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ABOUT TURKISH ENTREPRENEURSHIP FOUNDATION

Turkish Entrepreneurship Foundation was founded in April 2014. Founded by business people and opinion leaders who are aware of the importance of entrepreneurship and believe that it is the key to change, Turkish Entrepreneurship foundation works with youth to advance the entrepreneurship culture and to make entrepreneurship a career alternative among young people.

The existing system in Turkey and the global entrepreneurship support mechanisms in the world consist of accelerators and further supports for those who have already decided to become entrepreneurs and who seek to transform ideas into business models and enter into the right market. To develop the entrepreneurship culture, however, you have to create an infrastructure and so as to do this, you have to start from the basics. At this point, the right place to start is the universities.

That's why we as the Turkish Entrepreneurship Foundation, created our Fellow Program for university students. With our globally unique Fellow Program, we decided to focus on university students, who are open to taking risks, who stepped into being an individual and who are willing to create a change. With our 6-step scientific selection process, we select university students with a high entrepreneurship potential. Within the program, we give these young people the inspiration and the network that can change their lives, the change to organize events to give back what they learned with others, the opportunity to be an intern at startups and companies and the highest scholarship in Turkey.

Turkish Entrepreneurship Foundation aims to create a perspective of "giveback" among young people. If the entrepreneur eventually shares the success s/he gained through the support of others with the community, then the success could be scaled and augmented. With this philosophy, we aim to organize a Giveback Gala night –which we held for the first time in 2016— every year in order to foster the giveback culture and to increase awareness among young people and the entrepreneurship ecosystem.

Besides the Fellow Program, we are creating new brand and projects such as MappedinTurkey, CreateUp, Youngpreneurs and Start to reach wider crowds where we will be able to inspire not only young people but also Turkey as a whole. As the Turkish Entrepreneurship, we are the second families of our Fellows in the program and we want to be with them throughout their whole lives. We believe that thinking with a perspective of an entrepreneur would make the world a better place, thus we continue our work accordingly.

AFTER A FAST-PACED YEAR: TURKISH ENTREPRENEURSHIP FOUNDATION

SINA AFRA

Turkish Entrepreneurship Foundation
Chairman of Board

Entrepreneurship is a seriously increasing value in the whole world. The reason is simple: Successful entrepreneurs play a major role in the development of countries. The companies that entrepreneurs built are the companies that peak the employment of the last five years in countries such as the USA. Turkey's entrepreneurship culture is in a fast changing period in the last five years. With education, we are in a trend through which we are changing the long term outlook of our country.

Turkish Entrepreneurship Foundation was founded in April 2014 for these reasons. It's purpose is not to head towards entrepreneurs (there already exists an ecosystem that does this). The main purpose is to encourage entrepreneurship among talented young people. A wide network of Board of Trustees and sponsors support it too. The Foundation awards the highest number of student scholarship in Turkey and it only uses its inspiration mechanism. So, every two months, it brings all the fellows together with a successful entrepreneur to listen to that entrepreneur's detailed story. There is not a single way to become an entrepreneur. All the stories of successful entrepreneurs of today have a different beginning story. All of them passed through different paths. Fellows listening to these stories draw their own conclusions. Furthermore, stories told about entrepreneurship multiply. Turkish Entrepreneurship Foundation is the first and the only foundation that aims to develop the entrepreneurship culture in the world, in the long term.

In the 2015 selection process, we got more applications than we expected: 30,000 university students from more than 170 universities applied. In the end, we have chosen 50 new Fellows and started the second season of the Entrepreneurship Foundation. This is just another first step. If we think about five years from now, we can say that hundreds of Fellows will complete Entrepreneurship Foundation's Fellow Program. Making entrepreneurship a serious career alternative among young people is where we want to go. I would also like to point out that our fellows consist of 40 women and 40 men. In fact, Turkey, especially needs women entrepreneurs.

Year 2016 will be a year for Entrepreneurship Foundation to expand to the world. Our global collaborations and sponsors are increasing significantly. We will have events with our fellows both in Turkey and abroad. We are trying to send our fellows to important global organizations, conferences and all the events that inspire entrepreneurship in some way. For instance, we attended DLD Munich with our 2 fellows this year. I believe that having two young Turkish university students at a European conference where getting invited is the hardest is a beautiful thing for the foundation and for the country.

Besides this, we created an entrepreneurship blog called www.futureleadnow.com where 2 posts on average are being published every day. It's a site with Turkish content and it has a high traffic. It's pleasant that its frequent visitors are young people exclusively.

I would like to thank all of our members of the Board of Trustees, our Board of Members, our individual and corporate sponsors, our General Manager, Mehru Ozturk Aygül, and her team for beginning this journey with me. Thanks to all of you, we came to this point in a short amount of time.

A country without any development in entrepreneurship is a country that
has punished itself by standing on one foot. We would be really happy if we could make a little contribution to spreading entrepreneurship in Turkey.

WE BELIEVE IN THE POWER OF YOUNG PEOPLE WHO WILL CHANGE

THE COUNTRY WITH ENTREPRENEURSHIP

MEHRU OZTURK AYGUL

Turkish Entrepreneurship Foundation
General Manager

This year was the year where we carried out the first of many. Our Fellow Program exceeded the point of what we dreamed of when we first created it in 2014. We are empowered not just by our applicant number of 30.000 people but also by the entrepreneurship stories our 2014 and 2015 fellows are creating.

We have spent year 2015 to transform Fellow Program into a model by trying to build it on solid infrastructure. We strengthened the selection process and added another step to accurately evaluate 30.000 applications. We saw the impact created by our 2014 fellows on this years applications. Fellow Program's main foundations come from investing in people. We will see the results of our investments in the long term not in the short term. We believe in the power of these young people who will change and improve the country with entrepreneurship.

