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FESTTOGETHER

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IN TURKEY'S FIRST-EVER SUSTAINABLE MUSIC FESTIVAL FESTTOGETHER WE "HAD FUN, LEFT NO TRACE"

Turkey's first-ever sustainable music festival FESTTOGETHER organised jointly by institutions and NGOs with environmental awareness was held on 14 and 28 September in Istanbul.



FESTTOGETHER organized with the motto of "Have fun, leave no trace" started on 14 September with concerts of world-famous Irish rockstar and activist Bob Geldof and Büyük Ev Ablukada in DasDas Ataşehir, Istanbul.

The second part of the festival was held on 28 September in KüçükÇiftlik Park where Athena, Unkle, Yüzyüzeyken Konuşuruz, Kimbra and Son Feci Bisiklet took the stage and Istanbulites enjoyed a lively festival atmosphere with a focus on social good.

UNDP Turkey, a partner of the festival, had an interactive experience site focusing on publicity of Sustainable Development Goals and raising awareness on waste collection, sorting and reducing the consumption of single-use products. A digital waste collection experience was offered to the festival participants titled "Hero of the Festival" through which they were informed on different kinds of waste. For more details please visit festivalinkahramani.org.

Workshops and panels related to ecology, recycling and sustainability were conducted throughout the day at the festival. One of these panels was titled "Recycling and Future Awareness" which was held with the participation of UNDP Turkey Goodwill Ambassador Mert Firat, Itr Erhart, Ali Ercan Özgür, Dilara Koçak and Alphan Eröztürk, and moderated by Deniz Tapan, Communications Administrator of the Inclusive and Sustainable Growth Portfolio at UNDP Turkey.

Basic Needs Association (TİDER) managed the waste process at the site while volunteers from Adım Adım did jogging in the morning at Maçka Park. Libraries and music rooms are going to be established in village schools with the books and music instruments brought by Needs Map volunteers. One of the important aspects of the festival is that the ticket revenues will be donated to TİDER, Adım Adım, Needs Map, Buğday Association for Supporting Ecological Living, Community Volunteers Foundation (TOG) and Çaba Association.

Big festivals around the globe generate 20.000 tons of waste every year. Waste per capita equals to 2.8 kilograms.

FESTTOGETHER was organized to raise ecological awareness through utilizing the unifying power of music.



CONVERSATIONS IN CLIMATE-ISH START!



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Supported by UNDP Turkey and aiming to forge a common language in fighting the climate crisis, the "Conversations in Climate-ish" started with Mert Fırat as the host. Having conversed on the climate crisis and water, the climateers will continue to meet in upcoming weeks to talk on other topics in the context of climate.



Organized by UNDP Turkey in search of a common language in fighting the climate crisis to encompass various segments of the society, particularly including the youth, in climate action, the Conversations in Climate-ish started on Tuesday, 24 September hosted by UNDP Turkey Goodwill Ambassador Mert Firat.



Focusing on the experience of various social segments and vocational groups facing the climate crisis, and prioritising the search for joint solutions, the meeting's featured speakers were Dr. Akgün İlhan, researcher from Mercator Istanbul Policy Center; Fatih Özkadı, Director of Sustainability and Official Relations from Arçelik; and Hatice Dinç Sarısoy of the Nature Conservation Centre.



Shared Responsibility and Common Language in the face of Climate Crisis

Moderating the panel, Mert Fırat stated in his opening remarks that water constituted the essence of human presence, and the water crisis we were presently facing would shape the future of entire humanity; and emphasised that we had a shared responsibility for resolving the crisis.

Of the panellists, Dr. Akgün İlhan said: "As citizens, we must claim our right to know. We must demand to know what we are eating, what we are drinking"; Hatice Dinç Sarısoy drew attention to another point when talking about "cleaning" the water: "When are we going to start not to contaminate it?"; and Fatih Özkadı told about the private sector's experience, and underlined that good practices must be multiplied.

