PENDIK MUNICIPALITY | Erasmus+ Projects

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Erasmus+ Projects in last three years				
EU Program	Year	Project ID	Applicant / Beneficiary	
Erasmus+	2017	2017-1-TR01-KA105-044661	Pendik Municipality	
Erasmus+	2017	2017-2-TR01-KA105-047556	Pendik Municipality	
Erasmus+	2017	2017-2-TR01-KA105-047587	Pendik Municipality	
Erasmus+	2017	2017-3-TR01-KA105-048383	Pendik Municipality	
Erasmus+	2018	2018-3-TR01-KA347-061747	Pendik Municipality	
Erasmus+	2018	2018-3-RO01-KA105-061290	Asociatia Be You	
Erasmus+	2019	2019-1-HU01-KA104-060383	Jó munka szociális szövetkezet	
Erasmus+	2019	2019-1-TR01-ESC11-065100	Pendik Municipality	
Erasmus+	2019	2019-1-TR01-KA204-074520	Pendik Municipality	
Erasmus+	2019	6132019-EPP-1-2019-1-TR-SPO-SSCP	Pendik Municipality	

Rüveyda Güzel graduated from Selçuk University International Relations BA degree. She has been working as project specialist since 2012 and leading Project Managemant Unit. She has experience in preparing, implementing, and managing different projects both at national and international level. She is the coordinator of latest E+ Sport project as well.

Sümeyye Topal gained her BA from Istanbul Bilgi University – Public Relations and her MA Gebze Technical University on Project Management. She has been working for the unit since 2012 and had experience in national and interntaional projects. She is now leading ESC projects as well.

Oğuz Karakaya graduated from Dokuz Eylül University International Relations and studied EU Relations in Marmara University, and working for the municipality since 2015. He has prepared participated, managed different projects both at national and international level. He was responsible for preparing for interim and final reports and following up the project outputs. He can lead project staff, keep track of project progress (outputs, quality, and timetable), risks, and communications (among partners, national agency, and other third parties), manage the financial situation and solve the raising issues or report them to the consortium.

Background & Experience

Pendik Municipality operates at Anatolian side of Istanbul. Acc. to Turkish Statistical Institute (TUIK), it serves nearly 700,000 citizens in its borders with more than 2.000 employees. The scope of the work and legal responsibilities of the municipality is very broad and diverse which requires specialization. Some of the department and unit that highly involve the projects are;

- **O** *Public & Media Relations* work for publicity, visibility of activities which departments of municipality implement. It has graphic designers, social media workers, cameramen, photographers, reporters. It publishes a local newspaper every 15 days.
- **O** *IT* provides IT support to directorates and it also follows up online e-municipal applications. It has 10 software developers and 30 technical personnel for hardware issues.
- Environment Protection and Control provides parks and recreation services and organizes awareness-raising activities about the environment.
- **O** *Project Management Unit* prepares, implements and follows up project proposals for EU and other funds; manages foreign relations with sister cities and other local, national and international organizations.
- *Human Resources* responsible for hiring, termination of contracts and education of staff.
- **O** *Cultural Affairs* responsible for organizing all kinds of social events, hobby courses, education etc.
- **O** *Financil Affairs* provide financement to actions taking by directorates, it also generates income by collecting taxes.
- **O** *Social Relief* provides assistance (such as food, shelter, monetary aid etc.) to citizens with low income.
- **O** *Strategy Development* designs municipal strategy in parallel with feedbacks from directorates and surveys conducted on citizens with objective, statistical

evaluation.

O *Cleaning Services* provides cleaning services to the whole city (garbage collection, cleaning streets etc.) and encourages recycling.

All these depertment have experts in their areas. Staff and directorates' performance are inspected and reported to the Mayor on regular basis. The Mayor presents the performance programme to municipal council once a year.

Since 2005, The municipality prepares EU, local, regional and national funded projects. With expert personnel whom are specialized to design project proposal and actively participate in different project stages, Pendik Municipality is able to succeed any type of national and international projects. The municipality has expertise in all kind of Erasmus+ projects, town-twinning projects, EUREKA, ITEA 2 and 3, and newly glad to part of H2020 project on environment, energy, transportations, and so on.

Each directorate that is involved in project management and implementation and this allows Project Management Unit to use all competence of employers of Pendik for the project.

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Activities & Experience

➤ Entrepreneurship

O Pendik Municipality aims to grow into the first social business city in Turkey. In parallel with this ideal, it organizes awareness raising local activities with different partners. Pendik Municipality also encourages and supports its citizens to establish new businesses (especially social businesses) with KOSGEB entrepreneurship programmes that provide fund and/or loan with zero interest for entrepreneurs. However, a tailor-made social entrepreneurship programme is crucial to increase the number of social enterprises.

O Migrants & Women

Pendik is home to 1800 (legally registered) Syrian refugee families and the number reaches more than 2000 families after adding migrant background residents. Pendik Municipality works on meeting the needs and expectations of these families to facilitate their life in Pendik and in order to do it especially after Syrian refugee influx to Turkey formed a unit dealing with the necessities of these refugee and migrant backgrounded people.

Refugee/Migrant Support Unit enrols unemployed refugees into its database and refers them to nearest working places that are in line with the professions of the refugees/migrant living in Pendik. Some of the migrants who know both Arabic and Turkish started to work at Turkcell's Call Centre (a gsm operator in Turkey).

The municipality actualizes sewing course and the participants are awarded a sewing machine and a certificate to allow them to work as a tailor. For men (mostly the ones have no profession), the municipality gives fishing training for the migrants. Pendik as a coastal district has lots of opportunity in terms of the fishery. Besides these newly implemented trainings, Pendik Municipality organizes an employment fair called "Work in Pendik Meetings" every three months. Booths related with migrants' professions are located in the meeting and allow them to make face-to-face interviews with employers. The unit works on other training and job opportunities by assessing the migrants' abilities in work areas.

O Youth & Sport Activities

- Planning, Protecting and Implementation of sporting activities at the district.
- Making financial aid to amateur sports clubs, sports and trainers at the district.
- Providing educational and sportive activities in schools and giving sportive material support.
- Maintaining of the municipality facilities.
- ☑ Making camp activities for the youth

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