ENVIRONMENT ENERGY SECTOR COOPERATION BETWEEN TURKEY & DENMARK

Annual report for 2018





Photo: School exhibition of electronic waste fractions, City of Kayseri,

Turkey

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Project description

The agreement on the Strategic Sector Cooperation between Denmark and Turkey on Waste and Resource Management was signed in February 2017. The partner authority in Turkey is the Ministry of Environment and Urbanisation (MoEU). The full SSC project will be under implementation until the end of June 2019.

The SSC project is focused on waste, and wastewater & wastewater sludge management. Under these headlines, the detailed components are listed below.

Waste and Resource Management

Main project components

- Raising public awareness within waste manage-
- Mechanisms for financing waste management
- Wastewater and sludge management

Project objective:

Assist Turkish government agencies and other relevant stakeholders in developing a well-functioning waste and resource management system supporting better enforcement and implementation of legislation to

achieve the government's long-term goals within waste and resource management.

Key activities in 2018

- Study tour
 - o Delegation visit to Denmark to get insight into Danish experiences with financial mechanisms for waste management
- Technical analysis consultancy assignments
 - o Study of experiences with dual sorting and raising public awareness on waste sorting in Turkey
 - Review of responsibilities and cooperation between national and local authorities on waste sorting in Turkey
 - Identification and evaluation of financing mechanisms used in Denmark in waste management, for inspiration to Turkey
- Technical workshops
 - o Waste management: a preparatory meeting for study to be held in 2019
 - Management of industrial wastewater: legal frameworks for handling of industrial waste
 - Management of wastewater sludge: use of sludge on soil, restrictions and problems
- Peer-to-peer discussions
 - Tax on plastic carrier bags
 - Danish deposit refund system

Main achievements and lessons learned in 2018

Starting and nearly completed relevant and in-depth technical consultancy assignments looking at experiences in Denmark and Turkey within selected areas within waste management. These assignments were split into two with three underlying topics:

- 1. Current experiences with dual sorting in selected municipalities (in Turkey)
- 2. The current situation regarding responsibilities and cooperation between national and local authorities (in Turkey)
- 3. Different financing mechanisms used within waste management (in Denmark)

The activities described above - together with three technical workshops and peer-to-peer discussions provided the Turkish authority in-depth insights into aspects such as best practices and regulation in Denmark selected in accordance to relevance in a Turkish context.

Status: Full SSC project (Phase One) under implementation (2017-2019) Partners:

- Danish Environmental Protection Agency (DEPA)/Danish Ministry of Environment and Food
- Turkish Ministry of Environment and Urbanisation (MoEU)

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