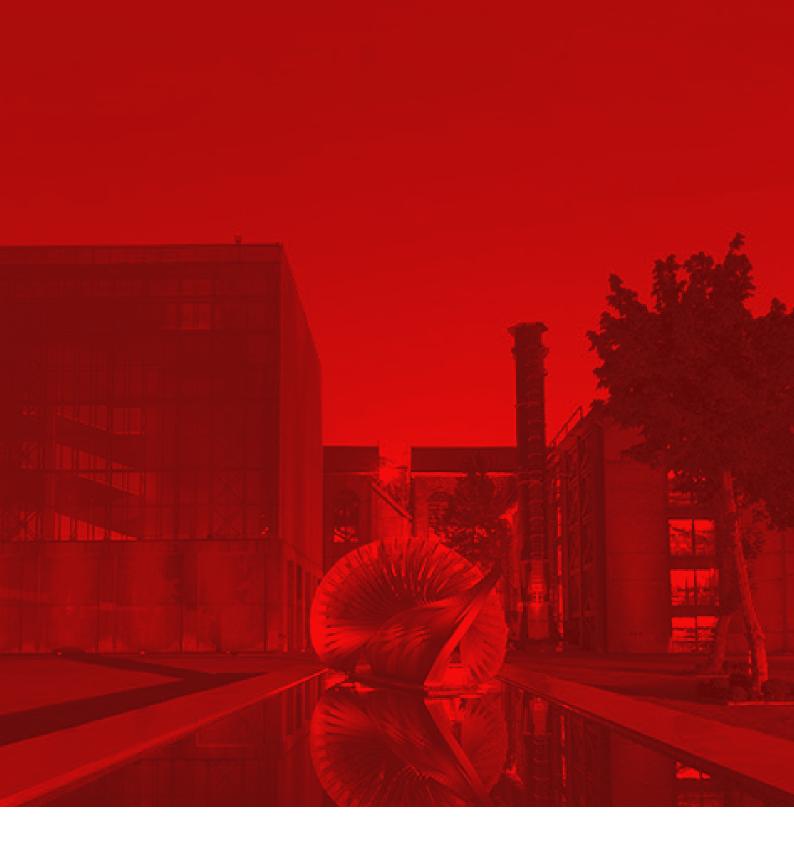
# ISTANBUL BILGI UNIVERSITY UNITED NATIONS GLOBAL COMPACT COMMUNICATION ON ENGAGEMENT 2018-2021





#### From the Rector

I am glad to present our fifth document of Communication on Engagement in which we express our commitment to and support for the principles of the United Nations Global Compact.

Between the years 2018-2021, we continued to support and spread the principles of UNGC with many activities both administrative and academic levels. Within this scope, we have expanded the area of our influence with various activities that our faculties, centers and other units have implemented as a sign of our ongoing commitment to UNGC principles and support to Sustainable Development Goals.

As we always emphasize, contributing to our society and environment is one of our fundamental priorities. Since universities are among the leading institutions that guide societies, their decisions and actions pertaining sustainability will set an example for the society. İstanbul Bilgi University shapes the life on its campuses as fully aware of this responsibility. (https://www.bilgi.edu.tr/media/uploads/2022/03/17/sustainabilityeffortsinnu mbers.pdf)

From our last announcement of commitment till now, we have stated our social engagement policy, which is well-rooted in our history and is built upon the principles of full enjoyment of human rights and freedoms by all, gender equality, social inclusion, diversity, and sustainable development. Social engagement at BİLGİ includes, but is not limited to research, projects, seminars, workshops, courses, conferences, trainings, and summer schools, all of which aim to empower vulnerable groups, raise awareness on social issues, and build capacity within civil society, and public and private sectors. BİLGİ aims to provide a safe space for the discussion of all social issues. (https://www.bilgi.edu.tr/en/university/about/institutional-principles/community-services/social-engagement-policy/) Furthermore, two academic centers and a legal clinic under the roof BİLGİ Faculty of Law have begun to carry out their studies in recent years.

With this document, we declare our ongoing commitment to the UN Global Compact Goals and our vision for sustainability.

Sincerely,

Prof. M. Ege Yazgan

**Acting Rector** 



#### **OVERVIEW**

We concentrate on expanding our capabilities for achieving the UN Global Compact Principles. We perform activities supporting the ten principles of UNGC under four major components, namely human rights, labour, environment, and anti-corruption. A great number of our centers, units, and faculties continue to be active on the basis of our values and in accordance with UNGC.

#### **UNGC Principles**



Principle1: Businesses should support and respect the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights; and

Principle 2: make sure that they are not complicit in human rights abuses.

#### BİLGİ Practice of 2018-2021

Research Center for International Trade Law and Arbitration

Center for Sociology and Education Studies

Center for Civil Society Studies

Center for Migration Research

Work Ethics and Research Center

Human Rights Law Research Center

European Institute

Pro bono Networks/Clearing House

Comparative Labour and Social Security Law Research Center

Legal Clinics

Unit for the Prevention of the Sexual Harassment and Assault

Event Management Unit

**University Press** 

Student Clubs

BİLGİ Courses



Principle 3: Businesses should uphold the freedom of association and the effective recognition of the right to collective bargaining;

Principle 4: the elimination of all forms of forced and compulsory labour;

Principle 5: the effective abolition of child labour; and

Principle 6: the elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation.

Center for Civil society Studies

Center for Sociology and Education Studies

Center for Migration Research

Work Ethics and Research Center

Human Rights Law Research Center

Comparative Labour and Social Security Law Research Center

European Institute

Research Center for International Trade Law and Arbitration

Unit for the Prevention of the Sexual Harassment and Assault

BİLGİ Young Social Entrepreneur Awards

Event Management Unit

Career Center

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Principle 7: Businesses should support a precautionary approach to environmental challenges;

Principle 8: undertake initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility; and

Principle 9: encourage the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies.

Research Center for the Environment, Energy and Sustainability

Research Center for International Trade Law and Arbitration

Work Ethics and Research Center

Event Management Unit

**BİLGİ Courses** 



Principle 10: Businesses should work against corruption in all its forms, including extortion and bribery.

Center for Migration Research

Work Ethics Center

Research Center for Internaional Trade Law and Arbitration

Human Rights Law Research Center

European Institute

Pro bono Networks/Clearing House

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#### **CENTERS and INSTITUTES**

# Activities of Centers and Institutes of BİLGİ corresponding with the UNGC

# **Principles Center for Sociology and Education Studies** (SECBİR)

Founded in November 2010, SEÇBİR (http://secbir.org/en/) believes that education has a key role in building an inclusive society and thereby ensuring social justice. Thus, it conducts activities which carries enabling potential towards an inclusive educational environment allowing all learners to express themselves and to receive support for everyday school practices. To that end, SEÇBİR conducts national and international projects, which open data collected in educational environments (inside and outside of schools) through ethnographic methods, designs and implements educational activities with and for teachers, provides ground for sharing national and international research on education by organizing activities including symposia, seminars, conferences, panels, and workshops. Activities that are held between years 2018-2021 in relation with the UNGC Goals are as follows:

### **Gatherings**

No	Туре	Name/Content	Date
1	Symposium	Who Does Inclusive Education Cover? Refugee and Roman Experiences https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dt7xEmf5WYQ&t=1460s; https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LOBYVntXC3E	September 22, 2018
2	Round Table Meeting	Unaccompanied Children Refugees, Youth, and Inclusivity https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aoCpUObibG4	November 10, 2018
3	Panel	Refugee Youth in Turkey: Legal and Educational Experiences https://twitter.com/secbir/status/1065907349272039425?s=20&t=_nw_inBqwAG-g-AEtulMQA	November 23, 2018
4	Seminar	Nurgül Öztürk: Struggle Against Dating Violence in Schools https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dnOpW9PSVuk	March 21, 2018
5	Seminar	Pınar Uyan Semerci and Gözde Durmuş: Education Life of Working Children: Possibilities and Limitations: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6IHy_Tdg2Hc&t=1254s	April 4, 2018



6	Seminar	Betül Bozkurt and Pınar Şimşek: Psychosocial Support Models for Syrian Refugee Children: Field Experiences	May 2, 2018
7	Seminar	Ayşegül Taşıtman and Ruken Alp: 10 Years On the Way to Gender Equality: Within Purple Certificate Program https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=svPDxpx1VHo	October 24, 2018
8	Seminar	Ayşe Beyazova: "Normal Children" and "Our Chidren": Everyday Life Experiences of Disabled Children in Primary School. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sv6AmYOyw9c	November 7, 2018
9	Seminar	Maissam Nimer: Language in the Context of Mandatory Migration: A Tool or A Meta? https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_2iN6PmhUVw&t=17s	December 5, 2018
10	Seminar Series	Disabled Rights in Education: Seminar Series https://twitter.com/secbir/status/1074947549692350464?s=2 0&t=Rk5JVIJKwOLBCUzh5aQsZA	December 18, 2018 February 16, 2019 March 25, 2019 May 11, 2019
11	Workshop Series	Disabled Rights in Education: Workshop Series https://twitter.com/tohumotizm/status/120397860757777203 9?s=20&t=FxG8_OYy0Ggm2F2mF9laHQ	September- December 2019
12	Panel	Inclusive Education: Opportunities and Problems in Refugee Area https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-jW-wGE1cXA&t=941s	September 28, 2019
13	Panel	Working with Refugees: Obstacles, Areas of Getting Strength, Suggestions https://twitter.com/secbir/status/1200727439183372288?s=2 0&t=_nw_inBqwAG-g-AEtuIMQA	November 30, 2019
14	Seminar	Deniz Dinçel: Environment Education But How? Impact of Environment Perception on Environment Education https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R4efEwA5z9A&t=3s	October 30, 2019
15	Seminar	Ayşe Beyazova: They can receive education together, but: An approach to inclusive education from the perspectives of parents https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PNMB5s9GKW4&t=1250s	December 11, 2019
16	Seminar	Nihan Bozok and Mehmet Bozok: Survival Strategies of unaccompanied Afgan minors in Istanbul	March 4, 2020



17	Webinar series	Working with migrants during the COVID-19 pandemic: Field experiences Self-care for preventing burn-out Child participation New concepts in the new era https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLesODHephb3fNU8Q sgLtydjPURWYNY9oE	November 5, 2020 November 17, 2020 December 3, 2020 December 17, 2020
18	Workshop	Methods and tools for the participation of minor migrants https://twitter.com/secbir/status/1331574074741559297?s=20 &t=FxG8_OYyOGgm2F2mF9laHQ	December 9, 2020
19	Experience Sharing Meetings	Inclusive education focusing on disability rights	October 21, 2020 December 22, 2020
20	Webinar	Supporting unaccompanied minors: Proposal of an inclusive model https://twitter.com/secbir/status/1351838133017522178?s=20& t=FxG8_OYy0Ggm2F2mF9laHQ	January 28, 2021
21	Conference	Civil society for social inclusion of unaccompanied minor migrants in transtition to adulthood: Learning communities for shaping transition interfaces  https://twitter.com/secbir/status/1369578765567819777?s=20 &t=FxG8_OYyOGgm2F2mF9laHQ	March 18, 2021
22	Workshop Series	Intersectional and interdisciplinary perspectives on inclusion https://twitter.com/secbir/status/1469244759487266818?s=2 O&t=FxG8_OYyOGgm2F2mF9laHQ	April 17, 2021 May 8, 2021
23	Discussion Meetings	Multidimentional approaches to inclusion https://twitter.com/secbir/status/1469244759487266818?s=2 0&t=FxG8_OYy0Ggm2F2mF9laHQ	September 8, 2021 October 26, 2021 November 1, 2021 November 19, 2021
24	Webinar	Thinking about inclusion in digital educational settings https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xviyqvqD0yQ	November 2, 2021



