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INTRODUCTION

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“A healthy mind is found in a healthy body.”
Mustafa Kemal Atatürk

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She was born in New York. After completing her elementary education in New York, she moved to Turkey for 5 years. She studying at the special “Doga School” in Humanities and Interdisciplinary education. As for now she is completing High School to move on to study at a University as a “Public Relations & Business” major.

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Turkish Women's League of America

The Turkish Women's League of America is an organization for Americans of Turkish origin, who are united in an effort to promote equality and justice for women. TWLA organizes cultural and recreational activities to foster better understanding between the people of Turkey, the United States, and other countries, including the new Turkish republics of the former Soviet Union; such as the Kazakhs, Uzbeks, and Kyrgyz people in the U.S. The organization also defends human and civil rights, operates an Ataturk School, which offers courses in the Turkish language, Folklore, Literature, Music, Dance and History.
YOUTH PRESENTATIONS -1:
Miss. MELİS ÇOKUSLU
Alumni, The Ataturk School

Melis Muazzez Cokuslu is a Turkish-American. She lives with her family in New Jersey, though her desired home place, one day, is Turkey. She graduated from the Ataturk School in 2012. Melis is currently finishing her junior year of high school and for the time span of three years, she has been assisting the Kindergarten class of the Ataturk School as a teacher’s aide.

In addition, Melis has been attending a music school for six years now, where she has been trained as an opera singer. She enjoys learning about diverse languages and cultures and is thankful for the Ataturk School and her family for their undying spark of community, experience and curiosity.

And:

Mr. OĞUZHAN ULUTAŞ, He was born in New York. He graduated from “The Fame School”, LaGuardia H.S. of Performing Arts, in the conservatory drama program in New York and graduated among the top seven in his high school class. He has also graduated from Computer Science and Computer Engineering from New York University. As for now he is continuing school to become a teacher by studying “Education” at a CUNY University.

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WELCOMING REMARKS BY:

Mrs. AYTEN ELER,
Deputy Consul General of Turkey in New York

Studied at the Political Science Department at Albert-Ludwigs-Universitat Freiburg, Germany and continued her studies at the Department of International Relations, Faculty of Political Sciences, Ankara University, Turkey.

Holds a Master Degree in International Affairs (DES) from the Graduate Institute of International Studies (HEI), Geneva.

Joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) in 1998 and had served at the capital and with several positions in various countries.

She is fluent both in German and English.

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Ms. Hawa Diallo began her United Nations career in 1986 with the Department of Public Information in New York, where she worked in various public information capacities. From 1992 to 1994, she served in two United Nations Peacekeeping Operations in Cambodia and Somalia, respectively.

Upon her return to New York, Ms. Diallo joined the Office of the Deputy Secretary-General until moving the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) in Nairobi, as an Associate Human Settlements Officer. She later served as a Partners and Youth Programme Officer until moving to UN-Habitat’s New York Liaison Office in 2010.

In June 2010, Ms. Diallo was appointed Public Information Officer in the NGO Relations and Advocacy Section of the Department of Public Information, where she coordinates United Nations and NGO partnership activities. She has extensive experience in designing and implementing United Nations public information outreach programmes and fostering civil society partnerships, with a particular emphasis on youth and women’s organizations.

Ms. Diallo holds a Bachelor’s degree from Rosemont College in Pennsylvania and a Master of Arts from Long Island University in New York. http://outreach.un.org/ngorelations


Prior to New York, Ms. Mammadova was Deputy Head of Economic Cooperation and Development Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Azerbaijan from 2011 to 2014. She participated in a number of international conferences on sustainable development, financing for development as well as negotiations on multilateral environmental agreements and nuclear safety.


She holds a Master in Public Administration from Columbia University (US).
Mr. Eruç is the first person in history to have crossed an ocean from the southern hemisphere to the northern. For Seattle-based, the Six Summits project is the culmination of years of dreaming and wondering if such a feat were possible. A technical consultant with graduate degrees in engineering and an MBA, at the age of 41, Erden decided to leave the money, the pace, and an unfulfilling career behind for the adventure that he had been dreaming of for years.

