ANZAC: A Turkish Perspective

The Australian Intercultural Society (AIS) and Deakin University would like to invite you and a friend/colleague to attend a presentation on “ANZAC: A Turkish Perspective”.

Date: Wednesday 9 September 2015
Time: 11:30am - 1:30pm (Lecture to start at 12:30pm)
Venue: Deakin University City Centre, Level 3, 550 Bourke St, Melbourne
Registration is required: http://anzac2015.eventbrite.com.au

To commemorate the ANZAC Centenary, AIS and Deakin University are hosting a lecture and photography exhibition to reflect on the Gallipoli campaign. The presentation will provide historical accounts from the Turkish perspective by sharing stories, commemorating the sacrifice of the soldiers trying to defend their homeland and analyse how the campaign was pivotal in the formation of a new republic.

We aim to increase understanding with a lecture from Associate Professor Mesut Uyar (Visiting Fellow, UNSW Canberra). Associate Professor Uyar is an internationally respected Turkish military historian who has held positions such as platoon leader, company and battalion commander in various Turkish infantry units before embarking on an academic career.

The presentation will be accompanied by photo exhibition curated from Turkish sources. Through the presentation, the speaker will help the audience ‘look into’ and ‘look beyond’ the photos, to instil a deeper understanding of the sacrifices made by soldiers from the ‘other’ side and helps students gain a broader understanding of the historical campaign. There are many inspiring stories of friendship and sacrifice from the Turkish side that are not unlike the ANZAC stories.

This event is sponsored by Deakin University and the Department of Premier and Cabinet.

The photo slideshow can be viewed from 11:30am – 12:30pm, which is when the lecture will start.

Read more (Canberra Times article): http://bit.ly/1Mjpf2y