



PARTNER ORGANISATION DETAILS	
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Organisation ID (Erasmus+)	E10029462
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PROFILE	
Type of Organisation	NGO (Non-governmental organization / Association)
Is the NGO a public body?	No
Is the NGO a non-profit?	Yes
ACCREDITATION	
Accreditation Type	Accreditation Reference Number
EVS Accreditation (ERAPLUS-EVS-CHARTER)	2016-1-TR01-KA110-036409
ESC Quality Label (2021-2027)	2019-1-TR01-ESC52-078874
Eurodesk Contact Point	TR-2018-KA281-12575
Europass Mobility Document	917926909
European Youth Foundation	N/A

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### BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

#### Please briefly present the organisation.

Pi Youth Association is a youth association established in 2014 to enable young people in Turkey to develop knowledge, skills, positive attitudes, and behaviors. It actualizes the European Union's decisions, Council of Europe, and the United Nations in youth. The Association also maintains its activities by considering the universal sensitivities, global principles, and principles in human rights, participation, and environmental issues. The primary mission topic of the Pi Youth Association is youth rights and problems. In addition to this, there are five more mission topics it has; volunteering hours for the spread of volunteering, civil society capacity building to support the development of other youth associations, technology-based development to support general development, healthy living for youth to spread the habit of healthy living, and analysis of social media, which is one of the most widely used communication tools of the youth.

Pi Youth Association's target group contains all individuals and youth workers between the ages of 15-30 living in Turkey. From the target group, women, refugees, and disabled people have priority. In addition to carrying out activities to support young's personal development, Pi Youth Association also works on youth rights to solve the problems experienced by young people in our country. Pi Youth Association also determines its medium- and long-term strategies according to the European Youth Strategy Document and the current youth situation in our country. Since 2016, Pi Youth Association has published its annual activities and balance sheets on its website by the principles of transparency and accountability. It is also a signatory of the donor rights declaration.

Pi Youth Association's office team consists of 12 people, including four professional employees, two part-time employees, two long-term trainees, and four office volunteers. There is also a volunteer team of local youth, with more than 100 active young people. The name of this volunteer team is Pixel Team. Pixel Team voluntarily supports all projects and activities of the Association. It consists of young people between the ages of 15-30 who regularly participate in the Association's activities and training in the Association's culture.

Pi Youth Association is also a member of many national and international networks. The Association is a member of; Local Youth Organization Network (LYON), European Youth Foundation, Prisma European Network, and TechSoup Turkey. Also, it is a member of; Anna Lindh Foundation Euromed, Google for Nonprofits, Microsoft for Nonprofits, and AMSED Member Network. Pi Youth Association is also a signatory of the UN Global Compact. Moreover, our Association is a Eurodesk Contact Point.

Pi Youth Association is a local and non-governmental youth organization active in national and international fields and can reach many young people. Social media accounts and the website of the Association are followed by many young. The Association has more than 25,000 followers on Facebook (2 pages both in Turkish and English).

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

Pi Youth Association works on three levels: local, national, and international.

Activities carried out at a local level focus on encouraging the personal development of the youth. These activities range from English Speaking Clubs, gender and anti-discrimination workshops,





seminars on the ESC and Erasmus+ program, development workshops on technology skills and creative design, and active volunteering and capacity building training.

On the other hand, national activities carried out in youth rights and problems remain the main interest of our organization from the very beginning. One of these national activities, Genç Bak-İş, was a combination of projects that aimed at youth-oriented policy-making, popularization of vocational training, its quality recognition and representing it to decision-makers. The project was created to answer the lack of qualified personnel with vocational and technical training on the labor market and young people's right to education and information. During Genç Bak-İş, Pi Youth Association conducted extensive research with 3500 youngsters from all around Turkey and published its findings as an open-source website. Within the scope of the same project, in 2018, we managed to gather 81 NGO representatives from 81 provinces who came to brainstorm together in İzmir. Additionally, Genç-Bak İş conducts monitoring on youth rights, youth policies, and youth employment at a national level. Since the beginning of 2020, under the name of Youth Studies Library, it has been compiling reports, research results, and documenting decisions concerning youth at the national and international levels. At the end of 2020, Pi Youth Association plans to publish this library free of charge as an open-source for all youth workers.

Furthermore, on an international level, Pi Youth Association keeps providing young Turks with educational activities within the scope of the Erasmus+ program, such as youth exchanges, training courses, and volunteering abroad under the EVS/ESC initiative.

Pi Youth Association is one of the most active organizations in Turkey in the field of youth. We are constantly working on providing new and exciting opportunities to the younger generation and ensuring their personal growth. We also conduct monitoring of various initiatives on youth rights/youth policies on an international level. Thanks to that diligence, we became a part of international networks, such as the Anna Lindh Foundation, United Nations Global Compact, and UN Volunteers. Pi Youth Association has supported more than 300 volunteers as a sending organization since it acquired its EVS/ESC accreditation in 2016. Our organization also completed ten different EVS/ESC projects as a coordinating organization. All details and ongoing projects can be accessed straight from our website or by clicking the link below.