Our 80 Fellows and alumni are slowly impacting the whole ecosystem with a multiplying effect, with their entrepreneurship experiences. Each and every one of them started a change around them with the inspiration they get and with the motivation of the giveback culture. Our fellows, now, know better about what they want and take steps to launch their ideas. They have already started solving a bunch of social problems from health to environment awareness. Our stories will increase from day to day and the entrepreneurship culture will develop.

Fellow Program will stay as the main program of the Entrepreneurship Foundation. Besides this, we will continue to give inspiration with the Start Academy-an entrepreneurship program for high schools by our two fellows, with Create Up-a project developed with Endeavor to spread the entrepreneurship culture in creative industries and with our Youngpreneurs events open to public. We also try to develop the giveback culture, especially with the events organized by our fellows. The impact and the meaning of what we do get more powerful when every fellow shares his/her own experiences. Entrepreneurship culture will impact all parts of the society with the increasing impact of inspiration stories shared.

2015 was the year where we strengthened our foundations, developed and strengthened our model. 2016 will be the year where besides growing with our Fellow Program, the Entrepreneurship Foundation becomes global with the new projects and new collaborations. The biggest architectures of where Entrepreneurship Foundation stands is our team, our Board Members who spend an extraordinarily amount of time and energy and our Board of Trustee Members. We are getting our power from our Fellows who inspire us every day. Entrepreneurship Foundation will continue building the future with their dreams, perspectives and ideas that fascinate us everyday.

The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.

Eleanor Roosevelt

ENTREPRENEURSHIP FOUNDATION

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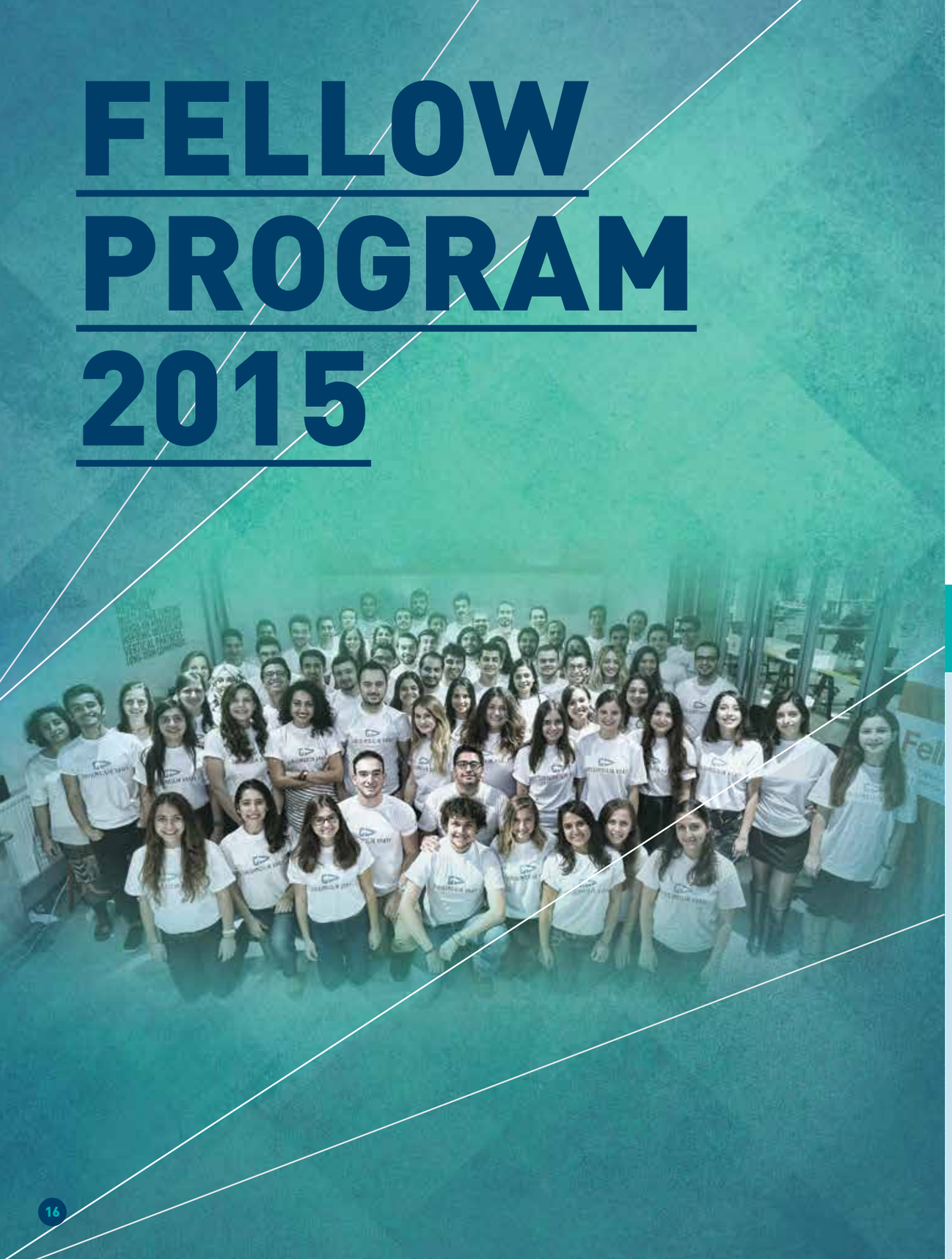
FELLOW PROGRAM 2015



With our Fellow Program which gets applications from all universities and majors in Turkey, we are investing in the potential of young people not in their ideas.

We select the university students to the Fellow Program with an innovative and a scientific selection process. Our 6-step selection process aims to determine the entrepreneurship potential within young people.

We believe that inspirational stories and network are the most important instruments for spreading the entrepreneurship culture. The beginning of change is when a fellow of ours says “I can do it too” after listening to an entrepreneur’s story with every detail. Our fellows become a part of a wide network by coming to the Fellow Up inspiration meeting every two months and having lunches with Board of Trustee Members.

