

# ENKA FOUNDATION, ARTS, SPORTS AND ENKA SCHOOLS

## ENKA FOUNDATION

ENKA Foundation was established in 1983 with the fundamental mission of raising individuals who are trained in an environment in which sports, education, culture and the arts are intertwined and who keep up with contemporary developments, are productive, ask questions and fulfil their potential. Based on this, ENKA Foundation works to ensure that the youth of Turkey are oriented towards a sporting life, and more broadly to nourish every young person with sports, education, culture and art in order to discover and develop the talents they possess.

The organisation gathered under the roof of the ENKA Foundation are: ENKA Sports Club; ENKA Schools İstanbul, which began operating in 1996; ENKA Schools Adapazarı, which started up immediately after the 1999 earthquake in order to provide education to children affected by the earthquake; Private ENKA Vocational and Technical Anatolian High School, which started teaching in Kocaeli in 2008; Private ENKA Science and Technology High School, also in Kocaeli and has been operating since 2014, and lastly ENKA Arts.

For more information about ENKA Foundation, please visit:

► [www.enka.com/sustainability/enka-foundation/](http://www.enka.com/sustainability/enka-foundation/)

## ENKA SPORTS CLUB

Under its motto “The Future Belongs to the Young”, ENKA Sports Club has been responsible for raising countless talented Turkish athletes and players. Today, with 1,261 licensed athletes and 79 specialised coaches, it continues to take part in national and international sporting contests in the branches of sports and to achieve successful results in all the sports in which it is active.

In 2019, ENKA Sports Club provided training for 671 young athlete candidates, won a total of 16 cups and 643 medals in national and international contests and set a total of 139 records in athletics and swimming branches. It continues to be one of Turkey’s leading sports clubs both in terms of the talented young people whom it has won over for Turkish sports through its training activities and in terms of its achieved successes at the international level.

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► [www.enkaspor.com/en/](http://www.enkaspor.com/en/)

## NATIONAL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS;

### ATHLETICS

- Turkey Super League inter-club girls’ team champions
- Turkey U18 League inter-club girls’ team champions



- Turkey U16 League inter-club girls’ and boys’ champions
- Inter-Club Walking League women’s and men’s champions

### TENNIS

- Spor Toto Turkey Tennis League women’s and men’s teams champions

### SWIMMING

- Turkey Arena Long Course Junior and Open Age champions
- Young Individual Women’s Swimming Competition champions

### WATER POLO

- Spor Toto Şarkı Tara Water Polo Super League champions
- U19 League champions, U17 League champions

### WRESTLING

- Turkish Championship winners
- U23 Turkish Championship winners
- Junior Turkish Championship winners

## MAJOR INTERNATIONAL EVENTS IN THE 2019 SEASON;

### ATHLETICS

- ENKA Foundation athletes won a silver medal at the European Athletics Indoor Championships and first place at European Cross Championships.
- ENKA Women’s Athletics Team became the European Champion in the European Champion Clubs Cup and they became the first team to bring the cup to Turkey in history.
- In the European U23 Athletics Championships, European Championship was won and a new record for world U23 group and Turkish Senior were broken.
- Competing in Belarus, Salih Korkmaz broke his own national record and earned the right to compete in the 2020 Tokyo Olympics.
- Yasmani Copello Escobar achieved a 2020 Tokyo Olympics qualifying time in the Paris stage of the Diamond League.
- Gold and silver medals were won at the European Youth Championships.
- Hearing-impaired ENKA Foundation athlete Yasin Süzen won the 400m at both the World Indoor Championships and the European Athletics Championships.



TENNIS

■ Melisa Ercan took the second place in Europe in the U14 European Youth Tennis Championship in the Czech Republic.

SWIMMING

■ Viktoriya Zeynep Güneş became a mixed medley semi-finalist with a degree in the World Swimming Championship and she passed the quota A for 2020 Tokyo Olympics.

■ Beril Böcekler was ranked second by breaking the Turkish national record at the European Youth Swimming Championship and she passed for 2020 Tokyo Olympics quota A. She was also the first swimmer to win and break national records in the 400m, 800m and 1500m freestyle events at the European Youth Summer Olympics Festival (EYOF), where she achieved her second Olympic qualifying time.

■ Berkay Ömer Öğretir also achieved a Tokyo Olympic A quota qualifying time.

WRESTLING

■ Third place at the European Wrestling Championship, second and third places at the U23 European Championship, second place at the European Junior Championship and the third place at the Senior European Games held in Minsk were won.