# **Certificate Programs**

Name	Content	Partner/s	Number of Occurance	Date/s
Young Purple Certificate Program	Gender Certificate Program for Students of Education Faculty https://twitter.com/secbir/status/99821471 5720466432?s=20&t=_nw_inBqwAG-g-A EtulMQA https://twitter.com/secbir/status/1028229 308802912261?s=20&t=_nw_inBqwAG-g-A EtulMQA https://twitter.com/secbir/status/1058268 488689573889?s=20&t=Rk5JVIJKwOLBC Uzh5aQsZA	Sabancı University	3	April-May 2018 August 2018 November 2018

# Courses

Name	Number of Occurance	Date/s
Disabled Rights in Education Teacher Training Program  https://twitter.com/secbir/status/982622953861984256?s=20&t= _nw_inBqwAG-g-AEtuIMQA	1	February 17- April 7 2018
Working with Refugees Training Series  https://twitter.com/secbir/status/1171420538931175425?s=20&t=FxG8_OYyOGgm2F2mF9laHQ	4	September 18, 2019 October 26, 2019 April 29, 2019 May 11, 2019
Teachers as Action Researchers for Inclusive Education Program - Pilot Study https://twitter.com/secbir/status/1211569539290411008?s=20&t=Rk5JVIJKwOLBCUzh5aQsZA	1	November-Dece mber 2019

# **Projects**

Name	Date/s
Roman and Refugee Students in the Context of Inclusive Education Erasmus+ Project (RoMigSc)	2018-2019
Civil Society and Learning Communities in the Context of Social Inclusivity: Unaccompanied Minors in Transition to Adulthood Erasmus+ Project (CiSoTRA)	2018-2019-2020
Disabled Rights in Education: Together at School and in Life Project	2018-2019-2020
Inclusive Education: Intersectional and Interdisciplinary Perspectives	2021-2022



#### **CENTER FOR CIVIL SOCIETY STUDIES (CCSS)**



The main purpose of the Center for Civil Society Studies (http://stcm.bilgi.edu.tr), established in 2003, is to support the development of civil society both in Turkey and in the world. The Center aims to contribute to this progress by means of conducting scientific research, application and training programs, publications and documentation on the social, economic, and cultural dimensions of this development. Working in cooperation with official and private

institutions, and non-governmental organizations, it strives to contribute to the accumulation of knowledge in related fields. The center encompasses three separate units: the NGO Training and Research Unit, the Youth Studies Unit, and the Child Studies Unit. It also includes BİLGİ Incubation Center and the Master's Program in Social Projects and NGO Management. In addition, it offers courses and conducts studies related to civil society in various undergraduate programs. The relatively newly established BİLGİ Social Incubation Center conducts workshops for civil society initiatives working on rights in the city (e.g., CSOs, initiatives, platforms, and informal groups) in order to build their institutional capacities by providing them with various learning opportunities.

The Social Incubation Center: (https://sosyalkulucka.bilgi.edu.tr) CCSS stands



out with The Social Incubation Center, located on İstanbul Bilgi University's santralistanbul Campus, established in December 2014. It was designed as a resource center that could be used to meet the changing needs of civil society, particularly in Istanbul. The center is engaged in activities for grassroots organizations that need assistance in developing their

organizational capacity in a particular area. It is the first incubation center in Turkey that supports non-profit organizations. The Social Incubation Center has recently begun to create learning platforms where organizations and initiatives from outside of Istanbul and abroad can learn from one another. It currently extends assistance to civil society in three key areas:



- \*Making available various learning opportunities for organizational development in the areas of resource development, collaboration with volunteers, strategic orientation, project creation/management, network formation, and advocacy to CSOs and citizen initiatives by making available office space, consultancy, and participation in mentoring, workshops and training.
- \* Supporting civil actors through workshops open to civil society and trainings specially designed for organizations in order to help them become more familiar with certain topics, to raise their awareness and to improve their skills.
- \*Formulating solutions for the need for physical space of CSOs in Istanbul such as office space and locations for training and meetings.

**Istanbul Bilgi University Child Studies Unit (http://cocuk.bilgi.edu.tr): The Unit,** 



founded in 2007, works in the training, research, and advocacy fields aiming at the realization of children's rights, under the Civil Society Studies Center. With the active participation of the children, the Unit endeavors to contribute to the policies developed

concerning children in Turkey. The main stakeholders of the Unit are children aged between 0-18, people and organizations working for and around the children and those who contribute to the development of child policies.

istanbul Bilgi University Youth Studies Unit (http://genclik.bilgi.org.tr) Founded in 2006, the Unit has also been working under the Civil Society Studies Center of İstanbul Bilgi University. The Unit has been running projects on 4 main program areas, Advocacy, Research, Networking, and Modeling in order to contribute to the recognition of youth work and to develop youth policiy proposals for a more a democratic youth policy in Turkey. As a principle, the Unit prefers to work in cooperation with both active youth organizations and public stakeholders in the field. For the publications of the Unit: http://genclik.bilgi.org.tr/yayinlar/

All these units under the CSSC roof carried out many UNGC related activities between the years 2018-2021.





# **Gatherings**

Type	Name/Content	Date
Meeting	Year of Elimination of Child Labor in Türkiye 2018 Evaluation Meeting	2019
Panel	Panel on Local Governments and Chidren's Rights in Cooperation with İzmir Metropolitan Municipality	2019
Seminar	Seminar about creating awareness among Bağcılar Municipality Employees	2019
Meeting	Training for NGOs about monitoring public expenditures for environmental protection and combating climate change and formation of working groups	2020
Meeting	Prevention of Child Labor Project Closing Meeting	2021
Meeting	A Talk with the teachers involved in "I Have Right" Project	2021
Seminar	With the partnership of TROYA and RCDA the seminar "Renewable Energy, Cooperatives and Woman Participation" was held.	2021
Seminar	With the partnersip of YUVA and WOSDEC the seminar "Global Ecologic Citizenship" was held.	2021
Seminar	Online seminar titled "Growing in a Changing World." Number of participants: 75	2021

# **Certificate Programs**

Name	Content	Partner/s	Number of Occurance	Date/s
Kadıkoy Summer School for CSOs	In cooperation with İstanbul Bilgi University, Social Incubation Center and Kadıköy Municipality, Summer School for civil society organizations (CSOs) and civil initiatives that are members of Kadıköy City Council CSO is organized. The program aims to support the capacity development of City Council member CSOs. (there is a campus in Kadıköy.)	Kadıköy Municipality and Kadıköy City Council	1	June 8 – August 8, 2019



Şişli CSO School	A capacity building certificate program for the CSOs that are members of Şişli City Council. (There is a campus in Şişli.)	Şişli Municipality and City Council	1	Oct 30- Dec 12, 2019
Workshops for the CSOs that works or willing to work with municipalities	A capacity building certificate program for the CSOs that are members of Şişli City Council. (There is a campus in Şişli.)	Yereliz Association	1	Nov 19 – Dec 21, 2019

## **Courses**

Name	Number of Occurance	Date/s
Training designed under "Monitoring Public Expenditures for Environmental Protection and Combating Climate Change and Monitoring Gatherings for NGOs" Course. 25 NGOs participated in the training. Two training hours in every month amounting to 12 hours in total.	1	2021

# **Projects**

Name	Date/s
Social Incubation Support Programme for the CSOs that work with vulnerable groups	2018-2019
20 CSOs,15 workshops, 9 trainings open for all right-based CSOs, office, consulting and academic support	
Funding Organization: Sweden Consulate General in İstanbul (International)	
Fund amount: (TRY): ₺131,00.00	
Strengthening Civil Society Development and Civil Society-Public Sector Dialogue in Türkiye	2018-2020
Capacity building support for 10 CSOs from different cities	
(BİLGİ Social Incubation Center was a partner of the project.)	
Funding Organization: CFCU	
Fund amount: (TRY): ₺621.725 (The applicant was STGM)	
Funding Organization: ITX Trading SA (International) Fund amount: (TRY): £95,500.00 Project Name: The Child Labour Prevention Model and Eradication	January 31, 2017- February 28, 2022



Funding Organization: Sweden Consulate General in İstanbul (International) Fund amount: (TRY): £160,00.00 Project name: Providing Gender Equality among Children and Combating Discrimination	January 9, 2020- January 31, 2021
Online Social Incubation for Local Participation Project  11 CSOs from different cities, 19 open for all right-based CSOs, office, consulting and academic support  Funding Organization: Sweden Consulate General in İstanbul (International)  Fund Amount (TRY): ≵144,780	2020
Go For Youth Project Capacity building support for 50 CSOs.  (BİLGİ Social Incubation Center is a partner of the project.) Funding Organization: CFCU Fund amount: (TRY): ₺332.894 (The applicant is GO4.)	2020-2022
Online Social Incubation for Local Participation Project primaly for ecology and women rights  11 CSOs from different cities, 18 open for all right-based CSOs, office, consulting and academic support  Funding Organization: Sweden Consulate General in İstanbul (International)  Fund Amount (TRY): ₺227,950.0	2021
Capacity Building for Right-Based CSOs through Distance Learning Program  The project aims to develop and strengthen learning frameworks and methods of right-based CSOs by providing online videos, a training program and a website in order to increase their capacity to continue activities during the pandemic and post-pandemic of 2020s.  Funding Organization: Consul General of Netherlands in İstanbul  Fund Amount (TRY): ₺189,100.0	Dec 2021 - Oct 2022

# **Other Activities**

Туре	Description	Partner/s	Date/s
Workshop	Gender Equality Board Game dissemination workshops as part of the Purple Certificate Program		2018
Publication	A Guide to Eliminate Child Labor and Discrimination for Educators for Inclusive and Participatory Schools, İstanbul Bilgi University Press 662, Research 16 ISBN: 978-605-399-553-1		2019
Poster	All that is needed to be known about fighting against child labor  http://cocukisciligineson.bilgi.edu.tr/wp-content/upload s/2019/06/CocuklsciligiPoster.11.06.19.jpg		2019



Publication	Our Mentoring Experience: A Guide for CSOs Aiming to Provide Mentoring" prepared by İstanbul Bilgi University Center for Civil Society Studies within the scope of the project "Developing Capacity of CSOs and Civil Networks for Further Development of Freedom of Association and Right to Participation" and financed by European Union, is translated and published in English	2020
Publication	Bilgi Social Incubation Center 6th year Publication The publication explains the changes regarding the needs in the civic field, the process that created the Center and the support provided in this process by answering the questions "why", "how" and "with whom" and aims to make it accessible as a capacity building model.	2021
Training	Mentorship Training Under the project Strengthening Civil Society Development and Civil Society-Public Sector Dialogue in Türkiye, a mentorship training was held with 20 participants	April 2019
Training	CSO Support Programme for Online Studies  The programme is organised to support non-governmental organizations for the needs that have emerged due to the impact of the Corona epidemic	June 2020
Training	Mentorship Training Under the project Go for Youth, a mentorship training was held with 21 participants	2021
Publication	Our Mentoring Experience: A Guide for CSOs Aiming to Provide Mentoring" prepared by İstanbul Bilgi University Center for Civil Society Studies within the scope of the project "Developing Capacity of CSOs and Civil Networks for Further Development of Freedom of Association and Right to Participation" and financed by European Union, is translated and published in English	2020
Video	The video aims to discuss the impact of the Covid-19 outbreak on civil society, as well as to support and strengthen non-governmental organizations that continue to work with online digital tools and channels during remote working periods.	2021
Experience Sharing Modules	"Learning" in Online These modules includes 3 different meetings and a webinar Funding org. Sweden Consulate General in İstanbul (International)	Jan 2021



#### CENTER FOR MIGRATION RESEARCH



Istanbul Bilgi University Center for Migration Research (http://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/), as the first migration research center to carry out large scale, multi-dimensional scientific research in Türkiye, started its studies

as a unit of the Social, Economic and Political Research Center at BİLGİ in 2002 and was founded in 2005 as a separate research center. Historically, Türkiye has been affected by, and has produced, diverse forms of migratory movements and refugee flows. It is within such a climate that the Center for Migration Research has formulated its mission to strengthen institutional coordination among researchers through several networking activities, support new research and joint projects, and produce reliable information based on research findings that can contribute to realistic policy and decision-making processes.

