



## **Mehmet Tayfun ÖKTEM**

Mehmet Tayfun Öktem, who graduated with honors from Darüşşafaka High School in 1982, spent an academic year in the United States through the American Field Service (AFS) cultural exchange programs in 1980-1981. He earned his undergraduate degree from the Department of Management at Boğaziçi University in 1986 and completed his postgraduate MBA degree with full scholarship at the University of Minnesota (UMD) in 1988. Additionally, Öktem holds a certification in Strategic Marketing Management from Harvard Business School. Throughout his career, he has held high-level professional management, CEO, and board member positions with international and multinational companies such as Unilever, Reckitt Benckiser, Ülker International, and Alliance Healthcare, both domestically and internationally (in cities like London, Prague, Riyadh, Copenhagen).

Between 2012 and 2018, Öktem served two terms as an Independent Board Member at Nokia Turkey (Alcatel-Lucent Teletaş A.Ş.), and from 2019 to 2022, he served as the Chairman of the Board of Trustees at Darüşşafaka Society for one term. During his tenure as a board member, Öktem actively participated in Corporate Governance, Risk, and Donation/Resource Development & Communication committees. He is also a member of the High Advisory Board of Darüşşafaka Society.

As part of the "Second University" Program, Öktem graduated in Culinary Arts from Anadolu University in 2020. Married and a father of one child, he is proficient in English and German.