In addition to the panellists, guests of various ages and vocations participated in the Conversations in Climate-ish, paving the way for examples of the new language being forged by climateers. Such bends of proverbs as "Climateer is recognised by the water s/he is drinking," "What does a single climateer have, while climateers who generate joint solutions have power" marked the first step towards looking at the water crisis in a climate-ish way.

Covering the four key components of the climate crisis, namely Water, Agriculture and Food, Urban Life and Disasters, the second meeting of the Conversations in Climate-ish will also be held at DasDas in Ataşehir, Istanbul. The series will continue with "Agriculture and Food" on Tuesday, 8 October; "Disasters" on Tuesday, 15 October, and conclude with "Urban Life" on Tuesday, 5 November.

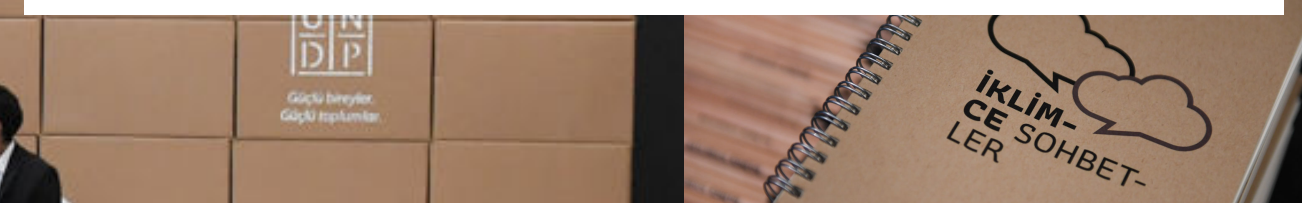
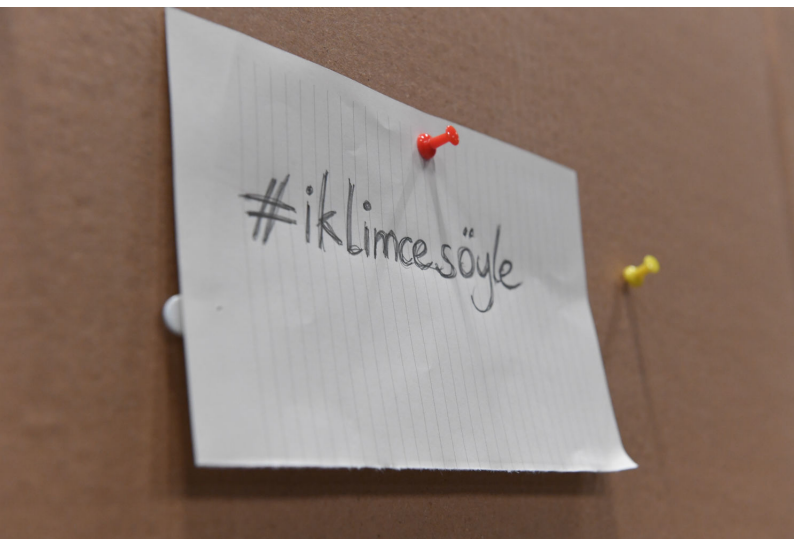
CLIMATE-ISH GLOSSARY

CONVERSATIONS IN CLIMATE-ISH: A series of meetings where experience on problems and solutions concerning climate action, and which aim to develop a common language and holistic approach with parties working on the issue and specialising in various fields.

CLIMATEER: Everyone who is affected by the climate crisis, ponders on the issue, takes action or wishes to take action.

CLIMATE-ISH: A common language simplifying the existing technical language on the climate crisis.

For more information: iklimce.org





SAMSUNG, UNDP PARTNER TO SUPPORT THE GLOBAL GOALS

New mobile app and special edition accessories unveiled to raise awareness of the Sustainable Development Goals

Samsung Electronics and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) announced a new partnership in support of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), also known as the Global Goals. The Global Goals address some of the biggest challenges faced around the world, including those related to inequality, climate and environmental degradation, and education.

