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**Acronym Description**

AP Accession Partnership

CFCU Central Finance and Contracts Unit

CSDP Civil Society Development Programme

CSO Civil Society Organisation

EC European Commission

ECAS European Citizen Action Service

ECD European Commission Delegation

EU European Union

MEUA Ministry for European Union Affairs

TIHK Human Rights Institution of Turkey

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# Preface

This implementation plan has been prepared by Civil Society Development Center in November2014. The purpose of this Implementation Plan is to provide a strategic framework for programming “Disseminating best practices of advocacy and lobbying from Turkey and Europe for enhancement of democratic participation” project.

This implementation plan describes the means, the methods and the intervals by and at which the Project will attain its targets. The implementation plan has been built on the data gathered by the STGM during “Strengthening Freedom of Association for further Development of Civil Society (SFACS)” and “Supporting Civil Society Development and Dialogue in Turkey” “Civil Society Development for Active Participation”, projects between 2005-2013 .

# A. Background Information

At the Helsinki European Council of 10 and 11 December 1999, the EU confirmed Turkey as a candidate State destined to join the Union on the basis of the same criteria as applied to other candidate States. In this context, particular attention is paid to the strengthening of co-operation between civil society and the public sector and CSO’s democratic participation level with regard to the fulfillment of the Copenhagen criteria. The first criterion states in particular that ‘membership requires that the candidate state has achieved stability of institutions guaranteeing democracy, the rule of law, human rights, respect for and protection of minorities’.

# B. Objectives of the Project

**Overall Objective:** The overall objective is enhancing participatory democracy in Turkey through strengthened CSOs.

**Specific Objectives:**

The specific objective is to strengthen the capacity of CSOs in Turkey to effectively participate in decision making by improving their lobbying and policy advocacy skills and to activate multi-level working networks among CSOs from different thematic backgrounds.

# C. Expected Results

* + An improved capacity of civil society organisations for lobbying, advocacy and participation.
  + The greater involvement of CSOs in the decision-making processes at the national level
  + Moderation of the Code of Good Practice on Civil Participation in the Decision-Making Process in regard to the consultation process of TIHK

# D. Outputs

* + Web based best practices database/catalogue.
  + Training manuals on advocacy and lobbying.
  + Advocacy networks/campaigns
  + A guideline on the best examples of effective CSO participation in the decision-making process in the EU and Turkey at the international, national and local levels.

# E. Target Group of the Project

STGM targets to deliver services during the project to 20 trainees of these organizations who are experienced in participating in decision making process and are ready to implement an advocacy & lobbying campaign.

The reason for confining the target groups to the above mentioned areas is undoubtedly the aspiration to work with a well-identified and accessible target audience. In line with its vision STGM targets a “strong and democratic” civil society. Thus, CSOs which can play an effective role in the process of transformation, civilizing and democratization were influential in identifying the target group. Civil organizations operating in these areas are the organizations seeking to enable social transformation in Turkey. Consequently, charity associations-foundations, sports clubs, associations for building mosques and schools, development organizations and fellowship unions were excluded from the target group as direct targets. Groups that are vulnerable to discrimination and socially excluded (such as lesbians, gays, transgenders, HIV positive people) were also included in the target group with priority.

# F. Implementation of the Project

The Central Finance and Contracts Unit (CFCU) is the Contracting Authority of the project. The main beneficiary and implementing body of the project is the STGM.

CFCU will be responsible for all procedural aspects of contracting matters and financial management, including payment of project activities. Furthermore, CFCU will be also responsible for all aspects of call for proposals and contractual procedures of the projects to be funded by the grants program.

The CFCU has the sole responsibility over the overall budgeting, tendering, contracting and payments, accounting and financial reporting aspects of the procurement of services, supplies, works and grants in the context of the EU funded programs. The CFCU ensures that the EU rules, regulations and procedures pertaining to the procurement services, works and grants are adhered to, and to a proper reporting system is functioning.

