Congratulations to QPTV Access Producer Bircan Ünver, Producer of the program The Light Millennium TV | MDGs & ATATÜRK - High Level Inaugural Session. Bircan along with her crew members, Rene Valdivia, Richard Graziano, Jim Oderwald, and Cora Fernandez are the winners of the 2015 Alliance for Community Media’s Hometown Media Award in the Educational Activities Category for Independent Producers.

Ms. Ünver is the Executive Producer, Director, Editor, and Host of The Light Millennium TV. Bircan began producing programs through QPTV shortly after she received her field and studio production certification in 1992. Bircan considers herself one of the “senior” public access television producers. QPTV is one of her longest volunteer commitments based solely on producing, directing and editing cable programs. Bircan has been presenting independently produced programs highlighting important issues such as: freedom of expression, literacy, poetry, art & artists, art exhibitions, cultural events, United Nations events, ambassador profiles, NGO Profiles, Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), the development agenda of the UN Beyond-2015, GMO’s, and the state of global peace since January 2000.

The award winning program is based on a two-day international conference titled: High Level Inaugural Session: Pioneer of the

Pictured above left to right: Prof. Surrendra Kauchik (discussant); Susan Billello, Senior Communication and Liaison Officer for UNESCO at the UN; Bircan Ünver, (director of conference) Founder-President, The Light Millennium; H.E. Mr. Halit Çevik, Ambassador of Turkey to the UN; H.E. Mr. Pajo Avirovikj, Ambassador of Macedonia to the UN (2013); (Hon.) Dr. Stephen Kinzer (Keynote), Author and Professor International Relations; H.E. Mr. Carlos E. Garcia Gonzales, Ambassador of El Salvador to the UN (2013); H.E. Mr. Akan Rakhmetullin, Deputy Permanent Rep. of Kazakhstan to the UN. (Credentials dated: April 19, 2013)

Millennium Development Goals: ATATÜRK. The winning episode is dedicated to Global Partnerships for Development and Peace (MDG#8) within the context of the UN’s 2000 Millennium Development goals to be attained by the end of 2015.

Although we are rapidly approaching the end of 2015, the UN has been getting ready for the next stage. This next stage entails 17 newly defined and refined goals, called Post 2015 Sustainable Development Goals to be ratified in September of 2015. Bircan has stated, “For this very reason, the timing of this Hometown Award is just excellent. No other time would have been more ideal than now! This award will provide new opportunities to stimulate and sustain this show. Light Millennium will continue to reach out to local communities, civic organizations, educational institutions as well as continuing to reflect the efforts of the United Nations.”

Visit the award-winning show at: http://www.lightmillennium.org/lmtv/mdg-ataturk-interactive-concluding-remarks-part6.mp4