ENKA ARTS

ENKA Arts has hosted more than 300 concerts, more than 360 plays, more than 120 exhibitions, nearly 300 movie screenings and more than 50 dance shows and performances by gathering almost 7,000 artists and performers with a total audience of over 60,000 people for 32 years since its foundation.

ENKA Arts, which stands out with its structure that supports creativity and free thinking, has always opened its doors to young talents and to the artists and performers of the future to ensure the continuity of culture and art concepts, thus it has brought young and promising talents to the society.

ENKA Arts gathers young talents and master artists with audiences in different art branches such as performing arts, music, cinema and theatre and continues its activities in the field of culture and arts actively. ENKA Arts host artists from different national and international art disciplines at ENKA Auditorium which has a seated capacity of 600 and at the ENKA Eşref Denizhan Open Air Theatre, which has a seated capacity of 1,000 with both their professional technical equipment and innovative stage designs.

For detailed information, please visit:  
▶ [www.enkasanat.org/en](http://www.enkasanat.org/en)







I was a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade student at the conservatory and at that time, Haldun Dormen used to teach 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade classes. He had put on stage the plays that were successfully performed by Dormen Theatre previously, with us, students, in front of the audience as if we were professionals. We were all eager to become a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade to have this experience. It was with this wonderful experience that I met with ENKA Arts. I mean it was the first professional stage on which I ever performed in İstanbul... It was an enormous thing that ENKA offered us such a wonderful opportunity.

ENKA Arts is, first and foremost, a really magical place that gives the credit of its story. It has never ignored the purpose and goal for which it was established. It is a very important asset that lies at the roots of many people that are well-known for their art. When I look at my friends with whom I went on that stage for the first time and see what precious things they are still doing for this country enthusiastically, I am smiling again with all my heart. I look at myself in those photographs and give thanks once again for my excitement which is still with me now. One of my friends has become head of department, and with some of them I have shared the same stage for years... Now I understand much better how much good it did us to appear on that stage and appreciate more for the traces of our dear teacher Haldun Dormen on every step we have taken.

Now after many years, I'm going back to the ENKA stage. Demet of 20 years ago will greet me there. It's feelings like this that people live for and I feel so happy! There is something else I should mention that from that day until today, ENKA's doors have always been open to us, we were always aware of that. That's where I gave my first big concert for example. It gives me great pleasure as a citizen of this country to see what a great team they have and how they always work in a way that befits their reputation. I really enjoy keeping up with the events as an audience as well. ENKA Arts, I am so glad we have you.

■ **Demet Evgar**  
Actress

“ **ENKA IS A VERY IMPORTANT ASSET THAT LIES AT THE ROOTS OF MANY PEOPLE THAT ARE WELL-KNOWN FOR THEIR ART.** ”

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ENKA SCHOOLS İSTANBUL

Private ENKA Schools İstanbul was founded in 1996, prepares and empowers its students to have a positive impact on the world in a free atmosphere that encourages to ask questions. Private ENKA Schools İstanbul provides education to a total of 1,242 students in the pre-school, primary, middle and high school units with its 234 distinguished teachers. Aside from the scholarships provided by the state, scholarships are given to 177 students at ENKA Schools İstanbul for to their academic achievement. Within the school there are three fully equipped science laboratories, an auditorium, three libraries, a computer laboratory, two design rooms and a multimedia room in addition to the modern, suitable classrooms.

Sustainability Highlights:

■ In order to honour Global Climate Action Week in ENKA Schools İstanbul global climate change was discussed in various classes. In English classes, students watched Greta Thunberg’s inspiring speech at the United Nations Climate Action Summit and reflected on it; in Geography classes, students discussed the consequences of global climate change; and in Art classes, climate change and the 16<sup>th</sup> İstanbul Biennial “The Seventh Continent” were discussed.

■ On January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019, primary school students from ENKA Schools İstanbul and their families organised a “Cinema Day” to raise awareness about the needs of stray animals and to meet the costs of pet food and veterinary care. The money raised during the event was used to buy 205 kilos of dog food, to meet the costs of veterinary care for horses injured in a fire at Büyükada and to pay for the needs of a sick puppy found abandoned in the forest.

■ The community service project, which ENKA Schools has been organising in Nepal every year since 2011, was held again on April 5<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> 2019 with a team of 13 high school students and two teachers. The students spent their holiday helping to the friendly and hospitable people of Nepal, a country with a rich cultural and geographical assets, despite of its poor living conditions. They helped to improve a preschool, repaired the walls and gave basic lessons in Art, Mathematics and English to children of various ages.

