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Foreword

The Civil Society Dialogue Programme, implemented under five periods since 2008, was designed and implemented as a platform that would help societies to get to know each other, exchange information and to establish a permanent dialogue by bringing Türkiye and the European Union (EU) member states together around a common subject on Türkiye's path to EU membership.

The Civil Society Dialogue Programme, carried out by the Directorate for EU Affairs to develop civil society dialogue between Türkiye and the EU, has come to the foreground as a significant step on the way to strengthen social and cultural dialogue and to procure Türkiye's social integration to Europe by removing the existing prejudices and doubts between Türkiye and the EU.

Within the scope of the Civil Society Dialogue V between Türkiye and the EU in the period 2019-2020, a support of 6,9 million euros in sum has been provided for the 40 dialogue projects successfully implemented by CSOs from Türkiye and EU member states / EU candidate countries. The projects that received grants and which have been implemented in Ankara, İstanbul, Antalya, İzmir, Rome, Milan, Athens, Warsaw and Sarajevo have conducted studies on the areas including the disabled, elderly, refugees, gender equality, education, health, agriculture, food and environment while focusing on the themes of dialogue development and cooperation. 32 of the coordinator beneficiaries of the Grant Projects which received grants are from Türkiye, 7 are from EU member states (4 in Italy, 2 in Greece and 1 in Poland) and 1 is from Bosnia and Herzegovina, which is a potential EU candidate country.

As the Directorate for EU Affairs, we are happy to share the success stories and gains of these projects which we have supported in this journey on the way to EU membership. We extend our thanks to all civil society organisations and public institutions that endeavoured for a stronger civil society and supported the programme in our Civil Society Dialogue journey both in Türkiye and in Europe for their cooperation and contributions.

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Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Directorate for EU Affairs

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I. Civil Society Dialogue Programme from Past to Present

In the “The Civil Society Dialogue Between the European Union (EU) and Candidate Countries Programme Communiqué”, published in 2005, the European Commission stated that it would provide support for a powerful, deep and continuous dialogue between the societies of the member states and candidate countries also with the involvement of the EU institutions.

“The Civil Society Dialogue”, henceforth, has been accepted as an important part of the negotiations on the accession of Türkiye to the EU. This issue has come to the foreground as a significant step to remove the existing prejudices and doubts between Türkiye and EU, to strengthen the social and cultural dialogue and to procure Türkiye’s social integration into Europe.

The foundation for the Civil Society Dialogue was thus laid. The Civil Society Programme between Türkiye and the EU, implemented with the financial support of the EU, was designed by the Directorate for EU Affairs (formerly Secretariat General for the EU Affairs) in 2006 as a platform which would bring Türkiye and EU member states together, to ensure that societies would get to know each other, exchange information and establish a permanent dialogue.

The programme which has been carried out for more than 10 years enables the building of new bridges and the opening of new doors in the field of civil society.



● PERIOD 2008-2009

In the first period, a grant support of 19 million Euros was provided for 118 projects developed by actors who have a significant impact on the dialogue such as municipalities, professional organisations, universities and youth organisations along with their European partners. As a result of these projects 23 networks and platforms have been created between Turkish and European civil society organizations (CSOs). 236 CSOs from Türkiye and EU countries have joined in these networks and platforms.



● PERIOD 2010-2012

In the second period which was implemented on the themes of culture-art and agriculture-fishing, while a grant support of 5 million Euros was provided for 41 partnership projects, almost 300 thousand Euros funding was transferred to small scale events on varying themes. Thanks to the establishment of 285 partnerships, the civil dialogue between Türkiye and the EU was strengthened even more.



● PERIOD 2014-2016

The third period included partnership projects by the media and civil society organisations from Türkiye and EU, working in the field of media and political criteria. A grant support of 2 million Euros was provided for 15 dialogue projects developed by media organisations which would play an active role in raising public awareness about the benefits that EU membership would bring to our country and the Union. Besides, 36 partnership projects supported by a grant of 4,6 million Euros were come to realized in priority areas such as human rights, struggle against discrimination, and the superiority of democracy and law.



● PERIOD 2015-2016

- In the fourth period, a grant support of 10 million Euros was provided for 77 partnership projects in the field of environment, education, energy, consumer and health protection, justice, freedom and security, the right of establishment and freedom to provide services, enterprise and industrial policy, agriculture and fisheries, regional policy and coordination of structural instruments.



● PERIOD 2021-2022

- In the sixth period, whose implementation process started in April 2021, support was given to the Dialogue projects developed by civil society organizations from Türkiye and the EU. In this context, approximately 4.7 million Euro grant support is provided to 33 projects aiming at cooperation, partnership and networking activities on the EU acquis and related issues, as well as activities aimed at informing the public in Türkiye and the EU regarding Türkiye’s EU membership process.

II. Reflections from the Fifth Period of the Dialogue

Within the scope of the Civil Society Dialogue V between Türkiye and EU (CSD-V), realized between 2019-2020 the second term of the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA) covering the years 2014-2020, a grant support of 6,9 million Euros was provided to 40 dialogue projects jointly implemented by CSOs from Türkiye and EU member/ EU candidate countries.

The focus was on the themes of sustainable dialogue development and cooperation within the scope of the programme. Moreover, studies were conducted on social issues related to disadvantaged groups including the disabled, the elderly and refugees. The projects were implemented in various areas: Environment, Judiciary and Fundamental Rights; Social Policy and Employment; Education and Culture; Justice, Freedom and Security; Agriculture and Rural Development, Food Safety, Veterinary Medicine and Plant Health; Management and Industrial Policy; Information Society and Media; Customs Union; Consumer Protection and Health; Fishing.

CSOs from 21 countries, including Türkiye, participated as coordinator beneficiaries or co-beneficiaries in the projects within the scope of the grant programme. These countries are Germany, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Estonia, Finland, France, Croatia, Holland, UK, Spain, Italy, Luxembourg, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and Greece.

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PROJECTS

TÜRKİYE **32**
ITALY **4**
GREECE **2**
POLAND **1**
BOSNIA HERZEGOVINA **1**
(Potential Candidate Country)

7,7
MILLION
EUROS
TOTAL BUDGET

9
CITIES

ANKARA **10**
İSTANBUL **16**
ANTALYA **3**
İZMİR **3**
ROMA **3**
MILAN **1**
ATHENS **2**
WARSAW **1**
SARAJEVO **1**

FROM
18
EU COUNTRIES

62
CO-BENEFICIARIES

GERMANY	HOLLAND
AUSTRIA	ITALY
BELGIUM	SPAIN
UNITED KINGDOM	LUXEMBURG
BULGARIA	HUNGARY
ESTONIA	ROMANIA
FRANCE	SLOVAKIA
FINLAND	SLOVENIA
CROATIA	GREECE



CSOs in Local, National, Regional and International Networks

25 networks/platforms were formed.

632 CSOs from Türkiye and EU countries became members of these networks and platforms.



Cooperation of CSOs in Türkiye and the EU

32 cooperation protocols were signed between CSOs from Türkiye and EU countries.

39 new projects were prepared between CSOs from Türkiye and EU countries.



CSOs in Civil Society Activities

109 Civil Society Dialogue activities were realized in Europe.

9,067 people from Türkiye and EU countries participated

402 Civil Society Dialogue activities were realized in Türkiye

31.806 people from Türkiye and EU countries participated.

49 study visits from Türkiye to EU countries were organized.

21 study visits from EU countries to Türkiye were organized.



Media Content

9.750.633 people were reached through social media.



Visibility and Communication Activities

27 web sites were formed.

179.599 publicity and information materials were produced.

293 videos were produced.

III. Activities under Technical Assistance Project for the Implementation of Civil Society Dialogue and Civil Society Support Programmes



6 FEBRUARY 2019

Kick-Off Meeting

Kick-off meeting of the “Technical Assistance Project for the Implementation of Civil Society Dialogue and Civil Society Support Programmes” was held in the Directorate for EU Affairs. In the meeting, the technical assistance team and activities and practices to be taken were introduced.



10 APRIL 2019

Opening Ceremony

The opening ceremony of the Civil Society Dialogue-V Programme was held in Ankara with the participation of 219 representatives from the DEUA, CFCU, EUD, Ambassadors of EU countries, public institutions and other similar TA projects, and other stakeholders in the civil society sector.



11-12 APRIL 2019

Grant Implementation Training

Grant Implementation training was actualized in Ankara in five parallel sessions with the participation of 150 CSO representatives. The participants obtained clues related to project management by consulting the management units of the project.



4-5 JULY 2019

Diplohack Ankara

Diplohack was held in Ankara with the theme of “Türkiye and EU Civil Society Dialogue”. Approximately 50 participants who participated in Diplohack Ankara from different parts of Türkiye developed creative proposals for the strengthening of Türkiye-EU civil society dialogue and shared their experiences.



11 JULY 2019

Brand Workshop

In the Brand Workshop which was organized to strengthen perception and communication, the power of the “brand concept” and “brand placement” were emphasized. Related experts who participated in group works exchanged ideas aiming to contribute to the strengthening of Civil Society Dialogue and Civil Society Support Programmes.



30 JULY 2019

Communication and Visibility Training

Civil Society Dialogue-V and Civil Society Support Programme-II Communication and Visibility Training was realized with the participation of 109 civil society representatives. In the training, the concept of communication and its components were elaborated in addition to workshops and informative presentations.



29 JULY-2 AUGUST 2019

Civil Society Support Programme – III Briefing Meetings

The first of the briefings of the Civil Society Support Programme Third Period, carried out with EU support by the Directorate for EU Affairs to strengthen the institutional capacities of civil society organisations in Türkiye, was held on 29 July 2019 with the participation of The Republic of Türkiye Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Ambassador Faruk Kaymakcı in Ankara. The other briefing meetings were held in Antalya on 30 July 2019, in Bursa on 31 July 2019, in İstanbul and İzmir on 1 August 2019 and in Trabzon on 2 August 2019.



2 SEPTEMBER 2019

The First Steering Committee Meeting

The first Steering Committee Meeting of the Civil Society Dialogue-V Programme and Civil Society Support Programme –II was realized on 2 September 2019 under the coordination of the Directorate for EU Affairs. Activities were evaluated and studies planned for the forthcoming period were discussed in the meeting which was held under the chairmanship of A. Hakan Atik, Head of the Department of Project Implementation.



4 SEPTEMBER 2019

Digital Tools Training

The training designed for the staff of the Directorate for EU Affairs was organized in Ankara. The training on the use of applications facilitating business life and daily life was delivered by Trainer Mona Aykul. In the training, which lasted two days, 5 modules were completed and case studies were conducted. Headings from the modules are as follows: “Digital Tools for Collaborative Work”, “Interactive Presentation and Feedback Tools- What is Multimedia Design Theory? “Information and Data Visualisation and Data Analysis Tools”, “Social Media Use and Design Elements”, “Digital Content Creation- Analysis with Social Media Tools”.



14 SEPTEMBER 2019

Civil Society Gathering: Social Entrepreneurship Support Meeting

Civil Society Gathering meetings coordinated by the Directorate for EU Affairs, brought the related parties together in the Social Entrepreneurship Support activity. The moderation of the meeting was conducted by social entrepreneurship expert Nejat Doğan with the opening speeches

by A. Hakan Atik, Directorate for EU Affairs Head of the Department of Project Implementation; and Ahmet Karan, EU Delegation to Türkiye Social Policy and Employment Sector Manager. In the meeting, participants from civil society organisations working in the field of entrepreneurship and related units from universities, academicians and experts exchanged views concerning the issue.



4-21 OCTOBER 2019

Civil Society Dialogue-VI Programme Briefing Meetings

Civil Society Dialogue-VI Programme Briefing Meetings were held in İstanbul on 4 October 2019, in Ankara on 7 October 2019, in Ordu on 9 October 2019, in Brussels on 10 October 2019, in Eskişehir on 11 October 2019, in Mersin on 11 October 2019, in Malatya on 15 October 2019, in İzmir on 18 October 2019, in Antalya on 18 October 2019, and in Edirne on 21 October 2019. The meetings were attended by approximately 1200 civil society representatives.



