

Ali Cinar Biography

A 1999 Graduate of Istanbul University's Economics department, Ali has completed his MBA degree at the University of New Haven. He also worked as a Research Assistant at the Communication Department and Center of Professional Ethics during his MBA program. Mr. Cinar successfully completed various executive certificate programs in 2004, 2005 and 2006 at Harvard Business School, MIT and New York University.

Ali Cinar is currently working for the Turkish Heritage Organization as Executive Vice President. From security and energy to humanitarian aid, the economy, education and technology, the Turkish Heritage Organization explores the critical issues in the U.S.-Turkey bilateral relationship.

His professional responsibilities and educational accomplishments, Mr. Cinar contributes to US-Turkish relations and has built bridges with many other communities in the United States. He has proven leadership qualities, and believes in the importance of being politically active.

In 2004 and 2005, he was an Honorary Guest Speaker about the Foreign Affairs at the American Coast Guard Military Academy. He was also a guest speaker at the United Nations, Columbia University, and many other academic and think tank institutions.

His opeds were published in the Washington Post, The Hill, and Morning Consult and many other ethnic media outlets. He has appeared as a commentator on several TV media outlets including Voice of America, CCTV and CNN Turk.

Several Non-Profit Organizations in the States have recognized Mr. Cinar for his accomplishments. Between 2007 and 2015, Ali has received over 30 awards from different organizations such as "Leader of the Year Award by ATAA, One of the TOP 10 Most Successful Young People by Junior Chamber International (JCI) TR. He was awarded as "Role Model" by American-Turkish Association of Washington, D.C Ali Cinar was also selected as one of the 50 Most Influential Turkish Americans by Turk of America Magazine

Ali Cinar has served on two of the largest Turkish-American Umbrella Organizations as the President of the Federation of Turkish American Associations (FTAA-established 1956) between 2012-2014 and Northeast Vice President of the Assembly of Turkish Americans (established in 1979) between 2010-2012. He was also the Chairman, Disciplinary Committee of the Turkish American Chamber of Commerce & Industry between 2008-2010.