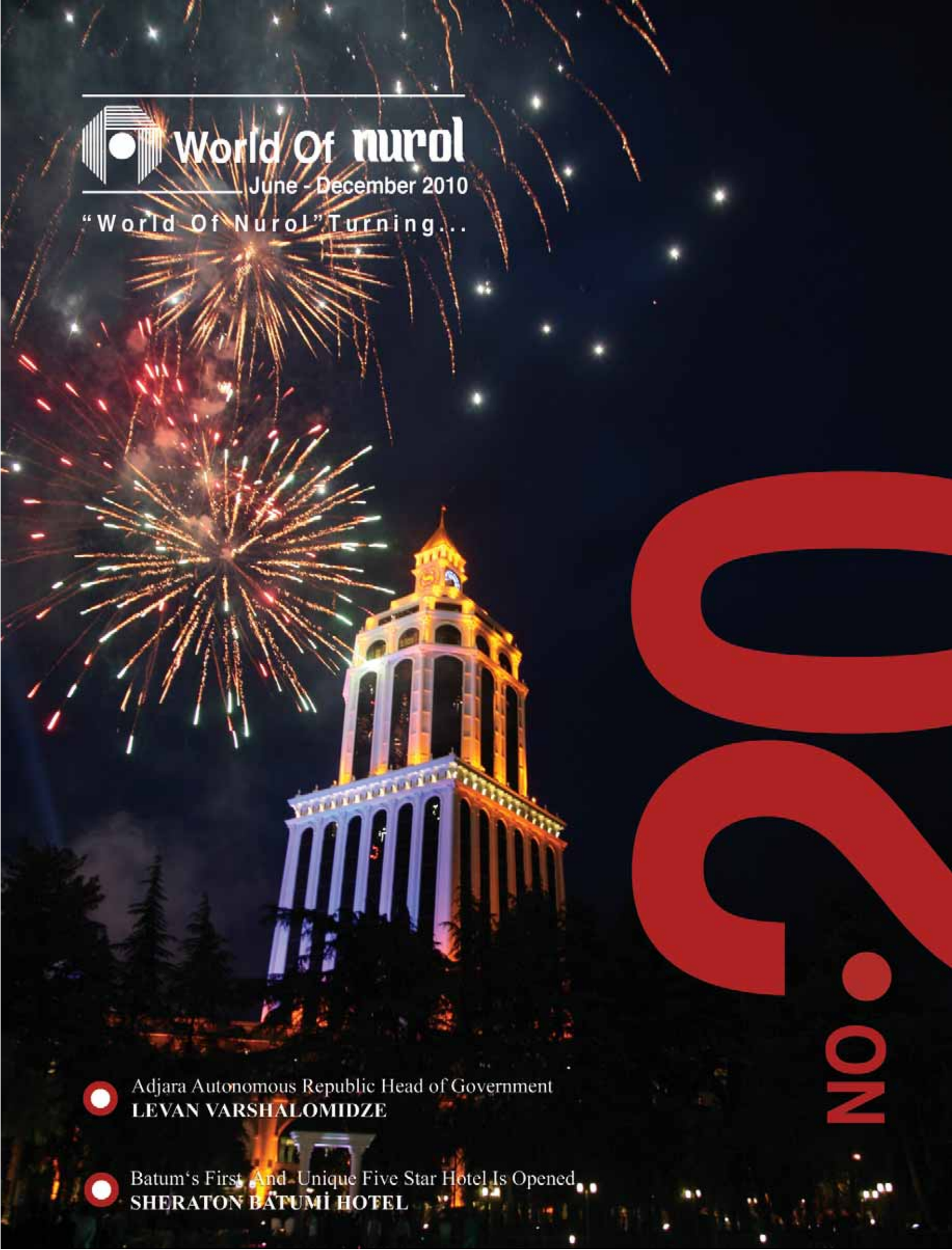


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SHERATON BATUMİ HOTEL

REPUBLIC DAY RECEPTION IN ÇANKAYA PALACE



Mr. Erol ÇARMIKLI, as the reception guest, represented Nurol Holding in the Republic Day Reception held by Honorable President Abdullah GÜL and his distinguished wife in Çankaya Palace on 29 October 2010.

GEBZE - ORHANGAZİ - İZMİR
HIGHWAY GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY



The groundbreaking ceremony of Gebze-Orhangazi-İzmir (including the İzmit Bay Suspension Bridge Crossing and the connection roads) Highway was performed on 28 October 2010 Thursday, upon the participation of the Prime Minister Recep Yayyip ERDOĞAN, Minister of Transportation Binali YILDIRIM, Ministry of National Defense Vecdi GÖNÜL, Minister of State Faruk Nafiz ÖZAK, Minister of State Faruk ÇELİK, Parliamentarians, Ambassadors, Governors, Mayors, Puclic Agency Managers and press members.

PRIME MINISTER IS IN OUR ILISU'S CONSTRUCTION SITE



In the ceremony held for the delivery of the new residences constructed in Mardin's Dargeçit District Ilısu Village, keys of the residences were delivered to the residence owners by the Prime Minister Recep Tayyip ERDOĞAN.

WORLD'S GREATEST INTERNATIONAL CONTRACTING COMPANIES



The commemorative awards for the 33 Turkish Companies in this year's "World's Greatest Contracting Companies", determined by an International Construction Sector Magazine; ENR were delivered by a ceremony organized by the Turkish Contractors Association. Our Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors Erol ÇARMIKLI received our Group's award from the Prime Minister Recep Tayyip ERDOĞAN and the Minister of State Zafer ÇAĞLAYAN.

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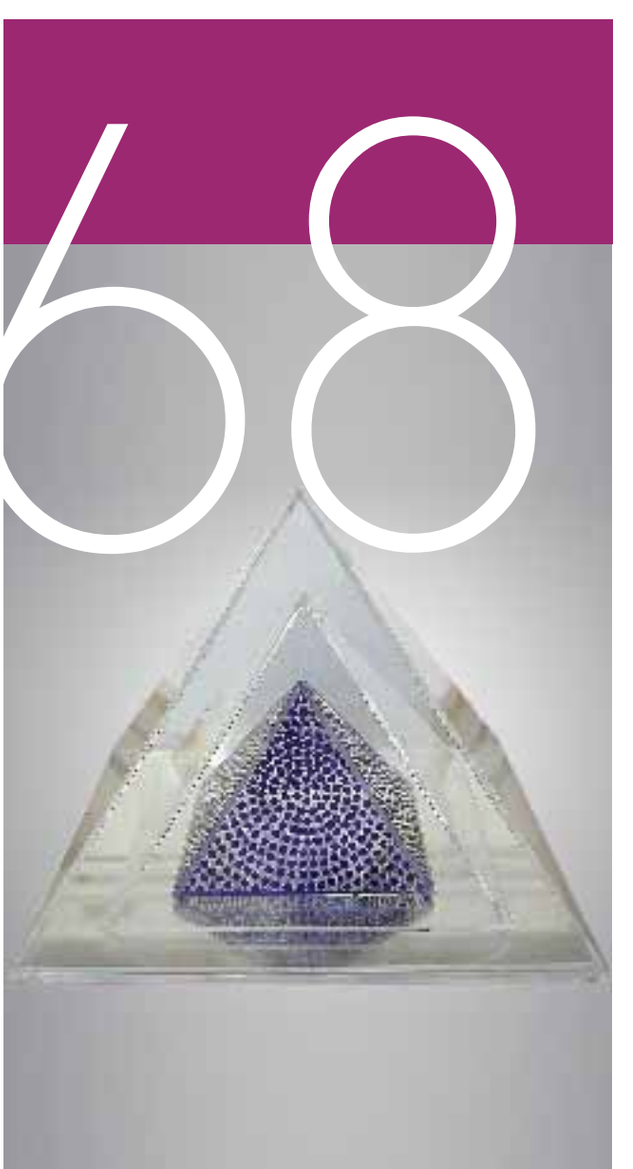
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UNDER THE STARS

The Light House of Alexandria is one of the Seven Wonders of the World among the first civilization outcomes of humanity. It is known that the light house was located in the Pharos Island across the Alexandria Port in Egypt between B.C 285-246. The height of the light house made of white marble is said to be 117 meter. This height is equivalent to 40 storey buildings of today. Into the shaft passing through the middle, the fuel of the light was being poured and a mysterious mirror made of bronze was said to exist at the top. According to some rumors in some legends; ships of enemies were burned by the sun light reflected from the mirror.

This piece, which is a magnificent output of human mind, knowledge and pleasure in the first age, was considered a pattern for all light houses which have been constructed in the following years. The light house was not only enlightening far out but also providing light to everybody searching their ways on the sea. The body of the light house was ruptured by an earthquake and storm in A.D. 955 and a big part of the light house itself was destroyed by a further earthquake in 1300s.

A similar of this monumental piece, which dazzles the eyes of those who examine its grand history, was constructed by **NUROL İNŞAAT** as a hotel in Batumi. **SHERATON BATUMI HOTEL was completed in a very short time (of about two years) and entered into service in May 2010 as the first five star international hotel in Adjara Region.**

We are surrounded by the humid green smell of the Black Sea, and we watched happily the re-hugging of people whom the religions and languages could not separate and whose hearts are in unity despite they stayed in both sides of the doors. The masterpiece was rising in front of us with its all splendor as if desiring to reach celestial sphere. Shining star rain drops in between the blue eternity were drizzling over us.

While the **Georgian President** was telling to the **Prime Minister of the Republic of Turkey "Welcome to your Home"**, hundreds of guests were celebrating this success with applauses. Hotel's snow white light was sailing and reflecting around in waves. Our red flag was waving on the podium.

Nurol Holding's founders Nurettin ÇARMIKLI, Erol ÇARMIKLI, Oğuz ÇARMIKLI were there by living the happiness of having succeeded in another project and bringing it to the use of humanity as usual.

THE BLACK SEA'S SHINING STAR SHERATON BATUMI HOTEL



The official opening of SHERATON BATUMI HOTEL, constructed in Georgia's Adjara region with a value of 80 million USD as an entire Nurol investment, was made on the 17th of May Monday by the attendance of the Georgian President Mikhail SAAKASHVILI and the Turkish Prime Minister Recep Tayyip ERDOGAN. Over 400 guests consist of Ministers, Parliamentarians, businessmen, and press members attended the invitation. Referring as "The Black Sea's Shining Star" for Sheraton Batumi Hotel, ERDOĞAN stated; "I thank to Nurol Holding and the Çarmıklı family for bringing such a beautiful work"



Sheraton Batumi Hotel, the first five star international hotel in Adjara region, which is structured as Georgia's tourism center, is expected to attract significant number of tourists to the region.



In the ceremony, the President of Georgia Mikhail SAAKASHVILI awarded to our Prime Minister "Georgian Legion of Honor" and presented a plaque to our Chairman of the Board of Directors Nurettin Çarmıklı for the memory of the street of which his name was given. The street of which Nurettin ÇARMIKLI's name was given is a street across the Restaurant San Remo connecting Rustaveli Street to Khimshiashvili Street and then passing to Gorki Street. This street is said to be one of the most beautiful streets of Batumi.

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Over 200 guests arrived in Batumi from Ankara and Istanbul for the opening ceremony of the hotel. In Serdar Ortaç concert after the dinner, our Georgian brothers vamped to Turkish songs.