■ The “Sound of Sight” game between the ENKA High School and Turkey Association of the Visually Impaired football teams, which has been organised by the ENKA High School Dreamcatchers Club for the past three years, took place once again in 2019.

■ In the Gaziantep Social Responsibility Project, which was held for the second time this year, students organized summer school activities in Gaziantep



Şehitkamil Galip Deniz Middle School. The students who carried out art, sports and sustainability workshops, also redecorated the art room of the Gaziantep Şehitkamil Mete Uygun Middle School and supplied it with art materials.

■ Members of the ENKA Schools İstanbul Middle School World Wildlife Foundation (WWF) Club took part in the Nature Leaders Youth Conference which was organised by the WWF at Boğazici University on May 24<sup>th</sup> with the aim of assisting primary, middle and high school students to learn about nature by experiencing and loving it. As part of the programme, the students had the opportunity to meet up with the “Wildlife Protectors”, “Water Angels”, “Plastic Hunters” and “Food Warriors” groups made up of environmentally-sensitive students from various provinces of Turkey.

■ The 21<sup>st</sup> ENKA Teachers Spring Conference took place at ENKA Schools İstanbul on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 with 100 teachers and 285 participants. The conference, which has been held every year since 1999, gives teachers working in state schools and teachers from ENKA Schools the opportunity to come together and share their experiences in their various areas of expertise. The teachers participated in a series of effective workshops during which new ideas and good practices were shared.

For more information, please visit:

► [www.enka.k12.tr/istanbul/](http://www.enka.k12.tr/istanbul/)

ENKA SCHOOLS KOCAELİ

ENKA Schools Kocaeli consists of two entities, ENKA Technical Schools and ENKA Science and Technology High School. These two schools have developed various teaching programmes, established technical facilities and brought together a highly-qualified teaching staff in support of the practical education they provide to their students. They have their own LEGO robotics workshop, model aeroplane/drone workshop, science centre, visual arts workshop and orchestra practice room as well as physics, chemistry and biology laboratories equipped with the latest technology.

ENKA Technical Schools was established to provide education by using state-of-art machinery and equipment and up-to-date methods in order to raise individuals who respect professional ethics and moral values and are sensitive in this regard, who are able to meet the needs of the relevant sectors and higher education institutions. To this end, it implements multidirectional teaching programmes to raise individuals with strong social skills, high self-esteem and the ability to express themselves easily in society.

The ENKA Vocational and Technical Anatolian High School is the first and only school in Turkey with the status of an Anatolian Technical High School in which all students are provided full scholarships and it continues education in industrial automation, machine technologies and chemistry technologies with its 72 teachers and 410



students to raise the students' vocational competencies to the highest possible level.

All 119 students of ENKA Science and Technology High School receive full, unconditional scholarships from the ENKA Foundation. In addition to the standard curriculum, students are provided with additional educational activities from grade 10 and onwards in line with their goals and preferences. To this end, Genetics classes are organised in the genetics laboratory for students who wish to study medicine, while mechatronics and computer programming languages workshops are held for students who are interested in studying engineering.

For more information, please visit:

► [www.enka.k12.tr/kocaeli/en/](http://www.enka.k12.tr/kocaeli/en/)

### Sustainability Highlights:

► One of ENKA Schools Kocaeli's TÜBİTAK (Scientific and Technical Research Council of Turkey) projects, "A New Natural Method for Prolonging the Shelf Life of Oranges", won second prize in the Biology category in the TÜBİTAK High School Students Research Project Competition, İstanbul Asia Zone Exhibition Final. In chemistry, the "Obtaining Thermal Insulating Plaster from Waste Paper and Waste Boron Minerals" project came third in the TÜBİTAK regional inter-high school contest.



► Thousands of students from 52 different countries attended the CERN International Masterclass Event, which was held in Kocaeli Science Center with the participation of 30 ENKA Schools Kocaeli students. ENKA Schools Kocaeli students had the opportunity to meet scientists by connecting live to the experiments conducted at the CERN European Nuclear Research Center with academics.

► The Barrier-Free Film Festival was held for the first time in 2013 to remind that it is a must to create conditions where individuals with disabilities may benefit from their social and cultural rights. The festival continues in order to contribute to the vocal representation of current cinema samples for the visually impaired individuals and to show them with sign language and detailed subtitles for the hearing-impaired individuals. Turkish sign language translation is also provided for the interviews that come after films.

► Students from ENKA Schools Kocaeli took part in the kennel construction activity organised for the fourth time by the Octopus Volunteers Association. Students are trained by volunteers and they learned about the stages of kennel construction and constructed a total of seven kennels. Through this activity, they provided shelter for shelterless animals with the arrival of the winter and demonstrated their environmental awareness once again by reutilizing used posters and pieces of wood.