As the main Beneficiary of this project, the Association of Civil Society Development Center will establish a project implementation team. This team will be responsible to carry out the tasks described in the project documents and this implementation document.

ECAS as co-beneficiary will be responsible of the following:

* Providing support for the content of activities to be carried on democratic governance, advocacy and lobbying, participation mechanisms, European policies and practices;
* Identification of effective CSO participation in the decision making process and providing input to web-based best practice database/catalogue regarding civil society involvement in public policy making on:
* a database/catalogue on best practices on participation in decision making,
* policy documents, binding or soft regulations like laws, by-laws, governmental decisions, declarations, guidelines, papers of national governments, intergovernmental organisations, international organisations or supranational organisations,
* publications on civil society - public sector dialogue and manuals and expert reports,
* announcements about EU and other granting schemes on civic participation,
* and other useful information.
* Participating in developing a guideline on the best examples of effective CSO participation in the decision-making process in the EU and Turkey at the international, national and local levels;
* Dissemination of the project outcomes to the public as well as relevant national and local authorities;
* Organising the travel and accommodation of 10 representatives from CSOs who have already participated in the trainings and engaged in the pilot practices, 5 representatives from public institutions (one representative from Ministry of EU Affairs and four representatives from national parliament and/or other public institutions relevant to pilot practices) will conduct a study visit to Brussels;
* Organising a study visit certain EU institutions, some civil institutions engaged in lobbying and advocacy works;
* Organising an advanced level joint learning workshop in cooperation with STGM in Brussels to share lessons learnt and the best practices to further promote government-civil society dialogue and cooperation;

STGM will hold regular consultation meetings with Central Finance and Contracts Unit (CFCU), Ministry for European Union Affairs (MEUA) and the Delegation of The European Commission to Turkey while implementing the project. STGM will also submit reports to the CFCU and MEUA at the intervals specified in the project contract. STGM shall continuously exchange ideas with the related parties concerning the progression of the Project.

# G. Approach & Methodology

Numerous academic studies and research reports on the subject of democratic participation in Turkey have been carried out. Similarly, STGM, TACSO, Bilgi University and YASADER have produced a series of comprehensive guidelines and manuals on advocacy, campaigning and lobbying for CSOs. However CSOs’ capacities to carry out advocacy and engage in policy dialogue are considerably limited. Low levels of analytical and managerial capacities of CSOs are serious impediments to effective needs assessment and program design and readiness of CSOs to carry out advocacy and engage in policy dialogue.

On the other hand, even if they are well aware of participation opportunities in the decision making process, and well equipped with efficient methods of advocacy and lobbying, they lack the capacity to conduct research and develop policy to support these opportunities. Also one of the most important necessities of civil society in Turkey is the scarcity of best practices and lessons learnt, and an inadequacy of training and information tools for the implementation of best practices.

The capacity building trainings will focus on developing dialogue and partnership skills of CSOs. These trainings will particularly aim to increase technical capacity of CSOs on dialog issues such communication, lobbying, participation to the decision making process, and accomplish an attitude change about dialog with government, other CSOs and private sector. Participants of CBTs will be selected in accordance with a set of predetermined criteria.

1. ***Preparation and Methodology for Capacity and Skill Development of CSO’s***

* Development of a training strategy and training calendar.
* Identification of trainers and preparation of their ToRs and contracts.
* Developing the training modules and materials.
* Open call and selection of applicants.
* Organization of trainings.
* Evaluation of trainings.

1. ***Capacity and Skill Development of CSO’s***

In order to contribute to the strengthening of CSO capacity in this field, 3 training events will be delivered to CSOs on the theory and practice of lobbying and advocacy within the first 5 months of the project.

* 1. ***The theory and practice of civic participation***

The first training event is aimed at developing capacities on:

* + the theory of democratic governance,
  + advocacy and lobbying,
  + policy research and dialogue,
  + the administrative structure of central and local governments,
  + the available civil participation mechanisms, and
  + European policies and practices.