The day after, guests attended the trip to explore the visual beauties of Batumi.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES





UAE

Capital City	: Abu Dhabi
Official Language	: Arabic
Government	: Constitutional Monarchy
Area	: 83.600 km^2
Population	: 2. 938.000
Currency	: UAE Dirham



Within the framework of the strategy for shifting our focus of activity in United Arabic Emirates from Dubai to Abu Dhabi, Our Project for Bab Al Qasr Otel ve Residences under our commitment has been continuing successfully. Our project to have two a closed area of 155.000 m^2 with two towels is foreseen to be completed in 2012.

Again among our projects in Abu Dhabi; Project for Khalidiya Palace Rotana Hotel and Residences, having four towels; consist of one hotel and three luxury residences, located on a field of closed area of 220.000 m^2 was completed in 2010 summer.

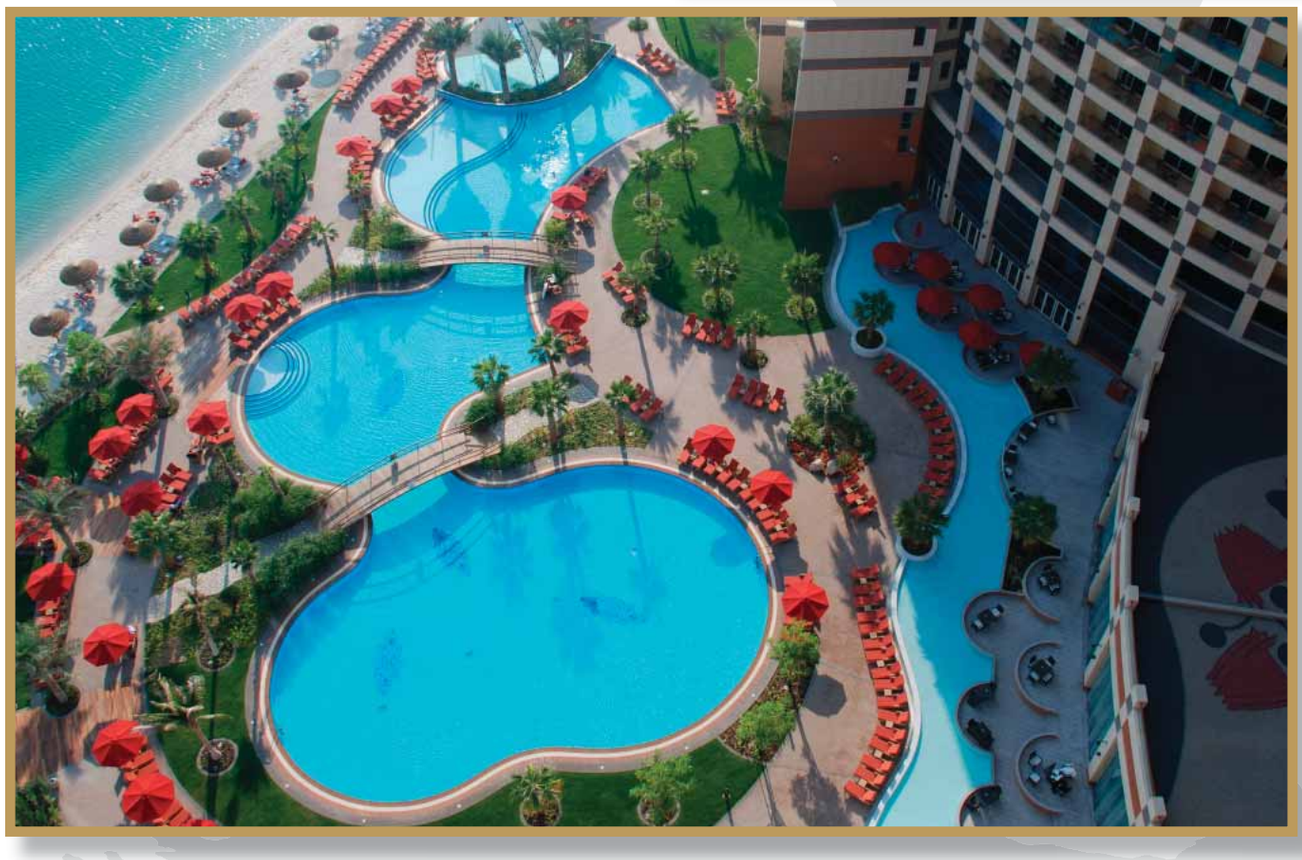






The first Contract related to 13 units of bridge passages and 4 km channel section belonging to our Shams Abu Dhabi Project including different purpose sea bridge passage, channels and complementary structures has been completed, other two contracts within the scope of the project has reached acceptance stage.







Finally our IP44 and Sea Palace Crossings Project including various tunnel and bridge passages on two successive crossings Son shall have reached acceptance stage in early 2010. Our commitments under Jumeirah Project in Dubai are being carried out within the scope of work programs which have been re-structured in line with the demands of the employers. In addition to these developments, our attempts for work progression and attending new tenders in order to obtain new project under our commitment in UAE continues at full stream.









NUROL GULF WLL

STEEL FACTORY CONSTRUCTION IS COMPLETED

Qatar

Capital City	: Doha
Official Language	: Arabic
Government	: Absolute Monarchy
Area	: 11.521 km²
Population	: 907.229
Currency	: Qatar Riyal



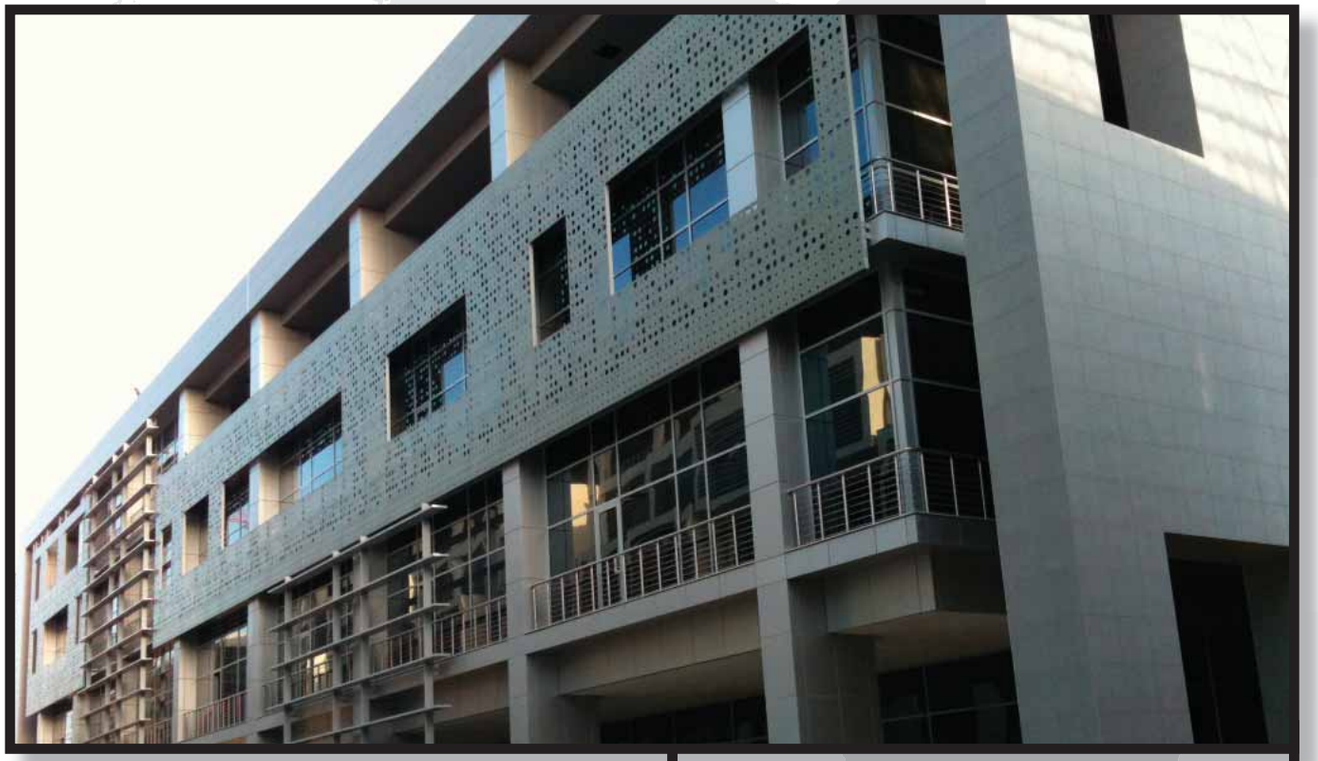
The construction of Nurol Gulf WLL being established in Qatar Doha has been completed. The facility is established over a total area of 46.000m² with a closed section of 19.000m² and is the largest one in Qatar in its field of activity. There are totally 32 cranes consist of 26 mobile bridge crane, 4 monorail crane and 2 portal crane. Planned annual capacity of our factory equipped with advanced technologic processing machines is 12.000 ton.







LIBYA PROJECTS TO CONTINUE AT FULL STREAM



Libya

Capital City	: Tripoli
Official Language	: Arabic
Government	: Socialist Republics
Area	: 1.759.540 km^2
Population	: 5.670.688
Currency	: Libyan Dinar



Our activity in Libya which is the major focus point in North Africa continues at full stream;

Algarabolli Misurata Road Rehabilitation Project

As regards the shore road which lying from Tripoli to east and which is planned to be completed in 2011; for 160 km part of it which is a divided road; our works continue at full stream upon additional budget estimate and increases within the scope of the project.

Al Fateh University Faculty of Law of Economics Buildings

Our project which is carried on within turn key basis including the designing works is set forth to reach completion stages in 2011 summer period.





Al Fateh University Faculty of Physical Education

Within the scope of the project for the construction of Faculty o Physical Education which is being carried out successfully under an intensive program, the complex with indoor space of 22.000 m^2 is expected tobe completed in 2011.

Al Fateh University Campus B Infrastructural Works Within the scope of the project of which contract approval and advance payment has been accomplished, all urban infrastructural works and road works in B Campus section of Al Fateh University shall be completed. Our project is at detailed design and mobilization stage.

On the other hand, in line with our purpose for expanding our field of activity in Libya, work progress and bid participation works continue at full stream.

GREAT PROGRESS IN OUR ALGERIA DOUERA DAM PROJECT



Algeria

Capital City : Algeria
Official Language : Arabic, French
Government : Republic
Area : 2.381.740 km^2
Population : 32.531.853
Currency : Alegrian Dinar



The main body part of our Douera Dam Project has been completed, our works continue within the scope of added work items in line with design revisions performed by the administration.





Our Souk Tlata Dam Project Offer Was Announced As The Best Offer

Besides our ongoing works, our offer delivered in 2010 for Souk Tlata Dam Project has been announced as the best project and we are awaiting to be called for contract negotiation in first months of 2011. As regards clay core filling dam type within the scope of the project, the dam designed for irrigation and potable water purpose shall be constructed on turn key basis.

NUROL Has Been Carrying Out Its Activities In Georgia

Within the short term since we began to function in 2006 in Georgia, our Batum Hotel complex was completed, on the other hand our activities within the scope of Tbilisi Police Center Complex has reached of a level of pride.