SELECTION PROCESS

1. CV SCORING
Scoring the CV form filled online

2. MOTIVATION VIDEO
Preparation of a maximum 3-min Youtube video in which the applicant will answer questions, “What’s your motivation to be a part of the Fellow Program?” and “Why entrepreneurship?”

3. DISC PERSONALITY ASSESSMENT
Answering the online personality assessment test in order to understand how the applicant expresses himself and what his behavior priorities in daily and business life.

4. VISUAL QUESTIONARY
Answering the 5 – min online visual questionnaire in order to better understand the entrepreneurship character of the applicant

5. ONLINE INTERVIEW
Interviewing applicants online by the online interview jury.

6. INTERVIEW
Board Members interviewing applicants, after all the stages are evaluated in general.

6 CORE COMPONENTS OF THE FELLOW PROGRAM

WHAT DO FELLOW PROGRAM PROVIDE FOR THE SELECTED FELLOWS?

INSPIRATION
Fellows are listening to inspirational entrepreneur stories every two months at Fellow Up's. It is mandatory to attend Fellow Up's where they get a chance to listen unknown details.

NETWORK
Combining inspiration with network is a golden rule for entrepreneurship. Our fellows are becoming a part of a global network with the events they attend and the people they meet throughout the program.

SCHOLARSHIP
We invest in people not in ideas. We give a scholarship of 500 TL for 12 months in order to support our fellows' attendance to the program and their personal developments.

WHAT DOES THE FELLOW PROGRAM EXPECT FROM FELLOWS?

ATTENDANCE
Most of the events within the Fellow Program are mandatory. Our fellows are only allowed to miss one Fellow Up event. After that, they are excluded from the program with the decision of our Board Members.

STARTUP AMBASSADORS
The program participants will act as "startup ambassadors" in their own universities in order to propagate the culture of entrepreneurship by creating a multiplier effect.

BLOG
As part of the Giveback culture, fellows are writing a minimum of 3 blog posts from their experiences including the events they attend.

FELLOW 80

+8 ALUMNI

FELLOW&ALUMNI

Asya Atik
OZYEGIN UNIVERSITY
Ambitious, Alive, Determined

Entrepreneurship Foundation is a big family where every person in it supports you through your life journey.

Ahmet Serdar Eminoglu
ISTANBUL UNIVERSITY
Harry, Ron, Hermione

A community which helps you transform your dreams into targets and makes you live the core of the giveback culture.

Aycan Duran
MIDDLE EAST
TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Unique, Ambitious, Open Minded

Entrepreneurship Foundation is a family that reminds us that we are individuals creating value around us by getting unique inspiration from the opportunities it creates for us.

Ali Gur Guvenilir
ISTANBUL TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Passionate, Stubborn, Dynamic

Entrepreneurship Foundation is more than inspiration and mentors, it's the place where I feel like home and continuously develop myself.

AYSE ISIN BUDAK
IHSAN DOGRAMACI
BILKENT UNIVERSITY
Determined, Courageous, Alive

Entrepreneurship Foundation is a continuous discovery, inspiration and excitement!

Alper Cem Polat
IHSAN DOGRAMACI
BILKENT UNIVERSITY
Choices, Chances, Change

It's a family of 80 members who first taught me entrepreneurship and then found a job for me:)

Bade Sonat
EGE UNIVERSITY
Hopeful, Determined, Creative

Entrepreneurship Foundation is the first step to my dreams.

Anil Erkul
MIDDLE EAST
TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Diverse, Curious, Stubborn

If life is connecting dots, Entrepreneurship Foundation is one of the most important stops as well as an amazing door to new ones.

Berat Ocal
ISTANBUL UNIVERSITY
Full of Ambition, Result Oriented, Aggressive at work

Entrepreneurship Foundation is the place that gives your dreams warmth and that makes you take action continuously.

Berkay Cerci
OZYEGIN UNIVERSITY
Believer, Warrior, Anatolian Child

We are watching the Entrepreneurship Foundation with all family and getting inspiration.

Berna Omur
ANATOLIAN UNIVERSITY
Persuasive, Tidy, Ambitious

Entrepreneurship Foundation is an ideal foundation that makes you be aware of your unlimited potential and enables a communication platform that is free of ambitions in the sector.

Beste Arioglu
ISTANBUL TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Diverse, Excited, Innovative

Entrepreneurship Foundation is a big family that I get inspiration from, give inspiration to and that I gain friends.

Betul Incirkus
MIDDLE EAST
TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Adventurer, Opportunist, Yogini

It is the fascinating foundation that made me say that "I am an entrepreneur when I remove my curtains".

Betul Ozge Oncel
MIDDLE EAST
TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Energetic, Courageous, Innovative

It's a world where dreams are freely shaped, become real and become limitless.

Beyza Gurel
IZMIR ECONOMY UNIVERSITY
Animal Lover, Excited, Careful

It's another word for inspiration, it's the family that we will be in forever, it is the family that brings together differences and similarities.

Bilal Aydin
BOGAZICI UNIVERSITY
Ambitious, Stubborn, Obsessive

Entrepreneurship Foundation is a unique inspiration source for me.

Burak Kale
MIDDLE EAST
TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Energetic, Courageous, Leader

Entrepreneurship Foundation is the family that makes you grow with giveback culture.

Burak Ozkirdeniz
EGE UNIVERSITY
Dynamic, Leader, Different

Entrepreneurship Foundation is an inspiration school for me!

Burak Yilmaz
KOC UNIVERSITY
Don't know anything

It's a family where everyone walks together hand in hand to make their dreams come true.

Burcu Gurel
BAHCESEHIR UNIVERSITY
Result Oriented, Determined, Energetic

Entrepreneurship Foundation is a family that makes you feel its support and feeds you all the time.

Burcu Oztopcu
ISTANBUL UNIVERSITY
Determined, Sportive, Excited

Entrepreneurship Foundation is a place that shelters giveback and feedback culture.