The fundamental expected output of the first 2 day event is a solid background about *what* is civil participation and *why* it is important for democracy and *what* are the prevailing measures that several democratic countries have already taken in order to strengthen participation in the decision making process.

* 1. ***Communication and advocacy skills trainings***

The second training will be on *how* CSOs can influence this complex policymaking process, *which tools* are the most appropriate, and *how* CSOs can benefit from these tools.

Its purpose will be the development of basic skills of CSO representatives on:

* advocacy campaigning strategies,
* communication tools,
* the use of social media for advocacy and lobbying, and
* communication strategy development.

As one of actors in policy making process CSOs may use a variety of different strategies to influence this process. These are: lobbying (informal processes of approaching policymakers), advocacy (formal processes of approaching policymakers), promotion or dissemination, and mobilizing public pressure. The building blocks of advocacy are the formation of networks, the identification of political opportunities, building community support through media and publicity, the organization of campaigns, and monitoring.

# H. Monitoring & Evaluation

There is a regular internal evaluation system established by STGM. According to this system the monitoring and evaluation will be realized by means of an Advisory Committee. The Advisory Committee consisiting of the Project Coordinator, the General coordinator of STGM and a member of the Board will evaluate and monitor the progress and produce recommendations for the Management Board of the STGM by a monthly meeting.

The project staff will design and establish a regular monitoring and evaluation system through clear, quantifiable and sound indicators in order to track and evaluate the project outcomes and results, and to measure the change in the capacity of the organizations that benefit from the STGM services. Activities of the STGM including capacity building trainings, campaigns and other project activities will be monitored and evaluated by using several research methods such as questionnaires, in-depth interviews, focus groups, observations etc.

A monthly meeting will be held with the project partner ECAS via telephone and/or Skype in order to inform each other on the developments and the implementation of the project.

STGM will also hold regular consultation meetings with the Central Finance and Contracts Unit (CFCU), the Ministry of European Union Affairs, and the Delegation of the European Union to Turkey in order to continuously exchange ideas with the related parties concerning the progression of the Project.

As a result of the monitoring and evaluation activities STGM will have the chance to notice and observe deficiencies in the practice, if necessary to change the content and structure of the activities (trainings, meetings, seminars etc.).

# ANNEX: ACTIVITIES

# Preparation and Methodology for Capacity and Skill Development of CSO’s

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| **Project Component** | | ***Preparation and Methodology for Capacity and Skill Development of CSO’s*** | |
| **Task ID** | 1 | **Task Title** | ***Preparation and Methodology for Capacity and Skill Development of CSO’s*** |
| **Foreseen Date** | | | November- December 2014 |
| **Description & Objectives**  In order to provide support and to strengthen the capacities of civil society actors who will engage in advocacy, campaign and lobbying activities and thus contribute to the development of democratic processes an effective training strategy, training modules and materials should be developed.  **Activities & Methodology**   * Review of existing legislation in Turkey on public participation * Review of legislation in EU on public participation and examples * Review of literature on public participation, advocacy and lobbying * Exchange of opinions with ECAS * Gathering of best practices * Collecting historical and contemporary use of media examples for advocacy * Review of TIHK legislation and meeting with a member of the board of TIHK * Development of a training strategy and training calendar. * Identification of trainers and preparation of their ToRs and contracts. * Developing the training modules and materials. * Open call and selection of applicants.   *Evaluation Criteria for Selection of Participants*   * Members of staff of rights-based CSOs, networks, platforms and initiatives, mainly working on human rights, gender, child rights, environment, youth, disadvantaged and/or vulnerable groups, cultural rights/culture and arts in Turkey. * Experience in participating in decision making process. * The target group of STGM in this project consists of CSOs that have an agenda to implement an advocacy campaign especially those who with their campaign propose an amendment in legislation or those who will advocate a better implementation of a certain legislation.   **Indicators**   * Existing legislation in Turkey and EU on public participation has been reviewed * Exceptional literature on public participation, advocacy and lobbying (30 books, 50 reports, articles, training modules) obtained * Input from ECAS on best practices, training modules, media examples * Best practices identified * Moderation for consultation with civil society for Turkish Human Rights Institute discussed with TIHK * Training strategy and training calendar was identified * Trainers ToRs and contracts was prepared * Training modules and materials were accessed and developed * Call was made and applicants selected   **Results**   * A policy, methods and applications in regard to democratic participation was established * Literature on public participation, advocacy and lobbying was reviewed and shared via the web site (catalogue) as resources * Best practices format has been decided and shared via the web site (catalogue) * Application of the Code for the consultation process for TIHK with civil society achieved * Training modules and materials ready for training * 20 representatives of 10 CSOs were selected | | | |