Between the years 2018-2021, the Center performed the following UNGC related activities:

#### **Gatherings**

Туре	Name/Content	Date
Meeting	Seasonal Labor Migration Network (MIGA) Meeting About MIGA: https://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/en/activities/9/seasonal-labor-migrati on-network-miga/	November 2, 2018
Meeting	Child Labor Meeting in Türkiye	November 3, 2018
Meeting	Evaluation Meeting of the Year of Struggle Against Child Labor 2018  https://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/haberler-ve-etkinlikler/194/turkiye-de-cocuk-isciligi-ile-mucadele-yili-2018-degerlendirme-bulus masi/  Abstracts: https://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/media/uploads/2019/05/17/sunum-oz etleri-cocuk-isciligiyle-mucadele-yili-bulusmasi-12ocak2019_057piHV.pdf	January 12, 2019
Workshop	Refugee Integration and the Role of Technology in Refugee Vocational Training	October 15, 2019
Conference	Learning from the "Other": Discussions on the Experiences of Migration Receiving Countries  https://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/en/news-and-events/204/internationa l-conference-learning-from-the-other-discussions-on-the-exp eriences-of-receiving-countries/	November 8, 2019



Conference	Volunteerism in Türkiye: Participation, Conditions, and Law (in collaboration with BİLGİ Civil Society Studies Center) https://gonulluluk.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/etkinlik/archive/	November 13-14, 2019
Workshop	Inclusive Education against Child Labor in Seasonal Agriculture	January 11, 2020
Conference	Social Entrepreneurship Under Scrutiny: Livelihood and Employability of Refugees  https://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/en/news-and-events/214/social-entre preneurship-under-scrutiny-livelihood-and-employability-of-refugees/	February 15, 2020
Seminar	We are Talking About the Conditions of Seasonal Agricultural Workers I-II-III-IV (Seminar Series)  https://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/haberler-ve-etkinlikler/217/covid-19-salgininda-mevsimlik-tarim-iscilerinin-kosullarini-konusuyoruz-i-7-mayis-2020/  https://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/haberler-ve-etkinlikler/219/covid-19-salgininda-mevsimlik-tarim-iscilerinin-kosullarini-konusuyoruz-ii-14-mayis-2020/  https://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/haberler-ve-etkinlikler/223/covid-19-salgininda-mevsimlik-tarim-iscilerinin-kosullarini-konusuyoruz-iii-21-mayis-2020/  https://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/haberler-ve-etkinlikler/224/covid-19-salgininda-mevsimlik-tarim-iscilerinin-kosullarini-konusuyoruz-iv-28-mayis-2020/	May 7, 2020 May 14, 2020 May 21, 2020 May 28, 2020
Meeting	Seasonal Labor Migration Network (MIGA) Online Meeting	June 8, 2020
Webinar/Seminar	Impact of the coronavirus pandemic and restrictions imposed on the lives of migrant footballers in İstanbul Video link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uwqcdRYdImE	June 9, 2020
Seminar	An Overview of the Last 20 Years in the Struggle Against Child Labor: Statistics, Policies, Practices	June 10, 2020
Seminar	Struggle with Child Labor in the Last 20 Years	June 12, 2020
Seminar	Evaluating Child Labor Literature of the Last 20 Years: Theory, Methodology, and Ethics	June 15, 2020
Seminar	Evaluating Business World in Struggling with Child Labor in the Last 20 Years	June 17, 2020
Workshop	Sharing Experiences in Schools Struggling with Child Labor	June 16, 2020
Meeting	Seasonal Labor Migration Network (MIGA) Online Meeting	October 27, 2020
Meeting	Seasonal Labor Migration Network (MIGA) Online Meeting	November 24, 2020
Meeting	Seasonal Labor Migration Network (MIGA) Online Meeting	April 1, 2021



Meeting	Prevention of Child Labor Research and Model Development Project Closing Meeting  Video link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bXpigR5NT0g  Project outputs: http://cocukisciligineson.bilgi.edu.tr/yol-haritasi/ http://cevrimicidersler.org/class/cocukisciligi	May 5, 2021
Seminar	Seasonal Labor Migration Network Child Working Group Magnifying Talks  Video links: https://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/haberler-ve-etkinlikler/248/buyutec-konusmalari-1-mevsimlik-tarimda-cocuk-isciliginin-onlenmesi-projesi/ https://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/haberler-ve-etkinlikler/249/buyutec-konusmalari-2-sanliurfa-da-pamuk-arazilerinde-insana-yakisir-is-kosullarina-dogru-projesi/ https://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/haberler-ve-etkinlikler/250/buyutec-konusmalari-3-bahar-2021/	March 17, 2021 April 27, 2021 May 26, 2021
Conference	MiGA Conference 2021 Decent Job: Working, Employment and Living Conditions of Seasonal Agricultural Workforce https://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/haberler-ve-etkinlikler/257/miga-konferansi-2021-insana-yakisir-is-mevsimlik-tarimdaki-isgucunun-calisma-istihdam-ve-yasam-kosullari/	November 5-6, 2021

# **Projects**

Name	Date/s
The Project of Improving the Living Conditions of the Children of Seasonal Migrant Agricultural Worker Families in Adana From the Perspective of Child Well-Being https://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/en/our-researches/6/2016-improvement-of-the-living-conditions-of-seasonal-migrant-agricultural-workers-children-in-adana/	February 2016- January 2020
Counting our Losses: Social Entrepreneurship, Refugees, and Urban Transformation in Türkiye	January 2018-J uly 2019
Prevention of Child Labor Research and Model Development Project (in collaboration with BİLGİ Child Studies Unit)  Project outputs: http://cocukisciligineson.bilgi.edu.tr/yol-haritasi/ http://cevrimicidersler.org/class/cocukisciligi	March 2018- March 2019
Migration Awareness https://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/aktiviteler/12/goc-bildiklerimiz-bilmediklerimiz/	March 2018- December 2018
Creative Network Plus: Basic Research and Development on refugee integration and access to vocational education and training (BREDEP) https://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/en/our-researches/40/2019-creative-network-plus-baseline-research-and-development-bredep/	July 2019- December 2020



## **Other Activities**

Туре	Description	Partner/s	Authors	Date/s
Film Screening and Talk	The Guest (Misafir) by Andaç Haznedaroğlu https://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/haberler-ve- etkinlikler/185/misafir/	BİLGİ Faculty of Communication		March 28, 2018
Publication	Who cannot access education? Difficulties of being a student for Syrian children in Türkiye. Vulnerable Children and Youth Studies, 13(1): 30-45. DOI: 10.1080/17450128.2017.1372654		P.Uyan Semerci and E. Erdoğan	2018
Publication	Makeshift Lives: The State of Armenian-Citizen Migrants and Their Children Living in İstanbul. İstanbul: HDV Yayınları.		P.Uyan Semerci and E. Erdoğan	2018
Publication	Evaluation of Child Labor Studies in Academic Literature After 2000 in Türkiye, Work and Society, pp.2503-2538		E. Erdoğan and P.Uyan Semerci	2019:4
Publication	Educators' Guide for Combating with Child Labor and Discrimination in order to Create Inclusive and Participative Schools http://cocukisciligineson.bilgi.edu.tr/w p-content/uploads/2019/06/ COCA_%C3%87ocuklsciligiElKitabi.11.0 6.19.pdf		A.Beyazova	2019
Publication	Educators' Guide for Combating with Child Labor and Discrimination in order to Create Inclusive and Participative Schools: Children of Seasonal Agricultural Workers and Education https://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/media/uploads/2021/06/24/mevsimlikgezicitarimisciligi-egitim-rehber.pdf		A.Beyazova	2019
Film Screening and Talk	Refugee, Here I Am by Eda Elif Tibet and Enzo Ikah https://goc.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/haberler-ve- etkinlikler/198/refugee-here-i-am-belg esel-gosterimi-soylesi/			29 April 2019



Film Screening and Talk	Saf by Ali Vatansever https://www.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/etkinlik/904 3/film-gosterimi-ve-soylesi-saf/			May 13, 2019
Website	End to Child Labor- https://cocukisciligineson.bilgi.edu.tr			2019
Online Training	Migration Awareness http://bilgigocfarkindalik.net/			March 2021
Online Training	Understanding Polarization turkuazlabsaha.org/kutuplasmayianla mak			June 2021
Online Training	Training on Infodemic turkuazlabsaha.org/infodemiegitimi			June 2021
Publication	Volunteerism in Türkiye: Experiences, Limitations, and Opportunities (Türkiye'de Gönüllülük: Deneyimler, Sınırlılıklar ve Yeni Açılımlar) İstanbul, İstanbul Bilgi Üniversitesi Yayınları https://gonulluluk.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/kitapla r/ turkiyede-gonulluluk/		E. Erdoğan, P. Uyan Semerci, N. Yentürk, L.Yurttagüler	2021
Exhibition	Other Stories	Koridoor Contemporary Art Programs, ArtHerelstanbul, Art4me, GAR - Association for Migration Research, Support to Life Association, IGAM - The Research Centre on Asylum and Migration, Association for Solidarity with Asylum Seekers and Migrants, BİLGİ European Institute		December 16, 2021- February 7, 2022



# RESEARCH CENTRE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY AND SUSTAINABILITY



The Research Centre for the Environment

(http://ces.bilgi.edu.tr/en/), Energy and Sustainability was established in Fall 2010 with the aim of contributing to environmental studies from a perspective that takes into account all aspects of environmental problems including energy and sustainability. The centre intends to serve as a bridge between all stakeholders including universities, NGOs, public institutions, and the private sector.

