

The Light Millennium and Columbia Turkish Students jointly
Welcomes you to the High Level Panel on:

THE IMPACT OF THE LAUSANNE PEACE TREATY IN THE WORLD



A Celebration for the 90th Anniversary

PROGRAM

On THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2013
TIME: 6:00 - 9:00p.m.
Light Reception: 6:00 to 7:00p.m.
PROGRAM: 7:00 to 9:00p.m. Columbia
University, Lerner Hall Room 555, 2920
Broadway, New York, New York.

The 90th Anniversary of The Lausanne Peace Treaty (LPT) is the inspiration and concept of the High Level Panel, which is developed by The Light Millennium for its 14th Anniversary Celebration.

WELCOMING by:

Mr. ERMAN H. SENER, Vice President of
Columbia Turkish Students & Youth
Representative of The Light Millennium to
the United Nations

CONCEPT by:

Ms. BİRCAN ÜNVER, Founding President
and Permanent Representative to the UN
DPI/NGO of The Light Millennium.
- "The Lausanne Peace Treaty and Global
Partnerships for Peace and Sustainable
Development"

MODERATOR

H.E. Mr. CARLOS ENRIQUE GARCIA
GONZALES, Ambassador, Permanent
Representative of El Salvador to the UN and
President of the Special Political and
Decolonization Committee (Fourth
Committee during the 68 UNGA).

PANELISTS (in order to appearance):

Mr. ALI ÇINAR, President of Federation of
Turkish American Associations and Advisory
Board Member of Turks Abroad Committee,
Prime Ministry, Republic of Turkey.
- "Historical Importance of the Lausanne
Peace Treaty".

H.E. Dr. T. HAMID AL-BAYATI,
Ambassador, Permanent Representative of
Iraq to the UN from April 2006 to April 2013.
- "Lausanne Peace Treaty and the New
Middle East"

Prof. CHRISTOPHER VASILLOPULOS,
Political Science, Eastern Connecticut State
University. - "European Turkey, Asiatic
Greece".

INTERACTIVE SESSION – Q & A

CONCLUDING REMARKS &
NETWORKING

BIOS OF THE SPEAKERS & MODERATOR

(Alphabetical order according to last names.)

Dr. T. HAMID AL-BAYATI – Ambassador of Iraq to the United Nations from April 2006 to April 2013 - *Panelist*.

Dr. Hamid Al-Bayati is the longest serving Iraqi Ambassador at the United Nations since 1945, unsurpassed in being elected for more senior positions in a short space of time than any other Ambassador. He was elected as the Chair of the Third Committee, related to Social, Economic and Human Rights in 2006, Vice President of the General Assembly in 2007, the Chair of the Sixth Committee dealing with legal issues in 2008, a member of the General Committee from 2006 to 2009 which discussed the agenda of the UN General Assembly and the Chair of the United Nations Disarmament Commission (UNDC), 2011-2012. Dr. Al-Bayati managed to get Iraq elected as a member of the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) from 2007 to 2010 with 181 voted out of 192, a member of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) from 2009 to 2012, a member of the United Nations Human Settlements Program (UN-HABITAT) from 2009 to 2011 and re-elected as a member of the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) from 2010 to 2013.

Dr. Al-Bayati lectured on Politics and International Relations in several universities, institutes and think tanks throughout the United States. He also lectured for the last seven years at *People to People International* (PTPI) at Columbia University, an organization established by U.S. President Eisenhower in 1956.



Mr. ALI ÇINAR, President of Federation of Turkish American Associations and Advisory Board Member of Turks Abroad Committee, Prime Ministry, Republic of Turkey - *Panelist*.

1999 Graduate of Istanbul University's Economy department, Ali Cinar came to the United States 15 years ago to further his higher education. While completing his master's degree program in the University of New Haven from 2000-2002, Ali also worked as a Research Assistant at the Communication Department and Center of Professional Ethics. He was the President of the International Students Association for two years at the University. Ali graduated with the "Outstanding International Student" award among 500 hundred other students in the university. During, 2004, 2005 and 2006, he attended Harvard Business School, MIT and New York University and successfully completed various executive business certificate programs. He has a strong relationship with various communities in the U.S. and has been given awards from various Non-Profit Organizations in the States.

He worked for a Fortune 500 company, as a Marketing Manager for US to Europe and Middle East. Ali has received six "Accelerator Awards" and two "Team Awards" from his current company less than 3 years.



H.E. Mr. CARLOS ENRIQUE GARCIA GONZALES, Ambassador Permanent Representative of El Salvador to the United Nations & President of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee during the 68 UNGA) – Moderator.