Samsung and UNDP are joining forces to provide simple ways for Galaxy users to come together to support the Global Goals and address the issues that matter most to them. Through this new initiative, Samsung and UNDP will release the 'Samsung Global Goals' application, an education and donation-based mobile application, along with special edition accessories.

Samsung and UNDP believe that a crucial step in tackling the Global Goals is to increase awareness and understanding of the challenges these goals address and why they are important. As an additional step, Samsung and UNDP are providing simple ways that people can donate to help address the challenges and fuel the actions needed to accomplish the Global Goals.

The 'Samsung Global Goals' application, available on Samsung Galaxy smartphones,

aims to increase awareness and raise funds for UNDP to support its work around the world. In addition, Samsung is launching special edition accessories, donating a portion of revenue from sales of each accessory directly to UNDP in support of the Global Goals.

The new 'Samsung Global Goals' app will give consumers easy and effective ways to learn more about each of the 17 Global Goals and take part in small actions to help support the issues that matter most to them. People can use the application to donate directly to the Global Goals via the UNDP website. Galaxy users can also easily donate to the Global Goals by choosing to engage with advertisements in the application. Galaxy users will be able to donate 100 percent of the advertisement revenue Samsung would have generated to the Global Goals.

The application will be available in 19 languages and will come preinstalled on the Galaxy Note10, while it will be available for download on other Galaxy smartphones later.

For more information about Samsung Global Goals, visit news.samsung.com/galaxy, www.samsungmobilepress.com or www.samsung.com/global/galaxy/apps/samsung-global-goals.



TURKEY IS BECOMING A HUB OF INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS FOR THE PROBLEMS FACED BY REFUGEES

The “Demo Day” of Turkey’s first-ever international impact acceleration programme “SDG Impact Accelerator” led by the Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), and supported by the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP), Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Eczacıbaşı Holding and Limak Holding was held in Istanbul on 13 September 2019. 9 startups from 8 countries which participated in the SDG Impact Accelerator programme presented their technological solutions and plans for Turkey on digital ID and clean water and sanitation for refugees and disadvantaged groups. Two of the startups, change: WATER LABS and Gravity.Earth-Sertifier-Mark Labs consortium gained the opportunity to participate and present their solutions in the side event organised by Turkey and UNDP during the United Nations General Assembly SDG Summit on 23 September in New York.

SDG Impact Accelerator, a public-private partnership to accelerate startups that work towards SDG-relevant solutions, has held its Demo Day in Istanbul on September 13, 2019. Initiated by UNDP and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Turkey, SDG Impact Accelerator has Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, WFP, Eczacıbaşı Holding and Limak Holding as its founding partners.

9 startups from Turkey, the Netherlands, USA, Jordan, Palestine, India, Kenya and Rwanda presented their products developed during the 3-month accelerator program to a select audience of international impact investors as well as potential private and public partners. The startups focused on solutions for refugee populations – 4 startups in livelihood opportunities and Digital ID area, and 5 startups in water and sanitation area.

Mustafa Osman Turan, Deputy Director General for Multilateral Economic Affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Turkey, stated: “Turkey hosts the largest refugee population globally. Our foreign policy reflects the enterprising spirit and humanitarian values of our nation. By bringing entrepreneurs from around the world that develop humanitarian solutions for refugees for an intense program to work with their users and partners in Turkey, SDG Impact Accelerator has set a global benchmark for concrete projects to progress towards achieving SDGs.”

Seher Ariner, UNDP Turkey Assistant Resident Representative (Programme) said: “As UNDP Turkey, we always focus on helping the most disadvantaged with the mission of leaving no one behind. We can achieve SDGs by 2030 only if we work together. Therefore, we think that this initiative bringing all of us together is very valuable on the way to achieving Global Goals. As UNDP, we are ready to continue giving all the support we can to the teams to make their impact greater. This is what we aim to achieve with the new vision of UNDP, which we call NextGenerationUNDP. Performing better, faster and creating impact at a larger scale, with innovative solutions to the biggest problems of our time.”

