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## Message from Alp Kaan Yilmaz



I am proud to be a part of The International Award for Young People and would like to share this meaningful journey with you. The Award is an important turning point for me and for many young people like me. For us, this process is not only a recognition; it is a journey where we become aware of our responsibilities, discover our potential, and learn how we can contribute to society.

Participating in The International Award for Young People has been a great opportunity for me. Throughout this process, I have had the chance to develop myself not only academically, but also in terms of values that truly matter in life such as leadership, teamwork, perseverance, and social responsibility. This journey has encouraged me to challenge my limits, get to know myself better, and give more confident answers to the question, “What can I do?”

The Award process has contributed not only to my physical and mental development, but also enabled me to meet people from different cultures and perspectives. Through volunteering activities and social responsibility projects, I have personally experienced how valuable it is to help others and contribute to society. While touching the lives of others, I realized that I could also create lasting and meaningful changes in my own life.

The International Award for Young People has taught me to look at life with a greater sense of responsibility, to set bigger goals, and to strive for social change. During this process, I better understood that every individual carries great potential within themselves, and that using this potential is not only a personal matter but also a social responsibility.

# Message from Alp Kaan Yılmaz



For me, the Award is not just a certificate of achievement, but also a strong source of motivation. My goal from now on is to continue improving myself, take on more responsibility, and contribute as much as I can to making the world a better place.

Finally, I would like to sincerely thank my Award Leaders and my Supervisor teachers who guided me throughout this journey, as well as my family and friends who have always supported me. Without their support, it would not have been possible for me to be here today. I also congratulate all my fellow participants who have earned this Award; each of us has achieved this success through our own effort and determination.

Thank you all.

***Alp Kaan YILMAZ***

***The International Award for Young People-Türkiye***

***Bronze Award Holder***

# 2026 I. Ordinary National Committee Meeting

The IAYP-TR 1st Ordinary National Committee Meeting was held online on January 27, 2026.

Members of the National Committee, the Board of Directors, and the National Office staff participated in the meeting.

During the meeting, current developments of the programme, strategic priorities, and implementation processes were discussed. There was an exchange of views on field practices, volunteer processes, and sustainability.

This meeting served as an important platform to strengthen the institutional structure of The International Award for Young People – Türkiye, to carry out decision-making processes through collective wisdom, and to enhance the overall impact of the programme.

With the contributions of our National Committee and Board members, we will continue our work with determination.



# 26th National Silver Award Ceremony and 7th National Independent Participants Bronze & Silver Award Ceremony

The 26th National Silver Award Ceremony and the 7th National Independent Participants Bronze and Silver Award Ceremonies, organized by The International Award for Young People – Türkiye, were held on February 7, 2026, in Istanbul at Novotel Istanbul Bosphorus.

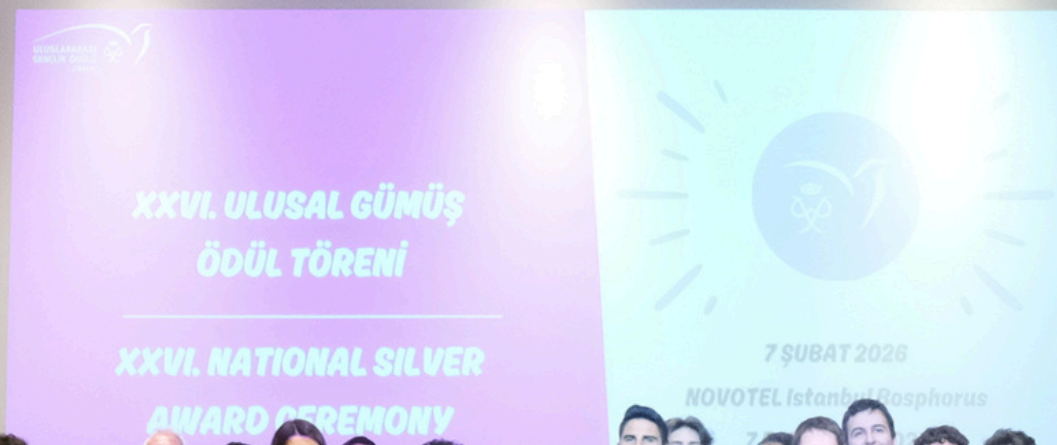


Our participants received their certificates from Mr. Hamdi Akın, Chairman of the Board of Akfen Holding and Founder and Honorary President of TİKAV; Ms. Hülya Kırçuval, Chair of the Board of TİKAV; our National Committee Members; and our esteemed school administrators who honored us with their presence.