# Capacity and Skill Development Trainings of CSO’s

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| **Project Component** | | ***Capacity and Skill Development of CSO’s*** | |
| **Task ID** | 2.1 | **Task Title** | ***The theory and practice of civic participation*** |
| **Foreseen Date** | | January 2014 | |
| **Description & Objectives**  In order to contribute to the strengthening of CSO capacity on the theory and practice of democratic participation, lobbying and advocacy the subjects of the training will be as follows:   * the theory of democratic governance, * advocacy and lobbying, * policy research and dialogue, * the administrative structure of central and local governments, * the available civil participation mechanisms, and * European policies and practices.   **Activities**  **The activities will take place in a 2 days training consisting of 6 training modules**  **1st day (28 Febuary)**  09:30 – 10.30 Welcome – Meeting of participants (Project Team)  10:30 – 11:50 “Law, rights and participation” (Kerem Altıparmak/Ulaş Karan)  Presentation on rights, law, rule of law, democracy, participation, citizen rights, categorization of rights, time and conditioning of rights, historical significance, and discussion  12:00 – 12.50 “Law, rights and participation” (Kerem Altıparmak/Ulaş Karan)  Presentation on rights, law, rule of law, democracy, participation, citizen rights, categorization of rights, time and conditioning of rights, historical significance, and discussion  13:00 – 13:50 Lunch break  13:50 – 14:40 “Significance of participation and historical examples” (Heval Şimşek)  14.40 – 15:30 “International Standards and Legislation on right to Association and Right to Participation (Özgür Tek)  15.30 – 15.50 Coffee Break  15:50 – 16:40 “Participation Mechanisms in Countries” (Ayça Bican Bulut)  16:40 – 17:30 “Participation Mechanisms in Local administration and practices from Turkey” (İkbal Polat)  **2nd day (1 March)**  10:30 – 11:20 The administrative structure of central and local governments, the available civil participation mechanisms (YASADER)  11:20 – 12:30 Lobbying its need and effectiveness, tools, policy paper (Murat Köylü)  12:30 – 13:30 Lunch break  13:30 – 15:00 What is Advocacy? (Hakan Ataman)  Concept of advocacy and how advocacy is used, tools and methods, advocacy strategy (theory)  15:00 – 15:30 Break  15:30 – 17:00 What is Advocacy? (Hakan Ataman)  Concept of advocacy and how advocacy is used, tools and methods, advocacy strategy (theory)  15:00 – 15:30 Break  15:30 – 17.00 Wrap up – Identifying the Target Group, determining aims and objectives for an advocacy campaign analysis will be introduced and CSOs will be asked to work on these for the next training (Project Team)  **Methodology**   * All the training moduleswill be developed in cooperation with the trainers and s/t experts. Formal and non-formal training techniques will be applied while formulating the training modules. Training activities will be supported by audio-visual and printed training materials * Receiving and evaluating their needs and requests/demands from STGM for the arrangement of facilitators and/or experts to their meetings or activities.   **Indicators**   * 20 representatives of 10 CSOs received theoretical training   **Results**   * Content of the trainings synchronized with other components of the project. * Capacity building improved for lobbying and advocacy and better civil dialogue * CSOs capacity developed on participation mechanisms. | | | |