He is now focused full-time on tending to his responsibilities as the founder and President of Around-n-Over.

In 2012, Eruç completed a solo circumnavigation of the world by crossing 3 oceans and 4 continents by rowing, cycling, kayaking and walking in 5 years 11 days. Explorers Club honored him in 2013 by a Citation of Merit, Outside Magazine recognized him as one of the nine Adventurers of the Year in 2013, Men's Journal in 2015 as one of the 50 Most Adventurous Men and The Guinness Book of World Records named him the first to solo circumnavigate the earth by human power in their 2014 issue, the first to have rowed the three major oceans in their 2012 and the solo rower to spend longest time at sea in 2009 issue. http://www.around-n-over.org/erden.htm
INTERACTIVE Session with Mr. Eruç, in particular Youth and Student attendees of the event are encouraged (10-15min).

WHITE CARDS FOR PEACE AND SAFE JOURNEY TO: Turkish-born Eruç and his Australian teammate Kendon Glass until Morocco, and British-Australian teammate Mark Gasson thereafter [by all the attendees].

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Dr. Yurdadön is the current Director of Sport Management program, and prior to his joining to SPU he was the Chair of Sport Management Department at American University of Kyrenia, and before that he held the Sports Management Chairman positions at University of Trinidad and Tobago, and US Sports Academy. He is a former Turkish national in track and field and owns a few national titles in 1500, and 5000m events. He truly is a global-citizen, and has travelled extensively around the globe and scholarly worked in various different international and cultural settings.

Dr. Yurdadön is the current editor and the founder of peer reviewed *International Journal of Developmental Sport Management* (IJDSM) www.ijdsm.org or www.ijdsm.net. His research area is in Sports Leadership, his current research is titled (*Compassionate-Global-Coach Leader*) a new *Sport Leadership Model* is focusing on the needs and the interests of the *new global sports consumer*. He is married and has two beautiful children.
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Via Nritya Kala Kendra
Youth Presentation: 2

What does May 19 mean to me as a Turkish youth?

by İŞIK BAŞARIR,

Student, Baruch College

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Founder & CEO of CG Global Consultant since July 2014; as well as Vice President of the Light Millennium Organization, Vice President of Care Queen & King Foundation and Executive Board Member and Secretary of the “Families of the Missing”. H.E. Amb. Carlos Garcia is a career diplomat from El Salvador that served his country in the United Nations from July 1996 to June 2014, in different positions and ranks, being his last one as Permanent Representative of El Salvador to the United Nations.

H.E. Amb. Carlos García was in charge of the political, economic, financial, social, peace and security, peace building, humanitarian, environmental and human rights issues throughout his larger career in New York.

Prior to joining South-South News, H.E. Amb. Carlos Garcia worked in the Permanent Mission of El Salvador to the United Nation (1996-2014); Director of Multilateral Affairs (1996) and Chief of the Caribbean Affairs (1991-1995) at the Ministry of Foreign Affair of El Salvador. He holds a Special Course’s degree in International Relations from the Diplomatic Academy of Madrid (Spain) and a bachelor’s degree in International Relations from the University of El Salvador.

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Currently, Dr. Sebahattin Devecioglu is a Visiting Research Scholar University Of Maryland Baltimore County (UMBC) in 2014-2015, and his research theme is: The Economic Impact Of Sports And Sporting Events On Turkey, TUBITAK, Department of Economics of the University of Maryland Baltimore, US 2014. Further, he is an NGO Representative at the United Nations Department of Public Information of The Light Millennium for the 2015 After completion his doctorate dissertation in 2013, he continues his academic tenure as an Associate Professor at Firat University, Faculty of Sport Science, Department of Sport Management (Elazığ, Turkey). He was Visiting Scholar of Dowling College, US. in 2011, and was a member of UNESCO Physical Education and Sport Committee in 2005. He was born on May 19, 1968 in Elazig, graduated from Gazi University, Faculty of Education, Physical Education and Sports Department in 1990 (Ankara).

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CLOSING by EMRE KÜLAHLIOĞLU, Alumni, Atatürk İlkokulu

CLOSING PERFORMANCE by ERGUN YURDADÖN, Piano
Vocal by the Guests

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