

# International Day of the Girl 2022

“Girls Changing Our World”

Conference Report

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# *EXECUTIVE SUMMARY*





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<sup>1</sup> Global Concept Note on the International Day of the Girl, <https://www.unicef.org/gender-equality/international-day-girl-2022>



Moderated by writer and actor Yekta Kopan, the Conference hosted influential speeches from women who have achieved outstanding success on a national and international scale. Prof. Dr. Burcu Özsoy, founding director of the ITU Polar Research Center, Zambian teacher and influencer Dora Mono Nyambe and young human rights activist İlayda Eskitaşçioğlu shared their stories of empowerment.

A segment of the conference saw leading sportswomen take to the stage and share their inspirational experiences and insights. These included Yasemin Adar, two-time European Champion in freestyle wrestling, Jessica Lynne O'Rourke Çarmıklı, Manager of Fenerbahçe Women's Football team, and Aysu Türkoğlu, the youngest Turkish swimmer to cross the English Channel. The event closed with an intervention by singer Hadise, UNICEF Türkiye's Child Rights Advocate.

While the message 'Girls are Changing the World' was given, it was emphasized that investing in the empowerment of girls would open the doors to a better future. It was noted that prioritizing well-being creates a multiplier effect for the progress of societies. The conference called for more attention, investment and action on the role of girls around the world.

At the event 50 young people from the UN Youth for Gender (Y4G) team successfully developed a declaration calling on "All Parties to Be on Board" to overcome gender-barriers.

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Over the past few decades, through political will and increased attention to the issues facing girls and women, great strides have been made in gender equality; from increased participation in public arenas including that of education and government to decreased ratios of maternal and child mortality rates.

Whilst there has been increased attention on issues that matter to girls amongst government, policymakers and the general public, investments in girls' rights remain limited and girls continue to confront a myriad of challenges to fulfilling their potential; made worse by concurrent crises of climate change, COVID-19, and humanitarian crises.

However, with adversity comes resourcefulness, creativity, tenacity and resilience. Türkiye's adolescent girls have shown time and time again that given the skills and the opportunities, they can be changemakers driving progress in their communities, building back stronger for all, including women, boys and men.

Girls and women globally are increasingly key actors in promoting, advancing, and influencing change in a range of fields, including science, environment, human rights, medicine, arts and culture, peacebuilding, and the economy. Despite various challenges they face, girls and young women are mobilizing across sectors, cities, countries, and regions and challenging implicit hierarchies of power and the status quo. Girls and women are powerful agents of change, and the evidence shows that investing in them creates a ripple effect where entire communities and societies benefit to be happier, healthier and more stable<sup>2</sup>. As underlined by the Sustainable Development Goal 5.5, "women's full and effective participation and equal opportunities for leadership at all levels of decision making in political, economic and public life"<sup>3</sup> is key to achieving gender equality. Investing in girls and prioritizing their health, rights, and wellbeing have enormous impacts on the advancement of communities and our world.

<sup>2</sup>The Investment Case for Girls & Women - Women Deliver. <https://womendeliver.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/Deliver-for-Good-Booklet.pdf>

<sup>3</sup>The Sustainable Development Goals, accessible: <https://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/gender-equality/>





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Since 2015, UNICEF, UNFPA, UN Women and the Aydın Doğan Foundation have observed the International Day of the Girl with events that have addressed themes on girls' empowerment and leadership, including quality education, prevention of child marriage, 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills, empowerment through science, arts and sports. Last year's event focused on girls' leadership in the digital world.

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# INVESTING IN WOMEN AND GIRLS' LEADERSHIP





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UNICEF REPRESENTATIVE  
TO TÜRKİYE

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UNICEF Representative Regina De Dominicis was asked about UNICEF’s role in removing gender barriers. Dominicis touched upon key streams of work:

“First, we work on data and evidence with government, but also with the broader partners, civil society, girl led organizations as well as the private sector, so that to use this data and evidence to influence legislation, policies and of course their implementation. Secondly, we try to change unfavourable social behaviours that are discriminatory and supports gender stereotypes which includes working very much with parents, including fathers, in addressing and transforming these unfavourable social behaviours that would lead in enhancing girls’ access to school, and of course to gender responsive health services. The third stream of work is protection of girls and women who are still the most exposed to violence, so it’s about prevention, but also response. When we work in humanitarian settings, we try to create safe and empowering spaces for girls. Last but not least, we work with all of you. The private sector has been incredible in providing us with assets, outreach, innovation, funding, really solutions that help us fight against these barriers in a scalable way.”