## **Gatherings**

Туре	Name/Content	Date
Panel	European Green Deal: Opportunities and Obstacles (45 Participants)	December 24, 2020
Seminar	The Role of Art in Struggle with Climate Crisis	April 1, 2021
Seminar	"The Role of Environmental Taxes and Incentives in Compliance with the European Green Deal" delivered to Southeastern Anatolian Export Associations	August 8, 2021
Seminar	In the Project named "Handling the Climate Change Impact on Security" that is supported by NATO's Public Policy Department, a seminar named Climate Financing and Market Based Mechanisms: Carbon Taxes and Emission Trade System was organized.	November 8, 2021



# **Projects**

Name	Date/s
Researchers of the Center supported the field research conducted by Kızbaşına NGO and funded by British Council. Aim of the study is to reveal the thoughts of young people aged between 18-35 about climate and water crisis and migrations related with these problems. Furthermore, the study also aimed to learn their approaches about how these issues could be tackled and their understanding of economic strength.	March 2021

## **Other Activities**

Туре	Description	Partner/s	Date/s
Publication	Public Support for Carbon Taxation in Turkey: Drivers and Barriers https://ces.bilgi.edu.tr/statics/docs/public-support-for-carbon-taxation-in-turkey-drivers-and-barriers.pdf		September 18, 2020
Activism	Supporting "World Hour" Campaing with the execution of WWF Türkiye		2018 March 27, 2021
Membership	Supporting "Green Taxing: International Developments, Problems and Solutions" Working Group as a member takes part in Ministry of Treasury and Finance Tax Council.		Since December 2021



#### **HUMAN RIGHTS LAW RESEARCH CENTER**





The Center

(http://insanhaklarimerkezi.bilgi.edu.tr/en/) at BİLGİ was established in late 2000 with considerable support from BİLGİ Faculty of Law. The Center's sphere of activity covers

all fields of human rights law. The approach that predominates the Center's activities is that every state of affair includes a "rights perspective" and thus, a perception of enhancement that prioritizes the utilization of law should be promoted. Therefore, inter alia, the Center's activities focus on women's human rights, domestic and international human rights protection mechanisms, anti-discrimination, minority rights, refugee rights, freedom of expression and internet freedoms, access to justice and judiciary, human rights education, and human rights activism.

UNGC related activities performed by the Center between the years 2018-2021 are as follows:

#### **Gatherings**

Туре	Name/Content	Date
Panel	Closing Panel of BİLGİ Human Rights Law Summer School - IV, "Identities and Otherization in the Youth in Türkiye". Moderator: Professor Turgut Tarhanlı, Director of the Human Rights Law Research Center, Speaker: Professor Pınar Uyan Semerci, Vice Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities	July 24, 2018
Panel	Closing Panel of BİLGİ Human Rights Law Summer School - V, "Profession as Lawyers and the Right to Defence". Moderator: Professor Turgut Tarhanlı, Director of the Human Rights Law Research Center, Speaker: Lawyer Mehmet Durakoğlu, President of İstanbul Bar Association	July 24, 2019
Seminars	Seminars titled Legislation on Combating Discrimination and Violence Against Women (As part of the Project on Empowering Women's Access to Justice conducted in cooperation with Purple Roof Women's Shelter Foundation)	January 18-19, 2019 (İstanbul) February 22-23, 2019 (Bursa) March 22-23, 2019 (Eskişehir) April 26-27, 2019 (Trabzon)
Panel	Organized by Human Rights Law Research Center, BİLGİ Gender Working Group and BİLGİ Unit for the Prevention of the Sexual Harassment and Assault "Struggling with Violence Towards Woman"	December 3, 2019



Panel	Panel within BİLGİ Human Rights Law Summer School - VI, "COVID-19 Pandemic and Women". Moderator: Expert Researcher Gökçeçiçek Ayata, Speakers: Professor Yakın Ertürk, Former UN Special Rapporteur on Violence against Women and Girls, its Causes and Consequences and Professor İpek İlkkaracan Ajas, İstanbul Technical University Department of Management Engineering	July 21, 2020
Panel	Closing Panel of BİLGİ Human Rights Law Summer School - VI, "COVID-19 Pandemic and Human Rights". Moderator: Professor Turgut Tarhanlı, Speakers: Associate Professor Ulaş Karan, Faculty of Law, Seda Kalem, Faculty Member, PhD, Faculty of Law, Galma Akdeniz, Faculty Member, PhD, Faculty of Law, Associate Professor Ömer Turan, Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, Department of International Relations	July 22, 2020
Panel	Closing Panel of BİLGİ Human Rights Law Summer School VII,"Developments about the İstanbul Convention and Women's Rights".	July 13, 2021

# **Projects**

Name	Date/s
Empowering Women's Access to Justice Project	July 2018- July 2019
ASOS-KADAV Gender Program	December 2017- June 2018

# **Other Activities**

Туре	Description	Partner/s	Date/s
Award Ceremony	BİLGİ Pro Bono 2017 Award Ceremony		January 24, 2018
Summer School	BİLGİ Human Rights Law Summer School - IV		July 16-24, 2018
Project Participation	Sevinç Eryılmaz (Center's member) coordinated and took paart in Empowering Women's Access to Justice Project; Gökçeçiçek Ayata (Center's member) took part in Empowering Women's Access to Justice Project	Sabancı Foundation, Purple Roof Women's Shelter Foundation	2018
Meeting Participation	Center Members' Participation to the Network Meeting of the Representatives of the Units for the Prevention of the Sexual Harassment and Assault at different universities in Türkiye		2018



Conference Participation	"İstanbul Development Dialogues 2018: Breakthrough to 2030" Conference organized by the UN Development Program's Sustainable Development Goals	2018
Training Participation	Participation to Labour Rights Trainings organized in Istanbul and Tatvan. As a part of this training, trainees were interviewed for evaluating and impact measurement	2018
Summer School	BİLGİ Human Rights Law Summer School - V	July 16-24, 2019
Publication	National Publication: Training Evaluation and Impact Measurement Report of Seminars held as part of "Empowering Women's Access to Justice Project" Burcu Yeşiladalı	September 2019
Summer School	BİLGİ Human Rights Law Summer School - VI	July 13-22, 2020 (online)
Summer School*	BİLGİ Human Rights Law Summer School - VII	July 7-13, 2021 (online)

<sup>\*</sup>Summer School Capacity was set as 31 in 2021. From 2015 to 2021, total number of applications to Summer School was 1.108. Only 205 students were selected as participants. In 2021, 99 applications were made and as mentioned only 31 of applications were accepted.



# **CENTER FOR WORK ETHICS**



The Center for Work Ethics (https://isetigi.bilgi.edu.tr/) aims to carry out scientific researches, analysis, practices, education and documentation activities in universal business ethics field; to cooperate with related public and private sector institutions; to guide scientific researches and analysis in accordance with the needs of practice; and to ensure scientific findings are adopted in practice. The Center is of the opinion that ethical practice of work covers all the touch points with society, environment, and economy.

#### **Activities**

Туре	Description	Date
Report	UNGC COE 2016-2018	2020
Report	Volunteer For an Inclusive Future - The practice and potential of employee volunteering in Türkiye. IMPACT 2030 (Capacity Mapping Steering Committee and Report Writing)	2020



#### **EUROPEAN INSTITUTE**



İstanbul Bilgi University European undertakes in-depth research on EU Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence politics and policies with a specific emphasis on diversity and pluralism.

Building on EU expertise acquired within BİLGİ, the European Institute is now the primary focus for the interdisciplinary study of processes of integration in the politics, legal systems, society, and economies of Europe.

To this end, the European Institute supports interdisciplinary academic programs on EU studies and undertakes interdisciplinary research with a primary focus on themes such as processes of integration, Europeanization, multiculturalism, diversity, and the construction of European identities.

Besides many other EU-funded (numerous FP7 projects) and international projects, the Institute has been awarded a Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence Award (2013), two Jean Monnet Chairs, and several other Jean Monnet modules and Learning EU at School Projects.

The European Institute is also active in outreach projects and is involved in training Turkish high school students and teachers in fundamental values linked to the EU such as human rights, pluralism, and diversity.

İstanbul Bilgi University's European Institute has been selected for the "Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence" with the "European Values at School -EUducate" project. Having received a very high score during the evaluation process, BİLGİ thus became the fourth university to be nominated as the "Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence" in Turkey as a result of intensive academic work on European Integration since 1996.

Istanbul Bilgi University has already been awarded three Jean Monnet Modules for highly specialised teaching on EU development in the fields of political science, economy, and international relations as well as two Jean Monnet Chairs within the European Institute and the Department of International Relations in 2011 and 2013. The "Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence "which is the latest award received by BİLGİ within the framework of Life Long Learning Programme, will provide an enhanced support for interdisciplinary academic studies and research on European Integration as well as for public activities on Europe and the EU.

Between the years 2018-2021, European Institute performed the following **UNGC-related activities:** 



# **Gatherings**

Туре	Name/Content	Date
Meeting	"ROUTES OF HOPE: TRANSITIONS AND DESTINATIONS IN GLOBAL MIGRATION FLOWS", İSTANBUL, TÜRKİYE  Final event of the European Institute's <b>TÜBİTAK Project</b> "Living with indeterminacy: being an undocumented migrant in İstanbul (Belirsizlikle Yaşamak: İstanbul'da düzensiz göçmen olmak)".  Venue: IFEA Beyoğlu/İstanbul Convener: Meltem Sancak Finke, İstanbul Bilgi University About the event: https://eu.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/news/invitation-final-event-of-europ ean-institutes-t/ About the project: https://eu.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/programs/tubitak-belirsizlikle-yasam ak-istanbulda-duzensiz-/	February 8-9, 2018
Meeting	"KICK-OFF MEETING FOR RESPOND MULTILEVEL GOVERNANCE OF MASS MIGRATION IN EUROPE AND BEYOND"  The kick-off meeting for RESPOND: Multilevel Governance of Mass Migration in Europe and Beyond. RESPOND project funded by the European Commission under the Horizon2020 Programme.  About the event: https://eu.bilgi.edu.tr/en/news/lansman-toplants-respond-avr upa-ve-otesinde-kit/https://eu.bilgi.edu.tr/en/news/istanbul-lansman-toplants-sun umlar/  About the project: https://respondmigration.com/	April 3, 2018
Meeting	"From Tolerance to Respect in Social Participation and Harmonisation Processes" Sultanbeyli Idea Club.  Prof. Ayhan Kaya made a speech entitled "From Tolerance to Respect in Social Participation and Harmonisation Processes" on Monday, September 24, 2018, as a guest of Sultanbeyli Idea Club.  About the event: https://eu.bilgi.edu.tr/en/news/24-eylul-2018-toplumsal-katl m-ve-uyum-surecler/	September 24, 2018
Competition	"STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION: "GENDER EQUALITY IN THE LABOUR MARKET IN EUROPE AND TÜRKİYE", istanbul Bilgi University's European Institute invited BİLGİ students enrolled in BA and MA Programmes to a Paper Competition on the theme "Gender Equality in the Labour Market in Europe and Türkiye" from 22 January 2018 to 01 June 2018.  About the Competition: https://eu.bilgi.edu.tr/en/news/call-for-academic-paper-competition/ The winners and papers: https://eu.bilgi.edu.tr/en/news/duyuru-ogrenci-makale-yarsmas-sonuclar-gender/	June 22, 2018



