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# Social Integration Summit

17 -18 May 2016, Istanbul  
GONEN HOTEL



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17 May 2016

08:<sup>30</sup>  
10:<sup>00</sup>

Registration



10:<sup>00</sup>  
12:<sup>00</sup>

Opening Ceremony



**Kadir TOPBAS,**

Mayor of Istanbul / President of UCLG / President of Union of Municipalities of Turkey

**Inigo de la Serna HERNAIZ,** Mayor of Santander / President of CEMR

**Jean-Claude FRECON,** President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities

**Markku MARKKULA,** President of the European Committee of the Regions

**H. M. Hansjorg HABER,**

Ambassador, Head of Delegation to European Union's Delegation to Turkey

**Suleyman SOYLU,** Republic of Turkey's Minister of Labour and Social Security

12:<sup>00</sup>  
12:<sup>30</sup>

Coffee Break



12:<sup>30</sup>  
13:<sup>00</sup>

Keynote Session



**Hayrettin GUNGOR,**

Secretary General, Union of Municipalities of Turkey

13:<sup>00</sup>  
14:<sup>30</sup>

Lunch



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14:30  
16:00

## Social Integration in the light of Refugee Crisis



**Moderator:** Paulo PEDROSO, Team Leader, Project ISKEP

Fatma SAHIN, Mayor of Gaziantep

Pascale MOREAU, UNHCR Turkey Representative

Lado GVILAVA, Chief of Mission, IOM Turkey

Muhammed Murtaza YETIS, Chief Advisor to the Prime Minister of Turkey

Yoomi RONSTROM, Reporter on Reception to Integration Report,  
Congress of Local and Regional Authorities, CoE

16:00  
16:30

## Coffee Break



16:30  
18:00

## Integration and International Agenda



**Moderator:** Fatih AYDIN, Managing Director, Euro-Asia Strategies

Kamal MALHOTRA, United Nations Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative in Turkey

Peter KNIP, Director, VNG International

Guest Speaker, Representative of World Bank, Turkey Office

Leen VERBEEK, Vice-President, Congress of Local and Regional Authorities, CoE

18:00  
22:00

## Closing Remarks & Welcome Dinner



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09:15

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Keynote Session



Cemal BAS,  
Project Manager, Project ISKEP

09:30

11:00

Social Inclusion and Employment



**Moderator:** Cleofe GUARDIGLI, Employment Expert, Project ISKEP

Manuel MACHADO, Mayor of Coimbra

Mustafa CELIK, Mayor of Kayseri

Numan OZCAN, Director of Turkey Office, ILO

Guest Speaker, Ministry of Labor and Social Security, Turkey

11:00

11:30

Coffee Break



11:30

13:00

Inclusion of Roma Citizens



**Moderator:** Lida KITA, Specialist in VET and Social Inclusion, ETF

Hamit TUNA, Mayor of Toroslar

Ana OPRISAN, Programme Manager, ROMACT

Elmas ARUS, Zero Discrimination, NGO

Guest Speaker, Alliance of European Cities for Roma Inclusion

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Social Integration of the People with Disabilities



**Moderator:** Magali FRICAUDET, Coordinator, UCLG Social Inclusion Committee

Ana Sofia ANTUNES, Secretary of State of Portugal, (Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities)

Duro BUKVIC, Mayor of Lukac

Gaye DOGANOGLU, Vice President, Bureau of the Congress, CoE

Vice-President, Congress of Local and Regional Authorities, CoE

16:00  
16:30

Coffee Break



16:30  
18:00

Urban Regeneration and Social Integration



**Moderator:** Representative, Turkey's Mass Housing Administration

Choi YANGSIK, Mayor of Gyeongju

Guest Speaker, Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors

Orhan Fevzi GUMRUKCUOGLU, Mayor of Trabzon

Prf. Dr. Harun TANRIVERMIS, Ankara University

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18:30

Closing Ceremony

Protocol Signatures between LGA's of Turkey,  
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## About Summit

The current developments in Europe and Turkey made it clear that social inclusion is a process that needs to be handled in an efficient and equitable manner. This applies not only to the national level but also to the cooperation between in order to gives a more prominent priority to improvement of economic and social situation of the people and to ensure more social cohesion.

The promotion of more inclusive societies is one of the areas in which mutual learning between nations has produced good results. Turkey and especially Turkish local authorities, who are committed in ISKEP and in fighting social exclusion at local level, could benefit from international experience as a way to support the quality of its initiatives and enlarge the scope of experiences with which knowledge could be shared.

The Union of Municipalities of Turkey, as the Operation Beneficiary is member of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) and Council of European Municipalities and Regions (CEMR). In the framework of its participation in these international bodies of local authorities conceived "Social Integration Summit of Project ISKEP" of high national and international visibility of experience of local authorities in promoting inclusive societies through increasing employability of disadvantaged groups in labour market. In current international situation, this implies not only the already known problems of social exclusion, but also addressing the consequences of unprecedented contingents of refugees looking for new opportunities to settle and rebuild their lives and social ties.

