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Prof. Dr. Cemali Dinçer graduated from the Department of Industrial Engineering, METU (Middle East Technical University) in 1979 and subsequently studied at Stanford University where he received his graduate degrees. Dr. Dinçer completed his MS in industrial engineering and statistics, which he followed up with a PhD in industrial engineering & engineering management at Stanford. Offered an academic position at Bilkent University's Department of Industrial Engineering while the university was just being founded, Dr. Dinçer became one of the first faculty members of Bilkent University in 1986. He carried on conducting academic studies at Bilkent University until the year 1997, first with the title of assistant professor and subsequently associate professor. He assumed the office of Vice Dean of the Faculty of Engineering at Bilkent University between 1989-1997.

Transferring to private sector in 1997, Prof. Dr. M. Cemali Dinçer worked for 'Yeni Asır' newspaper as the general director of the newspaper in İzmir until 2002. He then joined the academic staff of the İzmir University of Economics and founded respectively the Faculty of Communication and the Faculty of Computer Sciences. Following his position as the general director of İzAIR (İzmir Airlines) in 2006, he assumed the offices of Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and Vice Rector in charge of academic affairs at İstanbul Bilgi University between 2011 and 2013. After returning to İzmir, he assumed the office of Vice Rector of the İzmir University of Economics and, in September 2014, started to work at the Department of Industrial Engineering within Yaşar University. Initially serving as the Director of Academic Office, Prof. Dr. M. Cemali Dinçer was appointed as the Rector of Yaşar University by the Council of Higher Education in Turkey upon the proposal of the Board of Trustees on June 1, 2015. Dr. Dinçer is the author of numerous international articles and publications and he is married with two children.