Our Police Center Complex Project which was completed and delivered to the Client in 2009 in Tbilisi and of which external layer included 3.600 units of glass element each of them were completely different from each other with various dimensions still continues to be the point of attraction as being a significant example of modern architecture.

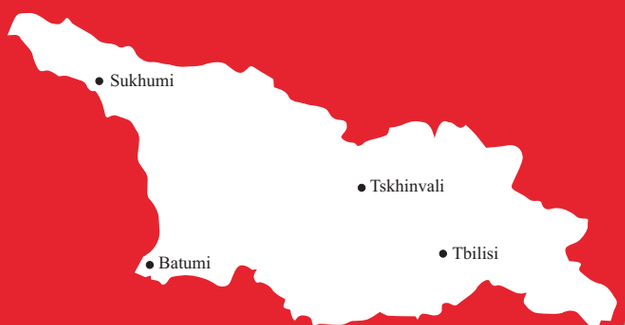
Sheraton Batumi Hotel which was an entire design of Nurol investment and constructed by Nurol Construction as a turn key project entered into service upon a ceremony held on May 2010.

Georgia energy sector is another field we are involved in. Within the framework of Namakhvani Cascade Hydro Electric Project Investment amounting to 1 billion USD of which the pre-protocol has been signed between Georgia Ministry of Energy and the Consortium formed our Nurol Energy Company with foreign partners; contract and finance structuring processes have been continuing.

The project to acquire a total 450 MW capacity-power plant shall be accomplished as a joint investment status depending on build operate and transfer basis, and it is set forth to reach construction stage in 2011.

Georgia

Capital City	: Tibilisi
Official Language	: Georgian
Government	: Republic
Area	: 69.700 km^2
Population	: 4. 693.892
Currency	: Lari







OUR HOLDING'S CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS NURETTİN ÇARMIKLI HOSTED THE INVITATION HELD FOR GEORGIAN DELEGATION

A dinner was held in Ankara Sheraton Hotel by our Holding's Chairman of the Board of Directors Nurettin ÇARMIKLI for the Delegation coming from Georgia.
To the Invitation held for Georgian Delegation consists of Georgian Minister of Development and Infrastructure Ramaz NIKOLAISHVILI, General Director of Highways Mamuka LEJAVA and his team; Georgia's Ambassador in Turkey Tariel LEBANIDZE and Embassy members participated as well. Top managers of Nurol Holding, Nurol Construciton and Nurol Energy attended to the dinner.

The major subjects of the conversation of the invitation which experienced under a warm and sincere friendship environment with the presents given mutually by guest Minister Ramaz NIKOLAISHVILI and our Chairman of the Board Nurettin ÇARMIKLI were; our Holding's current works ongoing in Georgia and new projects expected to be accomplished.



Hüsnü DOĞAN, Nurettin ÇARMIKLI, Mamuka LEJAVA



Nurettin ÇARMIKLI, Ramaz NIKOLAISHVILI, Deniz OYMAK

THE CITY, WHICH SMELLS MAGNOLIA

BATUMI

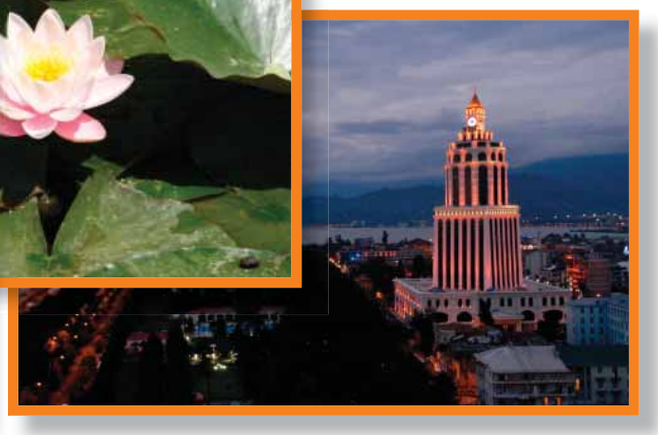
Batumi is the coastal town, which is the administrative center of the Autonomous Republic of Adjara, at the Black Sea coast of Georgia. The best way to know Batumi, which is carrying the attraction of the cities established between mountain and sea, is to hike along the large boulevard and streets, and to visit Dolphin Show Center (Dolphinarium), which was worldwide famous during Soviet Union period, Aquarium, Botanic Garden, 14 km. long-Batumi Boulevard, Batumi Circus, Mother Mary Church and History, Arts and Ethnography Museums.

Batumi city with its amazing smell of magnolia and unique attraction to its name endears itself to every visitor easily. Magnolia flowers, which turn Batumi's streets and parks to a heaven garden, at the same time, are one of the symbols of the city. 150 years old historical part of the city is named as 'Ancient Batumi'. In ancient Batumi, where 2-3 storey historical buildings are intensive, there are a lot of small cafes and restaurants. Cafes with extraordinary views are favorite places for Batumi people and tourists. People meet and eat delicious Georgian food here and sip their famous aroma Turkish coffee cooked on red hot sand. In Batumi, which is known with its coffee culture and where it is believed that coffee brings a magic freshness, to make long time conversations is an important part of the life.









Batumi Port, the tourist center of the town, becomes cheerful with coffee addicts, street musicians, poets and fishers though the year. Accordion tones which shall be certainly played to your ears on the pier, streets alleys or any corner of the town as well as the images of old horse-drawn carriages that are showing the tourists around shall take the guests to past.

One of various places worth to be seen in Batumi is the worldwide known Batumi Botanical Park, which was found by Russian Scientist Krasnov. Batumi Botanical Park, located in Mtsvane Kontshki (Green Cape) region which is 9 km. away from the center of the city, takes visitors to a magic and dreamlike environment. Enormous garden lying over these hills, one of a kind in the world, embodies thousands of plants side by side, which grow under different climate conditions. 1200 kinds of rose fascinate the visitors most. This place, which is blossomed in every season, should be particularly visited in late spring, summer and autumn period.

Batumi Boulevard is another favorite place of the city. The 14 km. long-Boulevard ranging as a green cordon along the sea shore was designed and accomplished by the German garden designer Resler in the early 20th Century. French music-fountains dancing colorful on the boulevard fascinate the spectators. Batumi Boulevard, attracting young and old people in the same way by its cafes, night clubs, entertainment centers and playpens appealing to every kind of choice and age, is an ideal place to have time with the people you like, make a walk on parkways, play, take a sunbath on the beaches, listen to music or just sit and inhale the smell of the sea mixed with the aroma of an age-old trees and get rest.







The Head Of Government Of The Autonomous Republic of Adjara

LEVAN VARSHALOMIDZE



Georgia is located in Southern Caucasia on the eastern shore of Black Sea. Georgia, which had been one of the Former Soviet Republics, is surrounded by Russia in the North, Azerbaijan and Armenia in the South and Turkey in the Southwest. The western boundary of the country is lined by the Black Sea. Georgia is a secular, unitary and a representative democracy with the President. Georgia is a member of the United Nations, European Council, World Trade Organization, Black Sea Economic Cooperation and Democratic and Economic Development Organization. Georgia is still making efforts for NATO membership and to enter the European Union in the future.

There is a total of 9 regions in Georgia including 2 Sovereign Republics, which have their Head of Governments (Adjara and Abkhasia). The President of Georgia is Mikhail SAAKASHVILI, and the Prime Minister is Nikoloz GILAURI. The total population of the country is about 5 million people, where Georgian language is spoken and the currency is Lari.

In this issue of our magazine, we are sharing the conversation, which we have realized with Mr. Levan VARSHALOMIDZE, the head of Government of the Autonomous Republic of Adjara whose ruling center is Batumi and which is located in the soutwestern part of Georgia.





Can you introduce yourself to us? Where and when were you born?
I was born in Batumi in 1972. I am the second male child of my family. I had my education until the end of high school in Batumi. Later on, I had taken International Law education in Kiev University in Ukraine. I have also completed my postgraduate and doctoral degrees in the same school.

Why justice?
My grandfather was a prominent lawyer in Batumi. I must have been affected by him during my childhood. This situation has an important effect in my preference.

How would you describe yourself as a student?
I was successful and hardworking. I remember that I was a little bit naughty. I was a self confident and free spirited child. I often fled from school during the nursery school. Once upon a time when we went to an excursion, I departed secretly from the student group and went to my father's working place. This had been the final straw. My family drew me from that school and sent me to a disciplined Russian School. But since I was staggering in that school since I hadn't known any Russian, I fled from that school as well.

Did you have any plans for the future when you started the university or was it your priority goal to finish the school?
Of course I had. My all imagination was to become a diplomat, but it was even not easy to imagine this during that period. We are talking of the 1990 years which were all unsettled proceedings and in which very great troubles were experienced.

What have you done when the school was over?
I returned to my country Georgia after having completed my nine years lasting higher education. I first started work at the International Law Department at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. I transferred to the Ministry of Justice after one year. I was the Head of the Chamber of Legislation at the Georgian Ministry of Finance in 2002 and acted as the General Director of the Georgian Railways in year 2004. I became the Georgian President's representative in Adjara Autonomous Republic on the 7th of May, 2004. I started the mission of the Adjara Autonomous Republic's Head of Government on 20th of July, 2004 as the nominee presented by the Georgian president and upon the approval of the Adjara Republic High Council.

"The spring is understood from the arrival of the swallows"

How do you evaluate the neighborhood relations between Turkey and Georgia?
We observe that a long way have been advanced when compared to the past. Once upon a time, it was even forbidden neither to approach the Sarp border gate nor to use this gate. My father was the head of the Ministerial Cabinet of Adjara region and I travelled twice to Sarp during my childhood. I was warned each time not even to look at the direction of the gate. And the point we have reached nowadays from the beginning is obvious. Now, there is a very nice amity and mutual good relations between the two countries. Our goal is to make these relations much nicer and develop them.

The folks of the two countries, especially the Georgians living in Batumi and the people of Eastern Black Sea region of Turkey are like brothers. We already know that you have efforts to make this intimacy. Can you please tell us about these efforts?
As you said, people of the same region are living in both countries. One part of some families are is living in one country while the other part is living

in the other country. Sarp border gate is important from this aspect. The first opening date of this gate is year 1987. We further simplified the passing processes. Our citizens are bilaterally using this gate without any visas. We are further making preparations for the use of this gate without passports. We are about to complete our efforts to use Sarp border gate as a common customs gate. Also our construction activities of the Georgian state gate in the scope of modernization are proceeding.

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How did you first meet Mr. Nurettin Çarmıklı?

We first met by medium of the Georgian Republic Ambassador to Ankara Mr. Grigol Mgaloblishvili in Ankara in 2005. But I had already known about him since Mr. Nurettin was the Georgian consular agent. He is known as a beloved and respected businessman in our country.

What did you first do when you became the Prime Minister?

I was elected as the Prime Minster in May 2004. I was only 32 years old. Meanwhile, I was the Georgian President's Representative in Adjara Autonomous Republic. Of course, while acting



Gürhan ÇARMIKLI, Nurettin ÇARMIKLI, Levan VARSHALOMİDZE,
Erol ÇARMIKLI, Gürol ÇARMIKLI

as a team until that day, you certainly become the only center of decision. This was a very big responsibility. To tell the truth, I had some distresses about from where to start. We had started the budget works once we took over the treasury. We have reached today after passing through very challenging times.

