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Launch of the Policy Vision Roadmap for Civil Society

EU-Turkey Climate Policy Dialogue

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About the EU-TR Climate Policy Dialogue



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- The EU is fighting climate change through ambitious policies
- On the other hand, Turkey is also making a considerable progress to advance its climate agenda and has continued to align with the EU acquis especially in the climate front
- To support and accelerate this process the **'EU-Turkey Climate Policy Dialogue'** established a dialogue between Turkish and European CSOs to enhance cooperation and support CSOs to articulate in climate change policy development processes
- The project began in April 2021 and is jointly implemented by ERCST and the IAD within the scope of the Grant Scheme for Supporting Civil Society Dialogue between EU and Turkey (CSD VI)

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About the Policy Vision Roadmap

- The Policy Vision Roadmap provides a blueprint for CSOs on how to better articulate their vision on climate change and advance climate action. Such a holistic vision is warranted as it will help structure civil society (and industries’) strategies and action plans towards clear objectives
- The report puts forward:
 - A high-level overview of recent developments in EU and Turkish climate change policy
 - A set of good practices and lessons learned from climate policy interaction and developments in the EU, which could be translated and applied in the context of Turkey
 - A roadmap with clear steps that local Civil Society and stakeholders should take towards better articulating and furthering climate policy
- The report reflects on the main concerns and considerations identified during the dialogues which set up the terrain for the recommendations and roadmap for CSOs



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Policy Vision Roadmap for Civil Society



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- The report builds on **18 consultations** with European and Turkish CSOs and **multiple workshops** which were organized throughout the project and brought together community, academic, and industry perspectives.
- **CSOs consulted:** Cembureau, Eurometaux, FuelsEurope, TÜRKONFED, TUSIAD, Kadir Has University, YASED, Green Thought Association, GCCA+, IZKA, EBSO, WBCSD, ISO, WWF, Turkish Iron and Steel Association, Turkcimento, Istanbul Policy Center, Istanbul Technical University
- **Workshops held:**
 - July 6, 2022: [EU-Turkey Climate Policy Dialogue: Opening Event](#)
 - October 6, 2022: [EU-Turkey Climate Policy Dialogue: Deep dive on CBAM, ETS and the Just Transition Mechanism](#)
 - February 23, 2022: [EU-Turkey Climate Policy Dialogue: Role of Civil Society in developing climate policies](#)

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- Climate policies identified as most relevant during the consultations with Civil Society

The European Green Deal and ongoing legislative climate policy initiatives under the EGD

- The European Climate Law
- Fit for 55 Package
- EU Carbon Border Adjustment Measure (CBAM)
- The revision of the EU Emission Trading System (ETS)
- The revision of the Energy Taxation Directive (ETD)
- The Just Transition Mechanism (JTM)
- Circular Economy Action Plan (CEAP)
- Farm to Fork Strategy
- The European Climate Pact

Other relevant EU policies

- EU Hydrogen Strategy
- The Sustainable Finance Taxonomy
- Carbon Removals Certification Mechanism (CRC-M)

Climate Policy Landscape in Turkey



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- As a developing and highly populated country, **sustainable and efficient use of resources** and **adaptation to climate change** are key to Turkey
- After Turkey's **ratification of the Paris Agreement** in October 2021 and its **commitment to Net Zero Emissions by 2053**, developments regarding climate policies and climate targets have accelerated
- **The Ministry of Environment, Urbanisation and Climate Change (MoEU)** is **responsible for the formation and implementation of environmental policy in Turkey** and is also the focal point for the UNFCCC
- **The Ministry** and **UNDP** announced that they would join forces to prepare a long-term **“2050 Climate Change Strategy”** and **“2030 Action Plan”** that would reflect Turkey's ambitious climate goals.
- **A roadmap has been created for Turkey's climate targets and policies** during the "Climate Council" organized by the MoEU for the preparation of the "Climate Law" and the "Regulation on the Emissions Trading System" and updating the "Intended Nationally Determined Contribution"

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Climate Policy Landscape in Turkey (2)



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- **Climate change-related objectives are identified within several policy and strategy documents, including:**
 - The 9th, 10th and 11th Five-Year Economic Development Plans
 - The National Climate Change Strategy (NCCS)
 - The National Climate Change Action Plan (NCCAP)
 - The National Climate Change Adaptation Strategy and Action Plan
- **Other key legislative acts :**
 - The Renewable Energy Law of 2005
 - The Energy Efficiency Law of 2007
 - The updated Electricity Market and Supply Strategy, approved in 2009
- **Upcoming legislations and plans:**
 - The Climate Law and the national Emissions Trading System

The report also looks at ...