Meeting	RESPOND Roundtable Meeting RESPOND project's researchers and invitees met at the first roundtable meeting held at Istanbul Bilgi University in Türkiye, December 17, 2018. The meeting was moderated by Dr. Zeynep Şahin-Mencütek (İstanbul Sweden Research Institute - SRII), Dr. Ela Gökalp-Aras (İstanbul Sweden Research Institute - SRII), Prof. Ayhan Kaya (İstanbul Bilgi University) and Dr. Susan Rottmann (Özyeğin University).  About the Meeting: https://eu.bilgi.edu.tr/en/news/respond-multilevel-governance-of-migration-and-be/	December 17, 2018
Conference	New Europe Conference Series: "Political Psychology of Yellow Vest in France"  This event was organized within the scope of BİLGİ PRIME Youth Project, which is funded by the European Research Council.  The event was moderated by Prof. Ayhan Kaya who noted that new social movements are not necessarily novel because there have been many historical instances of grassroots movements based on the people's determination to seek socioeconomic equality.  About the Conference & Presentations: https://eu.bilgi.edu.tr/en/news/new-europe-confere/ About the Project: https://bpy.bilgi.edu.tr/en/	March 21, 2019
Workshop	ERC Project Workshop: "Interdisciplinary Youth Radicalisation"  "Interdisciplinary Workshop on Youth Radicalization" was held at İstanbul Bilgi University santralistanbul campus on November 13, 2019.  Our keynote speaker in the morning, Prof. Jocelyne Cesari made a presentation titled "A Sociological Perspective on Radicalization and Co-radicalization Processes in Europe" and she discussed the relations between deprivation and radicalisation through informing us about the dominant narratives surrounding radicalisation and co-radicalisation.  About the Workshop: https://bpy.bilgi.edu.tr/en/workshops/interdisciplinary-workshop-youth-radicalization/  About the Project: https://bpy.bilgi.edu.tr/en/	November 13, 2019
Webinar	Webinar on "From Global to Local Migration Policies: Issues and Responsibilities"  This webinar was moderated by Dr. Fatma Yılmaz Elmas (MATİLDE Project Researcher). RESPOND Project Principal Investigator Dr. N. Ela Gökalp-Aras (Swedish Research Institute Istanbul - SRII) and RESPOND Project Administrative Coordinator Soner Ö. Barthoma (Uppsala University) discussed the migration policies in the light of the latest findings of the RESPOND Project.  This webinar is available at: https://youtu.be/eldYMIk5IbA	June 24, 2020



Workshop	ERC PRIME Youth Project Workshop: "Radicalization and Political Extremism"  In this workshop, our researchers shared their initial findings from the ERC-funded PRIME Youth project along with presentations from esteemed colleagues on the current debates surrounding radicalisation.  This conference was moderated by Prof. Constantina Badea of Universite Paris Nanterre.  About the workshop: https://bpy.bilgi.edu.tr/en/workshops/workshop-radicalizatio n-and-political-extremism/	October 8, 2020
Workshop	ERC PRIME Youth Project Workshop: "Radicalization and Nativism"  In this workshop, our researchers shared their initial findings from the ERC-funded PRIME Youth project and presentations from esteemed colleagues on the current debates surrounding radicalisation.  This conference was moderated by Prof. Thomas Faist of Bielefeld University, who is one of the scientific advisors of the PRIME Youth Research Project, in collaboration with Prof. Jörg Hüttermann, a member of the Institute for Interdisciplinary Research on Conflict and Violence, Bielefeld University.  About the workshop: https://bpy.bilgi.edu.tr/en/workshops/workshop-radicalization-and-nativism-19-october-20/	October 19, 2020
Webinar	"İstanbul Convention and Women's Rights"  Discussant: Gökçeçiçek Ayata Moderator: Aslı Aydın-Sancar  This webinar is available at: https://youtu.be/CsyJbh4s4zw	December 3, 2020
Webinar	"About International Migrant's Day"  Discussant: Pınar Uyan-Semerci Moderator: Fatma Yılmaz-Elmas  This webinar is available at: https://youtu.be/iwMAV6I1qwI	December 17, 2020
Webinar	"Living with Immigration Psychology"  Discussant: Gülseli Baysu  Moderator: Ayşenur Benevento  This webinar is available at: https://youtu.be/DwqDdFwa1zU	January 7, 2021
Webinar	"Türkiye as a Receiving Country of Migration from the Past to the Present and Refugees in Türkiye" Discussant: Ahmet İçduygu Moderatör: Özlem Cihan This webinar is available at: https://youtu.be/5KdMUdlo_7A	May 5, 2021
Webinar	"Integration Debate in the World and Türkiye"  Discussant: Ayhan Kaya Moderator: Gökçe Gezer  This webinar is available at: https://youtu.be/sj26HQqOljY	May 20, 2021



#### Online European BİLGİ Academy

European BİLGİ Academy "Radicalization, Populism, and Islamophobia in Europe"

European Institute, in cooperation with the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), held an online program on May 24-25-26,2021 titled "European BİLGİ Academy: "Radicalization, Populism, and Islamophobia in Europe". As a result of the Global Financial Crisis and Refugee Crisis, the increasing forms of radicalization and populism in member states of the European Union, Islamophobia, and Islamism were discussed with an analytical approach.

Dr. Yaşar Aydın from Hamburg Protestant University Social Work and Deaconry, Prof. Senem Aydın-Düzgit from Sabancı University and Prof. Ayhan Kaya, Dr. Metin Koca, Dr. Aysenur Benevento from İstanbul Bilgi University gave a two-hour lecture on Europe, Islamophobism, Islamism, and Populism. The lectures were followed by documentaries and discussion moderated by Dr. Deniz Güneş Yardımcı DAAD lecturer from İstanbul Bilgi University.

The online program is available at: https://www.youtube.com/c/BILGIEuropean

May 23-24-25, 2021

#### **Podcast Series**

Hallo Germany: 60th Year of Migration

The podcast series were broadcast as 6 episodes prepared by Fulya Cansen and Serap Doğan from WDR Cosmo Köln Radio with the contribution of İstanbul Bilgi University European Institute and DAAD Türkiye.

Podcasts were broadcast in Turkish.

Podcasts are available at:

https://eu.bilgi.edu.tr/en/news/gocun-60-yillik-tari-0/

#### October 2021

#### Meeting

Roundtable Meeting in MATILDE Region Karacabey

In cooperation with MATILDE Türkiye partners İstanbul Bilgi University and Support to Life Association, the meeting was held at Karacabey Chamber of Commerce and Industry in October 27. Representatives from local administrations and professional organizations such as Marmara Municipalities Union, Karacabey Municipality Social Aid Affairs Directorate, Chamber of Commerce and Industry, as well as Aid to Syrian Immigrants Association representatives and health personnel from the Migrant Health Center undertaking an EU funded access to health project (Sıhhat / Health) attended the roundtable meeting. Local media was also present in the meeting.

At the roundtable meeting, the current outputs of the action research held in Karacabey in the summer and autumn months of 2021 were presented by İstanbul Bilgi University researchers Prof. Ayhan Kaya and Dr. Fatma Yılmaz Elmas. In the workshop held afterwards, the relationship between rural development and migration was discussed in particular on agricultural production, access to labor markets, health services and social cohesion with respect to threats, opportunities, and policy recommendations.

The outputs of the meeting will be used in the new WP5 report to be published in the coming months as part of the MATILDE project.

About the meeting:

https://matilde-migration.eu/blog/roundtable-meeting-in-matilde-region-karacabey/

About the project: https://matilde-migration.eu/

October 27, 2021



#### **Online Discussion**

TÜRKİYE AS EU'S PARTNER: LESSONS FROM THE MIGRATION CRISIS AND PREPARATION FOR THE NEXT ONE

Online discussion was organized by EuroPolicy in cooperation with the Prague Office Heinrich-Böll-Stiftung a EURACTIV Slovakia.

As the migration wave from Afghanistan intensifies and may get even stronger in the upcoming months, EU has been evaluating its options to avoid a disastrous déjà vu of 2015, when basic principles of the European as well as international law were disrespected, and migrants had been constrained to execute their basic human rights, including the right to seek an asylum. However, EU Member States did not find a replacement of Dublin Regulation, and, instead, they have been pushing for an extended cooperation in migration handling with third-world countries.

Turkey has certainly helped the EU but the price, especially the political one, had been high for the block. An abuse of migrants to address own foreign policy issues has already become part of global power policy, and Ankara did not hesitate to engage in it.

- Has the Union learned from previous cooperation with Ankara?
- What is the situation of migrants in Turkey, how had 4 million of them manage to integrate, and how is the atmosphere changing with a growing number of Afghan refugees?
- How does a political power handle the new influx, and can the Turkish regime misuse the crisis for its own gain?

#### OPENING REMARKS

Adéla Jurečková, Director, Heinrich-Böll-Stiftung Prague PANELISTS

Ayhan Kaya, Professor of Politics and Jean Monnet Chair of the European Politics of Interculturalism, Department of International Relations, İstanbul Bilgi University Šárka Antošová, Migration Expert, Amnesty International Czech Republic Sylvia Tiryaki, Political Scientist, BISLA MODERATOR

Lucia Yar, Acting Editor-In-Chief, EURACTIV Slovakia

You can watch the discussion here: https://youtu.be/9ywIrOWTa8E

October 26, 2021



#### **Webinar Series**

The "Radicalization Field of Excellence" Webinars Start in Turkey

The Radicalization Field of Excellence at İstanbul Bilgi University reflects on the scientific and artistic approaches to radicalization.

Focusing on the debates in Turkey and Europe based on various theoretical lenses and empirical studies, our team aims to contribute to the broader public discussion that transcends academia.

The Radicalization Field of Excellence Webinar Series, which PRIME Youth participates in cooperation with the European Institute and the Department of International Relations at Istanbul Bilgi University, evaluates the concept(s) of radicalization in International Relations, Political Science, Law, Media, Cinema, and Psychology.

In the webinars scheduled between November 2021 and May 2022, the Field of Excellence members will have extensive discussions with the members of the International Relations Department.

November 26, 2021 Social Network Architecture and

Disinformation Guest: Erkan Saka

Moderator: Mustafa Gökcan Kösen

December 24, 2021 Deconstructing the Concept of

Radicalization from the Past to the Present

Guest: Ayhan Kaya Moderator: Özlem Cihan

January 28, 2022 Radicalization and Violence

Guest: Metin Koca

Moderator: Nagihan Söylemez

February 25, 2022 Radicalization by the State: On the

Dynamics of Right-wing Radicalization

Guest: Hasret Dikici Bilgin Moderator: Gökçe Gezer

March 25, 2022 The Relationship between Radicalization and

Law

Guest: Ulaş Karan

Moderator: Nagihan Söylemez

May 13, 2022 Radicalism and Extremism in Contemporary

European Cinema

Guest: Deniz Güneş Yardımcı Moderator: Mustafa Gökcan Kösen

**June 21, 2022** Individuals Who Have Completed Their Radicalization (?) An Inquiry on the Ordinary and

Extraordinariness Guest: Ayşenur Benevento

Moderator: Sernaz Arslan About the Webinar Series:

https://bpy.bilgi.edu.tr/en/news/the-radicalization-field-of-ex

cellence-webinars-st/

All Webinars are available here:

https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PL3\_8jWOINsYragGYRkBlc

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# **Certificate Programs**

Name	Content	Partner/s	Number of Occurance	Date/s
Online European BiLGi Academy	Online Courses	BİLGİ & DAAD Türkiye	150	May 23-24-25, 2021

# **Projects**

Name	Date/s
RESPOND: Multilevel Governance of Mass Migration in Europe and Beyond www.respondmigration.com	December 1, 2017 - March 31, 2021
European Research Council (ERC) - Nativism, Islamophobism, and Islamism in the Age of Populism: Culturalisation and Religionisation of what is Social, Economic and Political in Europe (BİLGİ PRIME Youth) https://bpy.bilgi.edu.tr/en/	January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2023
Migration Impact Assessment to Enhance Integration and Local Development in European Rural and Mountain Areas https://matilde-migration.eu/	February 1, 2020 January 31, 2023

# **Other Activities**

Туре	Partner	Authors
Book Chapter	RESPONDing to Migration A Holistic Perspective on Migration Governance Edited by Soner Barthoma and Önver A. Çetrez https://eu.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/news/responding-to-migrat-0/ ISBN 978-91-513-1250-7	
Edited Book	Koruma, Kabul ve Entegrasyon Türkiye'de Mültecilik Ayhan Kaya Susan Beth Rottmann N. Ela Gökalp Aras Zeynep Şahin Mencütek ISBN: 978-605-399-550-0 E-ISBN: 978-605-399-571-5 https://eu.bilgi.edu.tr/media/files/korumakabulveentegrasyon.pdf	RESPOND Project Team



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# RESEARCH CENTER for INTERNATIONAL TRADE LAW and ARBITRATION



#### **İstanbul Bilgi University**

(https://utitam-wcp.bilgi.edu.tr/) is one of the 21 academic institutions with which the World Trade Organization has entered into cooperation for the

purpose of providing technical assistance and training for achieving one of the most crucial objectives of the WTO, that is building the trade capacities of developing countries. Since 2010, WTO have organized "Regional Trade Policy Courses" in İstanbul in cooperation with İstanbul Bilgi University Faculty of Law and the Turkish Ministry of Economy for government officials and specialists from Central and Eastern Europe, Central Asia and the Caucasus Countries. The sixth edition of these courses was held in summer 2015. As a rather important geopolitical result of this longstanding cooperation between İstanbul Bilgi University and the WTO for both Türkiye and the region where Türkiye is situated, İstanbul Bilgi University has been selected as one of the seven WTO Chairs for the Phase 2 of the WTO Chairs Programme in 2014.