In answering a question of a young man from the audience, Regina De Dominicis further elaborated on UNICEF's work with government organizations to address violence against women and girls. She stressed that their key aim is to support policies and legislation that are in line with international standards. She added that throughout the last year about 40,000 survivors of domestic violence, along with their children have benefitted from UNICEF-supported services. UNICEF also reached around the two million young people (half of them girls) through various supports in the education system so that children are protected from the risk of child marriage and child labour. Regina De Dominicis also emphasized that youth empowerment is very important in UNICEF's work, and they see that peers can make a huge difference, and girl led organizations are indeed changing the world.

Regina De Dominicis concluded her remarks by saying that "The 600 million adolescent girls living in our world today are ready to become the largest generation of women leaders ever seen in history. This is possible with one condition only: We should equip them with the right opportunities and skills. On this 'Day of the Girl', we invite governments, stakeholders, communities, and parents to believe in adolescent girls and remove the barriers in front of them, to allow them to flourish and contribute to their communities."

Arzuhan Doğan Yalçındağ, Chair of the Board of the Aydın Doğan Foundation was asked by young people to give background on the Foundation's aim and work in the field of girls' empowerment. Arzuhan Doğan Yalçındağ said that as the Aydın Doğan Foundation, for 25 years, they have been focusing on education and equal opportunities for girls. It is because, as a Foundation they believe education is of pivotal importance; it makes a direct contribution to the advancement of the world. However, girls are not in the same fortunate position as the boys despite the fact that girls are showing great achievements when they are given the right set of opportunities. At this point, Arzuhan Doğan Yalçındağ claimed that "girls are very hardworking, they're very brave, they're very creative, and they are creating a great added value in this respect. So, with these truths and beliefs in mind, we embarked on this journey. That is why maybe with a small positive discrimination, we offered our support to the girls".

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CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD  
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Arzuhan Doğan Yalçındağ also answered further questions regarding the Aydın Doğan Foundation's work, claiming that they have opened 33 dormitories and every year more than 3,000 children can stay in these dorms. Even after they graduate, the Foundation continues to support these girls. Arzuhan Doğan Yalçındağ further stated that they have mentorship programs; they give grants and scholarships. Additionally, the Foundation organizes leadership camps and summer camps as well as different programs for girls in sports and in arts. According to her, leadership is very important and that is why they prioritize organizing the "leadership camps". She believes that in these camps girls can increase their self-confidence, so that they can become leaders of the world. Finally, she claimed that this platform is very crucial because as they participate in this organization, they can share their success stories and increase the social awareness.

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Young people's questions to Asya Varbanova, UN Women Türkiye Country Director were related to intergenerational solidarity and engagement of men and boys into the work for gender equality. Varbanova explained that "indeed, this year, International Youth Day was celebrated under the theme of intergenerational solidarity, creating a world of all ages. This is very important because we unfortunately are seeing a lot of barriers to this intergenerational solidarity, one of which is ageism. When you put ageism on top of the gender stereotypes that women and girls experience, then we come to a very formidable barriers to young women's particularly engagement in different fields of life. So intergenerational solidarity, being able to work together, come together, come up with common solutions, hear each other, learn from each other with empathy, with understanding, with open minds, open hearts across all generations is really very critical."

At this point, Varbanova pointed out what UN Women does about accelerating the progress: "We try to bring together those women and men, but especially women from the generations that brought us some really important milestones, such as the Beijing Declaration and platform for action from 1995, which is the most important agenda on women's rights globally. Last year we launched Generation Equality, which is a very important global agenda. To basically advance gender equality investment and implementation around the world and Generation Equality brings together all the stakeholders, the governments, the private sector, the civil society, but really has youth at its core". Varbanova also explained how they work with celebrities, such as Demet Evgar and Kerem Bursin in UN Women campaigns as advocates for gender equality. She underlined that the HeForShe is a very large, important platform to reach big numbers of men and boys to disseminate messages.



**ASYA VARBANOVA**  
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Hasan Mohtashami, UNFPA Türkiye Representative, answered questions regarding the concept of girls' "bodily autonomy" and its relation to reducing gender-based violence.

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Mohtashami highlighted that child marriage is also a form of breaching the bodily autonomy. "Girls are forced to marry, in some cultures and some contexts, immediately after puberty. That's against the basic principle of human rights. To give that girl the whole autonomy to decide about when she wants to get married and when they are married, it's the sole decision and right of a woman to decide when and how many children she may wish to have." Mohtashami further stated that "the same goes for the gender-based violence. My body, my right. This is basic principle and there are very many initiatives that within the UN and partners, we have started to address the basic elements of these gender-based violence, which is a rampant phenomenon all over the world. It's not in one country or two. One in three women globally experience one sort of violence throughout their life. And this should end hopefully by this generation".

