

- **Dr. Ahmet Boyacioglu, Founding Partner, Turkey**

Festival Programmer, Director and Producer. He graduated from Ankara University with a degree in medicine and worked 20 years as a general surgeon. He served as the programmer of the Ankara Film Festival from 1988 to 1995. Since 1995 he has been the artistic director of the Festival on Wheels, as well as chairing the Ankara Cinema Association. Between 2005 and 2007, he took on the role of Turkey's national representative for Eurimages. Since 2006 he was one of the partners of Greenhouse, a Development Program for the Mediterranean Documentary Filmmakers and is now, along with the founding members of Greenhouse team, a leading partner for Close-Up, an international co-production initiative for emerging Middle East and North African filmmakers. In 2009, he co-produced the feature film *Tales from Kars*, which premiered in Rotterdam. He wrote and directed his first feature *Black and White* in 2010, which won the Special Award of the Jury at the Mannheim-Heidelberg Film Festival, among other awards. He is the co-producer of *Inside* (2012), *Nausea* (2015) and *Ember* (2016), all directed by Zeki Demirkubuz. He is a member of the European Film Academy. He was in charge of the Turkish Film Stands at Berlin and Cannes Film Festivals from 2007 to 2017.