We would like to thank all our volunteers, Award Leaders, Supervisors and everyone who contributed to this meaningful journey.

We are proud of our young people.





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# 19th National Gold Award Ceremony

As The International Award for Young People – Türkiye, we held the 19th National Gold Award Ceremony on February 16, 2026, at ParibuArt.

Our participants received their certificates from Ms. Pelin Akın Özalp, Member of the Board of Akfen Holding and Chair of the IAYP-TR National Committee; Ms. Hülya Kırçuval, Chair of the Board of TİKAV; Ms. Sultan Yılmaz, Honorary President of IAYP-TR; our National Committee Members; and our esteemed school administrators who honored us with their presence.



At the end of a long-term journey, built on dedicated effort and completed with determination, our Gold category participants received their Awards.

We are proud to accompany young people on this journey where they discover their potential, take responsibility, and contribute to society.





# Training Programmes

## Award Leader Trainings

- On March 7 and 8, 2026, we conducted two separate Award Leader Trainings in Turkish and English in Istanbul, with a total of 20 volunteers.
- Within the scope of the trainings, candidates were provided with comprehensive information about the structure, levels, and implementation processes of The International Award for Young People-Türkiye. The core principles of the Programme, the activities carried out by participants throughout their journey, and the guiding role of Award Leaders in supporting young people's development were discussed.
- In addition, through practical examples and experience-sharing sessions, participants had the opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of the Award's implementation.

We would like to thank all our volunteers for their efforts and contributions!



# Training Programmes

## Bronze Category A&J Assessor Training

On March 25, 2026, an online training was conducted for A&J Assessor candidates who will take part in the Bronze Category Adventurous Journeys. A total of 16 candidates participated in the training.

- During the training, participants were provided with comprehensive information on the roles and responsibilities of an Assessor, the 10 conditions of Adventurous Journeys, safety and emergency procedures, required journey documentation, and the meetings that should be conducted between Assessors and participants.

This training aimed to support Assessor candidates in managing the process more effectively and safely, while also contributing to strengthening the quality of program implementation in the field.

We would like to thank all participants for their involvement.



# Assessors and Supervisors Meeting

The first of the Assessor and Supervisor Meetings was held on February 22, 2026, in Istanbul, with the participation of 20 volunteers. The second meeting took place on March 1, 2026, in Ankara, hosted by Özel Eryaman Okyanus Anadolu Lisesi, with 14 volunteers. The third meeting took place in Izmir, hosted by Özel Bornova Okyanus Anadolu Lisesi, with the participation of 6 volunteers.

- The main purpose of the meetings was to evaluate implementation processes encountered in the field, address questions raised by volunteers, and strengthen a shared understanding of the Award's operations.

During the meetings, operational topics such as budget planning related to Assessor and Supervisor roles and the sharing of related expenses were discussed.

In addition, within the scope of Adventurous Journeys, responsibilities of external activity providers in out-of-city implementations, the scope of transportation services, and previously experienced cases were reviewed.



# ***Classroom and ORB A&J Planning Workshops***

We organized a series of online support workshops on March 3, 9, 13, and 17, 2026, to answer our volunteers' questions, address uncertainties about the process, and resolve challenges encountered.

Within the scope of the workshops, our volunteers had the opportunity to gain detailed insights into the use of Classroom and ORB systems, journey planning steps, and process management, while also sharing practical solutions to the situations they faced.

We would like to thank all our volunteers for their efforts and contributions!