Gravity.Earth-Sertifier-Mark Labs consortium from the Digital ID challenge, and change:WATER LABS from the Non-sewage Portable Toilet and Sanitation Systems challenge attended the UN General Assembly in New York City to present to potential global customers and partners at a side event held on 23 September 2019.

To watch the full event held in New York on UN Web TV: bit.ly/2o10taL

For more details on the SDG Impact Accelerator Demo Day: bit.ly/sdgiademo

**NEW GLOBAL INITIATIVE BY UNDP TO
DEVELOP SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEMS
OF 21ST CENTURY:
“ACCELERATOR LABS”**

The SDG Accelerator Lab under the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Turkey Office was launched by an event on 3 September 2019 in Istanbul. UNDP will open Accelerator Labs in 60 countries.





At about 10 years to the 2030 deadline, UNDP launches a global initiative to accelerate the progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals. UNDP builds Accelerator Labs within its offices in 60 countries to find solutions to such global problems as climate change and growing inequalities. As a part of this network, UNDP Turkey Accelerator Lab was launched on 3 September 2019.

At the event moderated by UNDP Turkey Goodwill Ambassador Mert Firat, representatives of ministries, ambassadors, UNDP's private sector partners, international financing institutions, UN Agencies, participants from social good, innovation and enterprise ecosystems had the opportunity to meet one another, discover the Accelerator Lab, make suggestions on this new global initiative, and meet UNDP Turkey Accelerator Lab team.

Underlining that the Accelerator Lab would support Turkey in overcoming development challenges, UNDP Turkey Goodwill Ambassador Mert Firat said: "While we are working to realise the 2030 Agenda and achieve the Sustainable Development Goals, we observe that traditional approaches to development issues do not work against today's social and environmental problems. Problems in the 21st Century rapidly evolve, get associated with others in such a way that may make efforts unfruitful. UNDP set out to establish Accelerator Labs in 60 countries to make good use of the remaining limited time, find more innovative solutions, test such solutions more rapidly, and address those that have not been addressed. We are lucky that one of those labs will be in Turkey."

Providing information on the Accelerator Lab and explaining why UNDP engaged in the initiative at this moment, Mr. Claudio Tomasi, UNDP Turkey Resident Representative a.i. said: "The network of Accelerator Labs will be at the heart of all UNDP activities in the years to come. We will step up our progress towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals by testing and finding new solutions within weeks or months, not years. We will increase our impact through new partnerships in this initiative while continuing to work with our reliable national and global partners. The innovation ecosystem in Turkey is advancing every day. If we are to effectively fight today's problems, which no one organisation can overcome alone, we should look for new opportunities, solutions, partnerships. We hope that you will be a part of this exciting initiative and support us in devising more effective solutions to Turkey's social, economic and environmental problems. We expect your contributions at all levels ranging from exchange of ideas to offering comprehensive solutions in the field."

Based on the idea that new approaches are needed to find solutions to the complex problems of the 21st Century, the Accelerator Labs will be the largest learning network of its kind in the world. Being established in 60 countries, the Labs will engage in work in 78 countries. New partnerships will be established to develop innovative solutions on such issues as circular economy, youth employment, climate change, urbanisation, plastics pollution in the seas. The power of local ideas and innovations, collective wisdom, new data sources and experiences will be utilised to expeditiously and effectively overcome the problems.

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Accelerator Labs are established by funding from the Qatar Fund for Development and German Cooperation.

Visit acceleratorlabs.undp.org for more on UNDP's Accelerator Labs.

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“I CAN MANAGE MY BUSINESS” PROJECT LAUNCHED IN ANTALYA

TÜRKONFED, Visa and UNDP joined forces for the sustainable success of SMEs

Developed by TÜRKONFED (Turkish Enterprise and Business Confederation), UNDP (United Nations Development Programme) and VISA Turkey, and supported by 27 Turkish banks, SME empowerment initiative, “I Can Manage

My Business” has been launched in Antalya on September 12th. Representatives of the Project Partners have mentioned the importance of the partnership and the impact of the Project on Turkey’s economy.