Busra Yilmazoz
INTERNATIONAL ANTALYA UNIVERSITY
Stable- Unstable, Unique, Y Generation Claustrophobic

It's the family that brings you to your big target with the giveback culture.

Can Dortkardesler
ISTANBUL TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Ambitious, Idealist, Continuous Improvement Oriented.
Entrepreneurship Foundation is the first hand that you feel when you are about to quit, and that shows you the way to information not the information itself.

Can Orman
SABANCI UNIVERSITY
Cheerful, Ambitious, Self confident

Its not a right metaphor to see the forest through trees because the opportunities are hidden under the leaves: Entrepreneurship Foundation gives us this opportunity.

ALUMNI

Canan Doslu
BOGAZICI UNIVERSITY
Cheerful, Creative, Limitless

Were we born as entrepreneurs? We won't know this for sure unless we step ahead of our dreams, which is possible thanks to the Entrepreneurship Foundation.

Cansu Unal
ACIBADEM UNIVERSITY
Courageous, Ambitious, Positive

Entrepreneurship Foundation is our guide through our journey from our dreams to reality, our most motivational supporter and our one and only companion.

Cemre Oguz Ersahin
ISTANBUL TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Free, Original, Leader

Entrepreneurship Foundation is a vision.

Cemre Sirin
YILDIZ TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Ambitious, Genuine, Innovative

It's the family that I get my motivation, inspiration and strength from to make my dreams come true.

Cihan Cinar
KOCAELI UNIVERSITY
Positive, Self-Learner, Nature Lover

Every sentence that you've heard in Entrepreneurship Foundation is a step to build the future.

Cihan Oklap
KOC UNIVERSITY
Positive, Self – Learner, Nature Lover

Entrepreneurship Foundation is the first step to make your dreams come true.

Didem Ertem
ISTANBUL TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Analytical, Interrogative, Creative

It's the experience that changes your dreams, that ends your safe career plans!

Dogan Turan
IZMIR ECONOMY UNIVERSITY
Courageous, Ambitious, Free

Entrepreneurship Foundation is the foundation that brings together people who make me more self-confident to make my dreams come true.

Doruk Tekin
DOKUZ EYLUL UNIVERSITY
Chief Everything Officer

A foundation beyond time, that makes people before us say " You are lucky, there was no such thing at our time."

Ecem Asma
TOBB ECONOMY AND TECHNOLOGY UNIVERSITY
Practical, Passionate, Genuine

A home where the magic happens!

Eda Aydogan
OKAN UNIVERSITY
Energetic, Ambitious, Global Citizen

It's a family factory that makes us believe that utopias can become real one day.

Ege Demirtas
BILGI UNIVERSITY
Veni, Vidi, Vici

Entrepreneurship Foundation is one of the best gifts that is dedicated to the future of Turkish entrepreneurship ecosystem.

Egemen Filiz
KOC UNIVERSITY
Be the Change

Entrepreneurship Foundation is not "me", it is "us".

Elif Derya Mercan
YEDITEPE UNIVERSITY
Passionate machinist, Positive, Futurist

Entrepreneurship Foundation is a big family full of loving people, with whom dreams and inspirational stories come true.

Elif Irem Kunduraci
YEDITEPE UNIVERSITY
Idealist, Different, Powerful

It's a world that destroys all the stereotypes in your head and proves that dreams can be limitless.

Elif Kucukkirsoy
9 EYLUL UNIVERSITY
Open-minded, Friendly, Sailor

Entrepreneurship Foundation is a family that gives me inspiration, that makes you think out of the box, that is my biggest luck and that makes me feel that it is always with me.

Emine Busra Cevik
IHSAN DOGRAMACI
BILKENT UNIVERSITY
Troublemaker, Solotraveler, Parachuter

It's an adventure that we experience together.

Eray Erdogan
KOC UNIVERSITY
TED Talks Lover, Impact Driven, Opportunity maker

Entrepreneurship Foundation is the path to your dreams that you walk with free people thinking out of the box.

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Erdem Meric
ISTANBUL UNIVERSITY
Striker, Opportunist, Warrior

Entrepreneurship Foundation for me is "a source of holy inspiration and network with a taste of family"

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Eren Guzelceada
ISTANBUL
TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Enthusiastic, Curious, Observant

I am proud to be a part of this family that is growing and taking root every passing year.

Ersin Sezer
IHSAN DOGRAMACI
BILKENT UNIVERSITY
Leader, Loyal, Self Confident

Every success that the world saw was once a dream. Entrepreneurship Foundation taught us that if we want to climb a tree, our aim should be to reach the stars.

Fatih Ozdemir
GIRESUN UNIVERSITY
Fozdemir, Blogger, Digital Monstert

Entrepreneurship Foundation is the most valuable investment that you make into the future with the bright minds that talk the same language with you.

Ferhat Melih Dal
BOGAZICI UNIVERSITY
Curious, Indecisive, Turtle

It's a dream producing a cute planet where productive people are living. It's made of an inspirational atmosphere and its main component is giveback.

Fethi Saruhan
IZMIR ECONOMY UNIVERSITY
Successful, Self Confident, Sharing

Entrepreneurship Foundation is a path full of togetherness.

Gizem Kaya
BOGAZICI UNIVERSITY
Eager to Fell

A lecture that teaches real things.

Gizem Toprak
MIDDLE EAST
TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Genuine, Limitless, Student

Entrepreneurship Foundation is the place where I feel the closest to my dreams.

Gizem Yenicikan
YILDIZ TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Independent, Cheerful, Ambitious

Entrepreneurship Foundation is a family that teaches me everything that I need to know to dream and make it come true.

Gokce Gulculer
ISTANBUL TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY Free, Courageous, Full of Passion

IIt's my family that is on the same page with me in terms of life vision, that I feel pleased to be with and that I get continuous information from.