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| **Project Component** | | ***Capacity and Skill Development of CSO’s*** | |
| **Task ID** | 2.2 | **Task Title** | Developing advocacy campaigning strategies and use of communication tools, |
| **Foreseen Date** | | February 2014 | |
| **Description & Objectives**  The main aim will be an intensive training program which aims to improve the facilitation skills of the participants and their knowledge on advocacy, lobbying and use of communication tools, the use of social media for advocacy and lobbying for developing a communication strategy and an advocacy campaign.  **Activities**  **The activities will take place in a 3 days training consisting of 3 training modules**  **1st day (13 March)**  09:30 – 10.00 Welcome – Summary of previous training and introduction to the training (Project Team)  10:00 – 12:00 Presentation of the participants on their findings in relation to their advocacy campaign  12:00 – 13:00 Lunch break  13:00 – 15:30 “Formulating an Advocacy Campaign, Research Methodology, the importance of scientific research” ( Ahmet Murat Aytaç)  15:30 – 16:00 Break  16:00 – 17:30 “Formulating an Advocacy Campaign Monitoring and Evaluation” (Nejat Taşdan) / Fundraising (Sevda Kılıçalp)  **2nd day (14 March)**  09:30 – 11:00 “Information Design” (Özgür Tek)  11:00 - 12:30 Communication and Advocacy Tools (Mehmet Kütküt)  New Media Tools   * Why New Media * Legends and realities * Zeki Müren sees you too * Visualizing and showing knowledge   12:30 – 13:30 Lunch break  13:30 – 15:30 Communication and Advocacy Tools (Mehmet Kütküt)  Advocacy Tools in New Media   * Believing in searching (google search) * Search Tips * Filtering Searches * Google Alerts   Social Media Management Tools   * Hootsuite * Facebook Planner * Tweepi   15:30 – 16:00 Break  16:00 – 17:30 “Uses of Social Media for Campaigning” (Mine Gencel Bek)  **3rd day (15 March)**  10:00 – 11:00 Communication and Advocacy Tools (Mehmet Kütküt)  Developing Content, Management and Presentation of Campaign   * Small pdf * Prezi * Google Drive   + docs   + formlar   + kanbanchi   + lucidchart   11:00 - 12:00 Communication and Advocacy Tools (Mehmet Kütküt)  Social Medium and tactics   * facebook * twitter * instagram * others   12:00 – 13:30 Lunch break  13:30 – 15:30 Communication and Advocacy Tools (Mehmet Kütküt)  Developing Content, Management and Presentation of Campaign   * infogram * slideshare * youtubeeditor * gimp * animated gif / youtube to gif   15:30 – 16:20 Communication and Advocacy Tools (Mehmet Kütküt)  Social Media Measuring and tracking  **Methodology**  Training modules will be developed in line with the capacity building strategy. Tools for the enhancement of the capacities of CSOs will be presented with examples on how to use each tool and for what purpose.  **Indicators**  20 representatives of 10 CSOs received training on advocacy tools  **Results**   * CSOs capacity developed on how to influence complex policymaking process, *which tools* are the most appropriate, and *how* CSOs can benefit from these tools. * Draft advocacy campaings developed * CSOs capacity developed on research, monitoring and evaluation.   **Risks**   * Being unable to clearly identify the needs and deficiencies of target group CSOs and accordingly developing a capacity building strategy that is not realistic. * Use of tools may be too complex to successfully implement the advocacy campaign. | | | |

