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Dr. Aygun is one of the pioneers of Satellite Communications in Europe and especially in Turkey: as the first Director of the Turkish Satellite Communications Center (1985-1990), The designer and the Program Director of Turksat (1A, 1B, 1C) satellites in Aerospatiale (today Thales Alenia Space) - Cannes (1991-1997), Director General & CEO of Eurasiasat - Monaco (1997-2003) during which the financing, design, manufacturing, launch and the operations of Eurasiasat-1 satellite were realized.

Graduated in 1981 as Electrical/Electronics Engineer from Middle East Technical (American) University-Ankara and attended post graduate/doctorate studies in Southampton University-UK, AT&T Bell Labs / MIT-USA, Marmara University - Istanbul. Dr. Aygun has represented Turkey, France and Monaco in numerous international conferences and scientific programs.

Today, Dr. Ilhami AYGUN is the President & CEO of the company Space Systems International - Monaco S.A.M. (SSI-Monaco) founded in 2004.

SSI-Monaco is an integrated telecommunication services provider, formed by the Worldwide known experts and consultants. The company has several partnerships and agreements with the World leading satellite operator and manufacturer companies and has proven its leadership in many international projects.

SSI-Monaco is the Satellite Operator Company of the Principality of Monaco and developed the 52°E orbital position. The company realized the MonacoSAT program. The MonacoSAT satellite manufactured by Thales Alenia Space in Cannes has been launched on the 27th of April 2015 from Cape Canaveral – USA with the American launcher SpaceX

Dr. Ilhami AYGUN is the Honorary Consul of Republic of Turkey in Monaco since 31 January 2003 upon the proposal by the President of the Republic of Turkey and acceptance by Prince Rainier III of Monaco.

Dr. Ilhami AYGUN has been awarded the “Chevalier – Ordre de St.Charles “ title from Prince Albert II of Monaco on the 17th of November 2007.