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Prof. Dr. Mehmet Çelik was born in 1965. He graduated from Mechanical Engineering Department of Middle East Technical University (Turkey) in 1989. He obtained his M.Sc. and PhD degrees in Mechanical Engineering from the same department in 1991 and 1997, respectively. During that time, he worked as a teaching assistant. In 1995-1996, he studied as a research scientist at the Ohio State University.

During 1998-2010 he worked in the industry as the manager of Mechanical Analysis and Test Unit and as a Senior Lead Design Engineer within ASELSAN MST/REHİS. In 2003 he completed his habilitation for the title of Associate Professor Degree in Mechanical Engineering. From 2003 to 2013, he served as a board member of the working group under the NATO-RTO "Applied Vehicle Technology" and "Sensors and Electronics Technology".

In 2010 he was appointed as a full professor at KTO Karatay University. He served as the Head of the Department of Mechatronics and Mechanical Engineering Department, Bologna Coordination Commission Chairman, Vice Dean and Director of the Institute of Science at this university. He served as a Project Evaluation Committee Member in KOSGEB "Research, Development, Innovation and Industrial Application Support Program" and as Academic Member in several TUBITAK project juries. He also served as peer-reviewer in several scientific conferences and journals. Between the years 2012-2015 he worked as Senior Lead Design Engineer and served as a Training and Technical Advisor in the industry. Prof. ÇELİK has been an Executive Board Member of the Technology and Innovation Funding Program Directorate (TEYDEB)-Transportation, Defense, Energy and Textile Technologies Group of the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TUBITAK) between the years 2013-2015.

In addition, Prof. ÇELİK served as a Vice President of The Scientific and Technological Council of Turkey (TUBITAK) during April-June 2015 and as a Member of the Science Board and Higher Education Board Quality Council Member between 2015 and 2017.

Besides his duties in ASELSAN, he is still a teaching professor in KTO Karatay University Mechanical Engineering Department and a member of Turkish Academy of Sciences (TÜBA).

In April-May 2017 he worked as the advisor of ASELSAN Board of Directors. Professor Dr. Mehmet ÇELİK has been serving as Assistant General Manager responsible for ASELSAN Technology and Strategy Management since April 2017, as well as ASELSAN Academy Board Chairman and board member of Defense Industry Technologies. He was appointed as a member of the Council of Higher Education on 14 July 2018 and as a member of the Presidency Science, Technology and Innovation Policy Board on 8 October 2018, by presidential decree.

Prof. Dr. Mehmet Çelik is married with three children. He is fluent in English.