2 DECEMBER 2019

Advanced Presentation Techniques Training

On the first day of the Advanced Presentation Techniques Training, organized for the staff of Directorate for EU Affairs, Radio Programmer and Communication Techniques Expert Özgür Aksuna met with the experts of the Directorate and touched upon issues such as time management, the miracle of motivation, persuasion communication and the clues of body language. On the second day, Zübeyda Topkaya from Bilge Adam Academy informed experts of the Directorate on the issues of Office PowerPoint Programme (Advanced Level), Microsoft Sway Application and Prezi Application.



2-4 MARCH 2020

Final Report Preparation Training

With the participation of 70 civil society organisations to the training, detailed information was shared on the issues of “technical reporting” and “financial reporting” on the first and second day, respectively and on the third day, “Communication Strategy of the Directorate for EU Affairs” was emphasized.



6-8 MAY 2020

Online Social Media Management and Digital Activity Management Training

Digital applications which facilitate business life and daily life were dealt with in the three-day Social Media Management and Digital Activity Management Training both of which designed for the staff of the Directorate for EU Affairs. In the online training delivered by Kenan Dursun, the issues of “Tools for Webinar and Other Online Meetings”, “Social Media Management” and “Social Media and Technology Tools” were introduced.



2 JULY 2020

“Have Your Say!” Civil Society Consultation Meeting

The “Have Your Say!” briefing meeting was organized by the Directorate for EU Affairs to contribute to the planning of supports devoted to civil society. Participants who attended the online briefing meeting acquired information concerning the EU supports planned for the forthcoming period and submitted their questions and views to EU experts. The opening speech was delivered by Bülent Özcan, Director General for Financial Cooperation and Project Implementation; and, A. Hakan Atik, Head of the Department of Project Implementation. EU Affairs Expert Mustafa Murat Özçelebi gave also information on civil society projects within the scope of “Pre-accession Financial Assistance” and the IPA III period. Independent expert Ayça Bulut Bican, on the other hand, gave information on the consultation process.



22 DECEMBER 2020

Second Steering Committee Meeting

The Second Steering Committee Meeting of the Civil Society Dialogue-V Programme and Civil Society Support Programmes-II Technical Assistance Project was actualized online. In the meeting, technical support given to the project and activities to be conducted in 2021 were evaluated.



9 MARCH 2021

“10 Years of the Dialogue” Event

The success of the long-standing Civil Society Dialogue between Türkiye and EU was celebrated by the “10 Years of the Dialogue” event realised online on 9 March 2021.



5-14 APRIL 2021

Civil Society Support Programme III. Period and Civil Society Dialogue VI. Period Grant Implementation Training

New grant programmes’ implementation training was realised face to face and online.



21 JUNE 2021

Third Steering Committee Meeting

In the third Steering Committee Meeting, in which representatives of the stakeholder institutions came together, activities of the Technical Assistance Project were assessed and plans related to the new period were discussed.



6 JULY 2021

Opportunities of Sustainable Source Creation for Civil Society: Digital Transformation and E-Trade Strategies Meeting

A large number of CSOs participated in the online activity organized with Trendyol to contribute to the development of cooperation of civil society and e-trade platforms.



27 JULY 2021

Civil Society Dialogue V and Civil Society Support Programme II Closing Event

The closing event of Civil Society Dialogue V between Türkiye and the EU and Civil Society Support Programme II was realized in Ankara with the participation of 185 people. The event started by the opening speech of Bülent Özcan, Director General of Financial Cooperation and Project Implementation at the Directorate for EU Affairs. In the “Civil Stage” panel moderated by Oylum Talu, the results of the projects were shared with the participants. In the afternoon session of the closing event, civil society representatives came together under 4 different areas: Implementation, Impact, Sustainability, Cooperation and Partnerships in the World Cafe format. The closing speech of the event was delivered by Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Ambassador Faruk Kaymakcı, and followed by a pleasant music recital.



16 SEPTEMBER 2021

Studies Conducted by Development Agencies in the field of Civil Society and the Consultation Meeting related to Projects that can be Materialised within the Scope of EU Financial Assistance

The opening speeches of the event held in Ankara to strengthen the relationship of Development Agencies with civil society were delivered by Bülent Özcan, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Directorate for EU Affairs Financial Cooperation and Project Implementation Director General; and Barış Yeniçeri, Ministry of Industry and Technology, Development Agencies Director General. The participants made their presentations and briefed upon the current situation in their regions. In the “Search Meeting” session carried out in the afternoon, the needs and limitations of the CSOs in the regions of the Development Agencies, cooperation among civil society-public-private sectors and Development Agencies, the role of CSOs in local development and strengthening their economic activities; and, projects that could be developed within the scope of EU Financial Assistance and Union Programmes were discussed.



7 OCTOBER 2021

Communication Training

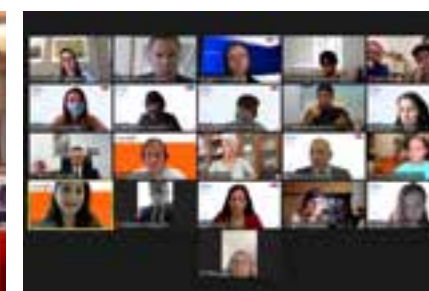
The Communication Training for the grant beneficiaries of the Civil Society Dialogue VI Programme between Türkiye and EU and the Civil Society Support Programme III was carried out in İstanbul.



25 NOVEMBER 2021

2nd National Consultation Meeting

The 2nd National Consultation Meeting, which aims to contribute to the development of cooperation and collaborative working culture among non-governmental organizations and other stakeholders related to public institutions, was held in Ankara on November 25, 2021. Relevant public institutions such as civil society organizations, local governments and development agencies, other stakeholders operating in the civil society sector, international organizations that received grants within the scope of the “Civil Society Dialogue Programme Between Türkiye and the European Union” and “Civil Society Support Programme” 190 representatives from the Presidency of the European Union and the national press attended.



IV. Project List

1.ENVIRONMENT

- Sustainable Civil Society Dialogue for Sustainable Development
- Alliance for the Gediz Delta
- Nature and Cities
- Türkiye 2050 Calculator: Facilitating Climate Policy Dialogue through an Adaptation of an EU Low Carbon Pathway Tool
- Zero Carbon Point
- Ancient Cities for Endemic Flora, from Apollo to Athena (A to A)
- Climate Action through Sf6 Use in Electricity Sector
- Water Sustainability of the Turkish Dairy Sector: Efficiency, Risks and Vulnerabilities
- Participatory River Basin Management: Water Matters

2. JUDICIARY and FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS

- European Islamophobia Report 2018
- Enhancing Multiculturalism Approach of Civil Society Organisations in Türkiye and EU

3. SOCIAL POLICY and EMPLOYMENT

- A New Dialogue for Disadvantaged Groups
- Supporting Women Entrepreneurship with the EU
- Afresh
- Recognize Me
- Cooperation among CSOs for Elderly People
- Strengthening the Status of Women in Business Life
- Strengthening Civil Society-Private Sector Partnership through Corporate Social Responsibility
- GloCal Recognition
- Improving of Family Reunification Program in Türkiye by Cooperation with European Counterparts

4. EDUCATION and CULTURE

- Understanding Future Values: Youth and Interaction across the EU and Türkiye
- Building Bridges for Inclusive Education
- Free Your Hope
- Dialogue for Non-Formal Education
- Dialogue for Better Methods of Foreign Language Teaching to Learners of Early Ages and Teenage
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- Speaking the Same Language: Role of Civil Society in Entrepreneurship Ecosystem

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- Media Bridges between EU and Türkiye

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- Improvement of Customs Union for Fair Trade and Competitiveness of SMEs

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1. ENVIRONMENT

Sustainable Civil Society Dialogue for Sustainable Development

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Kyoto Club / İtalya

CO-BENEFICIARY(IES)

Environmental Energy Association

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Months

GRANT AMOUNT/ BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

195.353,40 Euros / 217.059,34 Euros

<https://twitter.com/sustdialogue>

<https://www.facebook.com/sustdialogue/>

<https://www.kyotoclub.org/>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to establish a sustainable civil society dialogue between the CSOs in Italy and Türkiye on the issues of the environment and sustainable development.

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A non-controversial, global and objective discussion and work environment, free from prejudices, clichés and misperceptions, was created between the CSOs which participated in our project activities, public institutions, university students and citizens. Most of the materials produced within the scope of the project was presented to stakeholders both in Italy and in Türkiye free of charge and online. Thus; in this way, information was given on mutual concerns, serious global threats and best alternatives and measures for these threats. Last of all, all organisations that participated in our project voiced their will to cooperate and act together. Interaction started and significant information on opportunities of finance and investment both in Italy and in İzmir was shared between related stakeholder organisations in Italy and Türkiye in the sectors of renewable energy and energy efficiency. We believe that this will bring forth very important short and long term advantages to local societies.

Kyoto Club

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PROJECT

- 2 opening ceremonies were organized in Rome and İzmir.
- A monitoring report regarding Turkish and EU policies in the field of environment was published and follow up workshop related to this report was organized in İzmir.
- Data acquisition activities were performed.
- 20 online “EU Best Practices Workshops were organized.
- A study visit was conducted to Bologna.
- 4 animation videos were produced.
- A “Best Practices Manual” in Turkish, English and Italian was published and disseminated.
- The “Advocacy and Politics” document was prepared and disseminated to related CSOs and public institutions.
- An online platform was formed for CSOs interested in establishing partnerships



Alliance for the Gediz Delta

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

The Nature Association

CO-BENEFICIARY(IES)

Foundation Tour du Valat / France

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Months

GRANT AMOUNT/ BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

124.360,45 Euros / 154.197,70 Euros

<https://www.instagram.com/dogadernegi/?hl=tr>

<https://www.facebook.com/DogaDernegi>

<https://portal.gedizdeltasi.org/>

<https://www.dogadernegi.org/>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to improve the capacities of the project partners as regards the tracking and rehabilitation of wetlands and to ensure the participation of local and regional stakeholders in the studies related to the tracking and rehabilitation of the Gediz Delta through civil society dialogue.

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We got together in Seferihisar Nature School as a large group consisting of experts on the matter, participants from public institutions and civil society organisations, and researchers to get to know about water birds in the Gediz Delta of İzmir, to learn about the different birdwatching methods by experiencing them; and, to witness the lives of water birds. Some participants who received detailed information from our trainers expressed that this was the first time they experienced birdwatching practice on the field and that they would go on with birdwatching practice in the Gediz Delta. Communication with the participants continued after the activity and they kept on sharing the information conveyed in the project and publications on the Gediz Delta and birds with both each other and us. During the technical field study of our project that enabled us to have such an interaction, we came across with a surprise and we had the opportunity to see a flamingo species rarely seen in Türkiye.

The Nature Association

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PROJECT

- 2 technical workshops and 2 field studies related to watching water birds and shorebird; and salt works rehabilitation were organized.
- Wetlands online portal and mobile application were developed.
- “Gediz Delta Steering Committee” was formed.
- Awareness studies were conducted by means of the media.
- “Gediz Delta Festival” was organized online.
- Online closing meeting was organized.



Nature and Cities

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

The Nature Conservation Centre Foundation

CO-BENEFICIARY(IES)

Eurosite / Holland

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Months

GRANT AMOUNT/ BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

195.976,28 Euros / 217.751,42 Euros

<https://www.dogavesehirler.org/>

<https://www.dkm.org.tr/>

<https://www.facebook.com/dogavesehirler/>

<https://twitter.com/dogavesehirler>

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



OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The project was put into practice to support nature-based solutions in cities and green infrastructure through civil society dialogue to increase awareness about the importance of Türkiye's membership to EU.