# AWARD CEREMONIES

Validebağ Fen Lisesi

2 JANUARY 2026

Ankara Özel Gökkuşacağı  
Koleji Anadolu Lisesi

6 JANUARY 2026

Özel İstek Kaşgarlı Mahmut  
Okulları

13 JANUARY 2026

FMV Özel Ayazağa Işık Lisesi  
/ Fen Lisesi

4 FEBRUARY 2026

Hisar Okulları

6 FEBRUARY 2026

İELEV Özel Lisesi

10 FEBRUARY 2026

TED Ankara Koleji Özel Lisesi

11 FEBRUARY 2026

Özel İSTEK Antalya Konyaaltı  
Okulları

13 FEBRUARY 2026

Beşiktaş Atatürk Anadolu  
Lisesi

17 FEBRUARY 2026

İDV Özel Bilkent Lisesi

17 FEBRUARY 2026

Özel İstek Acıbadem  
Anadolu ve Fen Lisesi

17 FEBRUARY 2026

Özel Ümraniye Gen Anadolu  
Lisesi

19 FEBRUARY 2026

TED Mersin Koleji Özel Lisesi

24 FEBRUARY 2026

Özel KOSBİ Zülfü Mevlüt  
Çelik Mesleki ve Teknik  
Anadolu Lisesi

24 FEBRUARY 2026

Özel İstek Belde Anadolu /  
Fen Lisesi

25 FEBRUARY 2026

Özel Bursa Bilfen Anadolu /  
Fen Lisesi

26 FEBRUARY 2026

ODTÜ Geliştirme Vakfı Özel  
Denizli Anadolu Lisesi

27 FEBRUARY 2026

Ankara Üniversitesi  
Geliştirme Vakfı Okulları

4 MARCH 2026

Özel Irmak Anadolu Lisesi

6 MARCH 2026

YİBDER

14 MARCH 2026

Şişli Anadolu Lisesi

18 MARCH 2026



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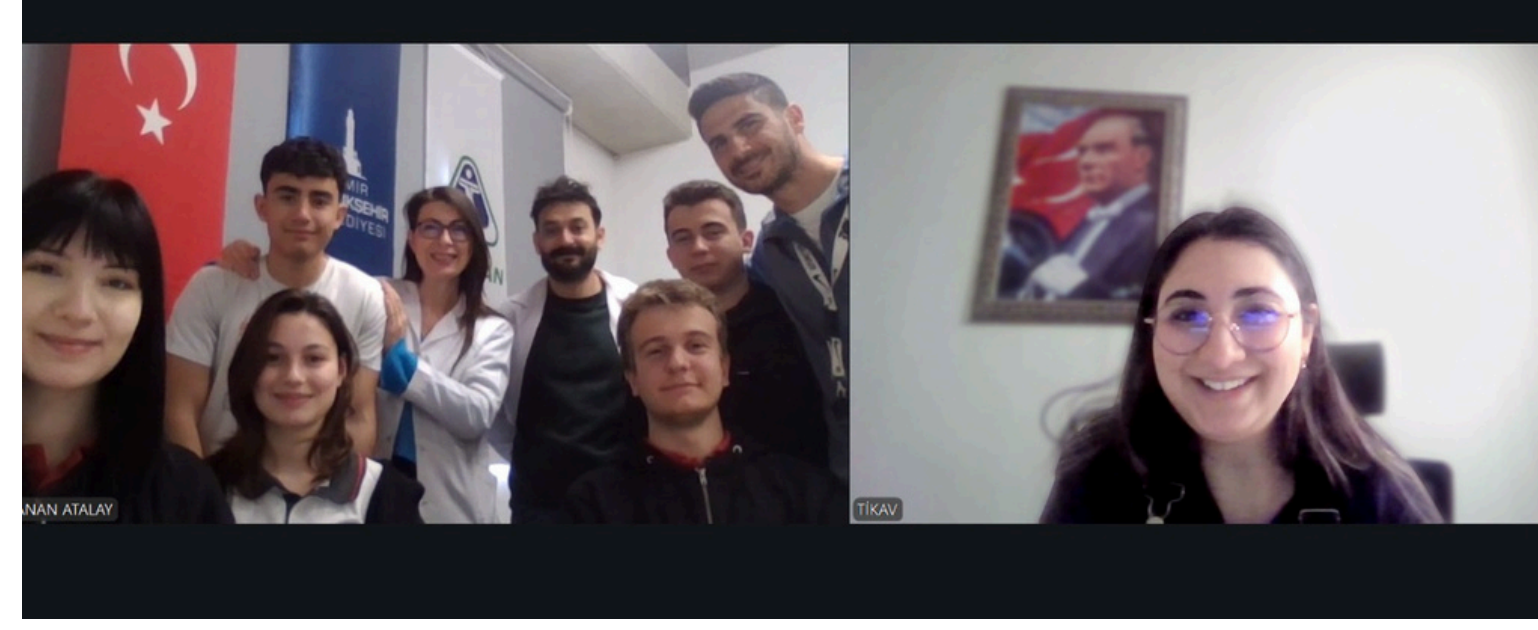
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# EVALUATION VISITS



