

NEWS FROM TUSEV

**TÜSEV's General Assembly was Held on the 16th of May**

TÜSEV's General Assembly of 2022 was held on May 16, with the participation of member of the board of trustees. In the assembly hosted by Vehbi Koç Foundation, board of trustees was informed about TÜSEV's activities and financials in 2021, and the planned activities for 2022. At the meeting, Cevdet İnci Education Foundation, Genç Başarı (Junior Achievement Turkey) Education Foundation, and Yamantürk Foundation are welcomed as new members.

**Our Secretary General Rana Kotan Made a Visit to CAF America**

Our Secretary General, Rana Kotan, made a visit to the United States for the 30th anniversary celebrations of CAF America. TÜSEV is the country partner of CAF International which is composed of 9 countries, including Turkey. CAF International country partners discussed opportunities for expanding the collaboration by creating more synergies and working together on mutually beneficial projects.

**We Contributed to Global Philanthropy Environment Index 2022**

As TÜSEV, we contributed to the Turkey section of the Global Philanthropy Environment Index 2022 (GPEI), which is published by Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy. GPEI provides the tools global leaders need to understand how and where the philanthropic environment is changing and evolving and how to maximize philanthropy's ability to help solve pressing challenges. GPEI is prepared by more than 100 country-level experts who have assessed the environment for philanthropy in 91 countries and economies by examining the incentives and barriers to giving. For more information about the report please click [here](#), and to reach out to the Turkey section, please click [here](#).

**TÜSEV Contributed to ICNL Civic Freedom Monitor**

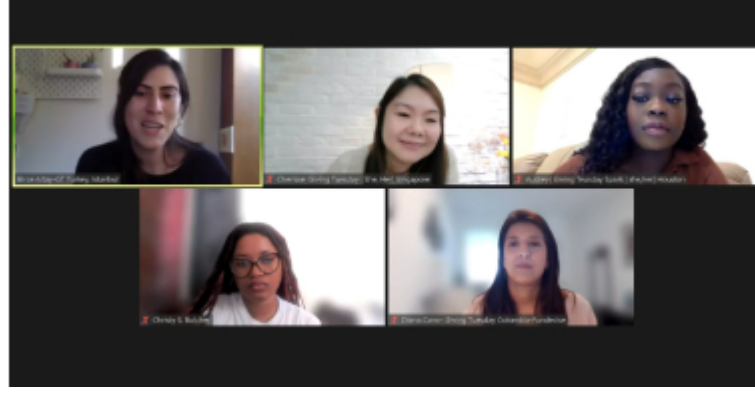
The International Center for Not-for-Profit Law's (ICNL) Civic Freedom Monitor provides up-to-date information on legal issues affecting civil society in more than 50 countries. As part of this initiative, TÜSEV provides an overview of key legal issues relating to civic freedom, with a focus on legal barriers to civil society activities in Turkey. Please click [here](#) to reach the ICNL Civic Freedom Monitor Turkey page that was last updated in February 2022.

**Individual Giving and Philanthropy in Turkey 2021 Report is Published**

We published the Individual Giving and Philanthropy in Turkey 2021 Report, which presents comprehensive and up-to-date data on individual giving and philanthropy. Co-authored by Prof. Dr. Ali Çarıkçıoğlu and Assistant Professor Selim Erdem Aytac from Koç University Center for Civil Society and Philanthropy Research, the report presents data under sections Perceptions of Civil Society, Individual Giving and Giving Motivations in Turkey. Referencing the earlier research conducted by TÜSEV, the report also provides a comparative analysis of the change that took place in the field of individual giving in Turkey over a 15-year period. The report will be available in English in May 2022.

**Civil Society: The Critical History of an Idea Book Launch Will Take Place on the 9th of June**

Civil Society: The Critical History of an Idea (Sivil Toplum: Bir Fikirin Eleştirel Tarihi) Book has been translated to Turkish and published within the scope of the Civil Society Series which TÜSEV has recently initiated. The launch will be held online on the 9th of June. The publication was translated with the cooperation of Koç University Press and Koç University Center for Civil Society and Philanthropy Research and aims to contribute to the development of civil society field and create a dialogue between different stakeholders. The launch will be held with the participation of the author John Ehrenberg, Mehmet Ali Çalışkan, and will be moderated by Onur Sazak. Please click [here](#) to register for the event where simultaneous translation in Turkish and English will be provided.

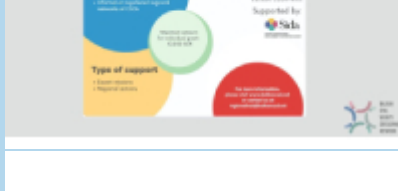
**TÜSEV Attended the #GivingTuesday Event as a Speaker**

Our deputy secretary general Birce Altay took part as a speaker at the Gender and Generosity: How #GivingTuesday Leaders are Breaking the Bias Around the World event organized by #GivingTuesday. TÜSEV is the country leader of #GivingTuesday and implements the campaign in Turkey under the name of #PaylaşmaGünü. In the event, #GivingTuesday movement led by women from Turkey, the Caribbean, Colombia, the United States and Singapore was discussed within different aspects and Birce Altay talked about the examples of individual giving, solidarity movements and sharing culture in Turkey.