Within the scope of the Project, we had the opportunity to work closely with related CSOs and the technical staff of the municipality. The feedbacks were that they had obtained different information concerning the importance of nature in the cities and the health of the ecosystem in the city, both during the study visit and the workshops organized within the scope of the project. Furthermore, they shared their views that they now looked at the parks in the city through a different perspective. We think that we have reached people from all segments by remaining in touch with CSOs, organisations in neighbourhoods and professional organisations.

The Nature Conservation Centre Foundation



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PROJECT

- The meetings which aimed at the establishment of a platform related to “nature-based solutions” and “green infrastructure” for Türkiye were organized.
- A documentary and 2 short films on the experiences of Holland and Türkiye about “nature and cities” were produced.
- An international workshop was organized in Ankara.
- “Green Dialogue Platform for Cities” was established with the participation of 24 representatives.
- A documentary was prepared and it reached more than 12 million people, being broadcasted 32 times on 1 documentary channel.
- A short film on “Nature-based Solutions”, 2 social media films telling the stories of the experiences of cities individually, 8 infographic films about the ecosystem services of Çankaya, and 15 short films on the outputs of the project were produced.
- “EU Green Infrastructure Commission Communique Translation”, “Best Practices in Nature-based Solutions in Cities”, “The Mapping Study of Çankaya Ecosystem Services as a City Planning Tool” and “Photography Exhibition of Türkiye’s Natural Values Booklet” were published.
- An exhibition on the “Natural Values of Türkiye” in Tilburg and Ankara” was organized. The exhibition was visited by 25.000 people and the online exhibition reached approximately 4.000 people.
- 1 workshop was organized in Ankara both physically and online.
- CSOs, both from EU and from Türkiye, signed a “memorandum of understanding” to collaborate on 10 technical fields in the future.

Türkiye 2050 Calculator: Facilitating Climate Policy Dialogue through an Adaptation of an EU Low Carbon Pathway Tool

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Southeast European Change Network Foundation / Bosnia Herzegovina

CO-BENEFICIARY(IES)

The Economic Policy Research Foundation of Türkiye (TEPAV) / Türkiye
Climate Action Network Europe / Belgium

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Months

GRANT AMOUNT/ BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

198.693,84 Euros / 220.770,93 Euros

<https://www.facebook.com/SEEChangeNet>

<https://twitter.com/SEEChangeNet>

<https://seechangenetwork.org/>



OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to strengthen and professionalise the CSOs which are in dialogue with the related actors in the field of EU climate and energy policies.

“ We assessed the existing legal framework in Türkiye as regards climate and energy and the existence of the related data and their accessibility through stakeholder meetings held on national and EU levels, dialogue activities and meetings with experts organized within the scope of our project. We had the opportunity to exchange views with the stakeholders on the environmental and socio-economic consequences of the likely 2050 policies, via local dialogue meetings. In the workshop conducted in Belgium, we shared information and examples of best practices on how EU climate, environment and energy policies are implemented and their impacts on all stakeholders (public, private sector and civil society.) We think that our Project has prepared an appropriate basis for international collaborations and transfer of information/experience.

Southeast European Change Network Foundation



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PROJECT

- Information on a “mutual approach” was shared by means of training, online coaching, and peer assessment meetings.
- A Basic Model Workshop was organized in the Western Balkans. The policy framework was analysed through the review of the legal framework.
- The current situation analysis was published.
- Policy makers in EU and Türkiye were met.

Zero Carbon Point

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Lifelong Learning, Vocational Training and Development

CO-BENEFICIARY(IES)

RENAC Energy & Climate gGmbH / Germany

The Aegean Forest Foundation

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

12 Months

GRANT AMOUNT/ BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

189.407,77 Euros / 210.453,075 Euros

https://www.instagram.com/hayat_boyu_ogrenme_dernegi/

<https://www.facebook.com/hayatboyuogrenme.hboder.5>

<http://www.hboder.org.tr>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to establish a strong bond between CSOs, municipalities, private sector, educational institutions and other stakeholders related to the environment, through the establishment of the Zero Carbon Point.

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With our Project, we took steps for the enhancement of public awareness concerning the environment and energy through a sustainable dialogue among CSOs. As we prioritized raising the consciousness of young people regarding these issues, we composed educational materials and visionary tools covering the headings of climate change and renewable energy for individuals aged 10-16; and, we organized educational activities raising the awareness of the participants. We believe that we have attracted the attention of young people and actualized a project that would constitute an example for environmental stakeholders acting in similar areas via our approach.

Lifelong Learning, Vocational Training and Development Association

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PROJECT

- A study visit was organized to Germany.
- The technical equipment required for the establishment of the “Zero Carbon Point” was purchased.
- A workshop was held in Germany.
- Educational materials and visual tools were prepared.
- “Zero Carbon Point Training Area” was organized.
- Calculation tools of carbon and water footprints were developed.



Ancient Cities for Endemic Flora, from Apollo to Athena (A to A)

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Association for the Conservation of Antalya Orchids and Biodiversity (ANTOK)

CO-BENEFICIARY(IES)

Hellenic Society for the Protection of Nature / Greece

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Months

GRANT AMOUNT/ BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

168.988,69 Euros / 187.786,08 Euros

<https://www.instagram.com/antok.antalya/?hl=tr>

<https://www.facebook.com/ANTOKANTALYA>

https://twitter.com/ANTOK_ANTALYA

<https://www.antok.org.tr>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to develop a mutual methodology for the tracking and conservation of endemic flora under threat in archaeological areas.

“ Nature lovers, CSOs working in the field of conservation of nature, students, tourists, visitors of the antique city drew advantage from our Project activities. Mutual study mediums were constituted by bringing together public institutions in the training activities of our project. Many nature lovers volunteered to take part in the conservation studies. We observed that the information we gave to the visitors in the antique cities about the endemic plant species in the region increased their interest in the cities. In the mutual studies carried out in Greece, the similarities of the cultures of the two countries were recognized by many project participants and warm relationships were established.

Association for the Conservation of Antalya Orchids and Biodiversity (ANTOK)

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PROJECT

- Comparative research was carried out on the policies and implementation methodologies on the management of regional flower species in archaeological areas.
- Mutual methodologies were prepared for the tracking of flower species in archaeological areas.
- A network was formed with all the stakeholders involved in the process of the management and conservation of archaeological areas.
- Training books introducing endemic and sensitive flora in the ancient cities in Türkiye and Greece were prepared and published.
- Informative posters for ancient sites and their endemic flora was prepared and disseminated to primary and secondary schools as well as tourism information offices.
- Archaeologists organized training courses and workshops for tourist guides and related stakeholders.
- A study visit was made to Greece.
- A photo exhibition entitled “Reflections from Endemic Flowers to Antique Cities” was organized in Antalya.
- 2 social media videos were composed for promotion of ancient sites and their unique flora.
- 2 online training courses were organized.
- The Virtual Garden application was developed.
- Informative plates were placed in 5 ancient cities (Side, Phaselis, Termessos, Aspendos, Perge)
- The documentary titled “Ancient Cities from Apollo to Athena” was shoot and broadcasted in TRT Documentary Channel.



Climate Action through Sf6 Use in Electricity Sector

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Association of Waste and Recycling Industrialists

CO-BENEFICIARY(IES)

Association for the Protection of Human Being and Environment for a Sustainable Development in the World / Romania

Association of Electricity Distribution System Operators (ELDER)

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Months

GRANT AMOUNT/ BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

199.320,78 Euros / 221.467,53 Euros

<http://taged.org/index.html>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to establish cooperation and a sustainable dialogue between Türkiye and EU to standardise the management, tracking and recycling of the SF6.

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It is of utmost importance to focus upon the recycling of SF6 used in the sector since there is demand for management, tracking, recycling expertise and EU experience in the electricity sector. In our project which contributes to the accession process, we have aimed to submit proposals for the application of the legislation in the processes of training, tracking, management and recycling. With this perspective, we gave training to persons related to SF6 gas, CSOs and members of CSOs in electricity industry in line with EU standards on the recycling/management of SF6 gas in accordance with the new legislation through a sustainable dialogue with EU member states. We believe that we have increased the awareness of the persons we have contacted of our focus issue through our project activities.

Association of Waste and Recycling Industrialists

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PROJECT

- Desk work was conducted on the legislation, standards and statistics in the EU and Türkiye and comparison was made.
- A study visit was conducted to Romania to support desk work and to form a network.
- The basic reference materials on technique and policy were translated and disseminated. Training was given to CSOs and representatives of recycling firms on “EU Standards on SF & Gas”.
- Training on using/ tracking was given to related personnel.
- A seminar was organised for the enhancement of public awareness on “Carbon Footprints”.



Water Sustainability of the Turkish Dairy Sector: Efficiency, Risks and Vulnerabilities

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Association of Packaged Milk and Dairy Products Manufacturers of Türkiye (ASÜD)

CO-BENEFICIARY(IES)

IBLF Global (IBLF) /United Kingdom
Water Footprint Network 2.0 (WFN) / Holland
Climate Research Association

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Months

GRANT AMOUNT/ BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

188.408,07 Euros / 209.342,30 Euros

https://www.instagram.com/sss_turkiye/

www.ssstr.org

<https://twitter.com/SssTurkiye>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTkD7goQdqhLtEsBek543fA>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to strengthen the Turkish dairy sector against water-related risks by means of information sharing on the policies, incentives and regulations in partner countries.

“ Within the framework of Project, we had contact with all parties in the milk value chain. We contacted all segments starting with feed production to the stage of delivery to the consumer. We, first, tried to create awareness about water sustainability in the milk value chain since our project was a dialogue project. We could see water-related problems more closely with our field visits. Especially, learning that some farms could not plant raw feed due to lack of water revealed the seriousness of the problem once more. Our study visits and online meetings we had with institutions and organisations abroad helped us obtain detailed information on the matter.

Association of Packaged Milk and Dairy Products Manufacturers of Türkiye



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PROJECT

- The existing water usage in Turkish dairy sector was analysed.
- Vulnerabilities of the dairy sector were assessed and mapped.
- A Comparison Report was prepared.
- A workshop and a panel were carried out in Ankara.
- An online training, a workshop and a panel were carried out.
- A study visit to the United Kingdom was organized.
- Online study meetings were held with institutions and organisations in Holland.
- “The Policy Document of Water Sustainability of the Turkish Dairy Sector” was prepared.
- Water/Waste Water Management Assessment and Water Efficiency Enhancement Opportunities reports were published.
- “Current Water Use in Turkish Dairy Sector Analysis Report” was published.
- “Turkish Dairy Sector Comparison Report” was published.
- “Turkish Dairy Sector Conservation of Water Manual” was published in Turkish, English and Dutch.



Participatory River Basin Management: Water Matters

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

TEMA Foundation

CO-BENEFICIARY(IES)

Bureau Européen De L'environnement / Belgium
Zelena Akcija-Friends of the Earth Croatia / Croatia

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Months

GRANT AMOUNT/ BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

177.731,32 Euros / 197.479,24 Euros

<https://www.instagram.com/temavakfi/?hl=tr>

<https://www.facebook.com/temavakfi>

<https://twitter.com/temavakfi>

<https://www.tema.org.tr/>



OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to increase the capacities of local people and CSOs towards water conservation, strengthen their participation in the River Basin Management Plan and to develop the dialogue between public institutions and local stakeholders at local/national levels.

“We believe that, thanks to the project activities, we have contributed to the enhancement of awareness among CSOs as regards the conservation of water assets that concern all people and the involvement in the management process. We see the movement into interaction of both the related CSOs and the related public institutions as a positive reflection of the project activities.”

TEMA Foundation

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PROJECT

- A training was delivered to CSOs on the “River Basin Management Plan”.
- Online seminars were organized.
- A study visit was conducted to the river basin near Zagreb.
- Expertise transfer report was prepared by Zelena Akcija/Friends of the Earth Croatia.
- “Best Practices Report” was prepared by European Environment Agency.
- “Water Dialogue” meetings were conducted with public officials and CSOs.
- Street interviews were conducted to enhance public awareness related to “River Basin Management Reports” and the situation of water assets.
- The Water Workshop was carried out in İstanbul at the TEMA Field Coordination Meeting with 70 participants.
- Stands were opened at more than 50 spots across the country and events were organized to increase awareness.
- Visits were conducted by TEMA representatives to 10 identified basins.
- In addition to the expert question-answer videos on “River Basin Management”, an informative animation was prepared.