Merve Tezel, General Manager of Visa Turkey said “Our goal is to help SMEs acquire the knowledge and skills they need to realize their growth potential.”

Orhan Turan, President of TÜRKONFED said “I Can Manage My Business Project combines TÜRKONFED’s widespread and effective member structure in Anatolia with UNDP’s international knowledge and network. The project reinforces its effectiveness by bringing Visa, which represents Turkey’s most powerful financial institutions under one roof, as well as Boğaziçi University, which stands out with its academic competence.”

Claudio Tomasi, UNDP Turkey Resident Representative a.i. stated “As UNDP, we are proud to be involved in such a cooperation and we think that the ‘I Can Manage My Business’ platform will become a global model in the context of private sector’s contribution to the achievement of Sustainable Development Goals.”

After implementing the pilot training in Adana in April 2019, the project has been launched in Antalya and provided the developed training content to 134 SME owners and/or managers on 13th and 14th of September.

The project addresses a real need in Turkey where SMEs represent 99.8% of all enterprises and 73.5% of employment and sustainability of SMEs is of critical

importance to the health of the economy. “I Can Manage My Business” aims to reach 900 SMEs in 6 cities within the first year and 3.000 in three years.

Created according to the SME Profile Research conducted by Sabancı University, the training encompasses financial discipline, business planning, and digitalization & e-commerce content, and delivered by 6 premier academicians from Boğaziçi University.

In line with the UN’s Sustainable Development Goals (Goal 8: “Decent Work and Economic Growth” and Goal 9: “Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure”), the project aims to increase the sustainability of SMEs and ultimately support the wider economy. Policy recommendations will also be an important output of the program at the end of three years as supported by the UNDP.

SMEs form the backbone of Turkey’s economy and it is highly important for them to make the right moves for the sustainability of their business in highly competitive and fragile global economy.

This Project aims to help SMEs develop skills, knowledge, attitudes, and confidence to maximize the potential of their business for the benefit of their enterprises and that of the wider economy. “I Can Manage My Business” Project will be an important model to showcase globally.



INITIATIVES SUPPORTED BY UNDP IN TURKEY DURING THE LAST TWO YEARS ARE COMPILED IN A DIGITAL REPORT

The initiatives supported by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and implemented with national and international partners in Turkey during the last two years to support sustainable development are compiled in UNDP's 2019 report.

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) which works since 1957 to find practical and innovative solutions to Turkey's development challenges and provides support to the Government of Turkey in its efforts to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals by 2030, released its 2019 report providing information on its activities in Turkey in 2017 and 2018.

The results of the initiatives supported by UNDP to contribute to sustainable development in the last two years as well as stories of people touched by these initiatives, stories of empowered people whose lives have been changed for the better thanks to the activities of UNDP are featured in a digital report.

The content of the 2019 report of UNDP which was released in May, is now available online as of September.

In order to learn more about UNDP's activities in Turkey visit: annualreport.undp.org.tr

LET'S CONTINUE WORKING TOGETHER FOR SDGS WITH THEIR NEW TURKISH TRANSLATIONS TITLED, "SÜRDÜRÜLEBİLİR KALKINMA AMAÇLARI"

Sustainable Development Goals agreed upon by 193 Member States of the United Nations in 2015 to be reached by the end of 2030 started to be called "Sürdürülebilir Kalkınma Amaçları" in Turkish as of July 2019.

Sustainable Development Goals, or Global Goals, which were adopted in 2015 by 193 Member States of the United Nations including Turkey started to be named as "Sürdürülebilir Kalkınma Amaçları (Küresel Amaçlar)" in Turkish starting from July 2019.

Since Turkey presented its 2nd Voluntary National Review (VNR) report on 15 July 2019 during the United Nations High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) in New York, "Sürdürülebilir Kalkınma Amaçları" has replaced "Sürdürülebilir Kalkınma Hedefleri", the previous Turkish translation for "Sustainable Development Goals", by the Turkish Government and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

As for the 169 Targets of 17 Goals, the word "Hedef" is going to be used. There have also been changes made in the Turkish translations of some Goals and Targets. The new logos of 17 Goals and 169 Targets have been shared with the public on the Sustainable Development Goals page on UNDP Turkey's web site and on kureselamaclar.org.

