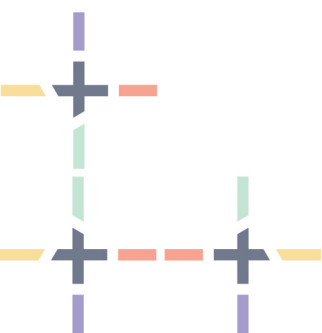


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PROFILE	
Type of Organization	Architectural Association (Non-Governmental Organisation)
Is the partner organization a public body?	No
Is the partner organization a non-profit?	Yes
Please briefly present the partner organization	Ankara Aks is an architectural association (NGO) and strategic design studio working in the creative industries. While producing focus in the field of Creative Industries in the context of design, architecture and planning, it develops sustainable solutions, strategies and projects with research and gamification methods by rethinking cities at different scales in relation to its social impact. It draws a vision based on the principles of community-based design, co-design of the space, gamification, and play, with the aim of guiding this change in the new era of changing paradigms. Founded in Ankara, in 2019, Aks believes in the power of community-based design and carries out a collective production based on collaboration between disciplines. It creates a team that shapes their own utopia in the construction of the future by bringing design disciplines together on a common ground.



What are the activities and experience of the organization in the areas relevant for this application?

Aks creates solutions that improve the space by defending the right to the city with projects based on the principle of polyphony and cooperation developed by the creative team. With the solutions it produces, it develops practices that are inclusive, compatible with nature and against standardization. Aks considers Architecture and Urbanism as a research object and within its own academy, which is called IDEA, it proposes a new model with the gamification method by getting rid of the existing design education models. Aks dreams of a polyphonic, inclusive and non-standardised, innovative and experimental world in the future, in harmony with nature, not against it. Aks is pursuing this dream, and by thinking about the past, it shapes the present and sustains nature and culture into the future. Ankara Aks Association is also an **official partner of New European Bauhaus Community** since 2022. Also, Aks is an **official member of European Creative Hub Network (ECHN)**.

Related Experiences & Activities

- Young Spirit of Renewal, Ankara/Türkiye (2021)

The aim is to raise awareness on the New European Bauhaus initiative, to raise awareness among the young generation and to develop solutions under the title of #EUGreenDeal, as well as to produce and announce a new discourse from the capital Ankara for the cities of the future with the participants within the scope of the #YoungSpiritofRenewal Project. Young Spirit of Renewal is a movement that started as a young generation with the cooperation of the EU Ankara Information Center and the contributions of the EU Delegation and the German Embassy.

- New European Bauhaus Festival Side Event: Ankara Aks #YoungSpiritofRenewal, Brussels/Belgium (2022)

It reflects a polyphonic and interdisciplinary approach. In order to connect different cultures and think about the climate crisis at different scales, we carried this event, which we started locally in Ankara Turkey, to the New European Bauhaus Festival. The event was organized with a perspective from every scale of design and from different fields. The Innovation Manifesto was intersected with participants from different sectors and different cultures and projects at the festival. Supported by the European Commission, New European Bauhaus Community and Brussels Planning Agency (perspective.brussels)

- Mediterranean World Forum: Ankara Aks, Marseille/France (2022)

Ankara Aks participated in the forum and shared Young Spirit of Renewal Event in the field of NEB and the Renewal Manifesto. As the official representative of Turkey, Aks expressed opinions of young generation in Türkiye about the Mediterranean 2030 Action Plan with the decisionmakers. Aks was invited to the forum by the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Institut Français.

- UrbanJam (Urbanism + Gamejam) Ankara/Türkiye (2023)

UrbanJam is a research and application project that develops innovative and creative concepts on the future of architecture and urbanism, using the interactive nature of games and digital technologies. By using the technology of video games as a tool, it develops questioning and criticism on cities and spaces, while creating playable interfaces and simulating new agendas brought by environmental impacts, natural disasters, and climate change through fictional new worlds and scenarios to generate possible solutions. Young designers, architects, city planners, game developers and game artists produced games together for solving problems of cities and designing future cities. Project was supported by British Council.

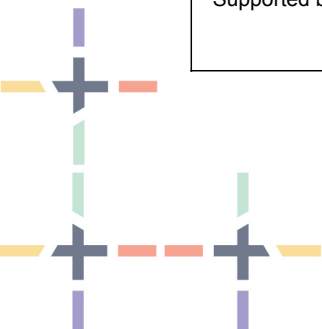
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- A Learning Experience Towards Future Cities Ankara/Türkiye (2023)

A Learning Experience Towards Future Cities, which will be held with the support of the European Union and CultureCIVIC by Goethe Institute, is an education program! This training program focuses on the transformative role of local culture in resilient and sustainable development; attaches importance to developing the diversity, knowledge and skill capacity of future designers; constitutes studio covering culture, creativity and green works. While the training program is shaped around the focus of green skills and human-centered design, it covers creativity and conceptualization within the scope of the course. In the program, the target audience is young people between the ages of 18-25 and education, training and practical lessons will be held with the participants. The aim of the program is to build capacity by coordinating environmental policies in the context of skills-education systems and culture of the place.

What are the skills and expertise of key staff/persons involved in this application?	Legal Representative – Cemre Gökpınar Fields of Expertise: - Art History, Cultural Heritage, Cultural Policy, Community based Design - Youth Affairs, International Relations, EU-Türkiye Relations Contact Person – Zeynep Ünsal Duties/Responsibilities: - planning, development and overall coordination/implementation supervision of projects - fundraising, liaising with donors and partners on project-related issues - developing project concepts, including goals, objectives, activities and main stages Contact Person - Berkutay Coşkun Fields of Expertise: - Architecture, Digital Art, Gamification - Strategic Design Duties/Responsibilities: - planning, development and overall coordination/implementation supervision of projects - developing project concepts, including goals, objectives, activities and main stages
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EUROPEAN UNION SUPPORTED PROJECTS	
A Value A Building Ankara/Türkiye 2019 Supported by Sivil Düşün EU Programme	Project is planned to emphasize the importance of cultural heritage structures that are threatened in Ankara, to ensure that they are transferred to future generations with objective information, to preserve their right of existence and to arrange their digital archives. Supported by Sivil Düşün European Union Programme.
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Woodlife Sweden Exhibition Ankara-İstanbul/Türkiye 2021 Supported by Sweden Embassy	Woodlife Sweden in Turkey is a platform, bringing a diverse and broad network of professionals in the urban planning, architecture and design industry together to raise awareness about sustainable development and reducing climate impact through wooden architecture. Supported by the Sweden Embassy, Swedish Institute and İstanbul Metropolitan Municipality.
NEB Festival Side Event: Ankara Aks #YoungSpiritofRenewal Brussels/Belgium 2022 Supported by EU Commission, Sivil Düşün EU Programme	It reflects a polyphonic and interdisciplinary approach. In order to connect different cultures and think about the climate crisis at different scales, we carried this event, which we started locally in Ankara Turkey, to the New European Bauhaus Festival. The event was organized with a perspective from every scale of design and from different fields. The Innovation Manifesto was intersected with participants from different sectors and different cultures and projects at the festival. Supported by the European Commission, New European Bauhaus Community and Brussels Planning Agency (perspective.brussels)
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