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Support for Sports from Akfen İnşaat: “Team Akfen İnşaat” on the Road to the Los Angeles 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games

Akfen İnşaat has launched the “Team Akfen İnşaat” project to provide long-term support for young national athletes on their journeys to international success. The company will contribute to the 2028 Los Angeles Olympic and Paralympic Games preparation process of five athletes representing Türkiye in archery, cycling, swimming, para-athletics, and table tennis.

Within the scope of Team Akfen İnşaat, a strong team of young national athletes representing Türkiye on the international stage will be supported: Berkay Akkoyun in archery, Ekin Ereke in cycling, Meriç Uygun in swimming, Aysel Önder in para-athletics, and Görkem Öçal in table tennis.

Coşkun Mesut Ruhi, General Manager of Akfen İnşaat, stated that they will stand by the athletes throughout their Olympic journey through the Team Akfen İnşaat project, saying: *“On this journey, we aim to be not merely a supporter, but a stakeholder who shares the excitement and joy together with our athletes and our nation.”*

Considering social benefit as an integral part of its sustainable growth approach, Akfen İnşaat has established a long-term social responsibility model in sports as well. Accordingly, 5 national athletes competing under the umbrella of “Team Akfen İnşaat” across **archery, cycling, swimming, athletics, and table tennis** will be supported during their preparation process for the **2028 Los Angeles Olympic and Paralympic Games**.

This program is designed not merely as a sponsorship, but as a strategic corporate social responsibility initiative that stands by young athletes on their long **journey toward their Olympic goals**, contributes to their development processes, and aims to make their achievements sustainable.



AKFEN İNŞAAT GENERAL MANAGER COŞKUN MESUT RUHI: "WE WILL SHARE THIS PRIDE TOGETHER"

In his evaluation of the project, Coşkun **Mesut Ruhi**, General Manager of Akfen İnşaat, stated:

"Sports represent the tangible manifestation of patience, discipline, and a long-term vision. As Akfen İnşaat, we build not only structures but also stories that add value to the future. With Team Akfen İnşaat, we will stand by our athletes throughout their Olympic journeys. Every rank, medal, and flag ceremony they achieve will be a shared pride for our nation and for us. On this journey, we aim to be not merely a supporter, but a stakeholder who shares the excitement and joy together."

THE 2028 LOS ANGELES OLYMPIC GAMES WILL REACH BILLIONS OF VIEWERS

The Olympic and Paralympic Games to be held in Los Angeles, USA, in 2028 will mark a historic occasion as the city hosts the event for the third time. Taking place between **July 14–30, 2028 (Olympic Games)** and **August 15–27, 2028 (Paralympic Games)**, the world's largest sporting stage will reach billions of viewers worldwide.

Through its support, Akfen İnşaat will accompany the athletes representing Türkiye during their preparation processes for this global stage. Every achievement earned by Team Akfen İnşaat athletes on their road to Los Angeles will be celebrated not only as an individual success, but as a shared pride for our nation.

Team Akfen İnşaat Athletes

<https://www.instagram.com/teamakfen/>

Berkay Akkoyun (Antalya)

Archery

Antalya Archery Specialty SC

<https://www.instagram.com/berkayakkoyunn?igsh=ZThicTg0bXJcTRv>

Winner of a bronze medal at the 2024 European Championship and a bronze medal at the 2025 World University Games, Berkay Akkoyun draws attention with his rankings in the Turkish youth and U21 categories. Setting a European record with 1,330 points in the U21 Mixed Team category, Akkoyun successfully represents Türkiye in top-tier international competitions such as the World and European Championships and the University Games.

Ekin Ereke (İstanbul)

Cycling

Fethiye Municipality Sports

https://www.instagram.com/ekin_ereke?igsh=dTBnaWoybmVjaTJu



Representing Türkiye at the European Mountain Bike Championship, the Eliminator World Championship, and the Balkan Championship, Ekin Ereke became the Turkish Mountain Bike Champion in the U23 Women's category in 2024 and 2025, while also earning multiple podium finishes in the Elite Women's category. Having reached the podium in more than 10 races for the National Team, Ereke rose to No. 1 in Türkiye in the 2024–2025 international points ranking and earned a place on the Cycling Federation Olympic Squad.

Meriç Uygun (Ankara)

Swimming

Fenerbahçe SK

<https://www.instagram.com/meriicuygun?igsh=MW1ybTdoa3I1cXN1Mw==>

Meriç Uygun gained attention representing Türkiye at the Comen Cup and numerous national team competitions. She continued her success with championships in the 200-meter breaststroke and other events at the Turkish Championships. Competing in international events as a national team athlete, Uygun stands out as one of the rising figures in her branch with her steady performance and competitive times.

Aysel Önder (İzmir)

Para-Athletics

Enka SK

<https://www.instagram.com/aysel.ondrrr3?igsh=YXc1MXd6b2x4b3ow>

Winning a gold medal and breaking a world record at the 2025 World Championships, and earning a silver medal at the 2024 Paris Paralympic Games, Aysel Önder also made history in the same year by winning 2 gold medals (with world records) and 1 silver medal at the Virtus World Indoor Athletics Championships across different events, as well as 3 gold medals with world records at the Virtus European Indoor Athletics Championships. With these top-tier achievements on the international stage, Önder stands out as one of Türkiye's most inspiring athletes.

Görkem Öçal (Adana)

Table Tennis

Çiltar Table Tennis SK

<https://www.instagram.com/gorkem.ocall?igsh=aXB3eXRwYWV4azJn>

Winning a total of 14 international medals in 2025, Görkem Öçal gained prominence as the 2024 U13 European Individual Champion, the 2025 U15 European Individual Runner-Up, Youth Olympics 3rd-place finisher, European Top 10 Runner-Up, and World Youth Runner-Up. Also holding European Championship and World Runner-Up titles in the U15 category, Öçal has demonstrated a consistently strong performance trajectory since his youth career—winning Turkish National Championships in the Cadets (2018–2020), Juniors (2021–2024), and Youth (2025) categories. In 2026, at just 14 years old, he made history as the youngest Senior Turkish



National Champion. With his powerful performance on both national and international stages, Öçal stands among the most remarkable young athletes in his discipline.