Your grandfather and your father are important people with experiences who had also executed high level missions. Have you benefitted from them in terms of ideas?

Experience is definitely of importance. But nevertheless, we had no time to wait for the recommendations of the old people. We had started to act as soon as possible. Obviously, everything



starts with determination. You don't need to have any fears. You have to stand behind what you do. We took off without any hesitations. When we now look behind, the point where we stand now shows the success of our decisions we made.

What was your first big project?

It was the continuation work of the boulevard coast. This is the street next to the park opposite Sheraton Hotel. That park on the sea coast is a very nice place designed by a French in year 1881. It was always talked about the continuation of the park during the Soviet times but nothing was done. People thought of me as mad when I started this work. We expanded the 1700 meters long road to 7 kilometers. During that time, the place was a dumping ground. I now think that we have made contributions to the development of the city. Our second big project is the alteration of the infrastructure of the whole city. Currently the activities are proceeding.

" I'm not interested in the past. I look ahead to the future. I'm thinking what I can do all the time. Because human life is limited, we dont have much time."

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I have seen many old and worn-out houses in Batumi. It looks as if the public needs social house dwelling. What is being done on this topic?

We give importance to give our public the opportunity to live in better living conditions. We have transferred financial resources to the municipality budget for 40.000 square meters house construction. The constructions have started. I can say in one sense, that the city is being rebuilt.



What kind of a person are you? What are your specific personality aspects?
I am a calm person as I am seen. I think positively. I am determined. Once I determine a goal, I always go after a target until I realize it. I do not give up easily.

Aren't you ever furious? What do you do when you are furious?
Of course there are some situations which frustrate me. But I still do my best to keep calm Because I believe that nothing can be reached through being furious. Taking healthy decisions is only possible by thinking calmly.

Then, hasn't there been anything when you regretted and said "Wouldn't it be better if we hadn't done it this way?"
We can make errors as long as we are human beings. I do not deal with the past. My face is headed towards the future. I am always thinking about what we can do more. The human life span is limited. We do not have so much time.



What is your biggest goal for Batumi?
We do not separate our goals as big and small. We have done so much works, but there are still more of them. I am happy when we achieve our goals and focus on new goals with this effort. It could not ever be thought of where we are now when I started six years ago.

You are walking around alone and extremely comfortably in the city. Without your bodyguards and your official car. To tell the truth, this really astonishes us. Why is this so?
I am a child of the Batumi city. I like being together with my public. It is very important for me to establish one to one contact with them. When I was first assigned, they have allocated official cars and bodyguards for me. I couldn't feel myself free. I felt as if my capability of movement was limited. In my opinion, these are never required in small places like Batumi. People used to be astounded when they saw me walking around freely on the streets. they got used to this situation.

The former manager, the head of the Adjara Autonomous Republic High Council, had 3000 bodyguards. The traffic had been interrupted once he left his house. It is said that the rear end of the official guarding convoy had been still at his house's garden when he reached his office.

It is obvious that the cultural level of your people is at a level to deal with this, isn't it?
Batumi people are very hard working. Everyone is doing their best. They have experienced great troubles during the past period.
When we came to power in year 2004, even the electricity was used with limitations. The time to reach Batumi city center from Sarp border gate was 40 minutes. Now we spend only 10 minutes to travel this distance.

What will you say about Nurol's investment Sheraton Batumi?
This investment has brought Batumi at least ten years for ward into the future. The value of Mr. Nurettin's contributions to us are priceless. There is a proverb as "The spring is understood from

the arrival of the swallows". During that time, the nature revitalizes, life bursts from the earth, the ground and the sky becomes colorful. Hence, Sheraton has been the first swallow of the region and then came the rest of it.

Mr. Nurettin loves Batumi. How do you consider this?
His hometown is Artvin and his childhood passed in the region. As he tells in his book, he always looked at the lights beyond the border longingly. He does not separate Batumi from his own land. When he comes here, we become very happy. Yes, his eyes really do shine with joy when he is here. He is a very active person and is always investigating "What we can do?". We are very happy to know him. Besides, I can say that Mr. Nurettin returns to Turkey as 20 years younger every time he comes here...



You have undertaken very important missions in your very young ages and successfully achieved all those missions. Since you are still even not 40 years old, you are still young. How does one of your days pass?
I can only tell this. We start work in the morning. The day passes with continuous work. I do not know the rest of it. Because I can even not feel when the work shift ends. I walk so much in the city. I drop by the construction sites most and visit the workers. I do care being in the public and sharing their problems.

I think you do not have so much free time. What do you do for yourself?
I practice sports. I play tennis. I walk 5 kilometers almost everyday. I prefer to walk to most of the places instead of going by car. It is true that I do not have much time to spend for resting and entertainment. Seeing the results of our efforts is enough for me.

Which is your favorite place in Turkey?
I want to answer this question as it is where Mr. Nurettin is. Whenever he comes to Batumi, Batumi becomes more beautiful for us. As long as he is happy, I am also happy together with him.

You must have seen many different countries. Are there any specific cities which affected you?
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Batumi is a region as a coastal city where tourism is of importance, isn't it?
It should not be considered only as sea tourism. The natural beauty of our region is our greatest wealth. You know that since Batumi is a city worth seeing with its most green mountains and parks on the continuation of the Eastern Black Sea. We have three more parks like the Botanic Park you have walked around and were fascinated.

It involves almost %25 of this region. Batumi has different beauties not only in summer months but also during all seasons of the year. Currently the hotel capacities became insufficient. Tourists from many countries of the world come to see here.

Are there any underground resources in the region?
I consider having none of them as an advantage for us. I think that the beauty of the nature is sufficient.

Mr. Levan, you have even replied the negative reply that could be given to this question in a positive way. It is really understood that you do look at life positively. You are single. Do you live alone?
Living together with my whole family gives me a great happiness. We are living in a crowded house with my mother, father, my brother and his family.

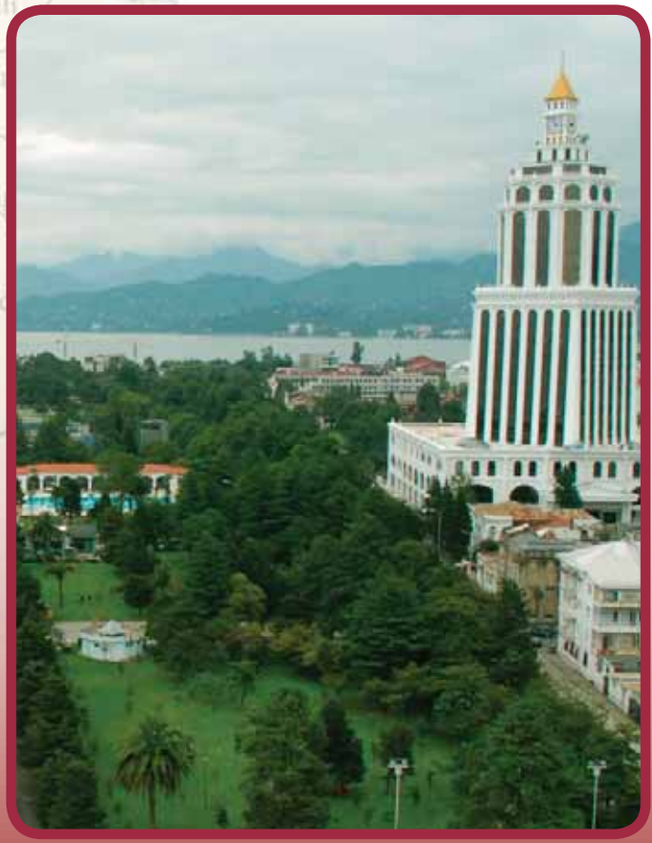
Can living in such way be the reason that you cannot make your own family?
No, certainly not. They always put pressure on me to get married. But currently, working attracts me more.

What are your hobbies?
My hobby is my job, always to do something new. There is a different excitement in Batumi. This feeds me up. As I said, I like exercising sports. Besides, I like reading books. Especially I have a favor of historical books. I get excited as I discover the books of the old Georgian authors. I had such a book during my last trip. Georgia had lived an important period between the years 1918 and 1921 during this period under the Bolshevik invasion. It really is an interesting time period.

Do you have any interest in arts?
I like listening to music. My interest with arts is only as an observer. Batumi is a rich city in terms of arts and culture. We have a big symphony orchestra. Our theater hall is also like that. Many interesting works exhibited in the museums are witnessing our history. I desire that Batumi becomes an art and culture center. Batumi has been a place where world famous artists came and gave concerts. World famous tenor Placido Domingo has given a concert in Piacca Square in November 2010. We have entertained such famous artists.
Again Andrea Bocelli will give a concert together with Georgian artists in New Year's Eve in 2011.

What would you like to do which will cause after a long time to be said "He even succeeded this?" In other words, together with what name would you like to be announced?
We will wait and see. I also wonder what I would do...

Thank you very much for sparing your time for us and also for your sincere answers. What would you like to say finally?
I thank Nurettin Çarmıklı very much. I have learned so much from him and still continue to learn. What I want to say is that we not only benefit from his experiences, we also learn humanity from him. I wish a long, healthy life and success in his works for him. I believe that Nurol Community will still continue to sign under the successful projects in many sectors with its companies spread to many parts of the world. I want to thank separately each member of the Nurol Holding, to the members of this family, specifically to Mr. Erol and Mr. Oguz and all other employees for their constituting samples for us.



Interview: Meral CEYLAN

NUROL CONSTRUCTION MARMARAY PROJECT CONTINUES

Our work in our partnership for Marmaray Project continue at full stream. Immersed tube section of our project, which provided a lot of archeological remainders to emerge again during the works performed in a place where historical sensitivity is higher, has been completed, moreover, structural works in Üsküdar Station which was constructed by using private ground development and shoring systems due to the properties of the ground has been brought to completion stage together with the station's connections up to immersed tube section.

In 2011 summer months immersed tube connection up to Sirkeci station shall be completed, thus drill tunnel sections shall be completed as well and the transportation from Anatolian side up to our station in European side shall have been provided.













NUROL CONSTRUCTION
ANKARA - POZANTI MOTORWAY
AT THE COMPLETION STAGE

Ankara - Pozantı Motorway consists the final part of TEM Motorway in Central Anatolia. Kemerhisar - Eminlik Section which was entirely (main line + access roads) constructed as 2x3 type is completely located within Niğde province borders . The length of this section is 55 km (24 km main line + 31 km linking roads), in this route there are engineering structures consist of 136 culverts, 10 underpasses, 3 bridges and one overpass.

Within the scope of the project, besides there has been constructed a viaduct with 14 pans. The average height of viaduct legs is 26.43 m with a maximum height of 42 m. Motorway, which the construction was initiated in June 2000, has been brought to completion phase in terms of January 2011.





DOUBLE SUCCESS FROM NUROL CONSTRUCTION!





Our Deputy Chairman of the Board Erol ÇARMIKLI received the prize from Prime Minister Recep Tayyip ERDOĞAN.