2. JUDICIARY and FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS

European Islamophobia Report 2018

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

SETA Foundation

CO-BENEFICIARY

Leopard Weiss Institute for the Study of Contemporary Muslim Life and Thought / Austria

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

13 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

126.951,81 Euros / 141.057,57 Euros

<https://www.facebook.com/islamophobiaEIR/>

<https://twitter.com/islamophobiaEIR>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to contribute to the strengthening of the dialogue between the civil societies of Europe and Türkiye through the enhancement of awareness regarding islamophobia in Europe.



Our motivation in bringing this project into action was both to collect and share up-to-date data related to Islamophobia in Europe and to develop a platform of cooperation concerning Islamophobia between CSOs and stakeholders. With this point of view, we published the European Islamophobia Report 2018, covering 34 European countries and we organized 4 panels and 2 workshops at an international level to enhance awareness related to islamophobia among representatives from Europe and from the national level, academicians, journalists, activists and the general public. Additionally, we shot short clips and re-designed the web site of the European Islamophobia Report. We published a booklet in which we compiled the most outstanding results of the project. We think that, through all these activities, we have improved the basis of cooperation with the sectors with which we have interacted.

SETA Foundation



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- “European Islamophobia Report 2018” was published.
- Short infographics summarizing the findings in country reports were designed.
- “Fighting with Islamophobia Panels” were held in Europe.
- “Mutual Activity Workshops” against islamophobia were conducted.
- Short clips were prepared.
- The final booklet related to the project results and perspective was published.



Enhancing Multiculturalism Approach of Civil Society Organisations in Türkiye and EU

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Yaşama Dair Vakfı

CO-BENEFICIARY

Association Migration Solidarité et Echanges pour le Développement (AMSED) / Fransa

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Ay

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

161.095,13 Euros / 178.994,59 Euros

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

<https://www.facebook.com/mumkunorg>

<https://twitter.com/mumkunorg>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to bring together CSOs working on different ethnic, religious and cultural identities with different grounds and to enable them share methodologies of multiculturalism with each other.

“ Within the scope of our Project, we brought together CSOs which believe ‘It is possible to live together’ in İstanbul, İzmir, Gaziantep and Diyarbakır. In these meetings, we looked for answers for the questions “What does living together mean to us?” and ‘What are the obstacles in front of us and how can we overcome them together?’ During the activities, many CSOs which did not know each other came together and had the opportunity to talk about issues which were, in fact, on their agenda but which they had not found the occasion to express, during the activities. We think that we have, in this way, touched the lives of both institutions’ representatives and people with whom the institutions are working.

YADA Foundation



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- The current situation was mapped.
- A basic information note was prepared to make the problem analysis.
- Search Workshops were conducted.
- Study visits were organized.
- Dissemination activities were carried out.
- An online platform was formed to share information and experience.





3. SOCIAL POLICY and EMPLOYMENT

A New Dialogue for Disadvantaged Groups

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

The Association of Anatolian Communication and Education (ANILDER)

CO- BENEFICIARY

Cooperazione Paesi Emergenti (COPE) / Italy

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

12 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

165.761,19 Euros / 184.179,10 Euros

<https://www.instagram.com/yenibirdiyalog/?hl=tr>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into action to constitute a successful collaboration for disadvantaged children through mutual activities and to exchange information on European, Italian and Turkish social policies, legislations and implementations.

“ Our Project had two different objectives which were to strengthen civil society dialogue and to form a model for the disadvantaged groups that we aimed to work with. During the duration of the project, we had the opportunity to reach many CSOs. We explained our activities and carried out our studies within the framework of cooperation. We had the chance to meet and share experiences with different CSOs in Italy through the support of our Italian partner COPE. With the support of the Family, Labour and Social Services Provincial Directorate, we came together with children under protection in the disadvantaged group. We communicated with every single child one by one. Although not included in the project, we worked with the personnel of care to increase the multiplier effect and to enable sustainability. Thus, we aimed at the conduct of studies through the personnel of care. We gave this message to each institution, organisation, institution representative and people from different segments of society: ‘You can reach and integrate into society children under protection when you use the right method and when you spend adequate time. Values are universal and each individual of the society has the responsibility to protect them to live in peace’. We think that with this project, we have basically left permanent and positive traces in the lives of children whom we educate.

The Association of Anatolian Communication and Education (ANILDER)

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- Capacity building training was organized.
- Training of trainers was organized in Italy.
- A Pilot Action Plan for Disadvantaged Children was formed.
- Social policies in EU, Italy and Türkiye were analysed.
- “Pilot Action Report” was published.
- The Closing Conference was organized.



Supporting Women Entrepreneurship with the EU

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Association of Erzincan Industrialists and Businessmen in Ankara

CO- BENEFICIARY

European Academy of the Regions / Belgium

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

12 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

176.696,96 Euros / 196.329,96 Euros

<https://www.instagram.com/ersiad24/>

<https://twitter.com/ersiad24>

<https://www.facebook.com/ersiad24/>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to enhance reciprocal information sharing and cooperation between CSOs in Türkiye and EU in the field of women entrepreneurship on local and regional levels; and, to introduce the benefits and importance of Türkiye's EU membership.

“ Through our training courses on women entrepreneurship conducted within the scope of our project, we had the opportunity to have one-to-one communication with women entrepreneurs and women entrepreneur candidates in Erzincan and Bayburt. We obtained very valuable gains through this face-to-face communication with the women who attended our training, on behalf of both our project team and the women. We primarily listened to our women's ideas, problems and plans related to the establishment of business in the province where they lived. This approach, which gave us the opportunity to canalize our project activities, to present them solutions, to help them establish contacts with institutions like KOSGEP and KUDAKA, to introduce women entrepreneurs/candidates with other stakeholders who are to be their likely future partners in Ankara and İstanbul, helped us to improve the project content and to touch the lives of women. We hope that these positive effects will be carried on by women in Erzincan and Bayburt in the aftermath of the project. One of the most impressive points we observed within the scope of project activities was that a great majority of women, who attended the training and received their certificates, gained awareness about entrepreneurship and setting up a business; and, thus they started to take steps to act in this field and introduce themselves. In the very same way, they volunteered to introduce themselves, their business ideas and their businesses as speakers in the closing conference of our project and we see this as an important step to prove their self-confidence, their efforts to establish businesses and their entrepreneurial spirit.

Association of Erzincan Industrialists and Businessmen in Ankara

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- A study visit was conducted to Brussels.
- 2 workshops related to women entrepreneurship were conducted.
- Research on the current situation of women entrepreneurship was actualized.
- 3 training courses were delivered on women entrepreneurship.
- The “Guide for Women Entrepreneurship” was prepared.
- Publicity and visibility activities were carried out.
- A meeting was organized in the Grand National Assembly of Türkiye.



COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Youth Re-autonomy Foundation of Türkiye

CO- BENEFICIARY

Associazione Culture Il Vergante / Italy
Crime Prevention Fund / Bulgaria

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

161.374,72 Euros / 179.305,25 Euros

<https://www.instagram.com/tcyov.official/>

<https://www.facebook.com/tcyov.official/>

<http://www.tcyov.org/ab-yeniden-projesi/>



OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to constitute an organised dialogue among CSOs working on the juvenile justice system for the development of social adaptation and employment tools for young people associated with crime.



Our Project, which we put into practice to give the legal and psychosocial support they need to children associated with crime and to avoid their re-involvement in crime, happens to be the first project in Türkiye related to post-release area. As our project aimed at supporting crime-associated children/youth by the justice system and to provide them with opportunities of jobs, employment, education and personal development, it was of utmost importance to make a situation analysis regarding the matter and to identify the needs of the children. Within this scope, 20 experts, who would provide support to the children, accompany them in the process of socialization and help them to get introduced to education and employment opportunities, were included in the project. Study visits were organized to speak on the association of children with the justice system on an international perspective and observe best practice examples. A mentoring training of 4 days was organized in İstanbul for the mentors who would provide mentoring support to children. We also focused on the composition of a policy document as regards the identification of problems related to the juvenile justice system and the development of solution proposals for them. Roundtable meetings were held within this scope and the “Child and Justice Platform” was established. Additionally, we actualized a carrier summit with employers and employees of the human resources units to create awareness on the employment of children associated with crime by the justice system. The mentoring implementations carried out with children in line with the objectives of the project are to be continued and made sustainable within the body of the Youth Re-autonomy Foundation of Türkiye.



Youth Re-autonomy Foundation of Türkiye

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- Interviews, questionnaires, literature reviews, and focus group meetings were carried out within the scope of the research study.
- Study visits were conducted to Bulgaria and Italy.
- Mentoring training was delivered.
- “Mentoring Training Guide Manual” was published and disseminated to institutions working with disadvantaged groups in Türkiye.
- The “Research Report”, which included the compilation of research in Bulgaria, Italy and Türkiye, was composed. Mentoring implementations were carried out with children and young people.
- Roundtable meetings were held. The Juvenile Justice Platform was formed as a result of the meetings. The policy report was prepared.
- The “Support Unit” was established within the body of the foundation.
- The project film was shot and the project book was prepared.
- The Closing Conference was held.
- The Carrier Summit was realized.
- The “Final Book” including the content of the education, research report and results of the implementation was prepared and shared with CSOs.

Recognise Me

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

İlgi Autism Association

CO- BENEFICIARY

BHRG Foundation / Hungary
Rata O.Z. / Slovakia

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

142.137,09 Euros / 157.930,10 Euros

<https://www.instagram.com/benitani.csd/>

<https://ilgiotizm.org.tr/beni-tani-projesi/>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to contribute to the initiation of educational mechanisms for the early diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorder.

“Children diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) at an early stage reveal significant progress in terms of their vital life functions by taking advantage of qualified special training and support services. The lack of awareness related to the early diagnosis of ASD among children of the pre-school period, the inability to identify at early stages the children who tend to be affected by ASD; and, not directing them to clinical examination/special education happen to constitute the starting point of our Project. Within the scope of our project, we carried out activities to enhance the knowledge of CSOs concerning their educational approaches for early intervention and to contribute to awareness raising in terms of early intervention among families as well as those working in the field of education. We ensured that pre-school personnel received training to notice the symptoms of autism. Early diagnosis of autism is of vital importance; and thus, with this perspective we wish we have had positive touches upon the lives of children with autism and their families.

İlgi Otizm Derneği

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- Study visits were conducted to Budapest and Bratislava.
- A training programme was prepared for pre-school education personnel.
- Awareness raising activities were carried out for persons working in this field and families.
- Pilot teacher training courses were delivered.
- An online platform was formed.



Cooperation among CSOs for Elderly People

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Fondazione Giacomo Brodolini / Italy

CO- BENEFICIARY

Social Policy and Development Association

Associazione per l'Autogestione dei Servizi e la Solidarieta-ONLUS / Italy

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

167.200,20 Euros / 196.706,11 Euros

<https://www.facebook.com/csos4elderly/>

<https://twitter.com/FondazBrodolini>

<http://www.fondazionebrodolini.it/en>



OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to enhance reciprocal information sharing and cooperation between CSOs acting in relation to elderly people in Türkiye and Italy.



The population of people who are getting older is steadily increasing in Türkiye and it is following the trend that has been going on for some years in Italy. CSOs are to play more active parts in activities related to elderly people. In our project, we aimed to ensure the sharing of information/best practices and to pave the way for a long-term cooperation in the field of the social inclusion of the elderly between CSOs in terms of activities related to elderly people; and we carried out our activities in line with this purpose. We think that we have contributed to the formation of a long-term dialogue between CSOs from EU and Türkiye and the strengthening of Turkish CSOs which are conducting studies related to elderly people.

