Galilean Nights Event ID: gn1,091

Number of telescopes: 8
Number of organisers: 14
Number of attendees: 400
Event photos: http://www.flickr.com/photos/24005354@N04/?saved=1

Event Report:
Most of participants were students and their parents from under privileged schools near the Sabanci University campus. For quite a number of participants, this was the first time to observe the Moon and Jupiter through a telescope. The event was on the night of 23 October. It started with a popular talk by Prof. Alpar (Turkish SPoC) on Galileo, Astronomy and Sky. Some students were so impressed by Galileo’s hand drawn Moon images that they have drawn similar images during the talk.

Our university campus is in a heavily light polluted area. However, we have arranged all campus lights to stay off until the end of the sky observing session.

We had seven 70 mm Bresser reflectors and one 5" Meade (ETX125). Each telescope was accompanied by at least one member of the Sabanci University Amateur Astronomy Club members who have given information and guided the telescopes.

The event was ended with big smiles on everybody’s face.