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| **Project Component** | | ***Capacity and Skill Development of CSO’s*** | |
| **Task ID** | 2.3 | **Task Title** | Implementation of an advocacy campaign and developing a communication strategy |
| **Foreseen Date** | | February 2014 | |
| **Description & Objectives**  In this training, the CSOs will learn how to develop a communication strategy as part of an advocacy campaign, and how to plan and implement an advocacy campaign. As a fundamental part of the training, a draft communication strategy for an advocacy campaign will be developed for each participant CSO.  **Activities**  **The activities will take place in a 3 days training consisting of 3 training modules and workshops**  **1st day (3 April)**  09:30 – 10.00 Welcome – Summary of previous training and introduction to the training (Project Team)  10:00 – 12:00 Developing a Policy Paper ( Fehmi Ağduk)  12:00 – 13:30 Lunch break  13:30 – 15:30 “Different approach to New Media and uses for HR” (Ersan Ocak)  15:30 – 16:00 Break  16:00 – 17:30 Mechanism and Strategy Advocacy and Communication Strategy Workshop (overview of each campaign, advocacy strategy)  **2nd day (4 April)**  09:30 – 12:00 Advocacy and Communication Strategy Workshop (documentation, google docs)  12:00 – 13:30 Lunch break  13:30 – 15:30 Advocacy and Communication Strategy Workshop (social media tools)  15:30 – 16:00 Break  16:00 – 17:30 Advocacy and Communication Strategy Workshop (elective tool workshops)  **3rd day (5 April)**  10:00 – 12:00 Advocacy and Communication Strategy Workshop (elective tool workshops)  12:00 – 13:30 Lunch break  13:30 – 15:30 Wrap Up  **Methodology**  Training modules will be developed in line with the capacity building strategy. Non-formal training techniques will be used during the trainings. Active participation and self learning will be encouraged. Tools that will be useful for the advocacy campaign and communication strategy will be introduced and application of these tools will be carried out for each campaign in the workshops. The CSOs will have an opportunity to use other tools they deem suitable for their campaign on an elective basis.  **Indicators**  20 representatives of 10 CSOs received training on advocacy tools  **Results**   * CSOs capacity developed on social media tools, draft communication plans developed for each advocacy campaign. * A draft policy paper developed for each campaign.   **Risks**   * An well designed campaign outputs may fall short as the outputs for each campaign may require a professional touch. | | | |

# Best practices database/catalogue

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| **Project Component** | | ***Best practices database/catalogue*** | |
| **Task ID** | 3 | **Task Title** | ***Research, Guideline preparation and Website development*** |
| **Foreseen Date** | | January - July 2015 | |
| **Description & Objectives**  A web-based best practice database/catalogue regarding civil society involvement in public policy making will be developed. Best examples of effective CSO participation in the decision-making process at both the national and local levels will be identified. The desktop research will be followed by a guideline on the best examples of effective CSO participation in the decision-making process in the EU and Turkey at the international, national and local levels.  The infrastructure of website will be upgraded and the user face will be developed for sharing information on participation, advocacy and lobbying.  STGM web site is followed by a high number of CSO representatives, journalists, academicians and individuals interested in civil society issues. STGM aims to reach 10.000 different visitors every month through the STGM website. Therefore, STGM website will be improved and enriched according to the needs of the users.  **Activities**   * Research on best practices * Guideline preparation * Website development   **Methodology**  The best practices will be determined by consultation with:   * Project partner ECAS, * Donators that supply funds to CSO’s (EU Delegation, CFCU, Dutch Embassy, Swedish Embassy, British Embassy, Bernard van Leer Foundation, NDI, Raul Wallenberg Foundation, Sabancı Foundation etc.) * TACSO, IHOP, experts   Each of the above will be contact via e-mail or through meetings to determine the best practices.  A guideline on the best examples of effective CSO participation in the decision-making process in the EU and Turkey at the international, national and local levels with contribution with the Project partner ECAS.  **Indicators**  The website will include   * best practices on participation in decision making process in the EU and Turkey at the international, national and local levels * policy documents, binding or soft regulations like laws, by-laws, governmental decisions, declarations, guidelines, papers of national governments, intergovernmental organisations, international organisations or supranational organisations, * publications on civil society - public sector dialogue and manuals and expert reports, training material,   announcements about EU and other granting schemes on civic participation,  **Results**   * Through the database and catalogue STGM will highly contribute to the CSO literature in Turkey. * CSOs will have easy access to implemented projects and their approach in terms of advocacy. | | | |