Gozde Cobanoglu
ISTANBUL
TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Natural, Happy, Determined

It's a family, a community, a perspective that makes us be courageous about change and changing, whichgives us inspiration.

Gozde Topguloglu
OZYEGIN UNIVERSITY
Passionate, Little Black Fish, Lego Dreamer

Entrepreneurship Foundation for me is a family that brings excitement to life and makes us grow with sharing, with support to one another and with inspiration.

Hasan Contuk
TURGUT OZAL UNIVERSITY
Raider, Intuitive, Brotherhood

Entrepreneurship Foundation is a pair of wings that let you fly anywhere when you wear it.

Hasan Zafer Elcik
MIDDLE EAST
TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Helpful, Excited, Panda

It's home, its family, it's friendship.

Ilayda Donmez
MEF UNIVERSITY
Free, Stubborn, Visionary

18 letters, 2 words, entrepreneur family.

Irem Yucel
IHSAN DOGRAMACI
BILKENT UNIVERSITY
Self Confident, Loving, Hard worker

One's life is colored with its imagination. Entrepreneurship Foundation provides us with unique colored pencils and lets us draw.

Kemal Tasdeniz
SABANCI UNIVERSITY
Stubborn, Aggressive, Passionate

Entrepreneurship Foundation is the unity and harmony of different voices.

Mahmut Yavuz
BOGAZICI UNIVERSITY
Ambitious, Passionate, Trustworthy

My biggest inspiration on my way to my dreams.

Mehmet Sencer Karadayi
MIDDLE EAST TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Hacker, Innovator, Fighter

Entrepreneurship Foundation for me is a light source that enlightens the future of Turkey... It gives people hope and strength to fight.

Mert Can
BOGAZICI UNIVERSITY
Thinker, Less Irrational, More Economic

Entrepreneurship Foundation is a family where you have inspirational experiences with people full of excitement.

Mert Can Boyar
ISTANBUL BILGI UNIVERSITY
Committed, Creative, Competitive

Stairway to Heaven.

Merve Boz
YASAR UNIVERSITY
Friendly, Courageous, Visionary

Entrepreneurship Foundation is a long path that one has to take if she wants to achieve her dreams.

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Merve Kavas
TED UNIVERSITY
Excited, Productive
Animal Loverr

It is hope for people who are seeking to create a better world.

Merve Toroslu
ISTANBUL TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Just, Do, It!

Entrepreneurship Foundation is the answer to question "Why not?"

Muhammet Yurtseven
BOGAZICI UNIVERSITY
Leader, Multitasker, Curious

We do not hand in everything to you on a silver plate.

Mustafa Girgin
BAHCESEHIR UNIVERSITY
Tek Yol Puyol

Grey- mat- black.

Muge Ulusoy
ISTANBUL TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Free spirit, Joyful, Courageous

Entrepreneurship Foundation does not teach you what to do, it teaches you that learning is within you.

Onur Can Kar
İSTANBUL COMMERCE UNIVERSITY
Enthusiastic, Prompt, Philosophical

With its inspiration, Entrepreneurship Foundation is your most loyal companion on your way to your dreams.

Oyku Kurtoglu
GALATASARAY UNIVERSITY
Optimist, Combative, Innovative

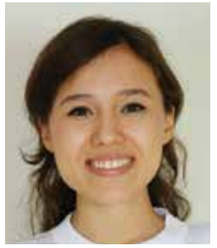
It's the best thing that happened to me on my way to entrepreneurship.

Ozge Ozmen
GAZI UNIVERSITY
Happiness Designer, Innovative, Curious

Entrepreneurship Foundation is a family that gives our journey excitement, surprise and light.

Pelin Gezer
GEBZE INSTITUTE OF HIGH TECHNOLOGY
Researcher, Dreamer, Futurist

Foundation full of surprises!



Sebiha Gungor
MIDDLE EAST TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Determined, Happy, Creative

Entrepreneurship Foundation means a new journey, a limitless inspiration.

Selin Akpinar
MIDDLE EAST TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Ambitious, Dreamer, Happy

Entrepreneurship Foundation is a family that supports me all the time on my way to entrepreneurship.

Selin Hande Karasu
9 EYLUL UNIVERSITY
Non-quitter, Innovative, Entrepreneur

Entrepreneurship Foundation is an ocean of exploration where you learn a new things everyday, where you get inspiration from, where you get surprised andquestion everything like a child.

Selin Oztekin
SABANCI UNIVERSITY
Talented, Funny, Cheerful

Entrepreneurship Foundation is an inspirational port where your dreams become more than a dream.

Semih Yildirim
MIDDLE EAST TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Determined, Ambitious, Hopeful for the Future

Entrepreneurship Foundation is the name of the beautiful place where we learn inspiration and giveback terms under entrepreneurship.

Sera Giz Ozel
SABANCI UNIVERSITY
Free, Happy, Sensible

Entrepreneurship Foundation is the heaven of surprises.

Serkan Turkoglu
CANKAYA UNIVERSITY
Creative, Courageous, Idealist

Entrepreneurship Foundation surrounds its fellows' minds with " Winner's Psychology" and enables them to form valuable network cycles.

Sezai Ozdemir
YILDIZ TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Anarchist Spirit, Proactive, Determined

Entrepreneurship Foundation is supporting each other with big hearts with the slogan "Find a way or create a way".

Suleyman Bagirgan
KARABUK UNIVERSITY
Careful, Productive, Determined

The voice in my heart that says "You can do it!" belongs to Entrepreneurship Foundation.

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Umutcan Duman
MIDDLE EAST TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Entrepreneur, Coffee-lover, Traveler

Think about bird flocks flying thousands of kilometers, they have a long distance that needs to be travelled. Each and every one of them flaps wings and knows that others are doing the same. We are like a family of a bird flock, on our way to spreading entrepreneurship spirit, supporting each other and giving value to our togetherness on this path. Hope to see you at the final destination, let's flap some wings!