WTO Chairs Programme (WCP) is one of the WTO's flagship products that also provides some financial support to beneficiary institutions for a period of four years. It facilitates continuous interaction between these institutions and other think-tanks and academic institutions across the world. The WTO wants to promote research on WTO-related issues among young scholars, and to reinforce the relationship between the WTO and the academic community both at the national and regional level. Through Istanbul Bilgi University's analytical input into the formulation and implementation of trade policy, the Chair will contribute to enhancing the participation of Türkiye into the international trading environment. Türkiye already plays a significant role in world trade and the evolving global governance regime and the support that Istanbul Bilgi University can provide in this regard through academic work and research is certainly remarkable.



The WTO Chair at İstanbul Bilgi University is one of the seven WTO Chairs awarded in 2014, through a tough and highly competitive selection process, involving some 77 academic institutions. The WTO Secretariat was assisted in the selection by an external Advisory Body, comprising 20 academics, who act as advisors to the Chairs Programme. İstanbul Bilgi University thus joins an already existing network of WTO Chairs, established in Phase I which was first launched in 2010. It now includes a total of 21 Chairs around the globe. The establishment of the WTO Chair at İstanbul Bilgi University as recognizing the commitment of the academic community in Türkiye, which has played a vital role in educating, training and analysing matters related to trade policy and international trade, not only at the national level, but also at the regional and international level. BİLGİ is one of the largest universities in Türkiye with a strong focus on research, training and education, including full-time and distance learning programmes. It has numerous research centres and institutes and a very large number of researchers.

The WTO Chair Holder position that will be held by **Asst. Prof. Pinar Artiran** from İstanbul Bilgi University Faculty of Law, aims at supporting and promoting trade-related academic activities by universities and research institutions in developing and least-developed countries. The project of BİLGİ Faculty of Law that was awarded the WTO Chair entails establishing an operational Research Centre on International Trade Law and Arbitration from 2015 onwards. The establishment of the Research Center was approved by Turkish Council of High Education and the approval decision was published at the Turkish Official Gazette on September 28, 2015.

Award of the Chair title, is a proof of BİLGİ's international success and its competence in international trade law. Through projected activities of our research centre, BİLGİ is planning to help shaping an efficient and sustainable international trade policy on matters related to international trade law, arbitration and WTO in Türkiye and in its immediate region in broader sense. In this context, it shall collaborate with other academic and research institutions, chambers of commerce, consultancy firms which are active in the area of the international trade and thus are stakeholders. WTO Chair title is a very important and precious achievement not only for BİLGİ but also for Türkiye with the leading position that it assumes in its region.

The new Research Centre on International Trade Law and Arbitration will organize training programs within and outside the university, and trade and arbitration related research will be undertaken. By signing bilateral exchange and cooperation agreements with the other six WTO Chair Holder universities of the second phase, the international exchange of information will be encouraged. This project will thus further strengthen Türkiye's leading position in its region.



WTO Chairs Programme at İstanbul Bilgi University was officially launched and the Chair title was awarded by the WTO Deputy Director-General Xiazhoun YI on behalf of the WTO Director General Roberto Azevedo on February 12, 2015.

The Research Center performed the following activities within this time period:

## **Gatherings**

Туре	Name/Content	Date
Seminar	EU Green Deal Seminar held in Aluminium Sector Meeting that is organized by İMMİB	February 2, 2021
Speech	The speech was delivered as part of UE Green Deal Seminar organized by İKV	February 12, 2021
Seminar	"Women in Foreign Trade" at TURKTRADE and KAGİDER event	March 9, 2021
Speech	The speech was delivered as part of UE Green Deal Seminar organized by İTKİB	March 31, 2021
Seminar	EU Green Deal Seminar in Science Academy Summer School	June 25, 2021
Conference	International Conference, in the coverage of DTÖ chairpersons, on Gender Equality in International Trade	December 17, 2021
Speech	The speech was given by the Director of the Center N. Pınar Artıran PhD on "Impacts of UN Green Deal on Turkish Exports" in Sustainability Conference organized by Aegean Olive Exporters Association	December 7, 2021

# **Projects**

Name	Date/s
Funding Organization: World Trade Organization (International) Fund amount: CHF 8,740 Project Name: Inclusive Trade in Türkiye: Legal and Economic Perspective on Labour and Gender	June 23, 2021 -ongoing

### **Other Activities**

Туре	Description	Partner/s	Date/s
Research	Research on the Role and Empowerment of Women in international trade will be completed with a joint project of DTÖ and TİM		2021



# COMPARATIVE LABOUR and SOCIAL SECURITY LAW RESEARCH CENTER



Comparative Labour and Social Security Law Research Center (https://kisgh.bilgi.edu.tr/en/) was established in order to conduct research on the legal infrastructure of the problems encountered in working life, to propose new solutions in the light of international

and comparative law, and to develop models on how improvements can be made by identifying difficulties in the implementation of existing regulations by adopting a holistic and interdisciplinary perspective. The Center's main areas of interest are as follows:

- Legal nature of the employment contract, the rights and obligations arising from the contractual relationship,
- Subcontracting, temporary employment relationship, transfer of workplace,
- · The prohibition of discrimination in working life,
- Working times,
- Job security,
- · Occupational health and safety,
- · Protection of social rights in working life,
- · Trade union rights and collective labor relations,
- Social security regulations.

## **Gatherings**

Туре	Name/Content	Date
Symposium	New Approaches to Labor Law-V: The Effects of the Pandemic on Labor and Social Security Law	September 17, 2021
Meeting	Inclusive Trade: Legal and Economic Perspective on Gender and Employment	December 17, 2021



# OTHER ACTIVITIES RELATED WITH UNGC PRINCIPLES

# **İstanbul Bilgi University Pro Bono Network/Clearinghouse (Faculty of Law)**

Istanbul Bilgi University Pro Bono Clearinghouse (probono.bilgi.edu.tr), as part of BİLGİ Faculty of Law, is an "access to justice" project. Since 2006, it has been bringing together NGOs seeking legal support and lawyers that volunteer to provide free legal services. Thus far, more than fifty NGOs and hundreds of individuals have received pro bono legal services. Objectives of this project are as follows:

- \*Legal empowerment of NGOs.
- \*Raising awareness about profession and social responsibility.
- \*Increasing NGO awareness on preventive legal services.
- \*Building a pro bono culture among law firms in İstanbul.

Since the beginning of the project, thousands of individuals and more than sixty NGO/civil society movements have been partnered with lawyers. The network has grown since its inception. Today, law firms contact the Center to participate rather than the center reaching out to them

The network developed contact with the local bar in İstanbul and plans a national and international pro bono conference. It participates in PILnet's Annual Global Forum. It also developed a "Legal Health Check" document for the sole benefit of NGOs. Pro Bono Network/Clearing House has not been not active since December 2018..

## **Legal Clinics (Faculty of Law)**

Istanbul Bilgi University Legal Clinics are formed under the roof of Faculty of Law and have been active since 2003. With the partnership of prisons and community centers, Legal Clinics focus on individuals with low socio-economic status who have problems with access to justice and inmates. The clinical education program of Istanbul Bilgi University Faculty of Law began in 2003. The method is based on "learning by doing" instead of experiencing theory in a protective and artificial environment such as the classroom.



#### Objectives are:

- \*Legal empowerment for the target groups (every clinic has a different target group)
- \*Skill building for the students (legal writing, public speaking, research)

#### Common learning aims for students:

- \*Use law as a tool to empower people
- \*Discuss law in a critical fashion
- \*Identify the law applicable to the matter at hand including ethical rules in the profession
- \*Use communication skills

### There are two types of legal clinics:

The first one is a public legal education program (street law clinic) that have been running since 2004. In this program, law students teach fundamental legal notions and provide basic legal knowledge to citizens in accordance with the principles of adult/interactive learning. The course is a rare example of a course being taught in a prison setting anywhere in the world. It has been operating in five prisons in three different districts of İstanbul. Over 900 inmates attended the courses given by clinical students in the last decade. This clinic ended in June 2019.

The other clinic is the client counselling program, which has two subject matters (general applied law clinic and cyber law clinic). The counselling program students have client interviews to determine legal problems; carry out research and write legal documents based on these problems, and lastly, they give presentations and provide advice. The most recent program (2014-ongoing) is an 'Applied Law Clinic on Cyber Rights.' In this program, students undertake human rights violation cases regarding freedom of speech, expression and information.



# **Unit for the Prevention of Sexual Harassment and Assault**



Unit for the Prevention of Sexual Harassment and Assault (https://ctsob.bilgi.edu.tr/) was established in April 2015. The Unit aims to prevent and eliminate sexual

harassment and assault, to contribute to the creation of a research, education and work environment that is based on mutual respect and is free from any kind of sexual harassment and assault, to work on eliminating the sexist culture, to raise awareness on gender equality and prevention of all sorts of violence and discrimination based on sex, gender, sexual orientation, and gender identity, to educate the University units and University members on subjects of sexual harassment and assault, to create an efficient application mechanism for complaints of sexual harassment and assault, to support and empower the applicants, to ensure that the applicants are protected, that they can report in safety the incidents they have experienced or are experiencing or have witnessed, and that they are encouraged to stop unwanted sexual conducts. The Unit actively works within this scope.

## **BİLGİ Young Social Entrepreneur Awards**

BİLGİ Young Social Entrepreneur Awards

https://www.bilgi.edu.tr/en/university/about/institutional-principles/community-services/bilgi-young-social-entrepreneur-awards/, were put into practice by International Youth Foundation and Laureate International Universities Network and 70 young social entrepreneurs who achieved to make a positive contribution to society between the years 2010-2018 were awarded. During the competition process in which 70 projects including Zumbara, Eşya Kütüphanesi, SineMASAL, Askıda Ne Var, Hayat Sende, Yuvarla.org, E-Bursum, and SosyalBen that developed solutions for social problems, trainings were provided in order to develop the leadership qualifications and social leadership skills of young social entrepreneurs who made a positive contribution to the society.