Nurol Construction Took The Place In "Engineering News Record" World List

NUROL CONSTRUCTION, the first and leader Company of Nurol Companies Group, took part in both of the lists of The World's Greatest International Contractors (only domestic and foreign projects are evaluated) and World's Greatest Global Contractors for 2010 published by "Engineering News Record; ENR" Magazine, an affiliate of Mc. Graw Hill - one of the biggest publish groups of US.

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TÜRKİYE MÜTEAHHİTLER BİRLİĞİ

DTM Dış Ticaret Müsteşarlığı

Başarı Belgesi

NUROL İnşaat ve Ticaret A.Ş.

Yurtdışı Müteahhitlik Hizmetlerinde firmanızın ulaşmış olduğu iş hacmi ile 2010 yılında "Dünyanın En Büyük 225 Uluslararası Müteahhitlik Firması" listesinde yer alarak Türk İnşaat Sektörünün uluslararası platformdaki yüksek rekabet gücünün kanıtlanmasına ve dünyaya tanıtılmasına yapmış olduğunuz katkılardan dolayı tebrik eder, başarılarınızın devamını dileriz.

M. Erdal EREN
Başkan

M. Zafer ÇAĞLAYAN
Devlet Bakanı

TURKEY'S GREATEST

Gebze - Orhangazi - İzmir Motorway Project, initiated to be constructed for safer and convenient traffic, which has been increasing in line with the growth and development speed recorded in our country recent years shortens the route by half thus it shall significantly contribute to the economy. The project which includes the suspension bridge having the 2nd largest span in the world, has a total length of 421 km.



MOTORWAY PROJECT

When the project including İzmit Gulf Crossing and access roads is completed;

a suspension bridge having an approximate length of 3 km
30 units of viaducts with a total length of 18.212 m
4 tunnels with a total length of 7.395 m
209 bridges
18 toll booth areas
5 Motorway Maintenance and Operation Center
7 Service area
7 auto park area

shall have been put into service.



NUROL CONSTRUCTION
Signed Gebze - İzmir Motorway Built-Operate-Transfer Contract



For Gebze - İzmir Motorway Build-Operate-Transfer project; including İzmit Gulf Crossing Bridge which is the largest scaled project in BOT model-projects contracted in Turkey and which includes 3 km long and the 2nd longest suspension bridge in the world with its main span of 1.7 km, the relevant Contract was signed between the partnership in which we participated and the Ministry of Transportation was signed in September 2010.

Within the scope of our Contract; the construction for key turn delivery of the Motorway with an average length of 420 km (İzmit Gulf Suspension Bridge Crossing is also included) shall have been completed and shall be operated, afterwards shall be delivered to the Administration.





Gebze - İzmir Motorway's Foundation Was Laid



Gebze - Orhangazi - İzmir (İzmit Gulf Passage and Access Roads are included) Motorway's Groundbreaking Ceremony was held on 28 October 2010 by the attendance of Prime Minister Recep Tayyip ERDOĞAN, Minister of Transportation Binali YILDIRIM, Minister of National Defense Vecdi GÖNÜL, Minister of State Faruk Nafız ÖZAK, Minister of State Faruk ÇELİK, Parliamentarians, Ambassadors, Governors, Mayors, Public Agency administrators and press members.

In the Ceremony, our Vice Chairman of the Board M. Oğuz ÇARMIKLI made a speech on behalf of Otoyol Investment and Operation Co. comprised of Nurol - Özaltın - Makyol Astaldi - Yüksel - Göçay Companies said; "They feel significant responsibility as they participated in the biggest Build-Operate-Transfer Project as of the foundation of Turkish Republic and due to the contribution provided to Turkey by this project" he added, "We wish this giant project to bring good luck to our country, Group and all project partners".





NUROL ENERGY
PROVIDES CONTRIBUTION TO EDUCATION

Nurol Energy realized its first power plant project with Ceyhan HEPP in Osmaniye. Ceyhan HEPP, with 63 MW installed capacity and 257 GWh annual generation, is in commercial operation since June, 2010. Besides the positive contribution of the power plant to Turkish energy sector, there are also additional regional benefits where the power plant is located. In Karagedik and Kumarlı villages, a primary school and a mosque were constructed for the purpose of social welfare.



Our Company undertook and successfully completed an important investment at energy field which plays leading role in development of countries. At the same time, Company also endeavors to make the societies social level better. Social welfare project, which are become more important and supported all around the world, are very supportive and helpful for all communities, especially for people at where the projects are realized.



OSMANİYE KARAGEDİK and KUMARLI VILLAGES SOCIAL WELFARE PROJECTS



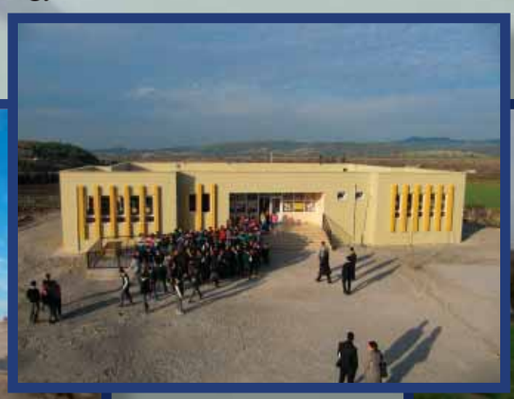


According to the protocol, which is signed with Düziçi District Directorate of National Education, construction of Karagedik Village Enova Energy Production Inc. Primary School was completed very quickly and put in service with its 5 classrooms at September for 2010 - 2011 academic year. In addition to this, the old school was also renovated to provide better and modern studying conditions. We hope that, this contribution to education carried out by Nurol Group, which has been conducting important works on education since its foundation, will be very useful not only for the local people and their children but also for our country in the future with the graduates from this school.

Another social welfare service was carried out in Kumarlı village. The existing mosque was renovated and construction of new mosque, with capacity of 130 people, was undertaken. By the end of Spring 2011, the new mosque will be in service. We hope that, all of these facilities shall bring peace and happiness to community.

While our energy facility, which was realized under leadership of Nurol Energy according to the Electricity Market Law No:4628 with Build-Own-Operate business model, is conducting its generation works with its successful operating team, generated electricity is sold both to market and other consumers by the core team assigned for energy trade.







SHERATON ANKARA OUTSCORES

OUR PRIZES:

A MANAGERIAL SUCCESS:

JOURNEY 2009 PRIZE IN EUROPE,
AFRICA and MIDDLE EAST REGION
CAME TO SHERATON ANKARA HOTEL & CONVENTION CENTER.

Amongst 70 hotels in Starwood Europe Africa and Middle East Group's East Middle Europe Region, Sheraton Ankara was selected as the best activity profit share displaying hotel and received its Journey Awards in the Ceremony held in September 2010 in Barcelona. The prize was given to Complex Financial Works Director Ahmet Büyükahıska and General Director Jacques Chevasson.

IN 2010 GIVEN BY WORLD TRAVEL AWARDS;

Our hotel which was selected as Turkey's Leading Business Hotel continues to represent our country and capital successfully in international arena.



We Continue To Represent The Capital...



In 2010 a good news for prize came from abroad for Sheraton Hotel & Convention Center which was awarded the Best Conference Hotel in Economist and Capital Magazine's 2010 Most Successful Tourism Investment Research;

World Travel Awards deemed as the "Oscar of World Tourism Sector" in its 17th anniversary, selected Sheraton Hotel & Convention Center Ankara the "Turkey's Best Business Hotel" this year.

In this contest even being a candidate was considered a big prestige in recent years and in which the winners are determined by voting in internet performed by tourism professionals; our Hotel had received in 2007 "Europe's Best Conference Hotel Award" again in 2007 "Turkey's Best Conference Hotel Award" and in 2008 "Turkey's Best Conference Hotel Award".

This award can be expressed as a registered award by thousands of tourism professionals through their votes and a golden stamp of a guarantee certificate to be used during your travels.

We hope our success and happiness shall continue increasingly.





THOSE WE ARE PROUD TO HOST ...

FOREIGN STATE PRESIDENTS HAVING ANKARA PROGRAM DURING THEIR VISITS TO OUR COUNTRY IN 2010;

- President Mehmet Ali TALAT, T.R.N.C.
- President Christian WULF, Germany
- President Christina Fernandez de KIRCHNER, Argentina
- President Mary MCALEESE, Irland
- President Toomas Hendrik ILVES, Estonia
- President Dr. H. Susilo Bambang YUDHOYONO, Indonesia
- Head of State Dmitry MEDVEDEV, Russia
- Prime Minister Donald TUSK, Poland
- Prime Minister John KEY, New Zeeland
- Prime Minister Jadranka KOSOR, Croatia
- Governor-General Quentin BRYCE Australia



President of Germany Christian WULF and his wife



Head of State Dmitry MEDVEDEV, Russia



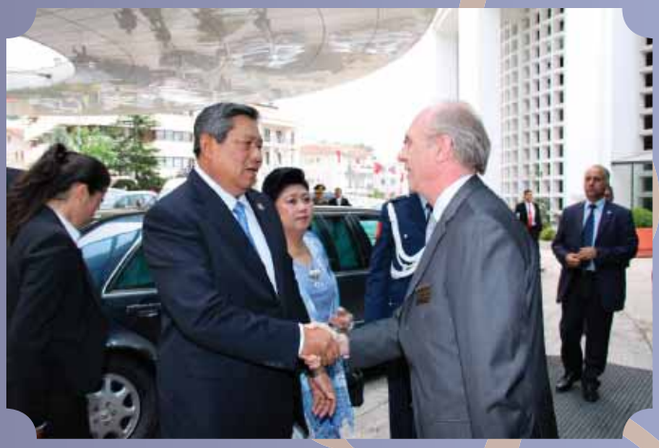
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Prime Minister of Poland Donald TUSK



President of Estonia Toomas Hendrik ILVES



President of Indonesia
Dr. H. Susilo Bambang YUDHOYONO



President of Argentina
Christina Fernandez de KIRCHNER

FNSS PARS 8x8

2010 Desert Trials Completed Successfully by FNSS



Land platforms mobility trials organized every year on July and August by United Arab Emirates Land Forces continue traditionally since mid 90's. Extremely hot weather up to 55 - 60°C at shade, its robust geographical structure with soft sands and intense sand dunes in UAE become an ideal test environment for such land platforms.

Participation to these tests is done in 2 ways: relevant land platform manufacturers voluntarily participate to test and develop their products or UAE Armed Forces privately invite land system producers that they have interest in for their requirements. One-week part of this totally one month lasting tests is done "cross-country" and "off-road", and almost

2000 km of ground is covered. Almost all interesting roads and deserts of UAE are covered; in some areas they pass over rocky strea beds, some climb over deep desert valleys and hills.

For such environments your platform should be very well prepared, and your test team should be experienced. Systems working smoothly at your plant may cause problems in the test environment at UAE. When your vehicle is perfectly navigate in your test area, it may stuck into soft sands all of a sudden and you may spend hours to take it out of sands. Each moment at UAE is a new experience, a new knowledge.





If everything goes right, you may go back with photos and videos that make spectators think: “if this vehicle rides here, it will ride in every part of the world.”

During UAE test various performance values of the vehicle are measured and recorded. At UAE, those records that you obtained at such environments where you strain vehicle’s talents to the very end are of golden value for development studies.

For this reason, the traditional summer trials at UAE have a special and crucial value for many land platform producers in the world.