Fondazione Giacomo Brodolini



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- 2 workshops were organized in Italy and Türkiye.
- A study visit to Italy was organized.
- Training was organized on the issues of "The Current Situation as regards Elderly People" and "Policy Development, Information Sharing and Cooperation Methodology within the context of EU and Türkiye".
- Online peer assessment meetings were held.
- 2 country reports on the "examination of the current situation of the elderly in Türkiye and Italy, assessment of activities conducted by CSOs, and the analysis of best practices were published in 3 languages (Turkish, Italian and English).
- A booklet entitled "Active Aging and New Paths for Solidarity between Generations in Europe: CSOs and Innovative Approaches in the Social Integration of Elderly" was published.
- An online Closing Conference was organised.

Strengthening the Status of Women in Business Life

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

The Association of İzmir Business Women (İZİKAD)

CO- BENEFICIARY

Association of Federations and Associations of Businesswoman from the Mediterranean (AFAEMME) / Spain

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

12 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

96.389,12 Euros / 107.099,02 Euros

<https://www.instagram.com/izmirbarcelona4women/>

<http://www.izmirbarcelona4women.com/>



OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to enhance reciprocal information sharing and cooperation between CSOs in Türkiye and Spain with respect to the strengthening of the status of women in business life.

“Occupations associated with women today are generally perceived as household occupations based on care. Roles attributed to genders have a great impact upon this perception. Dolls and teapots for girls, model toys, construction materials and robots for boys signal these roles at early ages. Women are generally gathered in lower and middle levels in public and private sectors and the number of women in executive management positions in big firms is quite negligible. Moreover, it is observed that there exist great wage differences between female and male employees in the business world. It is observed that gender equality is related to the equality of genders in the workplace. Our project is based upon these facts. In the “Leadership Development Programme” and “Social Inclusion and Diversity Workshop” carried out within the scope of our project, we discussed solutions for problems which women were faced with or might face. We aimed to contribute to the self-esteem of fresh university graduates and as to what they could do against the likely social inequalities they might live through. “WEPs Implementation Guide” and “Social Inclusion and Diversity Guide”, which we hope will be guiding institutions, have been published. We aimed to raise awareness concerning the importance of gender equality at early ages by the drama work “Girls are Directing the Schools” and the “High School Short Film Competition”. We believe that we have left positive traces on the lives that we contacted with our project in which we defend equal representation rights in all aspects of life.

The Association of İzmir Business Women (İZİKAD)



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- “Leadership Development Programme” and “Girls are Directing the Schools Training” was organized.
- Drama studies intended for girls and boys were conducted.
- “Social Inclusion and Diversity in Business Life Workshop” was organized.
- “Turkish and Spanish Business Women Network Meetings” were held.
- A study visit to Spain was organized.
- “WEPs Implementation Guide” and “Social Inclusion and Diversity Guide” were published.
- “High School Competition of Short Films Gender Equality” was organized.
- Social media advertisements were prepared.

Strengthening Civil Society Private Sector Partnership through Corporate Social Responsibility

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

The Association of Corporate Social Responsibility

CO- BENEFICIARY

CSR Europe-The Business Network for Corporate Social Responsibility / Belgium

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

12 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

124.724,83 Euros / 138.829,95 Euros

<http://csrturkey.org/pf/strengthening-civil-society/>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The project was put into practice to develop the capacities of civil society organisations and private sector representatives; to strengthen the network and reciprocal sharing among the partners; and, to establish a sustainable corporate social responsibility network in Türkiye within the framework of corporate social responsibility and social dialogue.

“Corporate social responsibility (CSR) is a comprehensive concept which includes different expertise in social and economic terms. CSR aims the realization of the business processes of institutions in accordance with the law, society and nature; and it constitutes the grounds for the cooperation of private sector and civil society for the creation of a sustainable and stable welfare society. It contributes to social and economic development by joining the technical knowledge and human resources of the civil society and private sector with the power of the public. With this point of view, we established an advisory board with the participation of expert stakeholders in different areas; we created the opportunity for the sharing of information and experience by organizing study visits between the project stakeholders; we organized training courses and conducted to collaborations. We believe that our project has created a productive basis as regards the formation of new methods and platforms among the actors within the scope of corporate social responsibility.

The Association of Corporate Social Responsibility



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- “Private Sector and Civil Society Cooperation via CSR in Türkiye” and “Civil Society and Private Sector Cooperation via CSR in Europe” reports were prepared.
- Study visits were realised.
- Capacity building training was given in 7 different regions of Türkiye.
- The Closing Conference was organized.
- The online portal of Corporate Social Responsibility Projects of Türkiye was established.
<http://portal.responsibleimpact.org>



GloCal Recognition

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Joint Association / Italy

CO- BENEFICIARY

Antalya Centre of Support for EU Studies Association

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

12 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

199.952,55 Euros / 222.169,50 Euros

<https://glorecertificate.net/tr/>

<https://www.facebook.com/volunteeringcertificate>

<https://associazionejoint.org/en/>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to establish a network among the sectors supported by the Memorandum of Understanding across EU; to strengthen international network management; to constitute a mutual GloCal Documentation System; and, to improve the best practices on the recognition of volunteering and civil participation in Türkiye and Italy.

“ We observed that the study visits realised during the implementation of the Project were of great importance as they helped Italian and Turkish CSOs to get to know each other. The stakeholders built new collaborations and work approaches thanks to these interactions. All CSOs helped to identify how a volunteer might gain skills through volunteer activities in CSOs; and they contributed to the creation of the certificate system. An integrated training was delivered to invited CSOs during the multiplier training and CSOs participated in the formation of non-formal education modules. As indicated by the number of organisations that were interested in the GloCal, a sound network was established by means of the project. We believe that the project has helped the recognition of the volunteering sector, has emphasized the significance of volunteering in terms of social and personal development and has created an awareness about the enhancement of cooperation between European-Turkish CSOs.

Joint Association

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- A mutual system under the title “GloCal Identification System” was developed to record the social skills attained during the local volunteering.
- 27 different e-learning training modules were created.
- A toolkit, which is complementary to the certificate system and which includes non-formal education activities, was designed for trainers.
- 10 representatives from Turkish CSOs joined the study visit in Italy.
- 10 representatives from Italian CSOs joined the study visit in Türkiye.
- 20 people attended the “Training of Multipliers”.
- 96 contents were published on social media; 20 infographics, 70 logo photographs and 5 news bulletins were produced.



Improving of Family Reunification Program in Türkiye by Cooperation with European Counterparts

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Turkish Foundation for Children in Need of Protection (KORUNCUK)

CO- BENEFICIARY

L'Accueil Centre de Protection de l'Enfant ASBL / Belgium

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

12 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

171.942,75 Euros / 191.047,50 Euros

<https://koruncuk.org/>

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

<https://twitter.com/koruncuk/>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to enhance information sharing and collaboration among organisations focusing on children who need protection in Türkiye and Europe, develop civil society dialogue and make this dialogue sustainable through EU financial assistance and the help of other union programmes.



The enhancement of care and protection services for children who are the future of the society through a rights-based perspective is a social need in Türkiye, as it is in all countries. In our country, the state policy is to return children under state protection and institution care to their biological families if it is appropriate. With our project, we aimed to examine the family support and unification processes in EU countries and to form a new model which would ensure the improvement of the existing return to family programme in Türkiye to provide support for the implementations during this transition period. Through this perspective, we examined the child protection system and best practices related to family unification in Europe and we came together with European colleagues for dialogue and collaboration. As a result of all these processes, we reviewed policy recommendations for the betterment of the child protection system in Türkiye and developed a model within the scope of the existing return to family programme. We wish that our project will shed light on the future of our children and, hence, on the future of our country.

Turkish Foundation for Children in Need of Protection (KORUNCUK)



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- Family Unification Model of Türkiye workshop was conducted.
- Meetings related to the sharing of best practices were held.
- Advocacy and visibility studies were carried out.
- “Return to Family Psychosocial Support Programme Pilot Application” was realised in 13 provinces.
- “Return to Family Report” and “Psychosocial Support Programme Guide” were posted on the web site.





4. EDUCATION and CULTURE

Understanding Future Values: Youth and Interaction across the EU and Türkiye

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Kamusal Politika ve Demokrasi Çalışmaları Derneği (PODEM)

CO- BENEFICIARY

European Neighbourhood Council (ENC) / Belçika

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

14 Ay

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

170.330,54 Avro / 191.060,62 Avro

<http://podem.org.tr/>

https://twitter.com/podem_istanbul/

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to understand how the values of young people at university level in Türkiye and Belgium change with respect to political and social transformations and to develop concerned and sustainable research on the subject of civil society in the EU and Türkiye by encouraging dialogue.

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We carried out in-depth interviews with students in relation to our Project. The students expressed that, thanks to our project, they had the opportunity to consider many issues which they had not at all thought about before. They emphasized that they were happy because we asked for their views and said they would follow the results of our report. During our workshop, we received the valuable views and positive feedbacks of the academicians who are experts in their fields and the representatives of CSOs. We assume that we have attracted the attention of Directorate for EU Affairs, Turkish National Agency and representatives of the related CSOs with our communication organisation activities. Within this context, we anticipate that our studies will have a wide span of impact including students, academicians, CSOs representatives, Directorate for EU Affairs.

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The Association of Public Policy and Democracy Studies (PODEM)

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- Visits were conducted to Erasmus desks of universities in Türkiye and EU member states.
- In-depth interviews and surveys were carried out with the target group.
- Discussion groups were formed; expert workshops were organised in İstanbul and Brussels.
- The Research Report was published.
- Dissemination activities were organised.



Building Bridges for Inclusive Education

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Spastic Children's Foundation of TÜRKİYE

CO- BENEFICIARY

Centar Inkluzivne Potpore Idem (Inclusion Support Centre Idem) / Croatia
Praxis Europe / United Kingdom

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Ay

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

191.815,15 Euros / 213.127,95 Euros

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

<https://www.facebook.com/CerebralPalsyTR/>

<https://www.tscv.org.tr/>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project is put into practice to enhance bilateral sharing and collaboration as regards inclusive education among civil society organisations at local, regional and national levels in Türkiye and the EU, within the scope of the EU Acquis Education and Culture Chapter.



The project activities we carried out were intended for guidance teachers and CSO employees. The synergy which appeared as a result of our training courses for this target group was much higher than what we had expected. It was also stated by the participants that the training was extremely useful.



Spastic Children's Foundation of Türkiye

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- Meetings with local stakeholders were held to enhance awareness and visibility.
- Roundtable meetings, in-depth interviews, a fact-finding conference and literature scanning concerning special education were conducted and this research was reported.
- Seminars and capacity building training intended for teachers were organised.
- Mentoring support was given to teachers.
- Education manuals and project booklets were prepared; the project film was produced.
- Search Conference was realised.
- A final assessment meeting with stakeholders was held.



Free Your Hope

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Tüvana Foundation Education for Children (TOÇEV)

CO- BENEFICIARY

Antigone Information and Documentation Centre on Racism, Ecology, Peace and Non-Violence / Greece

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Ay

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

196.967,20 Euros / 218.852,45 Euros

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

<https://www.tocev.org.tr/Home/Page>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to contribute to the development of methodology and policy related to pre-school education in prisons and the establishment of a sustainable long-term partnership between the project partners.



Within the scope of our Project, which we put into practice to meet the basic needs of children aged 0-6 living with their mothers in penal institutions and to improve mothers' dialogue with their children and their ways of behaviour, studies were carried out in 7 penal institutions in different provinces. Due to the activities within the scope of the project, women prisoners in prison gained consciousness on establishing quality relations with their children in the limited area where they lived with them as well as improving their skills of motherhood and managing the time they spent with their children efficiently with games and songs. Additionally, activities were carried out with children aged 6-10.