<https://www.pigenclikdernegi.org/en/category/completed-en/>

### **Milestones in Pi Youth Association**

- ❖ The first approved project by the Turkish National Agency was Genç Bak İş (KA3) project in 2016. This project also was chosen best example by the Turkish NA.
- ❖ We participated in Nantes Creative Generations Forum (NCG) with the Work of MAN project in 2017. Thanks to this project we get the award of Cooperation Award.
- ❖ We got EVS (now it is ESC) quality label in 2016. So far, we hosted volunteers from Lithuania, Greece, Croatia, Spain, and Romania.
- ❖ Thanks to Hrant Dink Foundation we started Yerel Gençlik Dernekleri Ağı (Local Youth Associations Network). <https://genclikdernekleri.org/>
- ❖ Thanks to the fund from Civil Society Dialogue (<http://civilsocietydialogue.org/>) we continue to work on Yerel Gençlik Dernekleri Ağı (Local Youth Associations Network). <http://www.youthngos.org/>





- ❖ We are working on the KA2 Strategic Partnerships project which we are partner with organizations from UK, Italy, and Lithuania.
- ❖ We hosted a Young Entrepreneur from North Macedonia program through Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs for 5 months in 2021. <https://www.erasmus-entrepreneurs.eu/>
- ❖ We hosted Erasmus interns during summers from Germany and Romania.

**Please give information on the key staff/persons involved in this application and on the competences and previous experience that they will bring to the project.**

**Ms. Seda Şahin** is both a legal representative and a treasurer of our association. She is responsible for budget management and legal paperwork concerning the implementation of all our projects. She has acted as a legal representative of the board of directors in the projects carried out by our association for the last two years. Due to that, she has relevant and extensive experience in project management.

**Ms. Begüm İntepeler**, President of the association, is responsible for maintaining and executing all corporate relations with local project stakeholders, such as public institutions and members of the private sector (for example, MEB Public Education Center, İzmir Maturation Institute, etc.)

**Mr. Kubilay Anıl Biçer** completed his Bachelor's Degree in International Relations in 2018. After his graduation, he did his internship at Lithuania Business University of Applied Sciences (Klaipeda). During the said internship (which lasted nine months), he gained both knowledge and practical experience in Erasmus+ Programme. Besides, he significantly improved his management skills, particularly in Erasmus+ Higher Education Mobility Programme and Erasmus+ Traineeship Programme. Following his return to Turkey, he has started working full-time at Pi Youth Association as a contact person for Erasmus+ Projects. He is also responsible for keeping in touch with our project partners.

**Mrs. Melisa Demirkıran** completed her Bachelor's Degree in American Culture and Literature at Ege University in 2015. During her studies, she focused on the United States' economic, socio-cultural and political background and its influence on other societies it has been in contact with. After graduating from pedagogy, she worked as a teacher in the private sector. Thanks to that, she had a unique chance to work in a multicultural environment and get to know many teens and young adults from Nepal, Tunisia, Scotland, the USA, Russia, Pakistan, and Australia. She is now working in Pi Youth Association as Project Assistant in a project to empower local youth associations and create a database for Turkish youth workers.

**Mr. Mert Güzelkasap** is responsible for the training in our association. He has extensive knowledge and experience about all Erasmus Plus Youth Programs (whether it is KA1, KA2, or KA3). He regularly organizes Erasmus Plus and ESC seminars to inform the local youth of many opportunities provided by the program. Those lectures are held in our association office as well as at local universities and municipalities.

**Ms. Merve Basut** is responsible for the volunteer support. She and her team carry out the monitoring, follow-up, and support processes of more than 500 volunteers sent abroad by our association. She is also responsible for supporting our short and long-term foreign volunteers who our organization in Izmir hosts.





<b>Has the organisation participated in a European Union granted project in the 3 years preceding this application?</b>			
<b>EU Programme</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Project Identification or Contact Number</b>	<b>Applicant/beneficiary Name</b>
Dissemination Activities of the Council of Europe Toolkit	2018	GA.DGII.049.2018 / 47815 PO591432	Pi Youth Association
Action Programme for Turkey	2018	IPA/2017/384-086/B1-174	Pi Youth Association
Civil Society Facility and Media Programme	2019	IPA/2018/403-368/05	Pi Youth Association
Erasmus Plus (KA2)	2019	2019-2-LT02-KA205-006417	European Voluntary Service Association "SALTES"
Erasmus Plus (KA2)	2019	2019-3-IT03-KA205-017078	Consorzio Social Lab Società Cooperativa Sociale
Civil Society Dialogue Programme	2021	TR2016/DG/03/A1-01/179	Pi Youth Association

#### **Exceptional Cost (Visa Cost)**

Suppose your project is Youth Exchange or Training Course etc., under Erasmus Plus Programme. Please add 200 € visa cost for each participant from Turkey in the premium costs area!

100 EUR Visa fee – 40 EUR Service Fee – 20 EUR for Mandatory Health Insurance – 10 Departure Tax (for leaving the country) – 30 EUR Travel Costs to Embassy/Consulate.

Suppose your project is European Solidarity Corps (ESC). Please contact us for more details.