Mohtashami was also asked about the effects of population increase on women and girls. He explained that only 10 years ago, in 2011, UNFPA announced that the world's population has reached 7 billion; and around mid-November the world's population will reach to 8 billion. However, Mohtashami added, "it doesn't matter whether we are on the path of higher growth or lower growth; it's important to make sure that we create opportunities". He claimed that all governments around the world should focus on one thing which is securing the human rights. According to him, by doing this, each and every single woman and girl will also be having this basic right to access information and services to make a decision about her sexual and reproductive health, about her body integrity and autonomy.

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**INSPIRING  
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**Prof. Dr. Burcu Özsoy**, founding director of the ITU Polar Research Center (PolReC), said: “women can both be good mothers and take firm steps forward in their careers. As long as they can make their own choices and be courageous for their own lives”. Özsoy explained that being a woman in this field and holding this responsibility, is not only a personal achievement but it is a great privilege for our country to have a woman leader. She highlighted that women leaders have the responsibility to pave the way for girls’ development. Özsoy also emphasized the importance of having role models, stating that her mother and father were both great role models for her.







**Dora Mono Nyambe**, a teacher from Zambia who invested in opening schools and founding alternative care for unaccompanied children, said; "even in despair, poverty and impossibilities, with a small touch, girls can make significant progress and avoid being child brides." Dora Mono Nyambe also said that there is no need for incredible investments for this, even one person or a small touch has a significant impact on girls. Her story also proved the power of social media in making girls' needs more visible. Nyambe ended her talk by saying that: "I am a girl. I am proud of what I have done. I am proud of my school. I am proud of these amazing girls that have been through a lot, but still stand up each day, have a smile on their face and say, I am a girl. I can do this, and I can do whatever the world says I cannot."

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**İlayda Eskitaşçıoğlu**, a human rights lawyer who works in the fields of gender equality, sustainable development, reproductive rights and child labour, said: “We need to believe in the potential of girls and prepare them for the future; but without expecting that they will definitely become mothers and raise children for the future we dream of, without placing the responsibility of saving the world on their shoulders. We are on the right track when we enable them to make their own decisions and chart their own path”. She also elaborated that to support ‘girls changing the world’ we have to respect their decisions and make sure that they could take those decisions. When we include them into decision-making processes in platforms such as this conference and when we hear their voices, it means that we are on the right path.

Following the inspiring speeches, a panel with women in sports took place. In the section where Yekta Kopan, who moderated the conference, gave ‘Inspiring Conversations with Women in Sports’, **Yasemin Adar**, who made Türkiye proud as a two-time European Champion in freestyle wrestling, took the floor. She gave examples of how it was difficult to practice in this sports branch which is heavily male dominated. In the face of these challenges, she stated that her dreams made the biggest contribution to her success, Adar said, “I never stop dreaming”. **Aysu Türkoğlu**, a 22-year-old swimmer, who became the first Turkish woman to swim across the North Channel shared her story of following her dreams, in the face of gender stereotypes regarding the ‘accepted’ female body.







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She also emphasized the parental support that she received. Fenerbahçe Women’s Football Team Coach **Jessica Lynne O’Rourke Çarmıklı** also shared her thoughts. She said; “every girl has the power to change the world. You just need to find your strength, your support team, and the courage to keep going. I found all of these in football.”

In the last part of the conference, the famous singer **Hadise**, who is also a UNICEF Türkiye child rights advocate, came to the stage. Pointing out that gender inequality leaves not only girls but everyone in society behind in life, Hadise said, “Let’s not allow this. “Together, we can break gender stereotypes and support girls to develop and develop into the people they want to be in life”.



# VOICES OF YOUTH





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Youth for Gender' is a youth group that has come together to guide and direct work on gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls from the perspective of young people. Youth for Gender was born as a volunteer group of children and youth working together for the International Day of the Girl Child on October 11, in cooperation with UNICEF, UNFPA, UN Women and Aydın Doğan Foundation. In 2021, the group was named 'Youth for Gender' with the participation of 50 young people who voluntarily supported from institutions including 9 Eylül University, FAO, GAP Administration, ILO, İzmir University of Economics, Kilis Municipality, SGDD-ASAM and Turkish Red Crescent. Considering the parity between women and men, this team consisting of children and young people between the ages of 14-25 works with all institutions that conduct gender equality programs to ensure meaningful and effective youth participation at every step and to take part in the design process of the relevant programs.