Tüvana Foundation Education for Children (TOÇEV)



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- The Opening Event was held.
- Preliminary study visits to prisons chosen to determine the situation were organised.
- Training activities were carried out.
- A study visit was organized to Greece.
- Personnel training was conducted.
- A report related to pre-school education in prisons was prepared.



Dialogue for Non-Formal Education

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Experimental Training Centre Association

CO- BENEFICIARY

MESVAK Entrepreneurship Development Foundation

Ergon Training NGO / Greece

MTÜ Eesti Avatud Noortekeskuste Ühendus / Estonia

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Ay

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

190.250,28 Euros / 211.389,20 Euros

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<https://www.deneyimselogrenme.com/>

<https://www.demturkey.com/>

<https://linktr.ee/demturkey>



OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to contribute to the bilateral information sharing and collaboration between civil society organisations in Türkiye and EU for the enhancement and promotion of non-formal education.

“ We touched the lives of 25 trainers thanks to trainers’ training activity to which 25 participants attended. These trainers, then, touched the lives of approximately 900 persons in their own regions. We had the opportunity to promote our project and our country abroad as well through our study visits to Estonia and Greece. We shared best practices in non-formal education in our country with European trainers and emphasized the significance of cooperation between Türkiye and EU through “Non-Formal Education Türkiye-EU Conference” and “New Difficulties Met in Non-Formal Education, International Partnership Opportunities and Best Practices of Türkiye-EU Cooperation Panel”, conducted in Estonia; and, “Türkiye –EU Civil Society Cooperation Conference” and “Today’s Difficulties in Non-Formal Education and Cross-Sectoral Cooperation Panel”, conducted in Greece. As a result of the new collaborations we established particularly in Estonia, we ensured a positive impact for the future; and, moreover, we applied to a new grant programme together as partners. New project arrangements were actualised between the Ministry of Education and Research of Estonia and the Ministry of National Education of Türkiye. Collaborations for the new term and projections for the future were built with the National Agency of Greece. The positive impact which we created was directed towards trainers of non-formal education due to the fact that our project included studies especially for raising awareness considering non-formal education trainers in Türkiye. We conducted the “Experimental Learning Congress”, a first in the world, where significant developments and best practices in non-formal education were shared. The Congress, whose honorary presidents were David A. Kolb and Alice Kolb brought together a large number of academicians and educators working in the field of experimental learning. During the project activities and its aftermath, we received highly positive and encouraging feedbacks from both our partners and other stakeholders included in our project. We also received collaboration proposals from our partners.

Association of Experimental Education Centre



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- A launching meeting was held in the opening of the project.
- 110 people in sum were reached through the search conference.
- Study visits were conducted to Estonia and Greece.
- “Non-Formal Education Türkiye-EU Conference” and “New Difficulties Met in Non-Formal Education, International Partnership Opportunities and Best Practices of Türkiye-EU Cooperation Panel” were organised in Estonia and “Türkiye –EU Civil Society Cooperation Conference” and “Today’s Difficulties in Non-Formal Education and Cross-Sectoral Cooperation” were organised in Greece.
- Trainers’ Training intended for trainers working in the field of non-formal education.
- Videos, public spots and social media campaigns promoting the project and project activities were designed.
- An experimental learning-based online learning platform (DeMLand) was designed.
- The 1. International Experimental Learning Congress was conducted with the participation of 364 people from different parts of the world.

Dialogue for Better Teaching Methods in Foreign Language Education Early Ages and Teenage

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Association of Private Schools of Türkiye (TÖZOK)

CO- BENEFICIARY

European Council of National Associations of Independent Schools (ECNAIS) / United Kingdom

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Ay

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

162.120,36 Euros / 180.153,75 Euros

<https://www.tozok.org.tr/Page/Tr>

<https://www.instagram.com/tozok1951/>



OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to enhance mutual understanding and sustainable cooperation among schools in Türkiye and European countries for the improvement of the quality of foreign language teaching at all levels of education before university.

“With our Project, we started with the cliché “I understand the foreign language but I cannot speak it” and we aimed to identify the source of the drawbacks as regards foreign language teaching and take a step for the solution. Foreign language teaching is one of the outstanding issues in EU-Türkiye relations. The most fundamental step to bring together Turkish and European societies on a common denominator is to establish communication; as a matter of fact, “efficient” communication. In our project which we constructed within this context to improve methods in foreign language teaching, we organised various examination tours and workshops to observe the best methods and to transfer experience. According to the feedback we received during our studies which we carried out with our foreign language teachers -members of the Turkish Private Schools Association- and teachers who are members of our project partner ECNAIS (European Private Schools National Associations Council), the use of digital tools in pre-university foreign language teaching constituted an example for our stakeholders in Europe. On the other hand, the student-based teaching method applied in foreign language classes in Europe was warmly welcomed by our TÖZOK member foreign language teachers. Our teachers conveyed that they would make use of these implementations in their own classes and share their conclusions in their foreign language groups. We assume that this dialogue developed by educators and education professionals is to become more sustainable with an online platform and we aim at the expansion of this network by reaching more educators. We believe that the outputs of the Best Practices Guide, Comparison Report and Strategic Cooperation Plan, which we have published within the scope of the project, will contribute to language learning of both our private school students and students in state schools.”

Association Of Private Schools of Türkiye(TÖZOK)

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- The opening ceremony was organised.
- “Best Practices Guide”, “Comparison Report” and “Sustainable Strategic Cooperation Plan” were prepared.
- Examination tours and study workshops were organised in Prague, Helsinki and Lisbon in Europe, and in Adana and İstanbul in Türkiye.
- The Final İstanbul Workshop was conducted.
- “The Importance of Foreign Language Teaching Summit” was actualised with the attendance of more than 1000 participants.
- A short animation film with the theme of “The Importance of Foreign Language Teaching and Covid19 Measures” was prepared.
- A sustainable platform for the sharing of methodology and transfer of experience by foreign language teachers was provided by means of the forum on the website www.dialingua.eu.
- The online closing ceremony was conducted.

Youth Urban Action Lab: Participation of Disadvantaged Youth in Civil Society Dialogue through Participatory Public Decision-Making Schemes

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Fundacja Polityki Rozwojowej (Development Policy Foundation) / Poland

CO- BENEFICIARY

Tüvana Foundation Education for Children(TOÇEV)
Flying Balloon Child and Youth Association

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

12 Ay

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

180.996,81 Euros / 201.107,57 Euros

<https://sehrimiz.org/page/about>

<https://fpr.org.pl/#>

<https://www.tocev.org.tr/>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The project was put into practice to enhance the leadership skills and capacities of CSOs in the target areas, local administrations and disadvantaged youth; and to provide equal representation and participation rights in decision making processes at the local level for disadvantaged youth.

“ We designed our Project to contribute to the civil society capacity building studies, and to support a long-term, sustainable and outcome-oriented civil society dialogue between Türkiye and EU in order to start and actualize a social transformation in partnership with the other stakeholders at the local level. Within the scope of our project, we carried out activities for the development of institutional capacities of CSOs, local authorities, and disadvantaged youth; analysis of the needs of disadvantaged youth; identification of the basic obstacles limiting accessibility and safety in public places in targeted areas and the building of comprehensive public spaces. Within this context, the garden arrangement of Sait Taşçıoğlu Primary School was made with the participation of Turkish and Polish architects and most important of all the public; and, an urban vegetable yard was built in Adana. At the end of our project, thus, students had a garden and a playground where they could happily play.

Fundacja Polityki Rozwojowej



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- The platform “sehrimiz.com”, which would enhance the communication of the public with the municipality and ensure direct participation, was formed.
- A mobile application was developed to collect data on the problems of local public spaces.
- Capacity building training intended for local CSOs were delivered.
- Urban Action Lab Workshops were conducted in İstanbul and Adana.
- Promotion conferences were organised.



Theoretical Approaches and Practical Implementations in Environmental Education – YUNUS

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Hellenic Society for the Protection of Nature (HSPN) /Greece

CO- BENEFICIARY

Turkish Environmental Education Foundation

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Ay

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

168.988,69 Euros / 187.786,08 Euros

<https://twitter.com/GreekNature>

<https://www.facebook.com/ProstasiaTisFysis>

<https://www.eepf.gr/en/>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to procure information exchange between experts and educators in Türkiye and Greece on the well- known and endangered species in the two Mediterranean countries; and, to develop the training programmes to be implemented.



Within the scope of our activities, a summer school was organised for teachers of Greek and Turkish. A study visit to Greek environmental education centres was realised. We observed that our Turkish partner had the opportunity to explore the functions of the environmental education centres by means of the study visit. This is something that does not exist in Türkiye and it is accepted to be the best practice model in environmental education by UNESCO. We believe that this experience was inspiring for our Turkish partner as they saw themselves as the initiators of such an educational institution. If we consider this as an outcome of the project, we might state that it is a highly reliable indicator of the success of the implementation.

Hellenic Society for the Protection of Nature (HSPN) / GREECE



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- The technical kick-off meeting was held.
- 5-days summer school was organised in Alonissos, Greece with participants from Türkiye and Greece.
- 4-days study visit was conducted to Greek Environmental Education Centres with participants from Türkiye and Greece.
- 3 Mentoring Meetings were held in various provinces of Türkiye.
- 3 environmental education programmes, which could be applied in schools both in Greece and Türkiye, were prepared.
- 3 short films were shot.
- Project briefing days were organised.
- The online closing conference was conducted.





5. JUSTICE, FREEDOM and SECURITY

Women on the Move II

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Kadın ve Demokrasi Derneği (KADEM)

CO- BENEFICIARIES

Eurocultura Vicenza Obilita Internazionale / Italy

Refugee Education Training Advice Service (RETAS) / United Kingdom

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

12 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

162.081,00 Euros / 180.090,00 Euros

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OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to develop a sustainable civil society dialogue between Türkiye and the EU member states as regards refugee women.

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We observe that refugee women cannot share their real conditions in relation to violence. Women, in general, do not talk about the violence they encounter, especially if it is within the family. If violence stems from the woman's husband, it is unfortunately accepted as normal. Additionally, refugee women do not know the definition of violence against women, what their rights are and where they could apply in case they are faced with violence of this kind. We presume that our seminars on violence against women have been highly effective. We were really extremely affected by the terrible stories about violence encountered by women in our seminars. It is pleasing for us to have shed some light on women's lives with our project.

The Women and Democracy Association (KADEM)

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- Seminars of violence against women were conducted in Hatay, Gaziantep and Şanlıurfa for refugee women.
- A Social Mediation Workshop was carried out in Italy.
- CSO briefing activities were performed for Syrian CSOs in Ankara; for Italian, British and Belgian CSOs in Brussels.
- A Social Mediation Training for Turkish and Syrian participants was designed and carried out.
- Country reports on the identification of social mediation areas among refugees and local people were materialised.

Strengthening the EU-Türkiye Civil Society Cooperation for the Support of Integration of Refugees and Migrants

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Athens Network of Collaborating Experts (ANCE) / Greece

CO- BENEFICIARIES

CIDIS ONLUS-Centro Informazione Documentazione e Iniziativa per Lo Sviluppo / Italy
Kamer Foundation
Beyazay Association
Anatolian Development and Education Association

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

180.996,81 Euros / 201.107,57 Euros

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

<https://twitter.com/EuCivil>

<http://www.euturkeycivilsocietynetwork.eu>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to strengthen civil society cooperation between Türkiye and EU for the support of the integration of refugees and immigrants into the host societies.

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Throughout the Project, our essential aim was to establish and strengthen EU-Türkiye international civil society network to support the integration of refugees and immigrants. We focused upon strengthening the role of CSOs in politics and advocacy by organising workshops on sharing experience and best practices, participation meetings with related stakeholders for the capacity development of CSOs and with a large number of local communities. All activities of our project were designed on a pluralistic basis to create an area of dialogue not only between the EU-Türkiye civil society organisations but also among public and local administrations, academies, media, and local communities. The most outstanding aspect of our project was the fact that we helped CSOs raise their voices and enhance their visibility to policy makers and local and public authorities; strengthen their relations with the public; and we contributed to the shaping of their future policies.

