MIGRATION: BIG PICTURE "STUDY VISIT"

Diyarbakir, Turkey 9-17 March 2020

Day 4: Study Visit with the professor engaged in the field migration, 13th March 2020

We have had an amazing opportunity of meeting professor Hasan Ince from Dicle Üniversitesi in Dyiarbakir. The main discussed topic was his experience in migration during the war in Persian Gulf in the early 1990's, his work as a journalist and current situation in Syria, Turkey and Turkey-Greece border. He provided us with a lot of unique and valuable information about his experiences and fake news. At the end of his speech we had an opportunity to ask him our questions and discuss with him about the topics we were interested in.



Day 5: Study Visit of local NGO's, 14th March 2020

As another opportunity for the project participants to gain more experience in this area was to meet two non-governmental organization representatives engaged in the work with refugees and migrants.

KAMER Vakfi foundation was our first study visit on the 14th March. It is a non-governmental organization established in 1997 and later re-established and expanded in 2005 because of the current situation demand and prevalence of the practice. The organization works in 21 provinces in different regions of Turkey and supports women and women's organization to strengthen women. The vision (role) of the KAMER Vakfi is to create a participating society free from all forms of discrimination, violence and structural hierarchy, that would develop freely, composed of independent individuals, based on sharing and solidarity. The mission (duty) is to identify local practices of the sexist system that harm women and children, to develop alternatives, and enable their implementation.

The organization provides activities for women as well as for men such as awareness workshops, hall meeting, house visits.

We had an opportunity to hear the story of foundation, their experience with women, men, children and we could ask for questions in which we were interested so we started discussion based on our opinions and experience.



LOTUS Genc Alan Dernegi was our second study visit and we met three representatives of this NGO. The organization works with refugees children in the city Diyarbakir and mainly with children from Syria because they are excluded from society in many cases.

The organization provided to us information about their held events for these children such as after school activities club (painting, football, language courses etc.). They shared their experience which they gained from the beginning of the organization.

We had also a chance to ask for questions and we were pleased to meet this amazing organization because their work helps to integrate refugee and migration children into society.

