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**1<sup>st</sup> INTERNATIONAL  
BALKAN CHILD AND YOUTH LITERATURE CONGRESS  
(IBCYL-2016)**

- The congress (IBCYL-2016) will be held in Trakya university Balkan Congress Centre between 04-07 May, 2016
- The theme of the congress is determined as “The Child and Youth Literature for the Culture of Peace”.
- The congress will be a sample of cultural diplomacy focused on child and youth literature.
- The ideas of children and young people aged between 10-25 will be mentioned in the congress.
- It is aimed to introduce child and youth literature of Balkan countries in this very first congress.
- Papers and workshops will be presented within the context of culture in child and youth literature.
- Leading child and youth literature researchers and authors will attend the congress as keynote speakers.
- Authors, illustrators, editors, critics and publishers of Balkan countries will meet in the congress.
- The exhibition of child book illustrators will be displayed during the congress.
- Bookstands will be open during the congress in order to introduce Balkan child and youth literature.
- Writer-Reader meeting sessions with the authors of child and youth literature will be organized in primary, secondary and high schools in Edirne.
- Congress is organized at Trakya University Faculty of Education

1st International Balkan Child and Youth Literature Congress will be held by Trakya University, Faculty of Education between 04-07 May, 2016:  
<http://www.cocukgenclikedebiyati2016.org>

**Important Dates**

Deadline for abstract submission:	<b>29st February 2016</b>
Review Process:	<b>1-15<sup>st</sup> March 2016</b>
Announcement of accepted papers:	<b>15<sup>st</sup> March 2016</b>
Early bird registration:	<b>30<sup>th</sup> March, 2016</b>
Full Text Submission:	<b>15<sup>th</sup> April, 2016</b>



“1<sup>st</sup> International Balkan Child and Youth Literature Congress” will be held in Balkan Congress Venue.

Since it's a border city, Edirne is the door of our country towards Balkans and the zone for transition. It has been a centre of culture in which various cultures have met and mixed during the history. For this reason, all the cultural values born in this area have not only regional but also universal importance.

Since 1982, Trakya University has given importance to the collaboration and cooperation with the Balkan countries.

The congress will be a sample of Balkan focused cultural diplomacy by putting child and youth literature in the centre.

### **The Congress Topic Areas:**

The papers will be able to present under these titles: Science of Child and Youth Literature, Child and Youth Rights in Child and Youth Literature, Preschool Education Child Literature, Children's Picture Books, Child literature and New Media, New Child Literature after 2000, Adolescent Literature, Ideology in Adolescents' Books, Young Women Literature, Problem-oriented Adolescent Literature, Canon in Adolescent Literature, Child and Youth Literature in Balkans, Multiculturalism in Child and Youth Literature, Relation between Child and Adolescent Literature and Education, Education of Values with Child and Youth Literature, Child and Adolescent Literature in Mother Tongue Education, Child and Adolescent Literature in Literature Education, Child and Adolescent Literature in terms of Reading Habits, Translation of Child and Adolescent Literature, Criticism of Child and Adolescent Literature.

### **Author, Reader, Illustrator, Editor, Translator, Critic and Publisher Meetings**

Writer-Student concurrent meeting sessions will be arranged in primary, secondary and high schools in Edirne, workshops and presentation sessions will be organized as well.

Within the congress activities, author, illustrator, editor, translator, and publisher meetings from Balkan Countries would be held. In this very first conference, Child and Youth Literatures of Balkan countries would be introduced within specific sessions.

### **The Presenters of the Congress Will Be the Renowned Researchers and Authors**

The Renowned Researchers and Authors will give speech in the 1<sup>st</sup> International Child and Youth Literature Congress. Exact timing for announcing these speakers will be on 25 of November 2015.

### **Balkan Countries International Child And Youth Literature Affiliations And International Organizations Will Be Invited To The Congress.**

Besides authors, illustrators, editors, translators, critics and publishers of Balkan counties and international Child and Youth Literature Affiliations, the international organizations such as UNICEF, UNESCO, IBBY will also be invited to the 1<sup>st</sup> International Child and Youth Literature Congress. They are:

- 1- **Prof. Dr. Hans-Heino EWERS** (Goethe University / Frankfurt am Main – Germanie)
- 2- **Prof. Dr. Arbër ÇELIKU** (Tetovo Devlet Üniversitesi – Tetovo / Macedonia)
- 3- **Prof. Dr. Mihaela Cernăuți-Gorodețchi** (Al. I. Cuza University of Iasi, Romania)
- 4- **Assoc. Prof. Dr. Necdet NEYDİM** (University of İstanbul - Turkey)



### **The Attendance of Children and Young People to the Congress**

Specific group works among primary, secondary, high school and university students in Edirne will be organized in order to reflect their voice in the congress under the title of “Thoughts of Child, Reading Culture, Child and Teenage Literature”

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