ALUMNI

Volkan Simsek
ISTANBUL BILGI UNIVERSITY
Creative, Ambitious, Leader

Beware if your way crosses with Entrepreneurship Foundation, because they will be the first flame of entrepreneurship fire that will last forever.

Yarkin Derya
BOGAZICI UNIVERSITY
Courageous, Positive, Ambitious

The place where we learn together and a place that there are no limits.

Yusufcan Bozkus
SABANCI UNIVERSITY
Indomitable, Creative, Street Smart

It's a door opening to your dreams.

Zafer Cigdem
SULEYMAN DEMIREL UNIVERSITY
Eager to Learn, Enthusiastic and Positive, Entrepreneur

With its Board of Trustee Members and Fellows, Entrepreneurship Foundation is the best inspiration mechanism and catalyst in the entrepreneurship sector.

Zeliha Cetin
YILDIZ TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
Ambitious, Practical, Funny

Entrepreneurship Foundation is the unique place where you feel that you are valuable and that makes you be aware of your potential.

EVENTS THAT WE ATTENDED IN YEAR 2014 AND 2015

18 October 2015	Fellow Up I Sina Afra
28 October 2014	Startup Grind Hasan Aslanoba
18 November 2014	G3 Forum
19 November 2014	Inspirational Women Kagider&Entrepreneurship Foundation
2 December 2014	Nesta Workshop
3 December 2014	Galata Business Angels Facebook Marketing Summit
9 December 2014	Digital Talks Bogazici University
12-13 December 2014	Things Hackaton
15 December 2014	Galata Business Angels and Advanced Sales Technics Training with Umit Unker
17 December 2014	Akbank Thinking Club
16 January 2015	Digital Content Marketing Training- Sercan Calbak
16 January 2015	Akustikhane Event with Fellows
17 January 2015	Fellow Up II Burak Dıvanlioglu
18-20 January 2015	DLD Munich
20 January 2015	Go to Webinar Impact Investing
27-30 January 2015	Israel Trip
20 February 2015	Ashoka Social Innovation Summit
25 February 2015	Akbank Thinking Club
26-27 February 2015	Startup Turkey
6 March 2015	Paintball Tournament with Fellows
7 March 2015	Fellow Up III Alemsah OZturk
10 March 2015	Women Summit
17 March 2015	TurkishWIN & PWN Mentoring Learning Circle
20 March 2015	İTÜ Entrepreneurship Summit
13 April 2015	Fellow Program Selection Process Begins
15 April 2015	Board of Trustee Meeting
22 April 2015	Kultur University Event
29 April 2015	Galata Business Angels Mentor Clinic
4 May 2015	TUSİAD Tech Event
29 May 2015	TUSİAD Tech Event 2
2-3 June 2015	Startup Village Russia
8-9 June 2015	Noah Berlin
11 June 2015	TUSİAD Tech Event 3
16 June 2015	Anatolian Foundation Jury
17 June 2015	TIM Entrepreneurship Dinner
19 June 2015	Fellow Program Selection Process Applications Deadline
23 June 2015	GGH Executive Board of Directors Meeting
25 June 2015	Networking Training with Ertugrul Belen
26 June 2015	Summer Party
27 June 2015	Fellow Up IV Gulden Yilmaz
10 July 2015	Fellow Program Selection Process Motivation Video
10 August 2015	Fellow Program Selection Process DISC and Visual Questionnaire
13-14 August 2015	GE Innovation Projects Kick off meeting
18 August 2015	TİM Entrepreneurship Workshop Group
26 August 2015	Google Non-profits Event
29 August 2015	Entrepreneurship Foundation Summer Brunch
7-8 September 2015	DLD Tel Aviv
10 September 2015	G20 Canada Delegation Event
17-22 September 2015	Fellow Program Selection Process Online Interviews
1-2 October 2015	Entrepreneurship Foundation Evaluation – Izmir
3-5 October 2015	Etohum Startup Istanbul
5-6 October 2015	Girls Summit
14-15 October 2015	Tim Entrepreneurship Conference
21-22 October 2015	Webrazzi Summit 2015
23 October 2015	Fellow Up I – Sina Afra
24 October 2015	Speed Networking with Ertugrul Belen
24 October 2015	Fellow Up II – Yomi Kastro
11-14 November 2015	Noah London
16-23 November 2015	Global Entrepreneurship Week
30 Nov. - 3 Dec. 2015	2015 Israel Trip
4 December 2015	Fellow Up III Mahmut Unlu

FELLOWUP EVENTS

GLOBAL EVENTS THAT WE ATTENDED

2-3 JUNE 2015
STARTUP VILLAGE
MOSKOW

8-9 JUNE 2015
NOAH
BERLIN

7-9 SEPTEMBER 2015
DLD
TEL AVIV

12-13 NOVEMBER 2015
NOAH
LONDON

30 NOVEMBER -
3 DECEMBER 2015
TEL AVIV STARTUP
2015 TOUR

OUR PROJECTS

MAPPED IN TURKEY

The purpose of this project is to create a sector map that includes entrepreneurship clubs, academicians, technology transfer offices, entrepreneurship centers, non-profit organizations, investors and incubation centers. This map will simplify the communication between students, academicians, entrepreneurship and incubation centers and investors.

CREATE UP!

CREATE UP!

The project was realized with the collaboration of Endeavor and Entrepreneurship Foundation, and with the grant of ISTKA (Istanbul Development Agency). It aims to encourage Design, Thinking and Entrepreneurship in Creative Industries. The objectives of this project are to increase the impact of Istanbul in creative industries, to bring it to a global competitor level with methods that help it achieve an entrepreneurship spirit and talent, to increase the delivery of products to both local and global markets and to contribute to the increase of corporate capacity.

