

Agata Fortuna



Graduated from the Faculty of International and Political Studies of Lodz University (Poland) in 2007 receiving Master's Degree. She holds also Bachelor's degree in Oriental Philology-Turcology from Jagiellonian University. Since 2009 Agata has been working in the civil society field in Turkey. She was involved in various national and international projects on youth empowerment, intercultural learning and dialog in conflict setting, social technology and social entrepreneurship. Agata is also the Chairperson of the YouthBank International Board of Directors.

Ata Uzunhasan



After graduated from Italian High School and Business Administration and Economics Majors (double major) in Koc University, he began his career at Assurance Department of PwC in 2005. In 2007, Uzunhasan transferred to PwC Consulting as Senior Consultant, where he achieved significant success in Turkey's first forensic investigation team. In 2010, he joined in the team that would manage post-merger integration of TEB and Fortis. He managed many transformation projects at TEB's Strategic Planning and Business Development department until 2014. In 2015, he started to manage TEB's Affluent Banking Marketing. Meanwhile he founded and successfully managed TEB Band, the largest social initiative of TEB. Uzunhasan is the Managing Director of the Galata Business Angels since 2016.

Charlie Wigglesworth

Charlie is responsible for managing and growing SEUK's relationships with corporate partners, helping find sponsors for events and publications, and building closer links between social enterprises and the wider private sector to create real social value. He's also the first port of call for anyone interested in finding out more about SEUK's consultancy work. Charlie has six years experience working with clients across the public, private and third sectors delivering events, training and consultancy on public policy issues. He has extensive experience of business development and account management, developing bespoke packages for a wide variety of clients from large multinationals to small charities. Charlie has an MA in Modern History from the University of Oxford.

Ercan Tural



He completed the Bachelor of Social Sciences in the University of Tubingen- Germany in 1996. An accomplished Executive Manager, with expertise in leading the social change to close the gap between where people with disabilities are and where they should have been. Proven ability to innovate social responsibility projects with local and multinational companies in Turkey. Solid experience in creating strategies and processes that enhance the integrity of socially disadvantage population into the community. Strong management and leadership skills, with ability to motivate volunteers and promote volunteerism and develop smart solutions on disability.

Erdal Yıldırım



Erdal Yıldırım was born in Rize, Turkey in 1966. Graduated from Boğaziçi University (formerly Robert College of Istanbul) Department of Mechanical Engineering in 1987. Received MA in Philanthropic Studies from Indiana University Center on Philanthropy in 2005. Has been working in the “Third Sector” since 1991. President of Vehbi Koç Foundation since 1997. He is fluent in English and French. Apart from his professional obligations, he sits on the boards of several other foundations in Turkey and is the author of two books, one on non-profit boards (YKY, 2011) and the other one on New Foundations in Turkey (YKY, 2017). Married; father of three children.

Giuseppe Ambrosio



More than 20 years of experience in the non profit and social entrepreneurship sector Giuseppe is an independent expert. He holds a degree in Business Administration at Bocconi University in Milan. He was founder and director for 14 years of VITA Consulting, an agency specialised in profit-nonprofit partnership working for many customers, among others, Roche, Lega del Filo d'Oro, Novartis, Coop, Intesa Sanpaolo, Nike, Telefono Azzurro, Amnesty International, UniCredit, UBI, Philip Morris. For 8 years, since 2010, he was an advisor at UniCredit Foundation for strategy and implementation of social programme and for UniCredit Bank implemented the Philanthropic Advisory Activities for HNWI customers. He is teaching fellow of SDA Bocconi School of Management (Fund raising strategies) and Adjunct professor of LUMSA University (Finance for social enterprises).

Gonca Ongan



After graduating from Saint-Benoit Private French High School, Gonca Ongan completed her undergraduate studies in Economics at İstanbul University. Afterwards, she received her master's degree in global MBA in Fordham University, New York. Then she continued to her postgraduate studies at the Marmara University European Union Institute in Economics of European Union.

Following her experiences in the field of private sector, public sector and civil society, she started working in Koç University in 2010. Her research field is "Sustainability and Social Impact" and she has been working in KUSIF since 2012. She is the founding member of AÇIK AÇIK Platform promoting individual donation and fostering transparency & accountability among civil society organizations in Turkey. She has been at the board of directors of AÇIK AÇIK since November 2016. Additionally, she was elected to the advisory board of International Sustainable Campus Network in March 2016 by the member universities.

Hasan Zafer Elçik



Zafer Elcik is founder and CEO of Otsimo, a mobile platform that produce open source educational games for children with special needs. As a brother of autistic kid, Zafer is solving the educational inequality with free education. Otsimo now features more that 50 games, has customers in over 90 countries and change more than 30.000 lives. Zafer has also selected as a fellow of Turkish Entrepreneurship Foundation, also one of the Ten Outstanding Young Persons of 2018 by JCI. Otsimo has received numerous prizes, including GSVC Berkeley Global Finalist, EO Social Impact Award.

