

# YIRCoF '19

*In Memory of Prof. Dr. Eng.- M. Atilla Öner*

## **Yeditepe International Research Conference on Foresight and Futures**

### **“Anticipation: Conceptual, Theoretical and Empirical Issues”**

*Istanbul, 30 November- 1 December, 2019*

*Foresight & Futures Studies* include all efforts to study the future by numerous methods and techniques to explain and predict how organizations and people will behave. These efforts in the field yielded the development and use of numerous scenario planning and foresight tools for social and life sciences with specific applications in public and business management areas. Practical applications involved strategic studies covering long range planning, policy development and technology assessment in several public and industrial sectors.

With recent developments in Artificial Intelligence and advances in Brain & Mind Research, the field has become a major interdisciplinary research topic and triggered a worldwide effort to understand, mathematically formulate and simulate the decision-making process of living organisms, humans, institutions and social-cultural entities. The field is also being referred as *the Science of Decision-Making*.

#### **Call for Papers and Participation**

We invite academic researchers, company managers and public policy makers to participate in and contribute to this conference to discuss the following questions:

1. What is the role of anticipation in strategic planning?
2. What is the role of anticipation in entrepreneurship?
3. How can companies understand and manage complexity, chaos, and change by using futures studies?
4. How does the quality of anticipation increase? Does the quality of anticipations increase when the accuracy of knowledge we gather and methods we use increase? That is, does knowledge affect imagination? How can knowledge management be better integrated with futures research?
5. What is the role of anticipation and insights on critical issues and trends, drivers of change, wild cards, discontinuities, and weak signals in decision making activity such as investment decisions of the companies?
6. How can we determine the anticipations of companies from geo-political, energy, health, technological, economical, and social perspectives to build futures scenarios?
7. How does anticipation in communication issues affect new product development, marketing strategies, decisions regarding change of organizational form, strategy and vision, organizational success or failure, different thinking styles and proactive behavior?

8. How is it possible to improve our ability of anticipation? How can we anticipate successfully (from anticipation to invention)? How can we provide a better link between futures studies and R&D efforts of organizations?
9. Do we anticipate others' actions? What factors affect our anticipations of events and others' actions?
10. What is the effect of learning on anticipation?
11. What kind of new research techniques might be used for studying anticipation?

**Important Deadlines:**

Abstract Submission: 2 August 2019

Send your abstract (250 words) to: [yuvam@yeditepe.edu.tr](mailto:yuvam@yeditepe.edu.tr)

Notification of Manuscript Acceptance: 9 August 2019

Full Paper Submission: 27 September 2019

**Registration Fees: (Included VAT)**

		EARLY(23 August)	LATE(27 SEPTEMBER)
<b>GALA INCLUDED</b>	PHD students with conference proceedings	250 TL	300 TL
	Participants with conference proceedings	350 TL	400 TL
	International participants	150 €	170 €
	Guests without conference proceedings	100 TL	150 TL

**After review process, all full papers will be printed in the conference proceedings**

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Conference Venue: Yeditepe University, Istanbul - Turkey



**Invited Speaker**

**Roberto Poli**  
*UNESCO Chair in Anticipatory Systems  
 University of Trento, Italy*

**Gala Dinner: Titanic Business Kartal (Roof)**