FNSS’s wheeled armored vehicle PARS 8x8 is invited to 2010 summer tests at UAE by UAE Army; it displayed great performance exceeding all expectations, and by getting the appreciation of UAE Army, it left behind all of its rivals and completed tests successfully. Besides PARS 8x8’s excellent movement skills, it is proven that its tactical, operational, protection and ergonomic characteristics comply to any environment.

FNSS Savunma Sistemleri’s activities at UAE has continued growingly since 1997. Following tracked armored vehicle ACV-350 agreement signed in 1997, technical support agreement renewed biyearly is about to finalize its forth period successfully. Thanks to regular unit visits, periodical maintenance, maintenance training, operators training, and other logistic services of on-site FNSS expert technical support team at UAE, “ready for duty” level of tracked, armored vehicle fleet at UAE is always maintained over 90 %. Besides those activities, spare parts sales also continue.

FNSS Celebrating the Success in UAE

FNSS Business Director İnan Güven and Personnel Manager Hüdaver Değirmenci visited United Arab Emirates in August. The aim of the visit is to come together with our employees working in Abu Dhabi. Letter of appreciation is submitted to our personnel operating on-site at UAE on technical support activities of 133 ACVs we exported in 1997, namely Tansel Tokuroğlu, Mustafa Kutlubay, Necdet Eren, Davut Akın Büyükcaner and Fahri Düz at a dinner where they attended with their families for FNSS' UAE Army tracked armored vehicle fleet has accomplished its 10th service year, and they kept the customer satisfaction at the highest level during this period.

It is very significant that PARS 8x8 test team which was there at the same day and successfully finished summer trials has also participated in this celebration night. We congratulate our personnel for their success.



FNSS Among The Biggest 500



As a result of a research published by Fortune 500, according to 2009 financial data, FNSS increased its net sales by 53 % and rise up to 286 ranking from 401. With this performance, FNSS has ranked 5 among the companies that have the greatest rise. FNSS 2009 endorsement is 187 million TRY. Increasing its pre-tax profit before interest by 65% compared to last year, FNSS announced 34,6 million TRY profit. With a profit rate of 16 %, FNSS ranked 47th in Turkey. The export rate of FNSS is 187 million TRY; it has exported all of its armored combat vehicle production in 2009. With this rate, FNSS ranked 80th among companies with the greatest export. FNSS ranked 1st in export among "Defense Industry Companies". In "Vehicles and Equipments Production and Maintenance" category, FNSS ranked 13th; and in this sector it ranked 9th in profitability, and 8th in exportation. In pre-tax profit ratio to net sales, FNSS ranked 3rd.

In Ankara province, this Company ranked 27th in net sales and ranked 8th in exportation of Ankara.

FNSS will keep this rising success rate in the following years ahead.

FNSS 3rd Military Land Platforms Plastic Model Competition Is Concluded

FNSS MILITARY LAND PLATFORMS PLASTIC MODEL COMPETITION organized for the third time by FNSS Savunma Sistemleri A.Ş. draw great interest again.

In this competition where totally 232 models by 42 competitors are displayed, military land platform models produced by basic materials like plastics,



resin, and metal parts almost at all dimensions, and scaled diorama are evaluated. As a result of this evaluation at eight categories, 26 works are granted awards.

Platelets and model kits are gifted to competitors in the award ceremony organized at FNSS facilities at September 19, 2010 on Sunday. Also, certificate of participation is given to everyone that filled out the participation form.

1914 - 1945 World Wars Tracked Armored Vehicle Category:
1st Veli Saltık, 2nd İnanç Pirgon, 3rd Zafer Yakar

Modern, Tracked Armored Vehicle Category:
1st Tolga Doğruer, 2nd Mustafa Önge, 3rd Arda Çakır

Turkish Armed Forces Armored Vehicle Category:
1st Ender Yalgın, 2nd Hasan Hüseyin Altınışık, 3rd Hakan Ün

Wheeled and Semi-Tracked Military Vehicle Category:
1st Altay Uğurlu, 2nd Oykun Eren, 3rd Mehmet Emin Cihan

1/72 Scale Military Land Platforms Category:
1st Levent Başara, 2nd Erman Özer, 3rd Burak Çınar

1/48 Scale Military Land Platforms Category:
1st Ayhan Toplu, 2nd Atilla Güç, 3rd Hüseyin Serin

Scaled Diorama Category:
1st Hakan Alakoç, 2nd Oğuz Yılmaz, 3rd Murat Yılmazer

Young Category:
1st Gökhan Türker, 2nd Altuğ Koçak, 3rd Kağan Ün

Jury's Special Award:
Arzem Özlem Altınışık

The Best of the Competition:
Veli Saltık





FNSS

Signed the Largest Defense Export Contract of Turkey

FNSS Savunma Sistemleri A.Ş. has received a contract from a Middle East country for the upgrade of over 300 M113 Family of Vehicles over a three year period. Valued at over $300M, the contract includes technology transfer, training, integrated logistics support and the establishment of local sources for the manufacturing of components to support the production.

Within the scope of the contract nine different variants of M113 vehicles will be modernized to include improved suspension, advanced military sub systems, and a 350 hp power pack with integrated air conditioning system.

The program will be performed at a government owned facility operated by FNSS.



Amphibious Assault Bridge (AAB) Successfully Passed the First Floating Test

The development and prototype studies are rapidly continuing regarding Amphibious Assault Bridge (AAB) Project, granted to the FNSS Savunma Sistemleri A.Ş. on behalf of Turkish Armed Forces by SSM on 2 April 2007.

Turkish engineers and technicians who are working day and night regarding this project are much pleased with the performance achieved during the vehicle floating tests, performed first in the test pool and later in a dam lake.



FNSS Participated to INDO DEFENCE 2010

INDO DEFENCE 2010 EXPO & FORUM
THE 4TH INDONESIA'S OFFICIAL TRI-SERVICE DEFENCE EVENT

Within the frame of widening its operations in the region, FNSS Savunma Sistemleri A.Ş. participated to INDO DEFENCE 2010 Defense Exhibition held in Jakarta, the capital of Indonesia at November. FNSS considers this exhibition participating for the second time after 2008 as one of the most crucial defense exhibitions in the region. FNSS was in 72 m² booth area at "A" hall D-050. In DSA 2010 Exhibition organized in Malaysia in April 2010, FNSS and Indonesia's government entity PT-PINDAD Company have signed MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) for developing and producing tracked Armored Combat Vehicles to meet the potential needs of Indonesia Land Forces.



Two Awards to FNSS within the 25th Anniversary of Undersecretariat for Defense Industries







Within the scope of the celebrations of the 25th anniversary of Undersecretariat for Defense Industries, "SSM's 25th Anniversary" exhibition embracing clipboards demonstrating the development of the SSM in time and models regarding its ongoing projects were staged on 5 November 2010 at 18:30 in Cer Modern Arts Center hosted by Minister of National Defence Mr. M. Vecdi GÖNÜL.

The exhibitions which continued through 7-9 November 2010 in the Art Gallery was opened by Prime Minister Mr. Recep Tayyip ERDOĞAN. Chief of the General Staff Gen. Işık KOŞANER, Minister of Arts and Culture Mr. Ertuğrul GÜNAY, Commander of the Naval Forces Admiral Eşref Uğur YİĞİT, Commander of Gendarmerie General Necdet ÖZEL and Commander Staff of Land Forces Gen. Bekir KALYONCU were also attended the opening ceremony beside other military and civil senior officers.

During the observation of the exhibition, detailed information was given on the scaled model of FNSS's AAB project to Prime Minister Recep Tayyip ERDOĞAN



and Chief of the General Staff General Işık KOŞANER by FNSS authorities.

After observing the exhibition, Undersecretary for Defense Industries Mr. Murad BAYAR made the opening speech in the briefing lounge, which was followed by the presentation regarding the "25 years of Turkish Defence Industry" given by FNSS Marketing and Strategy Director Haluk BULUCU on behalf of Turkish Defence Industrialists. Subsequent to the presentation, the award ceremony begun and as a result of the "Defence Industry 25 Assessment" which was executed among 25 Turkish defence industry companies, FNSS was granted with the first prize in the "EFFICIENCY CATEGORY" and secondary prize in the "NET EXPORT CATEGORY".



NUROL MAKİNA

Kuwait EJDER 6x6 Wheeled Armored Vehicle Project



Betül NASIR, Abdullateef A. H. M. Al-Musailam, Tümg. Eissa A.O. ALSUMAIT, Nurettin ÇARMIKLI, Sait BİG, Yb. Khaled N.S.E. ALJATAILI, Bnb. Adel A.K.M. ALKANDARI, M.Tanju TORUN

Within the scope of **"Kuwait EJDER 6x6 Wheeled Armored Project "**, a delegation consists of Emirate Protection Unit Commander and its personnel visited our factory on 15 June and saw our vehicle in place and found opportunity to test it. The delegation presented a gift as a memory to our Chairman of the Board Nurettin ÇARMIKLI.



CENTRAL BANK OF THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY ARMORED MONEY CARRIER CONTRACT

Nurol Makina ve Sanayi A.Ş won the tender for 8 armored money carrier opened by Central Bank of the Republic of Turkey on 3 May 2010 and signed the Contract on 30 June 2010. Within the scope of the project, special design-armored money carrier shall be delivered to Central Bank of the Republic of Turkey.



Desired qualification shall be provided to the carrier by mounting on a special design-double cabinet Mercedes Atego 1524 chassis. For the purpose of facilitation of loading operations, it shall be equipped with a load elevator. Front design of the vehicle is given below . n our country and word, the necessity of carrying valuable papers and cash under a safe condition by adequate armored protection either in the city and long distance becomes more important day by day in line with the increasing threat.
Nurol Makina ve Sanayi A.Ş; alike EJDER 6x6 Wheeled Armored Vehicle, besides Defense Industry product contracts, in addition to Armored Intervention Vehicle against Civil Incidents and Armored Wagon which are included in its inventory, marked its name in this sector as well, and gained a new product and increased its product range.

TOOK THE FIFTH PLACE IN 2009 NET EXPORTS RANKING



Undersecretariat for Defense Industry focused on Turkish Defense Industry which has been displaying a rapid trend of increase and a notable performance in recent years.

The Undersecreatariat determined the top 25 defense companies in Turkey. In the evaluation performed upon 2009 data, Nurol Makina ve Sanayi A.Ş., took the first place among the most successful companies in exports. In the award ceremony held on 5 November 2010 Nurol Makina ve Sanayi A.Ş. General Director Ali Ekber GÖÇMEN received its price from former Defense Industry Undersecretary Yalçın BURÇAK.

SOLUTION FOR ABRASION PROBLEMS BY NUROL TECHNOLOGY: "Rubber Based Abrasion Plates"

Involved with armor plate production for defense industry, **NUROL Technology** has begun to produce Rubber Based Abrasion Plates for the purpose of directing its knowledge and technology towards the fields in which abrasion problem exists and introducing long term and productive solutions.