İstem D. Akalp



İstem D. Akalp works for Ashoka Türkiye as the Director of Social Entrepreneurship Programs. In addition to building support mechanisms for Ashoka fellows in Turkey, she is designing and implementing strategies to build an impactful social entrepreneurship ecosystem for Ashoka Turkey. Having graduating Boğaziçi University Foreign Language Education Department, she worked for Educational Volunteers Foundation of Turkey as a volunteer specialist and Greenpeace Mediterranean - Turkey as Volunteer Coordinator. She is a member of Sen de Gel Association and is a Youth Action Net Fellow.

Jaime Vera Calonje



Jaime Vera Calonje is Investment Manager at the European Investment Fund within the Social & Environmental Impact dedicated activity. Jaime is focused on investing in social impact financial intermediaries through the Social Impact Accelerator and the EFSI Equity instruments dedicated to social enterprises. Prior to joining EIF Jaime was an associate at the Iberian law firm Cuatrecasas. Jaime has experience in PE/VC/Impact Investing from different angles of the business cycle.

Jeremy Nicholls



Jeremy Nicholls is the Chief Executive of Social Value International and Social Value UK. These are membership networks for those interested in measuring, managing and accounting for their social value, united by a common vision of changing the way the world accounts for value. He is also a director of the [FRC Group](#) (a social business based in Liverpool), a member of the IRIS advisory committee, a contributor to the Social Stock Exchange admissions panel, on the ICAEW Assurance Panel, and a member of the Social Impact Measurement Sub-group of GECES for the EU. Jeremy is a regular speaker and writer on social value including 'There is no business like Social Business' with Liam Black, a number of SROI guides including the 'Guide to SROI' and a column for Pioneers Post.

Luca Mantoan



Born in 1978 he has a degree in Modern Literature. He worked as a journalist and was active for several years: from 1998 to 2002 as editor in chief of the business communities bulletin by the press agency Mediapress; in 2002 as correspondent of RSI (national Swiss radio). He also worked in northern-Italy local tv and Italian cultural magazines. He joined UniCredit Foundation in 2004, thus accompanying the foundation from the early stages of its establishment. On behalf of the Foundation he deals with external and internal communication and media strategy. He is member of the steering committee of the Grantmakers East Forum (European Foundation Centre).

Sabine Kaiser



Sabine works at FASE, the Ashoka initiated financing agency for social entrepreneurship, connecting social entrepreneurs with investors to maximize social impact, and at SKadvisory consulting across the VC/PE eco-space on selected topics for investors, funds, companies and entrepreneurs. She is passionate about technological and social innovations that have a significant positive impact on peoples' lives and draws upon her experience from more than 20 years of consulting and entrepreneurial investing. Sabine previously worked as a strategic consultant with McKinsey&Company, as a venture capital investor in the Life Sciences segment for Technologieholding VC GmbH and 3i plc, and in asset management for BTV, an internationally active German single family office. She holds a Diploma in Human Biology from the Philipps-University of Marburg and a Master in Public Policy from Harvard Kennedy School. Furthermore, she is an IHK-certified business mediator, specialized on conflict resolution in Venture Capital financed companies.

Seçil Kınay



Seçil Kınay serves as the Special Projects Manager in the Vehbi Koç Foundation since 2007, overseeing the projects and programs on education, culture and healthcare. She is coordinating joint programs of the Foundation with the Koç Holding and Koç Group Companies and is responsible for the partnerships with the national and international institutions. Seçil received her undergraduate degree in Sociology and MA degree in Anatolian Civilizations and Cultural Heritage Management from Koç University, İstanbul.

Serra Titiz



Serra Titiz has been working on sustainable development since 2003. She worked with youth, with women and vocational groups at large NGOs at managerial levels, has participated to international programs on NGOs and Civic Activism. Her work has always been a reflection of social innovation. Today, Serra Titiz is the founder and the managing director of a social enterprise: Mikado Sustainable Development Consulting, in Istanbul, Turkey. Mikado, is a social enterprise that crafts models for sustainable development. Mikado develops models through viable partnerships among private sector, civil society, educational institutions and public organizations and through mobilizing and matching existing resources with the needs of the society. Mikado is one of the first B Corp Companies in Turkey and honored as "Best for the World" and "Best for the Community" four year in a row for creating most overall positive social and environmental impact.

Zoltán-Cristian Bereczki



Zoltán-Cristian Bereczki leads NESsT's Romania & Balkans projects. He is also responsible for managing the NESsT portfolio of social enterprises and further developing NESsT's activities in the region. Prior to joining NESsT eight years ago, Zoltán worked as a Program Manager for the Euroregional Center for Democracy in Timisoara, where he developed projects for Civil Society Organizations across Romania, Serbia, Hungary, Republic of Moldova, and Ukraine. Zoltán holds a Master's degree in Management from the West University in Timisoara and a Bachelor's degree in Economic Engineering from Politehnica University in Timisoara.