# Pilot practices

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| **Project Component** | | ***Pilot practices*** | |
| **Task ID** | 4.1 | **Task Title** | ***Advocacy Campaign*** |
| **Foreseen Date** | | March - July 2015 | |
| **Description & Objectives**  Focus on an advocacy campaign for civic participation in the agenda setting process in national parliament, The fundamental aim of this pilot practice is to influence decision-makers on behalf of a collective interest and to act in a way that is complementary to political debate. The CSO that is willing to implement an advocacy campaign will be supported during the course of the campaign.  **Activities**   * Identification of pilot practice and CSO/network to be supported * Advocacy strategy development * Research and publications on subject matter * Meetings with representatives of fundamental stakeholders * Meetings with representatives of public institutions   **Methodology**  The advocacy campaign to be supported will be chosen from one of the CSO that have attended the trainings. The criteria for the selection will be based on   * CSOs competency and willingness to change a legislation * Its performance during the activities * Timeliness, effective implementation of the campaign   The following will be performed to achieve the goal:   * Advocacy campaign (tools such as policy papers, posters and leaflets, websites, media releases). * Awareness raising works based on well structured researches. * Petitioning. * Consultation to collect interests and suggestions from stakeholders.   **Indicators**  A well developed and effective advocacy campaign and its outputs such as posters, brochures, web site will be developed with the CSO.  **Results**   * The campaign will be launched and raise awareness on the issue. * The CSO will participate in the policy making by its lobbying practice.   **Risks**  The campaign may fall short in being effective due to the political agenda. | | | |

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| **Project Component** | | ***Pilot practices*** | |
| **Task ID** | 4.2 | **Task Title** | Moderation for consultation with civil society for Turkish Human Rights Institute (TİHK) |
| **Foreseen Date** | | March - July 2015 | |
| **Description & Objectives**  A cooperation project with a public inspection body, namely the Human Rights Institution of Turkey. This pilot practice will be based on the organization of civil society participation in the strategy development and consultation processes of the Institution. The Code of Good Practice shall be used as a guiding document for the consultation process of TİHK.  **Activities**   * A paper for consultation shall be developed. * Meetings and workshops for consultation (**May**) * Publicizing the results of consultation process   **Methodology**  Two meetings shall be held in Ankara and İstanbul as a consultation meeting with the invitation of NGOs in these cities for sharing their views on the Strategy Document of the TİHK.  **Indicators**  100 CSOs shall attend the meetings.  **Results**   * The Code of Good Practice shall be introduced to TİHK and may be used to develop its Strategy Document. * The views, critics and proposals of the CSOs in the meeting shall be guiding in the activities of TİHK. | | | |

# Study Visit and Workshop

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| **Project Component** | | ***Study visit and workshop for lobbying practice*** | |
| **Task ID** | 5 | **Task Title** |  |
| **Foreseen Date** | | March - July 2015 | |
| **Description & Objectives**  An advanced level joint learning workshop will be held in cooperation with the co-applicant ECAS in Brussels to share lessons learnt and the best practices to further promote government-civil society dialogue and cooperation.  **Activities (June-July)**   * certain EU institutions, some civil institutions engaged in lobbying and advocacy works will be visited * a workshop will be held on lobbying   **Methodology**  10 representatives from CSOs who have already participated in the trainings and 10 representatives from public institutions (representatives from Ministry of EU Affairs and representatives from national parliament and/or other public institutions relevant to pilot practices) will be invited to the study visit.  **Indicators**  A field study trip shall be made to Brussels to CSOs that have implemented a successful advocacy campaign.  **Results**   * Awareness of CSOs will be increased by introduction to advocacy campaigns in the EU. * A different approach to lobbying shall be acknowledged. | | | |