

Project Name:	Building a Knowledge Infrastructure in Mersin for EU Accession
Reference No:	PUYB-01/49
Applicant:	Governorship of Mersin
Partner(s):	District Governorships of Akdeniz, Anamur, Aydıncık, Bozyazı, Çamlıyayla, Erdemli, Gülnar, Mezitli, Mut, Silifke, Tarsus, Toroslar, Yenişehir, Mersin Metropolitan Municipality, Mersin University, Provincial Directorate for Youth and Sport, Provincial Directorate for Social Services, Mersin Private Province Administration, Provincial Directorate for National Education, Provincial Directorate for Health, Provincial Directorate for Agriculture, Mersin Provincial Directorate of Turkish Labor Institution, KOSGEB, MTSO, Mersin Chamber of Maritime Trade, Mersin Chamber of Agriculture, Mersin Commodity Exchange Market, AKİB
Duration of the Project:	6 Months
Project Budget and Co-finance:	70.759 TL – 28.624 TL
Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To enable Mersin Governorship act as a leader to other public institutions in the province in the EU accession process and to establish local structures that will work as Secretariat General for EU Affairs (EUSG) provincial organization, To ensure Mersin's maximum benefit of EU resources and to accelerate development and transformation in the province, To promote EU awareness and motivation in the province among public institutions and non-governmental organisations (NGOs) under the leadership of Mersin Governorship.
Target Groups:	Public institutions in Mersin, Mersin Private Province Administration, thirteen directorates of governorships, Mersin Metropolitan Municipality, Mersin University, Mersin Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Mersin Chamber of Maritime Trade, vocational chambers, NGOs and private sector
Project Activities	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inauguration: An opening ceremony will be held with the participation of EUSG, EU Ambassadors, Delegation of the EU to Turkey and public institutions in the province. EU Acquis Training: Training and seminars on EU Acquis will be given to the members of the Provincial Coordination Committee of EU and therefore, the basic knowledge infrastructure will be built. The main topic to be covered will be history of the European integration, history of Turkey-EU relations, negotiation process, legal structure and institutions of the EU, regional administrations in the EU. Training on Project Cycle Management and Expert Database: Training on Project Cycle Management, Project Making, and Funds Sources will be given to the prospective project experts who attended the first training. Total 116 personnel are expected to participate. Also, an expert database will be formed and these 116 personnel will be included to this database. Project Information Network: An email group will be formed and project calls will be sent periodically. This will encourage cooperation between institutions and prevent them from making similar project on the same topic. In the context of the project, an inventory study will be done and a dynamic database will be formed. Info Day: Successful projects of member institutions will be presented to EU PASC on Info Days under the title of "EU Funds-Project Success Stories". fourteen Info Days will be organized Promotional Activities: Radio and TV programs of each on the project activities and the EU will be broadcasted to promote public interest. These activities will also contribute to show society the concrete outputs of the EU membership. 	



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