The Summit essentially will be a platform for the discussion and reflection on what acting at local level, as does ISKEP can achieve in improvement of the disadvantaged people's lives. The discussions will address the needs of both disadvantaged groups in Turkey and the Europe at large, with emphasis on present and future challenges. The summit will culminate in key recommendations for actors involved in ensuring socially inclusive societies, ranging from international agencies to local authorities, as well as to civil society and academia. In that sense, the summit will also provide participants an excellent opportunity to create networks, which will pave the way future collaborations.

Developed from the common social integration problems affect Turkey, Europe and the World in general, the summit's thematic concern will address the following;

- a) The challenge of social inclusion of disadvantaged groups in advanced and mid-income economies,
- b) The challenge of new waves of refugees to social inclusion in different societies,
- c) The challenge of full participation of persons with disabilities in society.

The Summit will take place in İstanbul in 17 and 18 May 2016.

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## Project ISKEP

### Background Information

Disadvantaged people in Turkey, especially people with disabilities, ex-convicts and ex-prisoners, Roma citizens, women victims of violence and poor people living in gecekondu areas are excluded from economic and social life. The problems that these groups encounter are different; however, the common problem for all the groups is the limited access to labour market and public services such as education, health and social security.

It is of paramount importance to improve social services with the purpose of supporting those facing above mentioned problems. In Turkey, these services should be further improved. Likewise, employment opportunities for disadvantaged people are limited due to lack of institutional coordination for the existing services and low level of awareness in society of problems that disadvantages people face.

Within this scope, İSKEP is developed by the Union of Municipalities of Turkey (UMT) and has been co-financed by the European Union and the Republic of Turkey under Social Inclusion priority axis's measure 4 of the Human Resources Development Operational Programme.

### Objective of the Project

Contributing sustainable integration of the disadvantaged persons into the labour market by establishing and implementing a model for coordination and implementation of employment and social support services within the target Municipalities under supervision and guidance of UMT.

### Results of the Project

There are three result areas under the Project.

Result 1: Establishment of a unit to provide services for the disadvantaged people within the respective departments of each municipality.

Result 2: Increasing employability of disadvantaged people.

Result 3: Raising awareness on social inclusion of disadvantaged people among local service providers, decision makers and citizens.

### Pilot Provinces:

The scope of this Project is limited with the 12 municipalities in 10 provinces. Target municipalities are as follows:

- Metropolitan Municipalities: Bursa, Diyarbakır, Kahramanmaraş, Kayseri, Şanlıurfa, Trabzon and Van.
- Provincial Municipalities: Kars
- District Municipalities: Ankara-Altındağ, Ankara-Keçiören, Bursa-Yıldırım, Mersin-Toroslar

### Project Components:

This project is composed of the following components:

The purpose of the first component is to create a new service model for the social integration of disadvantaged people by means of establishing units in the municipalities which will provide institutional services for disadvantaged people. Therefore, the capacity of both the municipalities and the mentioned units will be enhanced via trainings and study visits to be conducted for providing effective services.

The purpose of the second component is to approach to the units with two dimensions. The first dimension is related to the identification of disadvantaged people and the activities aiming to support these people via related mechanisms. The second dimension focuses on easing the access of disadvantaged people to the labour market via the establishment of a data base and a monitoring system.

Under the third component, it has been planned to develop dialog among service providers, decision makers and disadvantaged people with several information and awareness raising activities.

In order to increase awareness among wider public on social inclusion of disadvantaged people, two national campaigns will be launched. This component will bring together the objectives of the first two components with the aim of informing disadvantaged people on their choices and encourage them to participate in social and economic life and also contributing to eliminate the prejudices against disadvantaged people.

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## About UMT

Union of Municipalities of Turkey (UMT), dates back to 1945, is the sole union for municipalities at national level. It has been transformed to a public legal entity in 2005 as part of the Local Authorities Reform Process. Accordingly, all of the 1397 municipalities in Turkey are natural members of the UMT.

Our Union carries secretariat work for our municipalities in Council of Europe (CoE), United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) as well as Council of European Municipalities and Regions (CEMR). In this scope, we carry out international projects with our counterparts world-wide.

Accordingly we are carrying out effective lobbying activities in the Parliament and central administration institutions. We give opinion on draft legislations effecting and relating the municipalities on the basis of the European Charter of Local Self-Government.

## About Project ISKEP

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## About Social Integration Summit

Partners of the Project are conceived that "Social Integration Summit of Project ISKEP" of would create international visibility of experience for local authorities in promoting inclusive societies. The Summit will essentially be a platform for the discussion and reflection on social inclusion on international and local level. The discussions will address the needs of disadvantaged groups worldwide, with emphasis on present and future challenges.

