SELÇUK BAYRAKTAR

Chairman & Chief Technology Officer, BAYKAR

The architect of Türkiye's first indigenous UCAV systems and unmanned fighter aircraft, Selçuk Bayraktar was born in 1979 in Sarıyer, Istanbul.

Upon graduating from Robert College, he completed his undergraduate studies in Electronics and Communications Engineering at Istanbul Technical University before receiving master's degrees from UPenn and MIT.

Bayraktar has received various international awards and orders, including the Karabakh Order of Azerbaijan, the Order of Merit of Ukraine, the National Order of Mali, and the Dank State Order of Kyrgyzstan.

In the field of space technologies, he develops satellites, orbital transfer vehicles, and launch systems with his technology venture, Fergani.

Bayraktar chairs the boards of trustees of the T3, CANSAĞLIĞI and KÜME foundations. He also leads TEKNOFEST, the world's largest technology event.

Married to Sümeyye Erdoğan Bayraktar, he has three children. He holds a private pilot license.