► On 25 June 2019, a training on "Child Neglect and Abuse" was given to all teachers and personnel in order to contribute to employee development within the scope of sustainability studies of ENKA Schools Kocaeli.

► A "Cyber-Crime Seminar" was organised by the Kocaeli Department of Anti-Cyber-Crime to provide information on social media, internet, game addiction and cyber-bullying. During the seminar, information was shared about how social media networks have become an important form of communication, particularly in recent years, and about the dangers that internet and social media may bring when not used consciously. The legal consequences and psychological effects of cyber bullying, cyber-crimes and social media crimes were also explained.

► A "Women's Health Seminar" was organized by specialist physicians from Kocaeli Family Health Center, which is open to the participation of female employees and student's parents.

### ENKA SCHOOLS ADAPAZARI

ENKA Schools Adapazarı was founded after the 1999 Marmara earthquake to provide education and shelter to children who had been victims of the disaster. Ever since the day it was founded, it has abided by its principle of ensuring equality in education and it continues to prepare its students to have a positive impact on the world by developing their capacities in various disciplines and ensuring that they acquire an international consciousness. It has now completed its 20<sup>th</sup> year and ENKA Schools Adapazarı continues to provide education to 676 students in total with its experienced 95 teachers.

ENKA Schools İstanbul and ENKA Schools Adapazarı are one of the first schools in Turkey to combine the widely-recognised International Baccalaureate (IB) Programme with the Turkish curriculum. As "IB schools", these schools have established a curricular system which ensures that their students acquire knowledge of both local and global topics. Thanks to the enquiry units embedded in the system, the students have the chance to investigate the issues that are of concern for the whole world by assessing the situation at the local and global levels and making connections with the Sustainable Development Goals.

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► [www.enka.k12.tr/adapazari/en/](http://www.enka.k12.tr/adapazari/en/)

### Sustainability Highlights:

► At a workshop entitled "A Message from Our Planet", students took part in interactive activities about the aspects of daily life that pose a threat to nature and the disasters and ecological problems which will arise very soon if precautions are not taken. They examined the current problems of the environment in the light of a wide range of striking examples, from how much water is polluted to make a pair of shoes to the fact that a part of the Amazon jungle has been destroyed in order to make hamburgers.

► As part of their activities on Human Rights and Democracy events, fifth-grade students in the Social Sciences Department organised a workshop named "Once Upon a Time" which is about Gender Equality, one of the most important issues faced by almost every individual in the world and particularly in Turkey. They analysed fairy tales, cartoon films and the discriminatory proverbs and idioms that have become part of our language from the angle of gender equality, which is one of the global goals for a sustainable society. With respect to human rights, they studied the real-life stories of men and women who shed light on society.

► Middle-school students in the Social Sciences Department of ENKA Schools Adapazarı carried out a series of activities with the slogan of "Being Happy is Every Child's Right" on the World Children's Rights Day to make children learn and embrace about the rights which are theirs from birth, and raise the awareness of their peers. As part of the celebrations for World Children's Rights Day on November 20<sup>th</sup>, the students watched the awareness-raising videos produced by UNICEF and created their own essays through collaborative thinking. The students wrote down their feelings and wishes regarding children married at an early age, child workers and refugee children and then drew connections between these issues and the global goals for sustainable development.



► On Pi Day, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade students at ENKA Schools Adapazarı conducted a community service activity in order to draw attention to scientific studies and facts in the fields of mathematics and the physical sciences. The awareness-raising community service activity took the form of a bazaar, with the revenue to be donated to a disadvantaged school for the procurement of teaching and learning materials. Fifth-grade students

performed a community service of their own by supporting students in need and being educated under very difficult conditions at the Narlıca Primary Education School in Van.

► The Middle School Young Entrepreneurs Club and Social Sciences Department provided books to the Perihan Tulan Primary School in Düzce, the second school which they support. Students had the opportunity to spend pleasant time together by visiting their friends who asked support for their libraries in the "Book Bank" project.

### AWARDS:

#### ENKA SCHOOLS İSTANBUL

► Students from ENKA Schools İstanbul were awarded the gold medal for their achievements in the 27<sup>th</sup> TÜBİTAK Middle School Mathematical Sciences Olympics.

► The Nebula System project was designed by 7<sup>th</sup> grade student from ENKA Schools İstanbul to be part of a public transportation system and it came fifth among the 310 participating projects in the Teknofest İstanbul 2019 Flying Car Design Contest which aims to bring out the concept of "Flying Car" that will provide safe and easy transportation in residential areas.

