

Transparency International Turkey
Communication of Engagement (CoE)

Period: 2020 – 2022

Part I. Statement of Continued Support

I am pleased to confirm that Transparency International Turkey reaffirms its support to the United Nations Global Compact and its Ten Principles in the areas of Human Rights, Labour, Environment and Anti-Corruption. This is our Communication on Engagement with the United Nations Global Compact. We welcome feedback on its contents.

In this Communication of Engagement, we describe the actions that our organization has taken to support the UN Global Compact and its Principles as suggested for an organization like ours. We also commit to sharing this information with our stakeholders using our primary channels of communication.

Sincerely yours,



Selçuk Argun

TI Turkey Chair

Part II. Description of Actions

TI Turkey published periodical central budget monitoring reports and blog posts. Furthermore, several striking statistics were shared on TI Turkey's twitter account regarding public budget and expenditure.

Within the scope of the International Anti-Corruption Day in 2020 and 2021, TI Turkey held an online advocacy campaign its twitter account regarding the consequences of corruption. In that regard, effective hashtags were instrumentalized for more efficient advocacy as well as to inform the society. Furthermore, TI Turkey granted annual fighting-against-corruption awards to citizens, companies and CSOs.

After publishing 2020, 2021 and 2022 Corruption Perception Index (CPI), TI Turkey held an online conference to elaborate on the results. Data regarding Turkey's place in CPI and other relevant indexes were shared on TI Turkey's twitter account.

TI Turkey conducted Local Integrity System Assessments for 1 municipality and produced extensive reports with reform recommendations to improve their practices of transparency, accountability, and participatory and inclusive decision-making processes.

TI Turkey has been invited to countless national and international conferences, tv and newspaper interviews, consultations and provided input for countless national and international bodies' assessment reports on transparency, accountability, democracy, integrity, and sustainability.

TI Turkey published 6 blog articles regarding the informal economy and illicit trade in Turkey.

TI Turkey shared the findings of the 2020 Turkish Court of Accounts Reports on its social media accounts and website.

TI Turkey compiled and shared news reports about corruption, smuggling and bribery on a weekly basis using a media monitoring company subscription.

Within the scope of the Public Institutions Boards of Directors Monitoring Study, TI Turkey showed that public figures have multiple memberships on institutions' boards.

Within the scope of the 2020 and 2021 Digital summer school, TI Turkey gave students several lectures on corruption and its effects. Lectures were also announced on TI Turkey's twitter account to inform the public.

TI Turkey continued to monitor the amounts paid to the contractor company for Zafer Airport, which is known for causing significant public loss.

TI Turkey compiled the decisions taken pursuant to various articles involving corruption crimes between 2009 and 2020, using the forensic statistics published by the Ministry of Justice. The results were also reported on TI Turkey's twitter account.

TI Turkey monitored and reported the number of non-performing loans over the past 12 years.

TI Turkey monitored, visualized, and reported the striking corruption and crime allegations made by an organized crime leader against the government and public officials on a weekly basis.

TI Turkey organized a panel on "The Political Economy of Corruption and Impunity".

TI Turkey organized an online training workshop on monitoring public expenditure and transparency of public expenditure.

TI Turkey monitored and reported the extent to which Turkey complied with the recommendations of the Group of States against Corruption.

TI Turkey monitored and reported on the proportion of bargain tenders, which cause a great deal of public loss, in public contracts since 2004.

Part III – Measurement of Outcomes

Project partnership was established and conducted with Dutch Consulate Istanbul, PMI and European Commission in order to promote UN Global Compact Principles.

TI Turkey has been organizing Transparency Schools over 4 years, gave over 100 lectures to over 500 students from across the country, coming from different backgrounds and academic disciplines.

TI Turkey had organized Transparent Public Budget Training, where experts introduced how to monitor and analyze budget and showed the importance of active citizen participation.

TI Turkey shared the findings of rather complicated Turkish Court of Accounts Reports on its social media accounts and website. Thanks to these infographics, thousands of citizens had the chance to easily analyze the reports that were easy to grasp and understand.

TI Turkey has been actively visiting universities with the help of Transparency School alumni, and aided students to form Transparency clubs. In 2020, TI Turkey organized a student workshop and hosted eight university clubs in Istanbul to enhance partnership and support.

TI Turkey organized over 20 panels in the time period, with over 1000 citizen participation and hosted leading experts in the respective field.

TI Turkey followed up on the Municipality's Commitment to Transparency Pledge that was signed by the mayors. TI Turkey periodically monitored the municipalities and shared the findings on regular basis. After a year, the results were shared with the public on TI Turkey website and social media accounts.