H.E. Mr. Carlos Garcia was appointed as Permanent Representative of El Salvador to the United Nations on March 13, 2013. He is a career diplomat that had served his country in the United Nations since July 1, 1996. Ambassador Garcia is currently President of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee during the 68 UNGA); Vice-Chairman of the Commission for Social Development 2013-2014 and Vice-

Chairman of the Commission on the Status of Women 2014-2015. During his post in New York, he has been in charge of the economic, financial, social, peace and security, peace building, humanitarian, environmental and human rights issues. In this regard, he has represented El Salvador in the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and the Security Council as observer; the Commission for Social Development; the former Commission on Human Rights; the Commission on the Status of Women; the Commission on Population and Development; the Peacebuilding Commission, as well as the Executive Board of UNDP/UNFPA/ UNOPS; the Executive Board of UNICEF and the former Executive Board of INSTRAW.



Mr. ERMAN HAKAN SENER, Vice President of Columbia Turkish Students and Youth Representative of The Light Millennium to the UN-DPI/NGO – Welcoming Remarks.

Before attending Columbia University, Erman Sener completed his high school education in the Koç School in Istanbul/Turkey. As a second-year student in the School of Engineering and Applied Science, he is majoring in Operations Research: Engineering Management Systems. He has volunteered for The Light Millennium as its Youth Representative at the United Nations Department of Public Information since February 2013. Furthermore, as the Vice President of the Columbia Turkish Students and a board member of the Columbia Undergraduate Scholars Program he has also taken part in the planning of a variety of events for students, from cultural outings to speaker series that are an integral part of the Columbia experience. He believes that Columbia's Core Program, Scholars Program, student clubs, and living in New York have given him opportunities to learn more about his diverse interests while continuing a relatively more technical Engineering education.



Dr. CHRISTOPHER VASSILLOPULOS, Professor of Political Science at Eastern Connecticut State University – Panelist.

Professor Vasillopoulos received his undergraduate degree in Political Science from Hobart College and his Masters and PhD from the University of California, Berkeley. For over thirty years Professor Vasillopoulos has taught in several American universities and lectured in universities in Europe and the Middle East. Although he has taught a wide variety of courses, the unifying thread has been political theory, with an emphasis on ancient Greek thought, especially as it relates to tragedy. He has published many articles in journals



like the *Journal of Business Ethics*, *Journal of Philosophy and Education*, *International Journal of Social Inquiry*, *Skepsis*, *Arab Studies Quarterly*, *Armed Forces and Society*, *Social Science Journal* and many others, and is a regular contributor to *Today's Zaman*, a leading Turkish Newspaper, and *Celestia*, a contemporary Greek journal of ideas. He has written a book that is theoretical study of the Third Reich, entitled *the Triumph of Hate: the Political Theology of the Hitler Movement*, which was published in 2012.

Ms. BIRCAN ÜNVER, Executive Director, Founding President and Permanent Representative to the UN DPI/NGO of The Light Millennium – Concept.

A native of Turkey, Bircan Ünver is the Originator (1999) and the Founding President of The Light Millennium (LM 2001), a public benefit, multi-media and culture organization. She has been Executive Producer and Director of the LM, and LMTV Series and Specials since its inception and is the Permanent Representative of the organization to the UN DPI since its association in 2005. As an advocate for “freedom of expression” and “public benefit media,” she has compiled and e-published over 54 e-issues and produced near to 100 television programs, garnering several awards. Developed, organized/co-organized, presented/co-presented, hosted/co-hosted over 60 open to public events. Bircan holds a master’s degree in Media Studies from the New School University. In 2013, she was the director and co-chair of the “Pioneer of the Millennium Development Goals: ATATÜRK” International Conference (April 19-20, 2013).



About Columbia Turkish Student Association – CTS

The CTS is an undergraduate student organization that brings together the Turkish community at Columbia as well as introducing Turkish culture to the general student body. We also welcome graduate students and encourage them to reach out to us. Every year, Columbia University accepts around 8-10 well-accomplished individuals from Turkey to its undergraduate programs at Columbia College and Fu Foundation of Engineering and Applied Sciences. Many more are accepted to the Masters and the PhD programs. CTS has organized numerous events, some of them in collaboration with other clubs. Examples include the screening of the movie named "Turkish Passport" tributing the Holocaust Week in cooperation with Columbia Hillel and participation of the Turkish Consulate General and an Israeli representative, a panel with Vuslat Dogan Sabanci on the topic "Women in Media, Gender Equality and the Women's Rights in Turkey and in the Middle East," and a Community Lunch Organization at Broadway Presbyterian Church. <http://columbiaturkish.wix.com/turkishstudents>



About The Light Millennium - LM

The LM was formed based on the first article of the United States Bill of Rights, Freedom of Speech, in conjunction with the United Nations' Universal Declaration Article #19, on Freedom of Expression based in Queens, New York. It invites citizens of the world to submit, in an appropriate artistic medium, ideas and experiences that will help foster better understanding between people of different cultures and beliefs. The organization frequently presents ideas from the United Nations on its key issues as well as ideas from the all walks of life. The LM was introduced on the web in August 1999 as a global multi-media platform inviting individuals to represent themselves and their communities. In January, 2000, the organization brought in volunteers and was formally incorporated as a not-for-profit organization on July 17, 2001. It obtained 501c3 status effective on the same that and associated itself with the Department of Public Information of the United Nations on December 12, 2005. www.lightmillennium.org



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