Ceramic Abrasion Plates are applied commonly in construction and mining sectors particularly. NUROL Technology produces this product, which is imported from foreign countries by the conscious users in our country, entirely with domestic opportunities and presents into the service of the sector. There are three types of application fields for Rubber Based Abrasion Plates according to the physical properties of conveying materials. Thin and flexible cohesive plates are used in environments where small size particle and light materials are used. The thickness of the ceramic used is between 3 - 5 mm. Thickness of the plate might be between 5 - 12 mm. Plates for average loads are used in places where larger particle-materials forming larger loads are utilized. The thickness of the ceramic used is between 8-12 mm. Thickness of the plate might be between 20 - 40 mm. Heavy load plates are applied where higher material flow resistant to heavy load and impact is available.



The thickness of the ceramic used is between 50 - 75 mm. Thickness of the plate might be between 75 - 100 mm. When worldwide applications are observed, it is seen that Ceramic Abrasion Plates are available in the production range of technical ceramic and tungsten material producers which are acting in the same with NUROL Technology.

Ceramic abrasion plate, due to its advantageous sides, is a product preferred by the facilities where abrasion problems exist in the world, primarily in countries where mining sector has developed such as South Africa, Australia, Canada . In our country, against abrasion, facilities acting in mining and construction sectors utilize solutions which are traditional such as covering the specifically hardened steel surfaces by welding but which are not economical when evaluated in terms of its economic life. Ceramic and Rubber Based Abrasion Plates have a longer economic life by 5 - 10 fold. By cohesive or screwed connection systems, more homogenous and controlled application is available.



Besides, Rubber Based Abrasion Plates, for a very important "vibration" problem which is not almost taken into consideration in facilities, due to its natural rubber at its base, presents a vibration damping feature, thus introduces a reliable solution in terms of economic life or ergonomic and mechanic systems. Our Company shall continue to use the results of Research and Development works performed for defense industry in order to develop civil items to create solutions for necessities of various sectors, and to realize the serial production of these products.

Thermal Vacuum Test Chamber Project

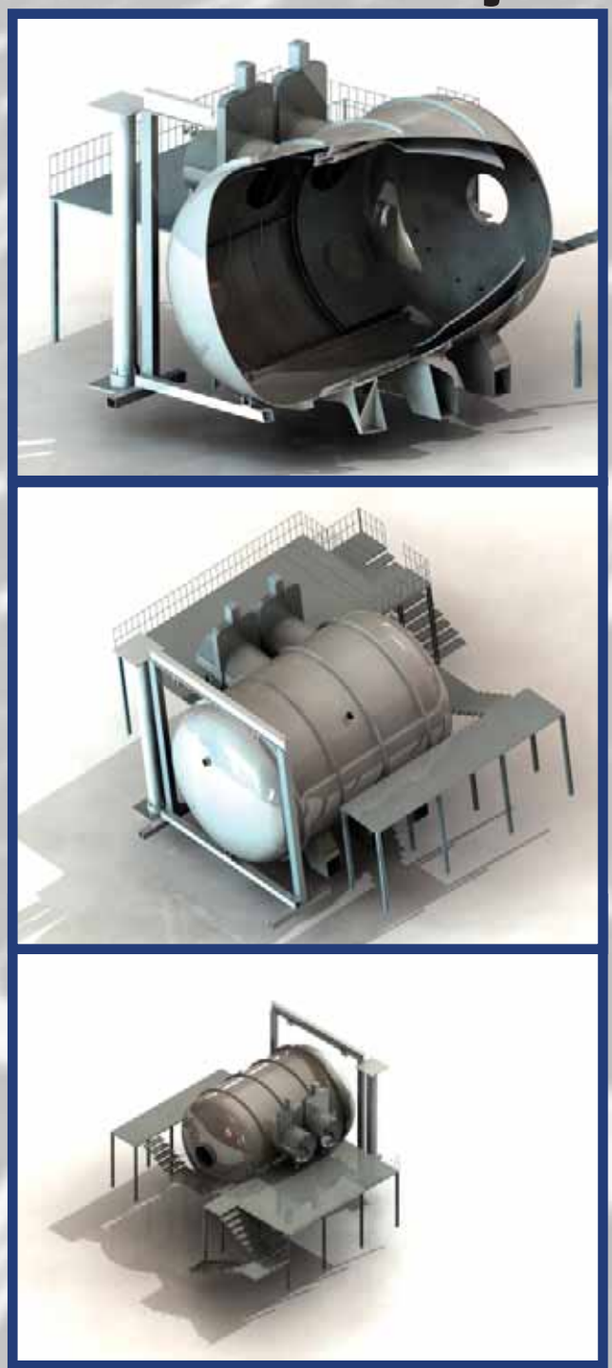
Enters Into Use In 2011

Our Company **NUROL Technology**, with the Contract signed on 22 09 2008, has completed on-site assembly works of the satellite systems to be delivered until the end of 2010 which is required by its customer **TUSAŞ - Turkish Aerospace Inc**.

Included in the classification of developing countries, our country has determined its target to produce its own satellite within the scope of Göktürk 1, Göktürk 2 projects. Our Customer TUSAŞ, considering that it should acquire its own satellite test systems in that it could act under full independency in the sector, contacted our Company.

Adopting as a principle to get interested with most advanced technologies and to increase the welfare level of our country by introducing these technologies into our country, Our Company NUROL Technology has accepted this demand presented its offer to TUSAŞ. Following the approval of our offer, required works for the production of first domestic Thermal Vacuum Test Chamber has been initiated.
The production of this system, which can be provided by a foreign and experienced company without any risk under normal conditions, has been assigned to NUROL Technology under the consideration of national interests .

For the project; in which on-site assembly of the Satellite Test Systems has been completed, NUROL Technology and TUSAŞ authorities have continued to work upon a serious sacrifice and cooperation.









BATUMI'S STAR
SHERATON BATUMI HOTEL





Primarily would you please tell us about yourself as a new General Director in Nurol Group?

It was an objective for me to work with Nurol and Starwood Hotels & Resorts Worldwide Inc., both worldwide famous and successful leaders in their fields which accomplished significant giant projects in Turkey and around the world. I am happy and proud for achieving this objective by Sheraton Batumi Hotel project and for being deemed worthy to be a member of Nurol and Starwood family.

I completed my university education in America in hotel management where I also spent all my business life in hotel management. I worked in hotel management in Miami Florida, Charlotte North Carolina and Richmond Virgina. I worked as senior manager in Royal Caribbean Cruise Line, Radisson, Adam's Mark, Holiday Inn and Sheraton Companies. After spending a period of 30 years in USA, I returned to Turkey and opened Sheraton Istanbul Maslak in 2007.

Nurol carried abroad its structuring and experience in tourism sector accomplished in Turkey. The first step was Batum. How do you evaluate this investment?

Batumi and Georgia is a geography where many of us originated from including my roots. Especially for me, it was very exciting and pleasant to return to lands where my ancestors came from in 1893. In my opinion Sheraton Batumi Hotel is not only Batumi's' but Georgia's most beautiful and stylish building. Nurol has initiated a milestone with this hotel. Upon this investment accomplished by Nurol, three new international five star hotel constructions have started and still continuing. Nurol 's leadership and bringing Sheraton brand to Batumi has opened a new era in this country.

I have been in Batumi for one year. I see everyday how the city is experiencing a fast work process, how government officials are working seven days and how everyone is committed unlimitedly. I am sure about that Batumi shall be rapidly Black Sea' s most important holiday, entertainment and business center. Nurol has made a right decision by making this investment as a leader and model company. City of Batumi currently has an appearance of a construction site. New constructions, roads, pavements, parks, infrastructure are completely renewed and structuring continues at full steam. We shall not recognize Batumi in few years. This city , with its unbelievable natural beauty, sub – tropical climate, hospitable, cheerful and friendly people and short distance to Turkey, shall make every investor happy in following years.

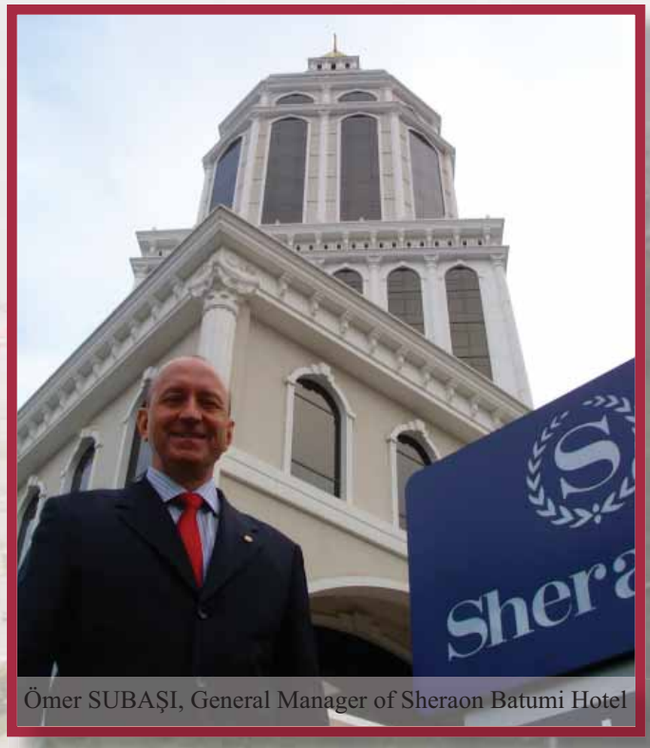




What are the features of Batum? Why do you think people should come here?

Particularly transportation to and from Turkey is very easy. Sarp border gate is fifteen minutes to our hotel. İstanbul takes 1 hour 50 minutes by flight. Ankara takes 1 hour. Batumi is a new destination and provides amenities which are not provided by other destinations; emerald like mountains, Black Sea which reflects every tone of blue, a marvelous nature, one of the unique botanical gardens in the world and casinos are just some of Batumi's attractions. Among the places of the city worth to be seen Orta Mosque from Ottoman period, Adjara State Museum, Batumi Botanical Garden, Apsaros Castle from Roman Period embodying mausoleum of Saint Matthias, one of 12 apostles of Jesus, Gonio Castle which structures reflecting Georgian architectural character despite constructed in 20th Century, Batum State park on Black Sea shore, Aquarium, Dolphin Show center and the circus can be listed.

Batumi is an important coastal town of Caucasus opening to sea and is the final stop of Baku pipeline. In winter time its population is 130.000, whereas over 500,000 in summers. In 1564, during Kanuni Sultan Süleyman period, it was conquered by Ottomans and remained under Ottomans sovereignty for 314 years. No visa is required for Batumi, passport is adequate for entrance.



Ömer SUBAŞI, General Manager of Sheraon Batumi Hotel


Eren YORULMAZER, Hasan SÖKMEN

Can we get some information about the hotel project? What was the concept utilized? In how much time the construction was completed? Architects etc...

In the history Alexander the great has constructed few cities known by his own name but all of these cities have been destroyed, except one. The one which could remain until today is Alexandria, in Egypt. The city was the most important port and trade city in that time and in order to avoid the ships getting lost while approaching to Alexandria Port, a construction of a lighthouse was initiated by Alexander the great in B.C 290. Unfortunately Alexander the great died and could not see the lighthouse completed. This structure with 110 meter height was completed in 20 years and deemed one of the Lost Seven Wonders of the World. This was the highest and most magnificent structure at the time which was completed.