# **BİLGİ Events**

BİLGİ, located in the heart of the city, is an attractive meeting point for all stakeholders. With the events and activities it organizes, **santral**istanbul aspires to be an international platform for arts, culture and learning, inspired by a comprehensive, multi-dimensional, and interdisciplinary vision which promotes urban regeneration. 54 events were held related with UNGC and SDG's between the years 2018 and 2021.

### **Events Corresponding with UNGC**

Туре	Name of Event	Promoter	No of Participants	Date
Symposium	Who does inclusive education cover?	Center for Sociology and Education Studies	90	September 22, 2018
Seminar	Permaculture	Faculty of Architecture	40	September 28, 2018
Seminar	Design Systems Sustainability	Faculty of Architecture	2	October 2, 2018
Other	World Animal Protection Day Fundraising Event	Department of Gastronomy and Culinary Arts	-	October 5, 2018
Other	Support for Street Souls	Department of Gastronomy and Culinary Arts	-	October 4, 2018
Seminar	Gender Inequalities in Business World	Faculty of Management	50	October 4, 2018
Workshop	Exploring Energy Museum	Child Studies Unit	12	November 18, 2018
Meeting	Women, International Law and Judgement	Human Rights Law Research Center	30	November 23, 2018
Seminar	Woman=Man	Faculty of Communication	150	December 11, 2018
Seminar	Violence Towards Women and Its Impacts	Psychology Club	50	December 11, 2018
Workshop	Participative Methods in Cultural Heritage Comunication	Faculty of Communication	35	December 20, 2018
Panel	Protection of Human Rights and Populist Politics	Human Rights Law Research Center	60	December 10, 2018



Other	Thursday Talks: Sustainability in Independent Art Formations	Institute of Graduate Programs	50	December 20, 2018
Other	City-Rights of Children Workshops	Child Studies Unit	45	January 19, 2019
Meetings	Year of Elimination of Child Labor in Türkiye 2018	Faculty of Architecture	-	January 12, 2019
Seminar	Intersection of Sexual Diversity and Faith: LGBT and Alevis	Research Unit for Turkish Cultures	30	February 15, 2019
Symposium	BİLGİ Gender-March 8	English Preparation Program	50	March 8, 2019
Meeting	Gender Inequality in Media Meeting	Faculty of Communication	70	March 8, 2018
Conference	World Woman's Day Event	Bi'Fark Club	150	March 9, 2019
Seminar	Renewable Energy	BİLGİTEEE	90	March 7, 2019
Panel	Children's Rights Panel	Department of Child Development	150	March 19, 2019
Other	March 8 International Women's Day	Entrepreneurs of BİLGİ Club	-	March 8, 2018
Seminar	The Gender Wayang Tradition in Balinese Gemelan Music	Department of Music	40	April 12, 2019
Conference	Sports as a Human Right and Social Empowerment via Sports	Vocational School Sports Sciences and Technologies	70	April 8-9, 2019
Workshop	Zero Waste in City	Department of Sociology	50	April 18, 2019
Conference	Discrimination from Various Perspectives	BİLGİ Psychology Club	150	April 27, 2019
Seminar	Gender and Rights of LGBT+ Rights	BİLGİ Young Lawyers	40	April 30, 2019
Seminar	Solar Energy in TÜRKİYE and Investment Club	Energy Engineers Club	80	April 15, 2019



Presentation	Woman Murders	BİLGİ Young Lawyers Club	75	April 15, 2019
	Human Rights Summer School	Human Rights Law Research Center	30	July 16-24, 2019
Seminar	Cities of Human Rights in Türkiye	Faculty of Management	20	March 18, 2020
Panel	Sustainable Living at BİLGİ	Rectorate+ÇESUAM	60	March 17, 2020
Webinar	Gender and Violence: İstanbul Agreement: Its Past and Future	BİLGİ Gender		September 8, 2020
Webinar	Gender and Violence: Voices from Field for Istanbul Agreement (Webinar Serial II)	BiLGi Gender	-	October 16, 2020
Online Workshop	Rasing a Violence Free Man: Online Group Workshop for Parents	Pscyhological Counseling Unit	-	October 16, 2020
Webinar	Pandemic Situation and Providing Service on the Phone-Employee Health and Security	Vocational School of Health Services	-	November 30, 2020
Webinar	A Different View in Climate Justice: Animals and Eco-System	Research Center for the Environment, Energy and Sustainability	-	December 2, 2020
Webinar	İstanbul Aggrement and Women's Rights	European Institute	-	December 3, 2020
Online Workshop	Rasing a Violence Free Man: Online Group Workshop for Parents	Pscyhological Counseling Unit	-	December 14, 2020
Webinar	Dimensions of Polarization in Türkiye: International Presentation of Research Findings 2020	Center for Migration Research	-	December 22, 2020
Webinar	European Green Agreement: Opportunities and Obstacles	Research Center for the Environment, Energy and Sustainability	-	December 24, 2020
Webinar	Webinar Serial III – Violence Towards Women and İstanbul Agreement: Voices From Poland, Hungary, and Bulgaria	BİLGİ Gender	-	January 15, 2021
Webinar	Role of Art in Struggling with Climate Crisis	Research Center for the Environment, Energy and Sustainability	-	April 1, 2021



Webinar	Sports and Sustainability Round Table	School of Sports Science and Technology	-	April 6, 2021
Webinar	Sports for SDGs	School of Sports Sciences and Techology	-	April 6, 2021
Webinar	Children Rights in Digital World	Faculty of Communication	-	April 21, 2021
Webinar	Magnifying Glass Talks 2: Project Towards Decent Working Conditions in Cotton Fields of Şanlıurfa	Migration Studies Research Center	-	April 27, 2021
Webinar	Closing Meeting of Prevention of Child Labor	Center for Migration Research	-	May 5, 2021
Webinar	Economy Gatherings: Factors Affecting Support for Potential Carbon Tax in Türkiye	Faculty of Management	-	May 26, 2021
Webinar	Understanding Polarization	BİLGİ Project Office	-	June 1, 2021
Webinar	Climate and Water Crisis: What Does Youth Think?	Environment, Energy and Sustainability Center	-	June 22, 2021
Webinar	Magnifying Glass Talks 3: This is not Child's Play- Epidemic, Child's Play- Epidemic, Child Labor in Seasonal Agriculture and Conditional Cash Support Program	Migration Research Center	-	June 26, 2021
Webinar	Betul Mardin Seminars: Approaches from Various Disciplines and Solution Suggestions to Climate Crisis in the Light of Current Technologies	Faculty of Communication	-	August 25, 2021
Webinar	Seminar Series for World Children's Day	Child Studies Unit	-	November 19-21, 2020

## **İstanbul Bilgi University Press**

Istanbul Bilgi University Press (https://bilgiyay.com/), pioneering in free and critical academic publishing, was established in 2000. As a part of İstanbul Bilgi University, İstanbul Bilgi University Press, publishes both original works in English, Turkish, and translations from the major languages of the world in a wide range of areas such as political science, economics, sociology, psychology, philosophy, arts and literature as well as textbooks. 11 out of 68 books were printed between the years 2018-2021 related with UNGC principles and sustainability.



Name	Author	Date
Peace Processes in the World and in Turkey	Ayşe Betül Çelik (Compiler)	January 2018
Dialogues in the Lantern	Emre Erdoğan, Pınar Uyan Semerci	May 2018
The Syrian Exodus in Context	Nergis Canefe	July 2018
Manicured Hands will wind the Electric Coil in Germany	Lea Nocera	July 2018
Aging and Old Age	Alan Duben (Complier)	September 2018
The Universal Misery of International Social Security	Mesut Gülmez	October 2018
Forced Migration Experience and Social Integration	Ahmet İçduygu, Saime Özçürümez	November 2020
Individual Application in the Context of the European Convention on Human Rights	European Council	February 2021
Volunteerism in Turkey	Emre Erdoğan, Pınar Uyan Semerci	March 2021
Protection, Acception and Integration	Ayhan Kaya, Susan Beth Rottmann, Ela Gökalp Aras, Zeynep Şahin Mencütek	July 2021
The Others of Poor Women with Hijab	Tuğba Metin Açer	July 2021

### **Student Clubs**



The Life at BiLGİ for students is not limited with courses. There are more than 100 student clubs (https://www.bilgi.edu.tr/en/life-at-bilgi/student/student-support-center/student-clubs/clubs/) that bring together

students who have the same hobbies, interests, and dreams. Adopting 'Learning not for school but for life' motto, student clubs assert that each individual within social life has responsibility and that the young people are productive, participative, and determinative, and organize events in line with this view. Students can join clubs under four major themes.



Idea Clubs: 2 out of 7 idea clubs correspond with UNGC.

BİLGİ Rainbow Club: It aims to organize activities to raise awareness on issues such as gender/identity expression, gender characteristics, hetero-sexism, and patriarchy. It organizes joint activities in cooperation with other universities' LGBTI+ clubs. It organized academic activities on gender, queer theory, and human rights.

BİLGİ Women: It aims to reach all women studying or working at BİLGİ, to raise awareness about the women's movement and to organize activities in this respect.

Clubs with Academic Content: 2 out of 49 clubs are related with UNGC.

BİLGİ Energy Club: The aim of the club is to create a platform where people who are sensitive to the environment and society, knowledgeable about energy efficiency, have an awareness of voluntary work can develop their skills to work collaboratively, solve problems, and produce solutions. Goals of the club include organizing seminars, panels, informative activities about energy sector and working to ensure the sustainability of increasing efficiency and energy resources in cooperation with all the sectors in Türkiye.

BİLGİ IEEE Club: The mission of BİLGİ IEEE is to strengthen the processes of creating, developing, sharing, and applying knowledge in the fields of electronics and information technologies for the benefit of humanity and the profession. It aims to train competent engineers, to provide them with an innovative perspective, and to establish a wide communication network.

Clubs with Sports and Arts Content: 1 out of 10 clubs is related with UNGC.

BİLGİ Underwater Sports Club: Underwater Sports Club is a diving club aiming to train divers who are respectful toward the nature and underwater, and to provide experience for divers. In addition to sports activities, the club aims to contribute to the society through social responsibility projects

**Social Responsibility and Hobby Clubs:** 5 out of 17 clubs are related with UNGC.

BİLGİ Merge Club: BİLGİ Merge Club aims to develop awareness projects within the scope of corporate social responsibility concept by collaborating with institutions.

BİLGİ NAR: BİLGİ NAR works on issues such as victimization, ecology, and solidarity. In addition to providing practical solutions to the victimizations that have been experienced, it is a platform where students can freely discuss and broaden their vision about the background that causes these victimizations.



BİLGİ Sos-K Social Responsibility Club: The club was established with the aim of collaborating with various NGOs and foundations in the field of social responsibility. It aims to organize its own social responsibility activities increasing the awareness regarding social responsibility and instilling social awareness in its members.

Paws of BİLGİ: Paws of BİLGİ works to meet shelter, health, food and other needs of stray animals living on the campuses of İstanbul Bilgi University as well as on the streets and forests. It also aims to raise the awareness of BİLGİ students about stray animals.

BİLGİ Wish Volunteers Club: BİLGİ Wish Volunteers Club aims to execute "Share My Dream" project in BİLGİ. With this project, the club tries to realize the wishes of disadvantaged children.