#### ENKA SCHOOLS KOCAELİ

► Three students from ENKA Schools Kocaeli won silver medals for their outstanding performance in the national TÜBİTAK Science Olympics.

► The 6985 ENKA TECH robotics team, made up of students from ENKA Schools İstanbul, ENKA Schools Adapazarı and ENKA Schools Kocaeli, competed in the semi-finals of the inter-high school FRC İstanbul Regional Robotics Contest held on March 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> 2019 and won the "Best Autonomous" award.

► At the European Physics Olympics held in Latvia, ENKA Schools Kocaeli student who was part of the national team won the silver medal.

► ENKA Schools Kocaeli represented Turkey at the 30<sup>th</sup> International Biology Olympics which took place in Hungary, on July 21<sup>st</sup> 2019, and succeeded in winning the silver medal.

► An 11<sup>th</sup> grade student from ENKA Schools Kocaeli became the world champion in the Waterloo Mathematics Contest organised by Waterloo University, Canada. 10<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade students also succeeded in winning medals.



# ENKA SCHOOLS SUSTAINABLE CAMPUS PROGRAMME

THE ENKA SCHOOLS SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE, INCLUDING REPRESENTATIVES OF ENKA SCHOOLS İSTANBUL, ENKA SCHOOLS ADAPAZARI AND ENKA SCHOOLS KOCAELİ, CONTINUED ITS ACTIVITIES IN 2019 WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE ENKA SUSTAINABILITY DEPARTMENT. THE COMMITTEE WAS ESTABLISHED IN 2017 AS PART OF THE SUSTAINABLE CAMPUS PROGRAMME, AN INITIATIVE WHICH SEEKS TO SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS AS CITIZENS OF THE WORLD, REDUCE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT AND CONTRIBUTE TO SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT.

In the "ENKA Sustainable Campus Programme", each school sets up sub-committees with voluntary participation from the student associations and clubs, administrative affairs and the parent-teacher association, and seeks to serve the goals of the ENKA Sustainable Campus Programme by developing its own strategies and targets by carrying out its activities accordingly.

The annual "ENKA Schools Sustainability Meeting", which takes place every year accordingly, was hosted by ENKA Schools Adapazarı this year on May 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. The committee activities that continued throughout the day were carried out to include the following global topics;

- Combating Climate Change/Our Carbon Footprint
- Prevention of Excessive Consumption/Waste Management
- Respect for Human Rights and Prevention of Discrimination
- Animal Rights

## OUTPUTS OF THE SUSTAINABILITY MEETING

**Combating Climate Change/Our Carbon Footprint:** The committee shared with the participants an analysis of the links between the Sustainable Development Goals and the topic of Combating Climate Change/Our Carbon Footprint. This was followed by an interactive discussion about how positive results can be achieved, based on examples of sustainable projects. Enriching the discussion with examples from daily life, the students dwelt on the measures that need to be taken to reduce the harm being done to nature.

**Prevention of Excessive Consumption/Waste Management:** The committee, which was chaired by the United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Turkey Network (SDSN) representative, examined the concepts of sustainable development and development goals. After discussing about what human beings are able and unable to do about the problems of the world and its disappearing ecosystems, the students shared their solution suggestions.

**Respect for Human Rights and Prevention of Discrimination:** The Committee on Respect for Human Rights and the Prevention of Discrimination explained its work on how to create a sustainable, egalitarian and fair atmosphere in our environment. The committee, which started the event with orientation games on the theme of “Diversity and Difference” and shared its works in three areas of fundamental rights; children’s rights, the right to work, and freedom of thought and expression with the participants.

**Animal Rights:** The Animal Rights Monitoring Committee headed a discussion with the students on topics such as hunting and the animal industry. The students described the projects which they had developed to increase awareness on behalf of those living creatures who are unable to raise their own voices and do not receive the respect they deserve. Fourth grade primary school students took part in the meeting by exhibiting presentations on animal rights and water resources which they had prepared.

The Learning Designs Association, the Animal Rights Monitoring Committee (HAKİM), the SosyalBen Foundation, the Association for the Supporting of Electronic Waste Recycling (EAGD) and the Sakarya Small Producers Solidarity Network (SAKÜDA) had stands at the meeting and during the breaks between the committee sessions, they shared their work on the selected topics with the students and conducted activities to raise awareness about the issues they address.

The opening ceremony for the Şarık Tara Memorial Grove, which has been created on the ENKA Schools Adapazarı Campus, was held as a part of the meeting.