Özel Ümraniye Gen Anadolu Lisesi

British International Schools

Özel İSTEK Uluğbey Okulları

Arnavutköy Korkmaz Yiğit  
Anadolu Lisesi

Terakki Vakfı Özel Şişli Terakki  
Tepeören Anadolu Lisesi

TED Ankara Koleji

Özel İzmir KOSBİ Zülfü Mevlüt Çelik  
Mesleki ve Teknik Anadolu Lisesi

Özel Şehir Koleji Fen / Anadolu Lisesi

Özel Bodrum Bahçeşehir Koleji

Özel Antalya Mustafa Kemal Anadolu  
Lisesi

Özel Antalya Toplum Koleji

Özel Bilfen Üsküdar Fen ve Anadolu  
Lisesi

Beşiktaş Atatürk Anadolu Lisesi

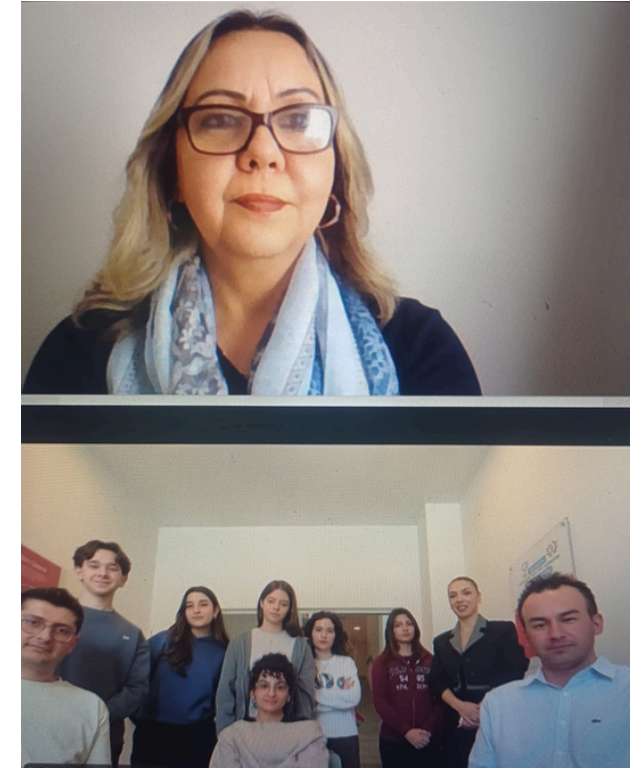
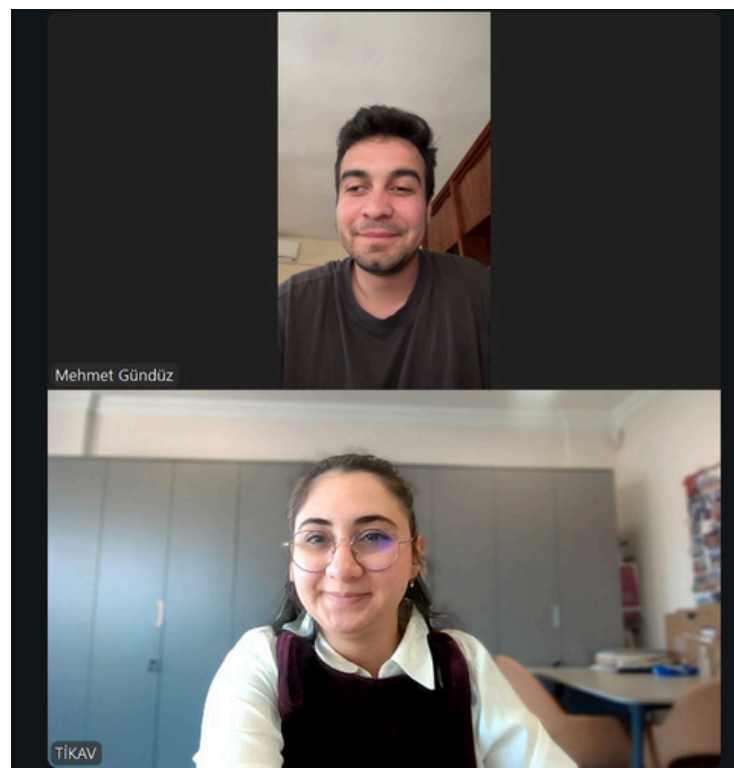
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Kandilli Kız Lisesi

