have a workshop within our university’s organisation between 27-28 February 2019 with the attendance of chosen and distinguished rectors, or a representative chosen by the rector, of universities from countries with which we share a common history, culture or geography. In this workshop:

* Collaborative work with the chosen and distinguished universities in different fields of study,
* Conducting studies about the common history, tourism areas, and reviving tourism and the area,
* Studies about leaving discriminatory elements and foregrounding unifying elements,
* Collaborations on economy, technology, history, culture and tourism fields are targeted.

In this respect, we would like to thank for your attendance, support and contributions to our workshop which we plan to organise.

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