NEWS FROM THE SECTOR

**Online Portals are Launched for Ukrainian Civil Society**

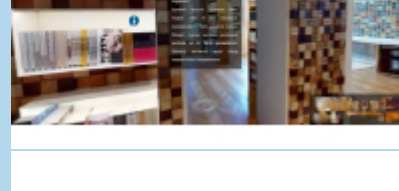
Seven of Europe's leading philanthropy organizations have come together to create two different integrated online platforms that bring together philanthropic organizations, initiatives and beneficiaries affected by the war in Ukraine. It is aimed to update information on resources, follow up on commitments, respond to needs and provide communication guidance through platforms. The portals provide a straightforward online template allowing philanthropic organisations and (I)NGOs or grassroots organisations to publish their support efforts. Click [here](#) to reach the portal for Philanthropy for Ukraine and click [here](#) for the NGOs for Ukraine portal.

**Ad-Hoc Grants Support is Now Open**

The Ad-Hoc Grants, financially supported by the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida) and the Balkan Civil Society Development Network (BCSDN), are now open for applications until 1 September 2022. The Grants, support CSOs, CSO Networks, and non-formal initiatives and civic movements in the realization of urgent interventions, needed due to unpredictable changes of the conditions in which they operate or unique, time-bound opportunities for impact, and in the implementation of innovative uptakes in promoting civic space and reinventing CSOs' established practices. Please click [here](#) to reach more information about the call.

**The Vegan Society Grant is Open to Proposals**

The Vegan Society Grant, which supports projects that encourage people to go vegan and stay vegan, is open to individuals and grassroots organizations. Within the scope of the grant, the projects, which raise public awareness of veganism in a positive way, promote veganism in a unique or exciting way to non-vegans, support people from marginalized backgrounds to access veganism, will be supported. Please click [here](#) to learn more about the grant that welcomes applications from across the world.

**23.5 Hrant Dink Site of Memory Virtual Tour is Launched**

23.5 Hrant Dink Site of Memory, which is created with the aim to continue Hrant Dink's dreams, values, struggles, and words with the exhibitions, celebrated its third anniversary on April 23.5, 2022, with a virtual tour in Turkish, Armenian, and English for visitors from Turkey and around the world. The three-dimensional model, and plan for the top are included in the virtual tour, provides to visit different rooms. Please click [here](#) to reach out for more information about the virtual tour, and click [here](#) to reach the virtual tour and interaction map area, which provides visitors to share their ideas and experiences.

NEWS FROM OUR MEMBERS

**17th Kadir Has Awards was Given to Prof. Dr. Moshe Arditi, Dr. Billur Akkaya and Dr. Münir Akkaya**

The Kadir Has Awards Ceremony, which aims to introduce valuable scientists who have made significant national and international achievements and institutions that contribute to the development of society, took place on March 22, 2022. At the 17th Awards Ceremony, Prof. Dr. Moshe Arditi received the Outstanding Achievement Award, Dr. Billur Akkaya and Dr. Münir Akkaya received Promising Scientist Award. The scientists, who contributed to the research in this field by making significant achievements in the field of Infectious Diseases and Immunology, multidisciplinary science that develops very rapidly thanks to developing technology and new techniques. For detailed information please click [here](#).

**Maya Foundation's New Call Center for Remote Psychological Counseling is Open**

Maya Foundation's free Remote Psychological Counseling service, available in Turkish and Arabic, serves children, adolescents, and their families through difficult experiences, is opened. Share with those needing support or access it by calling 0800 670 62 92 between 10:00 and 17:00 on weekdays. Upon completion of the registration process, callers seeking support will be contacted by the expert psychologists. Detailed information is available by directing contacting the Call Center or by clicking [here](#).

**Local Stakeholder Meetings of the project "Young Women Building Their Future" held in İzmir, Diyarbakır and Adana**

The field visits of the project "Young Women Building Their Future", carried out by the Sabancı Foundation and UNDP Turkey, focused on understanding the challenges faced by approximately 3.5 million young women in Turkey who are not in employment, education, or training (NEET), and developing solutions, were held in İzmir, Diyarbakır and Adana. A number of local stakeholder meetings were organized within the scope of the project, which aims to raise the problems of young women, ranging from 18 to 29 years of age, who are not in employment, education or training and to develop mechanisms to address these problems, with representatives from the Ministry of Family and Social Services, Ministry of Labor and Social Security, Sabancı Foundation, UNDP Turkey, and others from 130 public and non-governmental organizations. At the meeting, the situation regarding NEET young women living in İzmir, Diyarbakır and Adana was evaluated through exchange of ideas by the stakeholders.

**Technology Development Foundation of Turkey's 33rd Board Meeting was Held**

Technology Development Foundation of Turkey (TTGV) organized its 33rd Board Meeting on April 20, 2022, with the participation of private sector and government representatives. The work carried out throughout 2021 with the vision of #TechnologyDevelopingTurkey and planned activities and targets for 2022 were evaluated. Please click [here](#) for more information about the meeting in which Ms. Çiğdem İçel and Ms. Şelale Zaim Gorton were elected as members of TTGV's Board of Directors for the first time.

**Design & Skills and Dreams Workshops Opened by TEGV with the Support of Vehbi Koç Foundation**

Education Volunteers Foundation of Turkey (TEGV) opened the "Design & Skills Workshop" and "Dreams Workshop" at the Semahat - Dr. Nüret Arsel Education Park in Ankara with the support of Vehbi Koç Foundation at a ceremony on Tuesday, March 15, 2022. Since its founding in 2001, Semahat - Dr. Nüret Arsel Education Park in Ankara has reached more than 80,000 children with the support of 5,400 volunteers through various education programs, including distance learning. Please click [here](#) for more information.

OUR PROJECTS