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- What is Civil Society?
- Why is Civil Society Important?
- Mapping Civil Society Organizations in the EU and Turkey
- Channels for articulating into climate policy legislative processes EU and Turkey
- Tools for campaigning and communication for civil society
- Financing options for CSOs as enablers for policymaking
- Examples of efficient participation processes and best practices
 - Just Transition Fund & Territorial Just Transition Plan
 - EU CBAM Feedback Procedure
 - Turkey Climate Council

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EU-Turkey Civil Society Mapping



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EU

Business and sectoral associations



TURKEY

Industry Associations



Profession and Specialization NGOs



EU

Network Associations



Think Tanks & Academia



TURKEY

Networks, Platforms, Social Movements



Think Tanks



Environmental NGOs (ENGOS)



Turkey Environmental NGOs (ENGOS)



International Environmental NGOs Organized in Turkey



Trade Unions and Employers Associations



Private Sector Associations



Channels for articulating into climate policy processes in the EU

Table 2. Channels for articulating into climate policy legislative processes EU

Type of Body	Institutional Body	Channels	Example
Legislative Bodies	European Commission	Provide feedback at different stages of the legislative process of a policy	Have Your Say Platform
		Alliances and coalitions	Clean Hydrogen Alliance
		Advisory and Support Platforms	Just Transition Platform (technical & advisory support) and Platform on Sustainable Finance (advisory body)
		Expert Working Groups	High Level Expert Group on Energy-Intensive Industries
		EU Country Roadmaps for engagement with CSO's outside the EU	EU-Peru Civil Society Engagement Roadmap
		Thematic Programme for Civil Society Organisations under the proposed NDICI-Global Europe	New programme 2021-2027
	European Parliament	Bilateral meetings with MEPs and MEPs assistants	Eurofer meets with CBAM Rapporteur Mohammed Chahim
		Sending proposed amendments in key stages of the legislative process	Eurelectric sends amendments for the revision of the ETS proposal
	European Council	Participate in national and local government processes and then depends on a case by case by Member State	Local polish community-based organization participates in the Upper Silesia TJTP drafting and planning
		Efficient participation processes and best practices	CEE Bankwatch creates a platform for sharing best practices of coal regions in transition in Eastern Europe
Consultative Body	European Economic and Social Committee (EESC)	The EESC produces opinions at the request of the Council, the Commission or the Parliament. It may also deliver opinions on its own initiative	The European Consumer Organisation participates to EESC policy processes



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Building a vision for Civil Society: Roadmap and Recommendations



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- Aims to provide a blueprint for civil society for the next years to better structure CSOs' (and industries') strategies and action plans towards clear objectives, articulate into climate policy development processes and advance climate action.
- Builds on the recommendations gathered during the consultations with civil society and the interactive workshops organized throughout the course of the project
- Subdivided into three action fields for the different kinds of interactions that civil society might present:
 - 1. Interaction within the Organization**
 - 2. Interaction with the Government**
 - 3. Interaction with the International Sphere**

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CIVIL SOCIETY ACTION FIELDS

1. Create a common vision
2. Enhance communication strategy and increase media outreach
3. Develop capacity within the organization
4. Secure funding for long-term operation

GOVERNMENT-CIVIL SOCIETY INTERACTION FIELDS

5. Avoid hard control mechanisms
6. Involve a more diverse group of Civil Society Organizations in policy-making processes
7. Organize participatory processes for Civil Society

EU-TURKEY CIVIL SOCIETY INTERACTION FIELDS

8. Focus on key EU and International climate policy developments
9. Draw on EU and international lessons learnt and best practices
10. Leverage opportunities from the evolving climate policy landscape
11. Way forward for EU-Turkey relations: enhance the EU-Turkey partnership in strategic fields including climate action
12. Establish a platform for updating EU and Turkish CSOs on the most relevant climate policy development

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