START
THINKING LIKE AN ENTREPRENEUR

START

START is a project designed by Entrepreneurship Foundation fellows Yusufcan Bozkus and Merve Toroslu. It is a project that aims to create entrepreneurship culture at high schools. Within the scope of the project, it is planned to give entrepreneurship training to a total of 10 high schools, 5 public 5 private. Besides these trainings, inspirational meetups are organized for high schools students and fellows with startups. The project is growing with startup tours and networking events.

YOUNGPRENEURS
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YOUNGPRENEURS

Youngpreneurs is a trademark of Entrepreneurship Foundation for its public events. Fellows are using this name in all the events that they organize. Within the Global Entrepreneurship Week, they organized events in 8 cities and 28 universities. We also organized Youngpreneurs Open Day event for university and high school students in January 2016. We will launch Youngpreneurs TV in 2016 where there will be entrepreneur interviews held.

FELLOW 2015 IN FIGURES

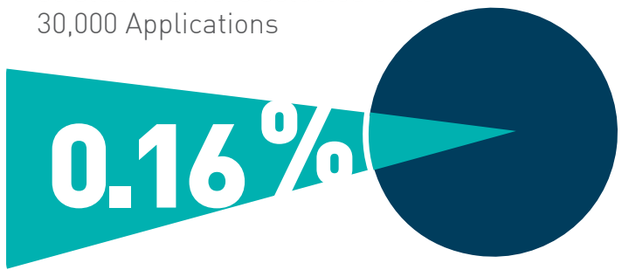
80

FELLOWS OF TURKISH ENTREPRENEURSHIP FOUNDATION

30,000 APPLICATIONS

A record figure in Fellow 2015!

50 students were selected out of 30,000 Applications



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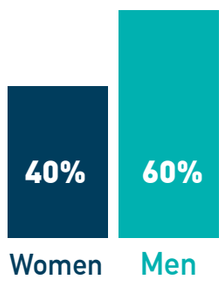
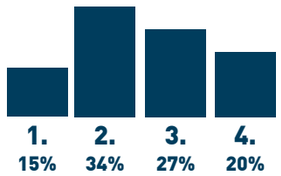


Public Universities **86%**

Foundation Universities **14%**

GRADE



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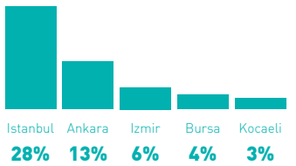


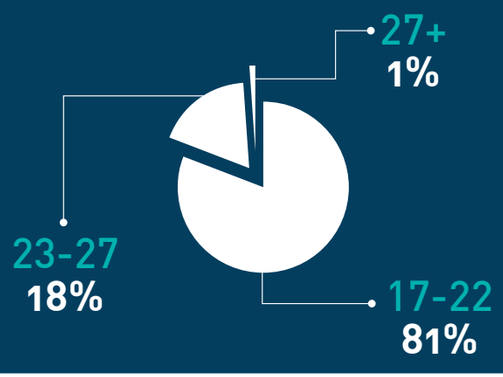
HOW MANY **UNIVERSITIES APPLIED?**

181

The universities with the highest application number

- Istanbul University
- Middle East Technical University
- Suleyman Demirel University
- Marmara University
- Uludağ University

HOW OLD OUR **FELLOW** APPLICANTS?



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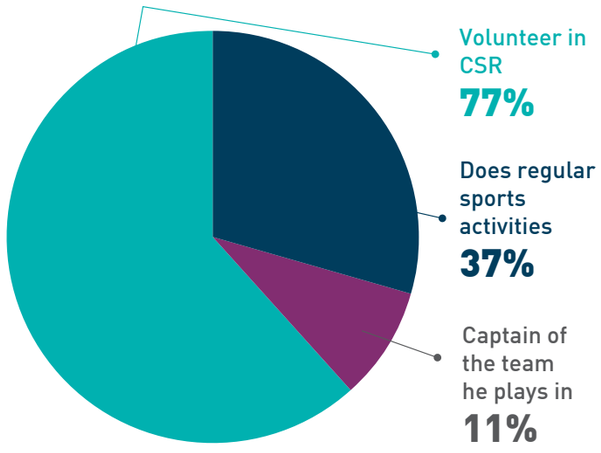
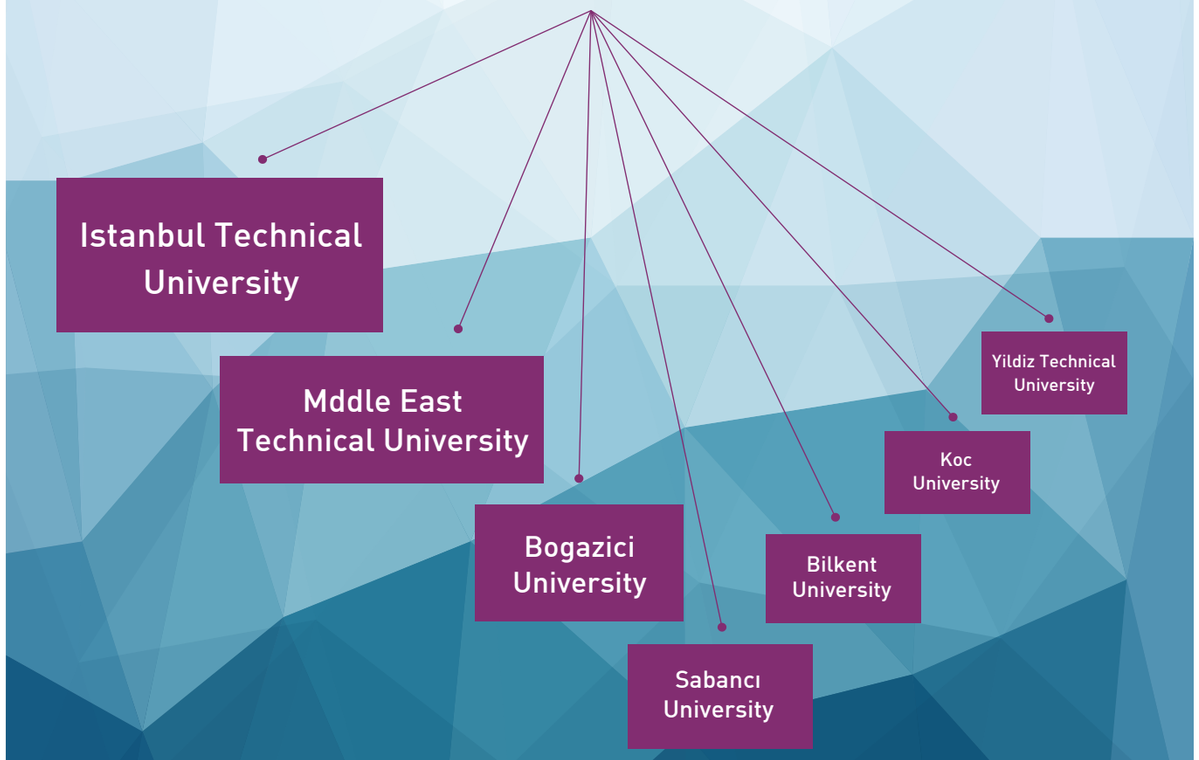


