## About Us

Our center, so called "CASEM (Canakkale Seramikleri Arastirma Gelistirme ve Uygulama Merkezi - Canakkale Ceramics Research Development and Application Center)" is founded in 2000 within Canakkale Onsekiz Mart University; our aim is to study ceramics art, which has thousands of years of history and tradition in Canakkale, to do research and study in this field, to support education on these topics, to produce Traditional Cannakkale Ceramics itself and to support people who would like produce such ceramics.

While the center works on those areas; it also collects, researches and evaluates all informant publications about ceramics of Canakkale such as books, articles, reports, newspaper articles, brochures, catalogues; movies, if it exists, paintings, slides, voice records and all similar visual or auditory materials.

Beside those studies, the center is also collaborating with domestic and/or international establishments, universities, institutes and centers, establishments with industrial production about same subjects. It also participates domestically and internationally conferences, symposiums, congresses, panels, workshops, exhibits etc., organizes and encourages such activities about its aim. Center publishes the results of its researches, exhibits its productions, issues magazines, books, brochures, guides and catalogues to present the ceramics of Canakkale.

The center supports local, traditional and modern ceramics production, helps marketing of the products. It produces replication of traditional Canakkale ceramics and new modern interpretations together with the design, research-development and application team in order to have a modelling. In this way, it aims public to know and to buy Canakkale ceramics, hence to transfer urban ceramics culture to the future.

One of the profits of the center is to provide internship opportunities, within the university and outside, to the students of Ceramics and Traditional Turkish Handicrafts for associate and undergraduate degree. This can help students to apply and to produce their designs and to enable them to gain work experience.

The center allows all these values to convert into University's working capital and added value, thanks to its devoted-voluntary employees.