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Social Sciences and Humanities
Prof. Dr. Jeffrey David Sachs / Columbia University
Prof. Dr. Jeffrey David Sachs from Columbia University has been awarded with 2021 TÜBA Academy Prize in the Social Sciences and Humanities for his scientific, technical, and effective studies on globalization and sustainable development, responsible production and consumption mechanisms, combating diseases, and besides theoretical research his efforts to raise awareness and ethical stance in the titles of reducing extreme poverty, eliminating income injustice, the damages of colonialism with visiting more than 130 countries all over the world.

Health and Life Sciences
Prof. Dr. Messoud Ashina / Copenhagen University
Prof. Dr. Messoud Ashina from Copenhagen University, has been awarded with 2021 TÜBA Academy Prize in the Health and Life Sciences, for his studies that uncover the signaling mechanisms that trigger migraine headache, describe new molecules by studies on patients, clarify the neurovascular mechanisms that initiate migraine and highlight the clinical importance and therapeutic potential of the neuropeptide PACAP-38.

Basic and Engineering Sciences
Prof. Dr. Okyay Kaynak / Boğaziçi University
Prof. Dr. Okyay Kaynak of Boğaziçi University has been awarded with 2020 TÜBA Academy Prize in the Basic and Engineering Sciences for his works on the protection of fragile freshwater ecosystems, lakes and rivers on a global basis, and the effects of global climate change on aquatic ecosystems.

Social Sciences and Humanities
Prof. Dr. Wael B. Hallaq / Colombia University
Prof. Wael B. Hallaq of Columbia University has been awarded with 2020 TÜBA Academy Prize in the Social Sciences and Humanities for his works on Islamic law studies within the scope of Islamic jurisprudence history; especially analyses on issues such as ijtihad-fatwa-qada, the problem of authenticity, production of legal knowledge, the closure of the gate of ijtihad, and new insights brought on the critiques of orientalism-modernity.

Health and Life Sciences
Prof. Dr. Murat Günel / Yale University
Prof. Dr. Murat Günel of Yale University has been awarded with 2020 TÜBA Academy Prize in the Health and Life Sciences for his works on identification of inherited genetic mutations that cause vascular diseases involving the nervous system and cortical developmental disorders and elucidating their mechanisms.

Basic and Engineering Sciences
Prof. Dr. Erik Jeppesen / Middle East Technical University
Prof. Dr. Erik Jeppesen of Middle East Technical University has been awarded with 2020 TÜBA Academy Prize in the Basic and Engineering Sciences for his works and contributions on the sliding mode control method developed by using artificial intelligence and artificial neural network techniques in his applications and studies in the fields of industrial process control, aviation, vehicle control, robotics, and automation.