



Untimely Loss of Mr. Bahri YILMAZ

We are deeply sad to inform about the untimely death of our beloved President, Mr. Bahri Yilmaz, the President of the Turkish Beekeepers Association and the 45th Apimondia Congress.

He passed away unexpectedly on Saturday evening in Ankara because of a heart attack at the age of 62.

He was born in Ordu in 1954, he is the one of the older brother of a big family. He has 12 brothers/sisters. He had one daughter and one son.

Beekeeping was a family business for him from past. His father was known as a first itinerant beekeeper of Turkey. He started beekeeping with his father when he was 11 years old.

He graduated from Atatürk University as an Agricultural Engineer. He worked 28 years for TKV (Turkish Development Foundation) he was board member and the head of Beekeeping Department.

He spent all his life only for beekeeping, he has given great services to Turkish Beekeeping.

He founded Turkish Beekeeping Association in 2003 with his 16 friends, he was the founder president. He organized nearly 1000 seminars and workshops all around Turkey for the development of beekeeping.

Turkey became a member of Apimondia in 2005 during his presidency time period and won the right to organize Apimondia Congress in Istanbul in 2017.

We will never forget him, remembering his wonderful and gentle soul will forever remain in our hearts.

May He Rest in Peace..

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