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As the Swiss team has progressed to the Knockout stage, the World Cup has caught us all. For our members there is double reason to cheer as the Head Coach of our favourite team, Murat Yakın, is of Turkish origin. He has been the coach of the national team since 2021.

Born in Switzerland, Yakın played most of his career for FC Basel, where he was in the defense and then the captain. He won the Swiss Cup three times. He played 49 times for the Swiss national team. His coaching career started in 2009 with FC Thun. In 2012 he moved to FC Basel and kept the team as Swiss Super League champions.

As for the Swiss national team, its best performances at FIFA were in 1934, 1938 and 1954 when it made it to quarter finals. It made it to the round of 16 both in 2014 and 2018. We will keep our fingers crossed for Murat Yakın and the Swiss team in the current round.

We wish you a lovely festive season and a very Happy New Year!

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Please keep us posted on events and news that you would like to share at editorsassosuisseturquie@gmail.com

DECEMBER AND JANUARY EVENTS

For future Association events : www.assoctr.ch

Other Events

Swimming in the Winter Water – Geneva’s Christmas Cup – 17-18 December

On the weekend of 17 December, courageous swimmers will brave the biting cold of Lake Geneva for the traditional Christmas Cup, organized since 1934. This is the biggest cold-water race in the world, with participants swimming 120 meters in the waters in front of Jardin Anglaise. The water temperature in this season is between 5C and 10C. Usually under 10C, the length of stay in the water should be equal to the temperature of the water in order to avoid hypothermia, meaning 5 minutes at 5C, hence the shortness of the distance to swim!

Christmas Market Is at Jardin Anglais - Until 24 December

For your holidays shopping, to eat a fondue, for kids’ activities or just for the atmosphere a visit to the Christmas Market in Geneva is highly recommended. This year, a charity organized Wish Tree is installed next to the Yourte of Kids to make a wish and also to help realize Christmas wishes of seriously ill children. <https://noel-au-jardin.ch/new-events-1>

Outdoor Escape Game in Old Town – Until 31 December

A nice way to discover or rediscover the Old Town of Geneva, its secrets, streets and many other things. From 15 years up. For more information <https://www.geneve.com/en/events/outdoor-escape-game-in-the-old-town-7414439>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New website

Please note: to improve the security of our website, we have changed our web address to www.assoctr.ch

“Lausanne Bizim Lozan”

The much-praised book published by our Association is available for purchase at:

Bookstore Letu in Geneva

Online on our website www.assoctr.ch

And also

on <https://www.abebooks.com/servlet/BookDetailsPL?bi=22298731039&searchurl=sortby%3D0%26vci%3D601833>

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RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

Happy Hour – December 6

We were very happy to raise our glasses for the festive season and the New Year together at Mimo's.

Inauguration of Meyhane, Turkish Restaurant in Geneva – 9 November

We had a fun evening at Meyhane, a newly opened restaurant on Boulevard du Theatre, which serves delicious Turkish dishes. The word meyhane which means in Persian house (hane) of wine (mey) is a type of traditional restaurant in Turkey which serves alcoholic beverages with meze and traditional food. As in its name, the owner Saygin Sun's menu includes mezes and traditional food and of course raki. We hope you will enjoy a nice lunch or dinner at Meyhane!

<https://www.meyhane.ch/>

We Celebrated 99th Anniversary of Turkish Republic at the Pera Palace Hotel in Istanbul – 29 October

Our ball to celebrate 99th Anniversary of the Republic and 49th Anniversary of our Association was held in Istanbul with the participation of Julien Thöni, Consul General of Switzerland and 150 members and friends. We sincerely thank all our members who travelled for this special event at the historic and magnificent Pera Palace Hotel.

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Exhibitions

Miscellaneous Istanbul

Yapı Kredi Bomontiada, Istanbul

Until December 31°

<http://www.cornucopia.net/events/miscellaneous-istanbul/>

Life Death Love and Justice

Photographic exhibition

Yapı Kredi Kültür

Until January 2, 2023

<http://www.cornucopia.net/events/life-death-love-and-justice/>

The Living Pyramid

Sakıp Sabancı Museum

Until January 29

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Aphrodisias – Ara Güler

Erimtan Museum

Until February 28, 2023

<http://www.cornucopia.net/events/aphrodisias-ara-gueler/>

For My Friend

Embroidered Letter and Document Eallets in the Sadberk Hanım Museum

Until May 31, 2023

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Lecture

Islamic Ceramics: Collection Histories

London Middle East Institute

February 13, 2023

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