SAJEV Özel Küçük Prens Lisesi



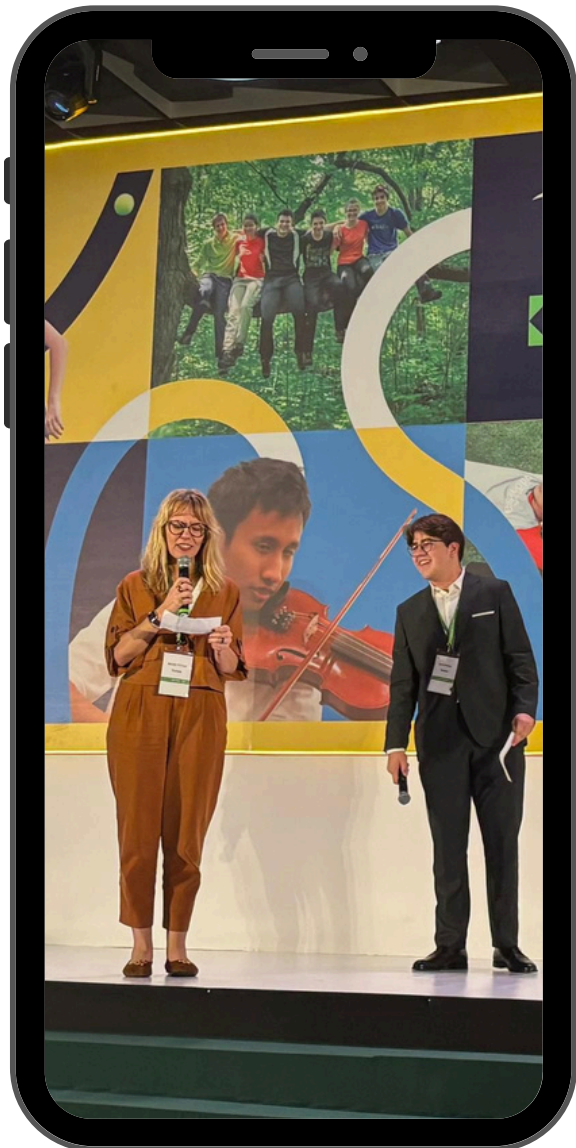
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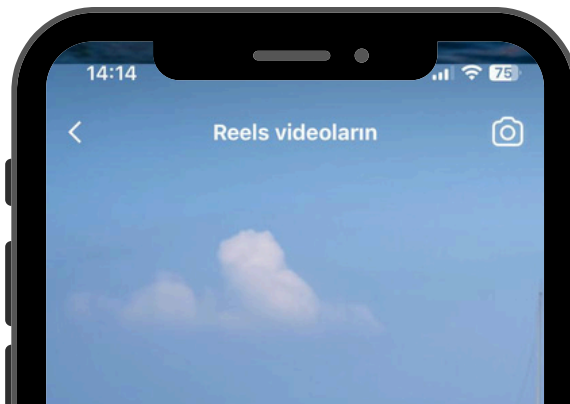
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