

METU LIBRARY:
A PILOT INSTITUTION IN THE PROJECT OF PERFORMANCE-BASED
BUDGETING.

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Middle East Technical University was founded in 1956 as a state university that has the objective of training Turkish and foreign students in scientific, technical and professional fields of study and of utilizing these studies in the field of pure and applied research for contributing to the economic and social necessities of Turkey and other developing countries. Since its inception the language of instruction has been English. METU's modern campus, equipped with the most advanced scientific and technical facilities, now serves almost 20.000 students in undergraduate and graduate level.

In METU Library many immense transformations have been taking place since the second half of 90's. One of them was that the METU Library has acted as a pioneer to establish ANKOS(Anatolian University Library Consortium).ANKOS was formed in 1999 by eleven Turkish Universities and ULAKBIM (Turkish Academic Network and Information Center) to serve as a joint framework for maintaining shared licensing agreements for access to electronic information resources. ANKOS provides all Turkish university and research libraries information about new electronic products,consortium offers and license agreements and organizes trials for new databases and electronic journal collections. 57 Turkish universities have electronic access to 16 databases under ANKOS.

METU Library was selected as the first library in Turkey for the assesment program "Continuous Quality Improvement and Re-Organization of Public Budgeting System Project", by World Bank and The Turkish Ministry of Finance.

In this poster, with the aim of being a Digital Library improving the library services based on increasing user satisfaction; strategic plans of METU Library which is one of the six selected institutions by World Bank and Turkish Ministry of Finance for "Continuous Quality Improvement and Re-Organization of Public Budgeting System Project", will be presented.