# **Global Talent Management Center - BiLGiTalent**

Established in November 2018, BİLGİ Global Talent Management Center (https://www.bilgi.edu.tr/en/talent/) aims to help our students and alumni explore their life goals and guide them through this period, to provide them with national and international resources throughout their individual and professional development process, and to offer them guidance so that they can realize their potentials. BİLGİTalent fulfills four functions: On Campus Student Employment

(https://www.bilgi.edu.tr/en/talent/on-campus-student-employment/), Talent Development and Internship Coordination Office

(https://www.bilgi.edu.tr/en/talent/talent-development/), Global Affairs (https://www.bilgi.edu.tr/en/talent/global-affairs/), Alumni (https://www.bilgi.edu.tr/en/alumni/)

Links	Activity	Duration and Date
Peace Processes in the World and in Turkey	Generation Z and Work 3.0	06/17/2020 1 hour
https://www.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/etkinlik/10020/ye ni-teknoloji-yeni-ekonomi-ve-yeni-medyanin- hukuk-mesleklerine-ve-egitimine-etkisi/	Webinar for New Technology, New Economy and New Media's Impact on Law Professions and Law Education	06/11/2020 2 hours
https://www.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/etkinlik/9788/kur umsal-hayat-ve-agile-donusum/	Corporate Life and Transformation	05/22/2020 2,5 hours
https://www.bilgi.edu.tr/tr/etkinlik/9795/free lance-yeteneklerin-altin-cagi-gelecegin-kariy erleri-uzerine-dusunceler/	Golden Age of Freelance Talents: Thoughts on Future Careers	05/20/2020 1,5 hours



# **UNGC RELATED COURSES AT BİLGİ**

BİLGİ has a very wide range of courses (n:177) related with UNGC Principles and SDGs. 148 courses can be addressed considering the course descriptions starting from 2015-2016 Academic Year Spring Semester to 2017-2018 Academic Year Fall Semester. Number of courses has significantly increased (from 148 courses to 177 courses) since our previous COE period. These courses are available within all study levels of BİLGİ. (https://ects.bilgi.edu.tr/Course)

#### **Associate Degree Programs**

CGE 210 Children's Rights and Protection

CEG 250 Vocational Development

ETI 101 Ethics and Communication

IAY 104 Patient Rights

ISG 111 Introduction to Occupational Health and Safety

ISG 114 Business Law

ISG 210 Environmental Protection and Recovery Information

JUS 222 Principles of Labour Law

MET 101 Vocational Ethics

MET 103 Business Ethics

MRS 202 Occupational Helath and Safety

MUG 208 Labour and Social Security Law

SAG 114 Medical Law & Professional Ethics

SHL 102 Labour and Social Security Law

SHL 104 Human Rights and Social Service

SHL 105 Introduction to Social Services

SHL 106 Social Service Organizations

SHL 108 Women Studies and Social Service

SHL 205 Family and Children's Social Sevice

SHL 207 Migration and Social Service

VOC 301 Business Ethics

#### **Bachelor Degree**

ACC 516 Research Methods and Ethics

ADV 280 Advertising Ethics

ARCH 313 Environment Conscious Building Design

ARCH 386 Sustainability and Climatic Design in High Rise Buildings and Shading Devices

ARCH 453 Green Strategies

BAF 332 Ethical Issues in Finance

BUS 179 Experiencing Business in Society I

BUS 180 Experiencing Business in Society II

BUS 434 Corporate Governance

**BUS 481 Business Ethics** 

BUS 495 Projects in Social Entrepreneurship

CE 312 Environmental Engineering

CLD 108 Child and Environment

CLD 111 Child in Turkish Society and Other Cultures

CLD 211 Child Rights and Child Law

CLD 414 Professional Regulation and Ethics

CUL 407 Legal Environment and Sustainability

HM 104 Labour and Social Security Law

HM 300 Occupational Health and Safety in Healthcare Organizations

HM 410 Health Law and Ethics

HS 325 Community Health

HUM 207 The Representations of Nature

HYO 213 Sustainability and Environment in Aviation

IND 311 Environment Conscious Building Design

IND 311 (Course renamed) Environmental Studies I

IND 314 Environmental Technologies II

IND 316 Human and the Built Environment

IND 431 Enabling Place for Disabled

IR 333 Minorities, Migration and Movies

IR 352 Environmental Politics

IR 372 Theories of Democracy and Human Rights

IR 480 Issues in Migration Studies

LAW 326 CyberLaw: Rights and Responsibilities in the Information Age



EC 179 Social Issues and Critical Thinking

EC 316 Environmental Economics

ELT 325 Moral Values and Ethics in Education

ENGR 400 Ethics in Engineering and Science

ERP 106 Handicapped Sociology

ERP 107 Strategies in Healthy Life Styles

ESEN 304 Active/Passive Solar Energy Systems

ESEN 340 Bioenergy: Fundamentals and Applications

ESEN 405 Energy Efficient Building Design

ESEN 408 Energy Environment and Law

ESEN 422 Advanced Wind Energy

ESPR 113 Sport and Society

ESPR 125 Sport Management and Ethics

ESPR 301 Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainability in Sport

ESPR 425 Sport Development and Sport for All

GE 101 Introduction to Practical Ethics

GE 104 Contemporary Issues in Environment and Ecology

GE 105 Gender in Everyday Life

GE 107 Ecological Literacy and Sustainability

GE 108 Active Citizenship and Participation

GE 114 Environmental Studies

GE 116 Society and Ecology

GE 117 Social Groups and Discrimination

GE 120 Special Topics on Practical Ethics

GE 201 Social Responsibility Project I

GE 202 Social Responsibility Project II

GE 203 Civil Society, NGOs and Participation

GE 205 Introduction to Child Policies

GE 207 Introduction to Health Policy

GE 208 Special Topics on Global Civics

GE 212 Social Entrepreneurship in Turkey

GE 214 Youth Culture

GE 215 Introduction to Youth Policy

GE 216 Aging and the Elderly: Interdisciplinary

GE 217 Digital and Data Activism

GE 218 Experiencing Biomimicry: Innovation Inspired by Nature

GE 220 Introduction to Corporate Social Responsibility

GE 221 Occupational Health and Safety

GE 232 Volunteering Studies

GE 234 Culture and Sustainability

GE 312 Wellness and Happiness

GE 313 Human-Animal Interaction

GE 321 NGO Capacity Building and Management

GE 401 Ethics and Life Course

LAW 405 Street Law Clinic I

LAW 406 Street Law Clinic II

LAW 425 Applied Law Clinic I

LAW 426 Applied Law Clinic II

LAW 427 Applied Law Clinic III: Cyber Rights I

LAW 428 Applied Law Clinic IV: Cyber Rights II

LAW 432 Social Security Law

LAW 461 Human Rights Law

LAW/E 461 Human Rights Law

LBUS 179 Experiencing Business Business in

Society I

LBUS 180 Experiencing Business in Society II

LENGR 400 Ethics in Engineering and Science

LMED 378 Media and Human Rights

MED 101 Introduction to Media Literacy

MED 120 Politics, Media and Democracy

MED 218 Gender and Media

MED 220 Media and Migration

MED 311 Communication for Peacebuilding and Conflict Resolution

MED 378 Media and Human Rights

MED 425 Ethics in the Digital Age

MUS 460 Music and Gender: Women in Music

NHS 112 Nursing History and Ethics

NUT 408 Medical and Professional Ethics

PHIL 201 Moral Philosophy

PTR 133 Case Study in Physiotheraphy and Ethics

PUB 303 Sustainability and Volunteering II

PUB 311 Sustainability and Volunteering I

PUB 313 Critical Perspectives on Corporate Responsibility

PUB 422 Ethical Issues and Dilemmas in Public Relations

SOC 322 Sociology of Gender and the Family

SOC 332 Social Inequality

SOC 256 Sociology of Discrimination and

Intergroup Relations

SOC 384 Giving Voices to Silent Communities

SOC 442 Racism, Cosmopolitanism,

Postcolonialism

SPR 113 Sport and Society

SPR 125 Ethics in Sport Management

THM 107 Sustainable Tourism Management

THM 412 Sustainability and Ethics

TVJ 416 Environmental Journalism

VCD 225 Design Ethics



#### **Master's Degree**

BUS 527 Supply Chain Management

CULT 541 Feminity, Masculinity and 'Modernity'

**CULT 565 Gender and Culture** 

CULT 585 Emotions, Affections and Ethics (Philosophy of Emotions and Ethics)

EIKY 540 Employee Satisfaction and Happiness Management

EUR 510 Politics of Cultural Diversity in the European Union

FEC 594 Ethics in Financial Institutions & Financial Markets

HRM 506 Labor Relations and Labor Law

HRM 514 Corporate Social Responsibility and Business Ethics

ITL 557 Online&Offline Child Abuse

KLNLAW 421 Labor Law

LAW 502 Gender and Law

LAW 517 Human Rights Activism I

LAW 518 Human Rights of Women

LAW 530 Rigths and Principles Regarding Procedure Law in The Jurisprudence of ECtHR

LAW 542 International Human Rights Law: Monitoring Mechanisms

LAW 560 Selected Topics of Employment Law

LAW 577 Refugee Law

LAW 585 Human Rights Law II (Human Rigths Activism II)

LAW 616 International Envoronmental Law

LAW 626 Anti-Discrimination Law

LAW 636 Selected Topics of Collective Labor Law

LAW 638 Business and Human Rights

LAW 639 International Humanitarian Law

LAW 660 Cyberlaw: Rights, Liberties and Responsibilities in the Information Age

LAW 690 Turkish Criminal Procedure System and the Protection of the Human Rights

LAW 696 LGBTI and Human Rights

LAW 698 Cinema and Human Rights

NGO 518 Social Entrepreneurship

NGO 519 Gender Studies

PHIL 506 Ethics, Power, Freedom

PUB 513 Social Responsibility and Sustainability (Corporations and Social Change)

PSY 503 Professional Ethics

TECH 521 Sustainability and Ethics

#### **Doctorate**

LAW 818 Business and Human Rights

LAW 807 Mandatory Nature of the Labor Law

LAW 821 Author's Moral Rights and Personality Rights

LAW 828 Right to Life, Prohibition of Torture and Right to Liberty under the ECHR

#### IN SUM...

Since our first commitment document as an academic institution, we have worked diligently to make progress and create an impact both inside and outside of the University with the awareness regarding responsibility in terms of UNGC principles and Sustainability Goals.

We would like to share an overview to make our progress more clear to our stakeholders from the last 3 COEs. This summary of practices covers 4 years of progress.



# **BİLGİ UNGC Practices with Numbers\***

	COE 2014-2016	COE 2016-2018	COE 2018-2021
Research Center for International Trade Law and Arbitration	N/A	N/A	9
Research Centre for the Environment, Energy and Sustainability	1	1	8
Center for Sociology and Education Studies	9	13	32
Center for Civil Society Studies	32	70	32
Center for Migration Research	25	28	47
Work Ethics and Research Center	2	N/A	2
Human Rights Law Research Center	26	14	22
European Institute	3	3	35
Comparative Labour and Social Security Law Research Center	N/A	N/A	2
BiLGi Events	N/A	58	54
Global Talent Management Center	5	1	4
University Press	N/A	28	28
Student Clubs	N/A	N/A	10
BiLGi Courses	76	148	177
*Number of activities performed			

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In the upcoming time period, we plan to continue to take actions in accordance with our commitment and support for UNGC principles.



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