Athens Network of Collaborating Experts (ANCE) / Greece

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- Workshops of sharing experience and best practices were conducted.
- Participation meetings for the capacity building of CSOs were held with the related stakeholders and a large number of local community participation meetings were organised.
- CSOs were brought together with related stakeholders and local people in Elazığ, Adana and Diyarbakır.
- A publication on the integration of refugees and immigrants was prepared.
- A closing conference was organised.



PhotoLift: Photography-Based Psychosocial Support for Enhancing Syrian Children's Integration

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

MAYA Foundation

CO- BENEFICIARIES

Kulturhafen Wien (KHW) / Austria

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

189.852,03 Euros / 219.837,92 Euros

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

<https://tr-tr.facebook.com/mayavakfi/>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to strengthen cooperation and networks among CSOs in Europe and Türkiye; to enhance the capacity of CSOs for the support of the integration of immigrants and refugees; to contribute to public awareness concerning the rights of refugees and immigrants, and their benefits for the host countries.

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We organised photography-based psychosocial support workshops for Syrian teenagers aged 14-18 within the scope of our project, with which we aimed to enhance both their psychological wellness and to improve their social adaptation to the society they live in. Thanks to these workshops, we observed that there occurred an improvement in the state of wellness and adaptation to the society of the Syrian teenagers. The so-called workshops created a safe environment where “they could share the difficulties they encountered at school, at home and in other social settings and learned ways to cope with these difficulties. We are happy to observe that our project has contributed to the wellness of the Syrian teenagers through all these aspects.

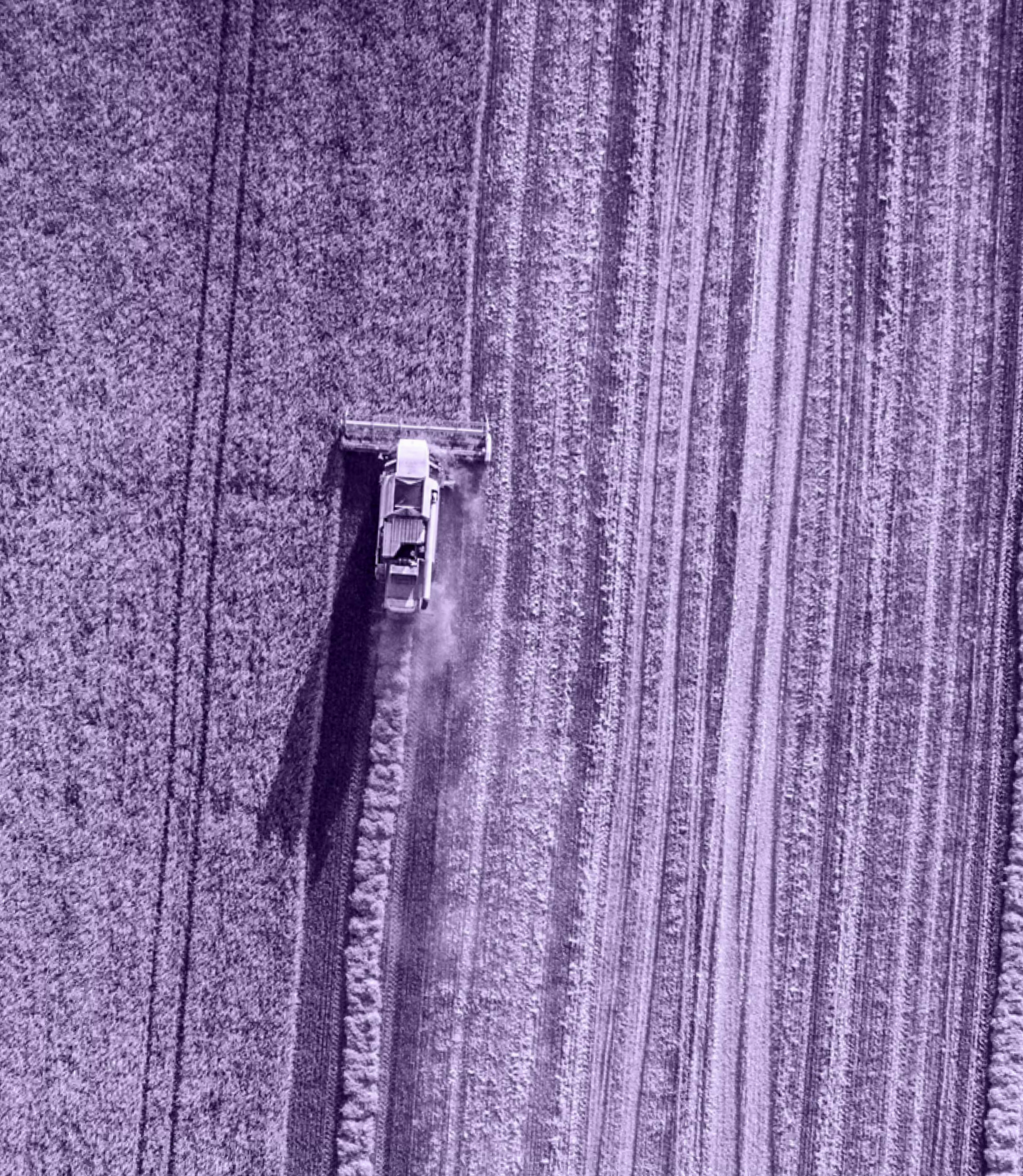
MAYA Foundation

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- An online exhibition titled “Following the Light” was organised.
- The exhibition was organised physically as well in cooperation with İstanbul Metropolitan Municipality (İBB) Cultural Affairs.
- The Project Film was released.
- The “Project Implementation Guide” was published.
- The “Project Exhibition Album” was published.
- A webinar was organised.
- A study visit was conducted to Austria.
- A “Digital/Mobile Photography and Digital Story Telling Seminar” for Syrian refugee children was held.





6. AGRICULTURE and RURAL DEVELOPMENT/ FOOD SAFETY, VETERINARY MEDICINE and PLANT HEALTH

Jolly Livestock in Türkiye and EU

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Union of Dairy, Beef, Food Industrialists and Producers of Türkiye

CO- BENEFICIARY

La Federación Empresarial de Agroalimentación de la Comunidad Valenciana / Spain

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

178.933,10 Euros / 198.814,56 Euros

<https://twitter.com/hayvanrefahi>

<https://www.facebook.com/hayvanrefahiprojesi>

www.hayvanrefahiprojesi.org

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDu4K0thT75G-9nWPoiR8nA>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to improve animal welfare through implementations widely known by farmers, animal owners, drivers and officials at border points.

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With our Project, we aim to enhance the knowledge and awareness of animal breeders, pioneer farmers, drivers of vehicles carrying animals, and the border inspection officials of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry as regards animal welfare. The issues of the importance of animal welfare, the increase of the productivity of animals in relation to their treatment, and decreasing losses were in the foreground in our project activities. Additionally, we tried to create awareness by sharing with the farmers the fact that when jolly animals are bred, both the life conditions of animals are improved and farmers and breeders get more prosperous with the farmers. We observed that both the farmers and veterinary surgeons in the provincial directorates where the training courses were organised were highly interested in project activities. We think that this interest is the proof of how accurately the subject and target of our project were determined.

Union of Dairy, Beef, Food Industrialists and Producers of Türkiye

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- Study visits were made to Valencia and Brussels to observe examples of EU best practices on-site.
- Animal Welfare in Transportation Training intended for border inspection officials was organised online.
- Animal Welfare Farmer Training courses intended for farmers were organised online and face-to-face.
- Guides and information notes related to animal welfare in transportation were published.
- Guides and information notes for the welfare of farm animals were published.
- The awareness of drivers of transportation vehicles in the target provinces was enhanced.



No Pesticides on My Plate

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Buğday Association for Supporting Ecological Living

CO- BENEFICIARY

Pesticide Action Network (PAN) Europe / Belgium

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

12 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

194.181,10 Euros / 215.756,78 Euros

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<http://zehirsizsofralar.org/>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to raise awareness of the harms of pesticides and to decrease the use of pesticides in Türkiye.

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The 'No Pesticides on My Plate Civil Society Network' was established with more than 100 CSOs and civil initiatives. Different partnerships were developed and collaborations were formed. Both Buğday Association and network member institutions had the opportunity to enhance their capacities of lobbying, advocacy and campaigning. An awareness on the matter was created in farmers thanks to the documentary and producer's guide that was produced. An important source was thus provided for farmers. The documents translated into Turkish and posted on the web site constituted a significant source on this matter. The slogan 'No pesticides on My Plate' and 'pesticides' which was the concern of the study found place in the agenda of the press and public opinion. The 'No Pesticide on My Plate' campaign had a strong impact and the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry banned 16 active ingredients of pesticides (agricultural poison).

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Buğday Association for Supporting Ecological Living

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- The Consumer's Guide was published.
- The Producer's Guide was published.
- A conference and a workshop were organised in İstanbul.
- Street interviews were conducted.
- Signature campaigns were carried out.





7. MANAGEMENT and INDUSTRIAL POLICY

Establishing a Dialogue between the EU and Türkiye to Strengthen the Foundational Structure, Organization and Management of Early Start-Ups through Utilisation of Project Management and Best-Practices

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY
Project Management Institute Türkiye

CO- BENEFICIARIES
PMI Slovenia
PMI Bulgaria
PMI France

DURATION OF THE PROJECT
15 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT
192.358,13 Euros / 213.969,00 Euros

<https://www.instagram.com/outspeedstartup/?hl=tr>
<https://www.facebook.com/outspeedstartup>
<https://outspeed-startup.com/>
<https://www.pmi.org.tr/>



OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to strengthen the organisational structure, organisation and management of newly established enterprises by making use of the best practices of project management shared by stakeholders.

New enterprises cannot live long because of varying reasons such as timing, wrong business model, inefficiency of capital or inadequate experience. Despite the fact that the founders do gain highly important experiences during this process, very valuable time and sources may be wasted. As PMI Türkiye, we put our project into practice in order to strengthen the basic structure, organisation and management of new enterprises by using the best practices of project management. Within the scope of our project, we delivered training to new enterprises on project management tools and methodologies; we came together with new enterprise mentors and business incubation centre directors and held meetings with them on how the ‘Project Management Implementation Guide’ is to be designed and used. We conducted workshops with experts from France, Slovenia and Bulgaria; our project partners. Finally, we wrote a ‘Project Management Implementation Guide’ which new enterprises and new enterprise mentors may make use of, and which synthesised both best practices of project management and approaches such as ‘Lean Enterprise’ and ‘Design-Oriented Thought’ which are widely used in the new management world. Taking this guide as the basis, we prepared training material for new enterprises and mentors and organised training courses and seminars. We think that we have supported enterprises which have started a long and difficult journey to overcome these hardships with our activities.

PMI Türkiye

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- Within the scope of the project, 32 activities were realised in 15 months.
- 15 visibility activities were organised.
- Opening and Closing Events were conducted.
- A “New Enterprise Project Management Summit” was held.
- Training was delivered to 167 new enterprises in 6 “New Enterprise Training Camps”.
- 4 “Mentor Briefing Camps” were carried out and 107 mentors were briefed.
- 4 workshops were realised with 4 partners.
- “Project Management Guide for New Enterprises” was prepared and translate into 5 languages.
- Training materials were prepared separately for both new enterprises and mentors in line with the “Project Management Guide for New Enterprises”.
- In the web portal prepared within the project (<https://outspeed-startup.com>), the contents produced within the scope of the project were opened to members free of charge.
- 487 participants and 28 speakers from 8 different countries attended the “Project Management for New Enterprises Summit”.