Sheraton Batumi Hotel has been inspired from Alexandria Lighthouse by architect Hasan SÖKMEN whereas interior architecture has been designed by architect Eren YORULMAZER resembling white lighthouse. Sheraton Batumi Hotel has become the symbol of the city in short time. With its height of 114 meter, Sheraton Batumi is the most glorious and magnificent building of Autonomous Republic of Adjara and the construction has been completed in two years.

Sheraton reminds us an understanding of quality lasting for years in various countries in the world. Would you define your difference from others in terms of hotel management?

Sheraton brings to mind; years of experience, top quality and the success in hotel management. We entered into service in 1937 in USA with unique quality and guest satisfaction. Sheraton is the Starwood chain's most important brand. We are known to be the first in entering new frontiers. With more than 400 properties in 75 countries Sheraton is one of the largest, most global and iconic hotel brands in the world. Sheraton stands for a warm welcome and creates a sense of community amongst travellers who want to stay connected while on the road. At Sheraton, guests are not a room number, but precious individuals that deserve the highest attention – in all matters. Sheraton is one of currently 9 Starwood brands, making us one of the leading providers of upscale and luxury hotel service. We are a truly global hotel company operating around the world with more than 1000 properties in nearly 100 countries and 145,000 employees. Our hotel was opened as the 1001th property of Starwood. It is part of our global expansion; we are planning to open 50 new hotels in Europe, Africa Sheraton Batumi features, 5 star service and quality where Sheraton



Ergin ULUSOY, The Representative of Sheraton Batumi Hotel of Nurol Construction



brand's all and the Middle East in the next 3 years. And we currently have around 20 projects in development in Central and Eastern Europe.

Distinctive brand signature items are available. I can mentioned "Sheraton Sweet Sleeper Bed", "Link@ Sheraton experienced by Microsoft", "Sheraton Fitness with Core Performance", "Sheraton Shine Spa", "SPG" loyalty program as brand specialties as example. These are the most important features which are not available in other international hotel chains and differentiate Sheraton from others.

Would you provide information about your target group?

Our hotel in summer months hosts generally the guests from Georgia, Turkey, Azerbaijan, Armenia, Iran and Ukraine. In summer season, generally families prefer our hotel whereas couples prefer September and October from the same countries. After November, companies utilize our facilities for their incentive and agency meetings, congress and company meetings. Meanwhile, significant number of guests comes from Turkey in Bayram holidays. In new year's evening many Turkish and Georgian guests preferred our hotel.



Would you please mention about the opportunities provided for your guests?
This magnificent hotel opening to a huge park area on the sea shore is located on a 30 thousand m2 land. Our hotel building occupies 6 thousand m2 where there are 3 Restaurants, lobby bar, night club, 1100 m2 casino, 18mx9m indoor pool, 40m x 25m outdoor pool, 1670 m2 ballroom and 7 different meeting rooms, business center, Spa & Fitness, a magnificient Turkish bath 176 rooms, 26 suits with different sizes, 1 king suit which has 360 degree of panoramic views of Batumi and a Black Sea Beach.



What would you say about the development of tourism sector in Batumi? How was it yesterday and at which point it is today?
Tourism sector in Batumi records a very rapid development. Until last year there were only 3 four star hotels in Batumi, now we have an active 5 star hotel and 3 more 5 star international hotel chain constructions continue, besides there are around 40 different hotel projects with different sizes. Batum shall continue to develop very fast be the shining star of Black Sea Region. Not having any alternative, and shall be one of the most preferred destinations in a short time.

We see hotel investments continue in the region. What would be your measures against the competition environment in the sector?
I consider other hotel companies as our partners. Batumi needs more hotels to be a successful destination. Competition provides to increase service quality and to raise the bar, which shall enable customer satisfaction thus higher occupancy rate.

The most effective factor in terms of customer satisfaction in the service sector is to employ qualified staff. Is there any problem in this? How do you solve it?
Yes we have had a challenge and it is normal in a location where there weren't any five star international hotels existed. We opened this 5 star hotel in 2 months and we overcame our challenge by training our own associates into talents.
The most important factor here is that Sheraton was successful in trainings and locals were optimistic, talented, quick learners and hospitable. We cooperated with tourism schools last year and I am sure our concerns shall significantly decrease this year.



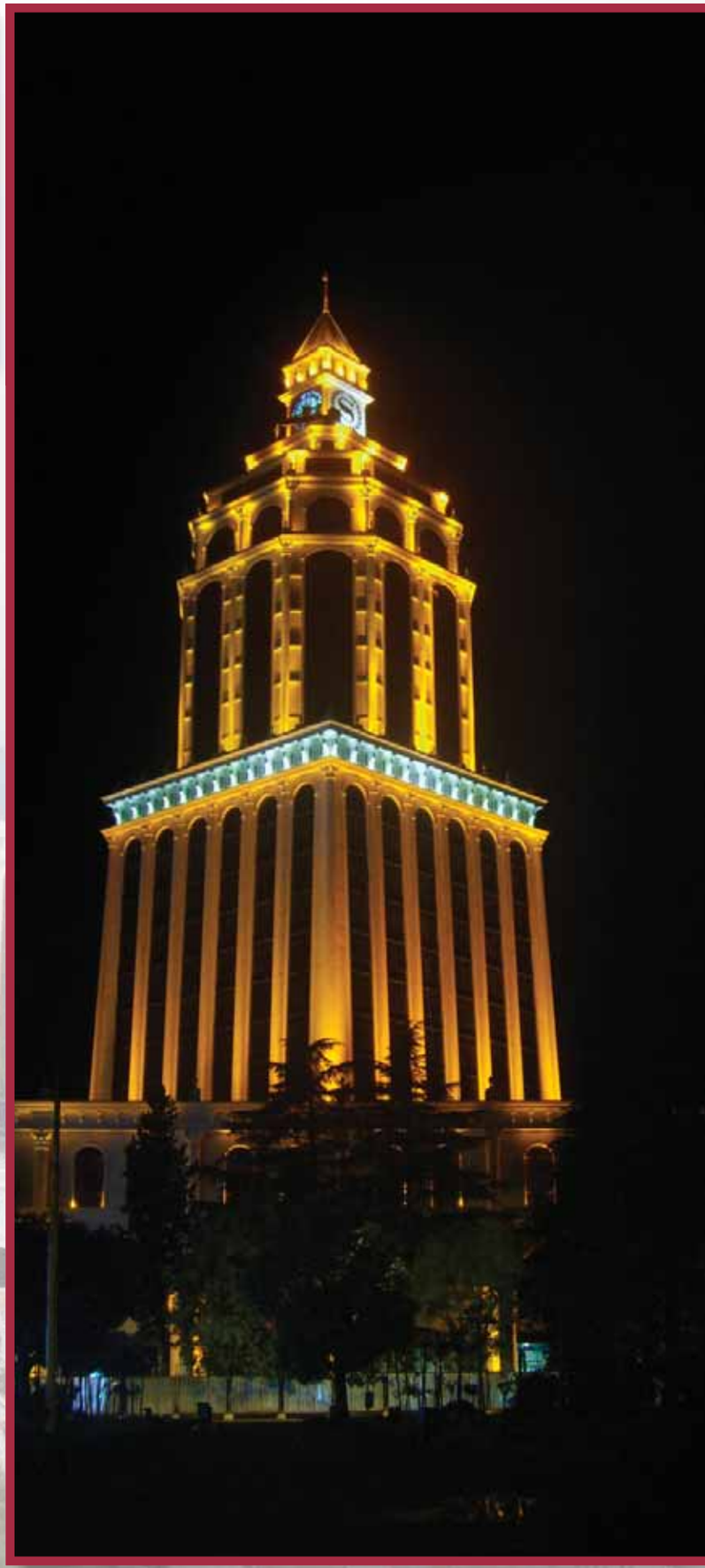


What kind of advantages might be created by the big group you participated which has a significant background as Nurol?
Nurol's experience, quality and professionalism supported us a lot. We worked hard in Batumi but our friends in Nurol and Turser provided us all kinds of support and logistic from Ankara day and night. Besides, Nurol's team came to Batumi often and provided considerable support; I like to take this opportunity to thank them a lot.

Naturally, Starwood's support played a big role in contribution for establishing a team, training, setting up systems and establishing a new hotel into service. I also would like to thank Starwood teams for their commitment and support. Backed by two giants; Nurol and Starwood, we opened our hotel in a short time like two months on 1 April 2010. We have been continuing to work with this support.

What are your expectations in 2011?
2011 shall be our first complete year. In 2010 we experienced a nine months background and adaptation period. 2011 shall be better and more productive as we already have a Batumi experience and more trained staff, on the other hand we know the country and product better by now, we are recognized better in Georgia and neighboring countries as well.

We appreciate. Finally do you have any message for our readers?
I would like to see all our readers visiting this cute city of Black Sea and experience Batumi and our property for themselves where, great climate, casinos, night life and friendly people, and to visit Sheraton Batumi, the white star of Black Sea, with its excellent amenities.



"We would like to thank our general manager Ömer SUBAŞI for the valuable information he shared with us."



Yüksel MADEN
Director - Nurol Art Gallery
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NUROL Art Gallery in its 10th Anniversary

It's the duty of people living in Ankara to carry the capital of our Republic to a worthy point and to keep it there. In this sense, art, whatever its type, is the most valuable fact, the most important branch to get involved.

The basic point here is to be able to display a long running and successful performance. If you have been able to left behind ten years, this is a very important situation. The most significant share in this success naturally belongs to Nurol Holding owners and managers. Primarily Nurettin ÇARMIKLI and upon the promotion by Gürol ÇARMIKLI, Şakir KALELİ, Meral CEYLAN, Bahar KOVALI and further art lovers. Our Holding's dear Public Relations. We need a lot pages if we mention everyone else here. As the Art gallery manager, I want to thank every body on behalf of Ankara, primarily to our dear owners, who supported us and who contributed a lot in this process.

We initiated an important project this year. 'Project for Supporting Young Artists'. Within this context, we began to focus on successful and promising young people who were already graduated from fine art departments of universities but who are on the bottom rung. Besides, we shall continue student exhibitions within the scope of this project.

The first exhibition of the session consisted of pictures performed by a shiny young person. Neslihan ÖZTÜRK. H.U. Fine Arts Faculty Painting Department. She has completed Prof. Hasan PEKMEZCİ Workshop and is assistant of painter Adnan TURANİ for three years. Our second exhibition consists of a joint work of new 4 young graduates from Hacettepe University again. Both of them have displayed success in their education years and received prizes; Belma ERSU, Sami GEDİK, Gülbuğ M. KILINÇ, Deniz ÖZSOY. God speed you all, you young people. Very important and beautiful exhibitions shall take place in our gallery in the new season as shall be seen in our web page. Besides exhibitions, as is known, works are continuing in our Painting Studio as well. We expect all holding employees to attend these works performed on Wednesday and Saturdays under the supervision of Artist Haluk EVİTAN. This year attendance has notably increased.

A new application is 'Işıl ÖZIŞIK Water Color Workshop' performed on Friday evenings. Besides all these activities, we are trying to arrange a conversation or signature day every month. Alike Nazlı ERAY Conversartion and Signature day performed in October. We expect your support, proposal and critics, most important your participation to our organizations. Because we are getting strength from these contributions.

Wish you days full of arts. Take care...













More years to come to appreciate art!