Full list of changed translations can be found here: bit.ly/KureselAmaclar

Also, the names of the official Global Goals social media accounts in Turkish which were previously "Küresel Hedefler", have been changed to "Küresel Amaçlar". Follow "Küresel Amaçlar" on Twitter: twitter.com/kureselamaclar



FIRST STEP TOWARDS STRENGTHENING HUMAN RIGHTS AND EQUALITY INSTITUTION OF TURKEY: CAPACITY ASSESSMENT BEGINS

In the framework of cooperation between the Human Rights and Equality Institution of Turkey (TIHEK) and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), "TIHEK Institutional Capacity Assessment" was conducted on 16-27 September 2019 aiming to strengthen TIHEK and align with international standards.

Capacity assessment aims to identify challenges and institutional needs of National Human Rights Institutions in developing own capacities and build strategies and programmes to respond to such challenges. This work aims to align TIHEK with the Paris Principles adopted by the UN General Assembly on 20 December 1993 setting the framework for the characteristics of National Human Rights Institutions. It further aspires to align TIHEK with Sustainable Development Goal 16 to promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels.

Participating in the work in question were representatives from UNDP, The Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNHRI), and independent experts. The group conducting the assessment included Rosslyn Noonan (independent expert), former Chief Commissioner for the New Zealand Human Rights Commission; Alexandra Meierhans, UNDP Istanbul Regional Hub; Lisa Sekkagya, OHCHR; Lora Vidovic, Ombudsperson of Croatia and former

Chair of ENNHRI; Debbie Kohner, Secretary General of ENNHRI; Katrien Meuwissen, ENNHRI; and Yağız Öztepe, UNDP Istanbul Regional Hub.

The two-week-long work involved focus group discussions with the committee members and TIHEK staff, analytical surveys and meetings with relevant stakeholders. Consultations were held with the Ministries of Justice, Foreign Affairs, Interior, Family, Labour and Social Services, Union of Bar Associations of Turkey, Constitutional Court, Ombudsman Institution, Turkish Grand National Assembly, provincial boards of human rights and civil society organisations.

Established in 2016 as Turkey's Human Rights and Equality Institution, TIHEK acts on a mission to protect and develop human rights, function as the national prevention mechanism, and fight discrimination.

A report which will be drafted at the end of capacity assessment will include recommended strategies and actions to respond to priority needs for capacity development and serve as a roadmap for the capacity development project planned by UNDP and TIHEK.

TECHNOLOGY BANK IN GEBZE FINANCES TECHNOLOGICAL INITIATIVES OF THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

News: Yunus Türk / Anadolu Agency

UNDP Turkey Resident Representative a.i. Claudio Tomasi said: "The main function of the Technology Bank opened in Gebze, is to finance the technological initiatives of countries where technology is behind the rest of the world."



UNDP Turkey Resident Representative a.i. Claudio Tomasi said to the Anadolu Agency correspondent that the international community has set a high standard agenda for 2030 with the Sustainable Development Goals adopted by the UN General Assembly in 2015.

Recalling that these ambitious goals were decided to be achieved by 2030, Tomasi said that it cannot be predicted for the time being whether these goals will be achieved in part or fully, and that there should be discussions about what needs to be done to speed up this process.

Tomasi said that the member states of the UN have a real responsibility for fulfilling this declaration and argued that the Sustainable Development Goals cannot be achieved only with the initiative of the states.

Tomasi pointed out that the private sector plays an important role in this issue and said that Sustainable Development Goals will make a big difference compared to previous initiatives and practices.

Stating that the Sustainable Development Goals have some differences compared to the Millennium Development Goals,

Tomasi said, "Sustainable Development Goals pay more attention to the environment and sustainability compared to the Millennium Development Goals, as well as the need for the involvement of many more actors. That's why we have founded Accelerator Labs to speed up the process."

