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Two separate conferences were established in the facilities of Istanbul Technical University. The third international conference on Luca Pacioli was previously established in Spain and Italy. The third Balkans and Middle East Countries Conference was previously established in Turkey. A total of 494 participants (359 – Turkey, 135 – from 32 countries) attended the conference. Total of 183 papers (95 – abroad, 88 – Turkey) were discussed at the conference. Actually, more papers were submitted to the conference and more people registered. But, because of the political protests, many individuals canceled their registrations.

On June 19, the death anniversary of Pacioli was remembered with an interesting two act theatre play at the opening of the conference. The act was between Luca Pacioli and Abdullah El Mezanderani, who is the author of a state accounting book in Persian (*Kitab-us Siyakat*). Seeing the cornerstones of accounting cultures excited the participants.

Establishment of two regional conferences as one event for the first time was another feature of the conference. This feature created interaction, comparability and variety. The discussions between these great cultures were revived with the recording cultures of Russia, Japan, Malaysia, Nigeria, Mexico and South America.

Social activities of the conference include a trip to Topkapı Palace. A trip to the new boulding of Ottoman Archives, which consist of 45 million state accounting documents and a night tour with boats over the bosphorus.



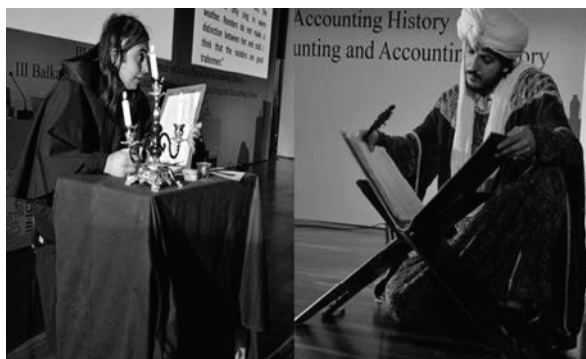
General Meeting of the Conference



Prof. Dr. Oktay Güvemli during his opening speech of the conference.

Two Act Play

Conversation between the author of Summa (1494), Luca Pacioli with the author of Risale-i Felekiyye (1363), Abdullah el Mazenderani. Staged in commemoration of L.Pacioli's death anniversary (19.06.1517) during the opening ceremony of the III.BMAC and III. Luca Pacioli Conference, June 19-22, 2013, Istanbul.



40th Anniversary Celebration Cake of the Academy: From left to right; Prof. Remzi Örtten, Prof. Oktay Güvemli, Ender Şenol (Kocaeli ICCPA), Yahya Arıkan, (İstanbul ICCPA), Jim McKinney (USA), Massimo Sargiacomo (Italy), Barbara Merino (USA), Stephen Walker (England), Rashidat Oladepo (Nigeria)