80 FELLOWS 10 ALUMNI

OUR 80 FELLOWS **GRADUATED FROM**



40 WOMEN

40 MEN

SOCIAL MEDIA

GirisimcilikVakfi.org

More than **162. 000** unique visitors

More than **565,000** page views

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More than **2000** tweets

More than **10,000** followers

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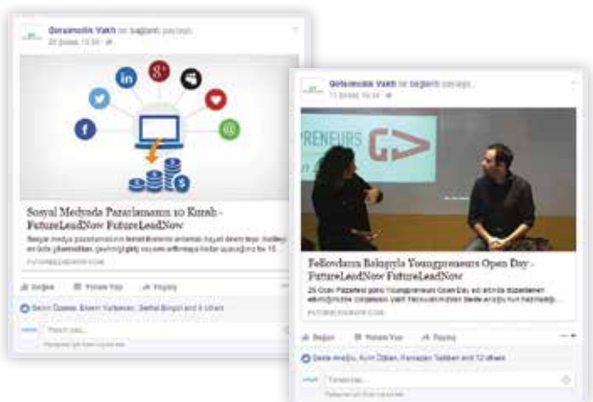
More than **16,000** followers

Close to **20 M** page views



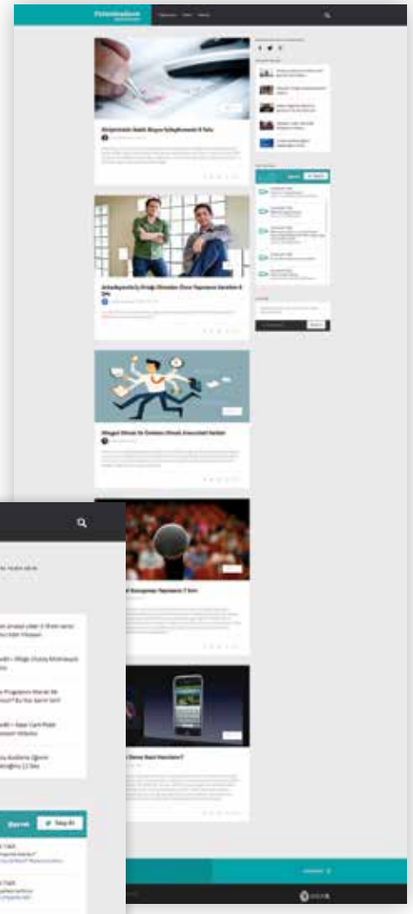
FUTURELEADNOW.COM

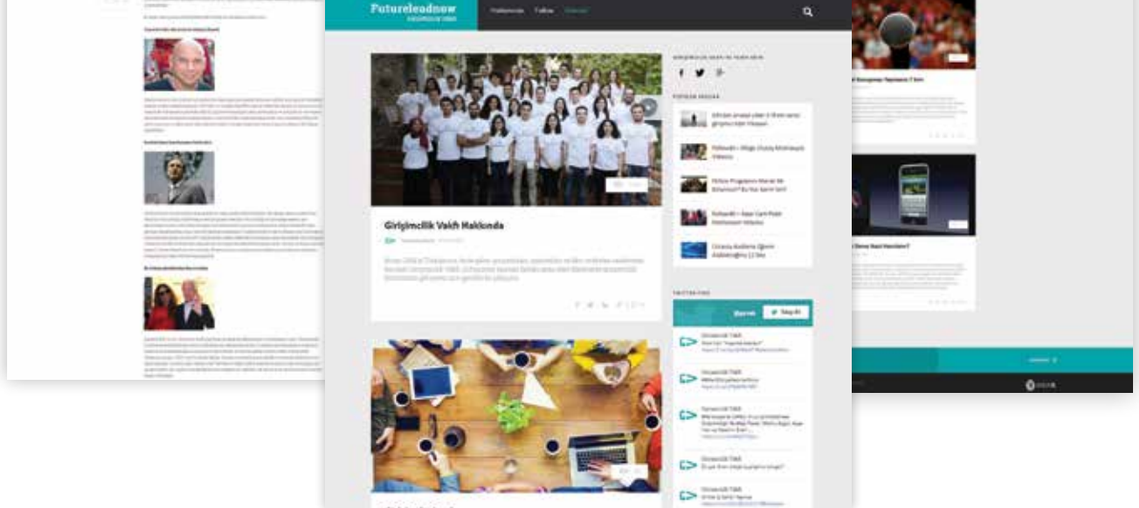
Posts from Fellows about their journeys throughout the entrepreneurship ecosystem, impressions of entrepreneurship events organized in Turkey and innovations throughout the entrepreneur/investor and internet ecosystem are shared at futureleadnow.com

More than **600** blog posts

More than **6000** visitors

More than **15000** pageviews





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