Italy, Greece and Türkiye on Foot

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Culture Routes Society

CO- BENEFICIARIES

Associazione Europea delle Vie Francigene / Italy

Trace Your Eco / Greece

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

12 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

188.565,11 Euros / 209.516,79 Euros

https://www.instagram.com/viaeurasia_avrasyayolu/

<https://www.facebook.com/Viaeurasia>

www.viaeurasia.org

<https://culturerolesinturkey.com/tr/>



OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to display to target groups and stakeholders that the culture routes of Europe were tools intended for cross-border cooperation which would lead to sustainable development in the tourism sector and to develop a sound partnership on intercultural dialogue.

“Municipalities were also among our participant institutions and they took an active part in a many of our activities. A clearer planning procedure of sustainable rural tourism in these local administrations was formed through the municipality personnel. In addition to this, a university that was interested in the project outputs got in touch with us and applied for “institutional membership” to the established academic committee. In this way, the issue of producing mutual projects with university units came into our agenda. This is of utmost importance for the continuity of the project and the route.

Culture Routes Society



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- Road-show promotion activities were organised in Türkiye and Greece to promote the Eurasia route stretching from Rome to Demre.
- Application to European Institute of Cultural Routes (EICR) was prepared for the registration of the route in line with views of EICR and academicians.
- A study visit was conducted to Italy with representatives of the stakeholder municipalities.
- Volunteer studies were carried out to place route marking, maintenance-repair and route signboards on the Eurasia Route.
- Short films including best practices were shot for the briefing of service providers and users on culture routes.
- Via Eurasia mobile application was designed and presented to users.
- The content of the Via Eurasia internet site was improved for the users of the route.
- Guiding booklets were prepared, published and disseminated for related municipalities in Türkiye and Greece.
- Passports which Eurasia Route walkers could get stamped during their walk in route were prepared and disseminated.
- The Closing Conference and the Sustainable Tourism Workshop under the leadership of Boğaziçi University Tourism Management Implementation and Research Centre were organised.

Speaking the Same Language: Role of Civil Society in Entrepreneurship Ecosystem

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Antalya Industrialists and Business People Association (ANSİAD)

CO- BENEFICIARIES

Antalya Centre of Support for EU Studies Association

Associazione Di Promozione Sociale Joint / Italy

Associazione No Borders / Italy

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

199.957,32 Euros / 222.174,80 Euro

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

<https://www.facebook.com/Ansiad>

www.ansiad.org.tr



OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The project was put into practice to improve the entrepreneurship ecosystem, establish a sustainable dialogue among stakeholders from different sectors and develop youth friendly entrepreneurship training modules.



Young people in our country are, unfortunately going through an educational system which does not support their life skills adequately. For this reason, strengthening skills such as creativity, thinking differently and strategic decision-making is of great importance. We are, thus, touching young people particularly at high school and university level, entrepreneur candidates, CSOs working in the field of entrepreneurship, public and private sectors; and we are strengthening the cooperation among sectors in this field. Additionally, we are improving the capacities of CSO representatives and teachers working in the field of entrepreneurship. We observed that young people were encouraged by the workshop we conducted and our training courses; their skills like creativity, communication, thinking differently and strategic decision-making have been strengthened and they have become more active in participating in each other's activities and promoting them.

Antalya Industrialists and Business People Association (ANSİAD)



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- For improvement of youth "Innovative Thinking and Entrepreneurship Maker-Lab" was established in Civil Society and Innovation Center located in Antalya.
- An online library was formed to enhance the innovative thinking and entrepreneurial skills of young people.
- Training modules with titles like "Communication with the Z Generation", "Working with Disadvantaged Young People" and "Skill-based Career Guidance" for young people, and CSOs and teachers working in the field of entrepreneurship were designed.
- A Trainers' Training, which was attended by almost 40 CSO representatives and teachers, was organised. Trainers who completed the programme had implementations with almost 400 young people in their local regions.
- Training modules intended for young people such as "Know Yourself", "Creativity", "Design-oriented Thinking" and "Careers of the Future" were designed.
- An "International Entrepreneurship Camp" which was attended by almost 30 young people from 16 countries was organised for the implementation of the training modules.
- The event of "International Entrepreneurship Days (Hackathon)" to which more than 100 young people from 16 countries was realised.
- A data base of institutions working in the field of entrepreneurship was constituted.
- An Entrepreneurship Network was established to increase the collaborations in the field of entrepreneurship.
- An international seminar entitled "The Role of Civil Society in the Ecosystem of Entrepreneurship" was organised.



8. INFORMATION SOCIETY and MEDIA

EU-Türkiye Media Bridges

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Turkish Journalists Association

CO- BENEFICIARIES

European Journalists Association the Communication Network ASBL / Belgium

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

12 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

168.076,08 Euros / 187.271,40 Euros

<https://www.instagram.com/media.bridges/>

<https://www.tgc.org.tr/>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The project was put into practice to strengthen the network between Turkish journalists working in the field of the EU and European journalists working on Türkiye; to ensure that journalists support each other as reliable information sources; and to enhance their journalistic skills.

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We think that with this Project, journalists who came from Europe acquired information about the refugee problem and situation in Türkiye, which they cannot acquire in Europe; and their prejudices concerning Türkiye no longer exist. We observed that the negative perceptions of young journalists and journalist candidates regarding the European Union turned into positive and their knowledge treasures became richer through the “Diplomacy Academy” and “European Union Country Days”. In this way, support was provided for more conscious and objective production of news by these journalists. In addition to all these, we can also state that our activities played a part in the development of dialogues with the EU embassies.

Turkish Journalists Association

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- The “Diplomacy Academy” intended for journalists was organised.
- Bilateral meetings were held with the project stakeholders.
- Journalists working in the EU conducted study visits to Türkiye.
- “EU Country Days” was organised in the Journalists Association with the participation of the EU embassies in Türkiye.





9. CUSTOMS UNION

Improvement of Customs Union for Fair Trade and Competitiveness of SMEs

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Turkish Enterprise and Business Confederation

CO- BENEFICIARY

Podnikatelská Aliancia Slovenska (PAS) / Slovakia

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

12 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

154.378,53 Euros / 171.531,70 Euros

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

<https://twitter.com/cuforsmes>

<https://www.facebook.com/KOB%C4%B0ler-%C4%B0%C3%A7in-G%C3%BCmr%C3%BCK-Birli%C4%9Fi-1233451383502102/>

<http://cuforsmes.org/>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to develop mutual studies and policies for the improvement and update of Customs Union Agreement in relation to SMEs by bilateral information sharing and cooperation; and to improve and update it on a SMEs-oriented basis, and to enhance awareness concerning the positive impact of the agreement on the economies of Türkiye and the EU.



We conducted studies by including the perspective of the sectors and SMEs in the discussions about the modernisation of the Customs Union, intended for both our stakeholders in the business world and the public sector and the related ministries in Türkiye and the EU Delegation. We believe that these studies have contributed to the acceleration of the matter. We think that we have created awareness on the necessity of the modernisation of the Customs Union and in which framework it is to be renewed, through the study visits, roundtable activities and the research report which is a project output. We published a declaration in which we presented the modernisation map of the Customs Union with an action plan of 10 articles. In this declaration, we emphasized what was needed was a more comprehensive economic integration reflecting the realities of our day rather than a technical modernisation as regards the Customs Union. We proclaim that digitilisation, climate policies and a sustainable improvement, in particular, are to be considered as the key dynamics in the modernisation of Türkiye-EU Customs Union. We are happy to have brought this issue into the agenda of the business world again.

Turkish Enterprise and Business Confederation



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- Country reports related to joint work and policies were published.
- A declaration on the New Customs Union Agreement was published.
- “Competitiveness of SMEs in Türkiye and EU Countries Report” within the scope of the Customs Union was published.
- Roundtable meetings were held in İstanbul and Bratislava.
- 16 study visits in sum were conducted in Türkiye and Slovakia.
- An online platform, accessible through the project web address, was formed. (<http://platform.cuforsmes.org/>)





10. CONSUMER PROTECTION and HEALTH

Turkish Italian Heart Health Network

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Turkish Heart Foundation

CO- BENEFICIARY

Fondazione Italiana per il Cuore-Italian Heart Foundation / Italy

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

156.214,01 Avro / 173.571,12 Avro

<https://www.instagram.com/turkkalpvakfi1975/?hl=tr>

<https://tkv.org.tr/>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to identify the level of consciousness as regards heart health and to enhance awareness about heart health starting with the family.

“ The most outstanding impact of the Project was in relation to the enhancement of the consciousness of thousands of people, including medical personnel, families and teachers in Batman. We think that we have provided a great contribution to the matters of early diagnosis of heart diseases in children and awareness about nutrition and physical activity for the avoidance or at least the cutting down of the problems that can be encountered afterwards. We received positive feedbacks from both schools and families. In addition to the contributions of the project, there were also some unexpected, good outcomes. A scientific report is being formed as a result of the observations and surveys carried out in Batman. We, together with our Italian partners, are planning to have this report included in international literature.

Turkish Heart Foundation



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- An opening workshop was organised in İstanbul.
- Approximately 5000 families were briefed to raise the consciousness of children in the age group 6-14 in 165 primary schools in central Batman; and seminars on this issue were given to 193 family doctors.
- A briefing conference was conducted for school directors.
- Several coordination meetings were held online.



Strengthening Healthcare Waste Management (HWM) through Long-Term Dialogue

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Recycling Industrialists Association (GEKSANDER)

CO- BENEFICIARIES

Fundacion Athisa / Spain

Electricity Distribution Services Association

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

195.258,6 Euros / 216.954,00 Euros

<https://www.geksander.org/>

<https://m.facebook.com/shwmpproject/>

https://twitter.com/hwm_project



OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to establish a bilateral sharing dialogue with Spain with the aim of identifying the needs of waste management in Türkiye and Spain with respect to career, employment and the employment gap.



Training was given medical waste workers working in hospitals. Contribution was, thus, made to their professional development and also to the enhancement of their awareness concerning the EU. The awareness of medical waste workers as regards professional documentation and expanding their job opportunities was enhanced as they were informed about Turkish and EU regulations/laws. Association representatives and representatives of the private sector had the opportunity to experience waste management in Spain. The information that waste sector workers could be certificated by authorised organisations, thanks to the professional mapping study, was delivered to the employees of the sector.

Recycling Industrialists Association (GEKSANDER)



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- “Medical Waste Management Platform” was established.
- A study regarding the identification of professions in the medical waste sector was conducted.
- Guides for CSOs and employment institutions in Türkiye and EU were prepared.
- A 2-year strategy document was prepared.
- 2 workshops were organised.
- An action assessment report was prepared.
- A seminar was organised on the Turkish and EU regulations about the free movement of workers.



11. FISHING

EU-Türkiye Coops to Coast - European and Turkish Cooperatives Drivers of CSOs Alliances for the Development of Coastal Territories

COORDINATING BENEFICIARY

Haliéus Association - Organization of International Cooperation For Fishermen, Aquaculture, Research, Development and the Environment / Italy

CO- BENEFICIARIES

Black Sea Science, Technology and Culture Association

DURATION OF THE PROJECT

15 Months

GRANT AMOUNT / BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

195.787,53 Euros / 217.541,70 Euros

<https://www.instagram.com/coopstocoast/?hl=tr>

<https://www.facebook.com/trcoopstocoast>

<https://coopstocoast.org/>

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

The Project was put into practice to enhance experience sharing between fishing cooperatives and CSOs working for the development of coastal regions in the EU and Türkiye.



In the Project that we brought into action to enhance the awareness of fishermen about cooperatives and the cooperative system, we organised training courses for fisherman about EU and EU opportunities. Through an elementary-level language training, we supported fishermen to learn English, which would enable them to communicate at a basic level. We observed that the training process which we carried out with trainers who came from Italy led to the enhancement of the knowledge about the fishing profession and sharing in a cultural sense.

Haliéus Association



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PROJECT

- Basic English training was given to EU contact people.
- Awareness raising activities were carried out in schools.
- Training intended for fishermen was delivered.
- The Dictionary of Fishing was published.
- Billboards related to fishing were placed at fishing ports.





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