

Mr. M. Tinaz Titiz was born in Istanbul in 1942; he graduated from the Istanbul Technical University with a B.Sc. Degree in Electrical Engineering. He worked at Zonguldak, Ereğli Coal Mines Co. (ECM) as maintenance engineer, project-planning engineer and the Chief Electrical Engineer. He worked as the Director of Operations and Research Department, the General Manager in a TV set manufacturing company in Istanbul where his initiatives was a first in Turkey; designing & manufacturing an intelligent terminal which would be used by Turkish Telecom's long distance automatic switching.

Starting 1983, Mr. Titiz became Member of Parliament, was appointed as the Minister of State, responsible for Science & Technology, and finally the Minister of Culture & Tourism. In 1991 general elections he was reelected for the 3rd time as the Member of Parliament for Ankara.

In addition to his political career, he also worked as a part-time lecturer and taught *Systems Thinking* courses at the Middle East Technical University, Ankara.

Termination of his political activities in the parliament becomes the beginning of two parallel work paths: Business consultancy *-focused on problem solving through collective intelligence and [questioning conferences](#)*- and NGO activities. Mr. Titiz mainly spends his efforts and time for the [White Point Foundation](#) as the chairman since its beginning.

He is a Melvin Jones Fellow and has Turkish Informatics Society Lifelong Service Award.

Mr. Titiz has published 16 books comprising mainly his articles. The most recent one is about problem solving: "*Revenge of Problems; they solve if you can't*". It is on problem solving capability of the Turkish society.

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