"Project, knowledge, experience and innovation network will be established"

Claudio Tomasi stated that development challenges are different and complex than in the past and emphasized the need to change the solution methods for changing challenges and conditions.

Stressing that UNDP's Accelerator Labs initiative is important for the methods to be developed, Tomasi said that the conditions in development issues are changing and we should be prepared for them.

Tomasi stated that UNDP will establish a network of projects, knowledge, experience and innovation covering 78 countries with laboratories to be established in 60 countries.

"Accelerator Labs will work in connection with each other. Together with the ecosystem, government, think tanks, private sector organizations and universities of the country where they work, they will create innovation by creating projects on specific development challenges. They will cooperate with individuals and institutions already working on these issues. Supporting the development of these individuals and institutions will create an efficient mechanism for solving problems. We will overcome today's challenges with innovation solutions. "



"The Technology Bank opened in Gebze was a globally contributing initiative."

"Turkey is playing an active role for the Sustainable Development Goals"

Stressing that Turkey is playing an active role for the 2030 Agenda and achieving Sustainable Development Goals, Claudio Tomasi said that Turkey participated in the United Nations High-level Political Forum (HLPF) held in New York in July and presented a report providing a review of its progress towards Sustainable Development Goals.

Tomasi said, *"With this report, everyone has seen how much Turkey takes this process seriously."*

Stressing that one of the important steps taken so far in Turkey is the foundation of the Technology Bank for least developed countries, Tomasi said:

"The Technology Bank opened in Gebze was

a globally contributing initiative. The main function of this important institution is to finance the technological initiatives of the least developed countries in terms of technology. Like other banks, it does not function in a way that you deposit your money, keep it there or obtain profit. This Bank will develop technologies which can be used and adopted especially by least developed countries, which are important for them. It was important for Turkey, which plays an important role in supporting least developed countries, to come up with this development solution. As we know, one of the biggest challenges in least developed countries is technology. Turkey is really very productive in matters like copyrights, ownership of and the ability to develop technology."

Turkey was a pioneer in the establishment of the UN Technology Bank

According to the information provided, the UN Technology Bank has served the least developed countries with two main activities to date. The first was to educate scientists and academicians in these countries on access to scientific publications, and the other activity was to assess the technology needs for these countries.

In this context, the technology needs assessment program was launched for Timor Leste. In addition, regional meetings are organized for the development and establishment of science academies in the least developed countries.

Turkey has been a pioneer in the establishment of the UN Technology Bank. The office and all the equipment that

Technology Bank works with were donated to the Bank by the Turkish Government.

Technology Bank works in collaboration with governments. The bank, which has signed an agreement with Global Good (an organization supported by Bill Gates), will work on artificial intelligence technology, which may be beneficial for the least developed countries. In addition, a support program has been developed to help people from the least developed countries to develop their inventions and find the necessary financial resources.

Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Rwanda, Senegal, Tanzania, Uganda, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal, Timor Leste were supported in the program on access to scientific publications. In the assessment of technology needs program, Timor Leste, Uganda, Bhutan, Gambia and Guinea were supported.



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5-6 October

Workshop on the Effects of Climate Change to Work Life – Ankara

5-6 October

Self-sufficient (is) city-sufficient – CerModern, Ankara

8 October

Conversations in Climate-ish (Agriculture and Food) – Istanbul

13 October

International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction

15 October

Conversations in Climate-ish (Disasters) – Istanbul

16 October

World Food Day

17 October

5th Sustainable Food Summit – Istanbul

17 October

International Day for the Eradication of Poverty

21-22 October

TRT World Forum – Istanbul

24 October

United Nations Day

24 October

World Development Information Day

25 October

Social Good Summit Istanbul 2019 – Zorlu PSM, Istanbul

29 October

Republic Day of Turkey

29 October - 4 November

Red Crescent Week

31 October

Visit of UNSG António Guterres to Istanbul

31 October

World Cities Day



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