The “Youth for Gender” team worked for a long time to contribute towards the empowerment of girls and their effective participation in all areas; they put forward recommendations on this issue and will continue to do so. They wished for everyone to consider the recommendations in their declaration and wished to be included in future policies and decision-making processes to ensure the empowerment of girls and women, and their participation in life. The youth statement:



- » We believe in the power of girls and their potential to shape our future. Join us to eliminate the gender inequalities that block girls’ dreams, independence, and rights to safety, protection, and participation!
- » Families, believe in the power of your children, their dreams and their growth, not only today but every day. Get rid of the stereotypes and believe in change. Know your daughter and look at with pride.
- » Call women by their first and last names – they are not objectives, they are not just ‘someone’s wife’.

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- » Hold on to the principle of gender equality in the public sphere and the business world. Increase the number of women managers and adopt the “equal pay for equal work” policy in all areas of business life.
- » Prominent sports clubs and governing bodies, acknowledge and respect the existence of women in sports! Ensure gender equality in all areas of sport. Make economic incentives and investments to this end.
- » Those who try to silence our artists, let women impress the world with her skills. Let women colour our world.
- » Educators, teach girls “how” to do what they want to do: Let your students choose their dream occupation.
- » Acknowledge that women and girls are significantly affected by global issues, particularly by the climate crisis. Promote and empower the equal participation of women and girls in the fight against global challenges and in decision-making processes.
- » Whatever decision you take, do not discriminate based on religion, language, or race. Believe in the power of differences and diversity. Don't be afraid of change!
- » Let women and girls become writers and directors of their own lives!







*Join us to eliminate the gender inequalities that block girls' dreams, independence, and rights to safety, protection, and participation!*

The youth ended their statement with jointly declaring the below words of action and solidarity:

- » I AM POWERFUL. I am powerful enough to fight against gender stereotypes.
- » I BELIEVE. I believe that I will live in an equal future, not only equal in opportunities but also in action.
- » I AM A PIONEER. I will lead the change and transformation and I will be the architect of the future.
- » I AM VALUABLE. I am valuable enough to participate and have a say in all decision-making processes about me.
- » I AM BRAVE. I am brave enough to not remain silent about injustice, unfairness, inequality, and abuse.
- » I AM NOT ALONE.



# *SIDE EVENT: LIVING LIBRARY*





*Mihri Hanım had a crucial role in establishing the Academy of Fine Arts for Women to provide education to female students.*

With a view to exemplify women's leadership in various areas in the history, including in arts, sports, science and social development, the Youth for Gender group undertook a "living library" action, in which they represented famous figures from the history. The guests had the chance to know more about their lives and ask questions regarding gendered challenges in their stories of achievements.

**ADA LOVELACE (1815-1852)**

Mathematician. In 1843 she published notes on the Analytical Engine. Ada is often referred to as 'the first programmer'. She was the first to express the potential for computers outside mathematics.

**MİHRİ HANIM (1886-1954)**

Painter. She had a crucial role in establishing the Academy of Fine Arts for Women to provide education to female students. Mihri Hanım was famous for her portraits, presenting Mustafa Kemal Atatürk's portrait to him personally.

**OLYMPE DE GOUGES (1748-1793)**

Human rights activist. She worked for women's rights and the abolition of slavery. In 1791, she published the 'Declaration of the Rights of Woman and the Female Citizen', one of the first documents advocating for women's rights and equality between women and men.







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**ADİLE NAŞİT (1930-1987)**

Movie and theatre actress. She starred in many plays, movies, and TV shows; became one of the unforgettable figures of Turkish cinema with her unique style and laughter. Her TV show called Before Sleep received great attention from children.

**LELLA LOMBARDI (1941-1992)**

Motorsports racing driver. Her first job was to drive the delivery van for her family's store. The first female Formula One driver in history to have finished in the top six in a World Championship race.

**HALET ÇAMBEL (1916 - 2014)**

Athlete and archaeologist. First Turkish female athlete to participate in the Olympics, representing Türkiye in fencing. Also the first female archaeologist to have developed the 'conservation on the site' model, establishing Türkiye's first outdoor museum.

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# CONFERENCE AGENDA





**CONFERENCE PROGRAMME:  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

09.00-09.30  
**Opening**

Registration and 'Youth Street'

09.30-09.35

Opening, **Yekta Kopan**

09.35-10.10

Welcoming Session

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10.10-10.25

Keynote Speaker, **Prof. Dr. Burcu Özsoy**


10.25-10.35

Speaker, **Dora Moono Nyambe**



10.35-11.00	Coffee Break
11.00-11.10	Speaker, <b>İlayda Eskitaşçioğlu</b>
11.10-11.20	Voices from the <b>"Youth for Gender"</b>
11.20-11.50	An Inspirational Chat with Women in Sports, Science and Arts Moderator, Yekta Kopan
11.50-12.00	Aydın Doğan Fine Arts High School Choir
12.00-12.10	Closing and Invite to The Youth Street





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