GEP Turkey Entrepreneurship Delegation 2012

Tuesday 29 May - ISTANBUL

10:00-12:00 Press Conference (Point Hotel Barbaros)

12:00-16:00 EDEL Business Plan Competition First Panel (Microsoft Turkey)

16:30-19:00 GEP EDEL / Tufts in the World Joint Symposium "Entrepreneurship in

Turkey: Where it Stands and Why it Matters?" (Sabancı Museum)

- Ali Sabancı, President, TOBB Young Entrepreneurs Board
- Diane Hessan, CEO, Communispace
- Vali Nasr, Dean of SAIS, Johns Hopkins University
- Amar Bhide, Professor at the Fletcher School/Tufts University
- Özcan Tahincioğlu, Chairman of the Board, PreEndeavor
- Emre Kurttepeli, Chairman of the Board, Galata Business Angels
- Mehmet Emin Karamehmet, Chairman, Çukurova Holding

Wednesday 30 May - ISTANBUL

8:30-16:00 EDEL Business Plan Competition Second Panel and Finals (Microsoft Turkey)

17:30-1900: Speed Mentoring with 45 entrepreneurs who did not make it to the finals (Cemile Sultan Yalısı)

19:30 Award Ceremony and Dinner (Cemile Sultan Yalısı)

Thursday 31 May - ISTANBUL

10:00-12:00 Visit to ITO-SSM TECHNOPARK and roundtable meeting

13:00-14:30 Lunch

15:30-18:30 Roundtable Meeting on Entrepreneurship Policies (Çırağan)

Friday 1 June - ISTANBUL/ANKARA

11:00 Meeting with the President Gül (Istanbul)

16:30-18:00 Panel on Entrepreneurship Policies (Guest: TÜBİTAK President Prof. Dr. Yücel Altunbaşak) (TEPAV-Ankara)

- Ferruh Gürtaş, Director for Turkey and Middle East, INTEL
- Mete Çakmakçı, Secretary General, TTGV
- Ned Lamont, CEO, Lamont Digital Systems, Former Nominee in Senate and Governor for Connecticut
- Laura Brightsen, Managing Director, Golden Seeds Angel Investors Network

20:00 Reception and Dinner at U.S Ambassador's Residence