

## Annex 4

# UN Development Cooperation Strategy for Turkey 2016 - 2020 Outcomes

The Tenth Development Plan (2014-2018) of Turkey was drawn up with a view to enabling society to advance to higher levels of prosperity in line with the 2023 targets. The Plan sets out a pathway for economic growth and social development with a focus on international competitiveness, human development, rule of law and environmental sustainability. Outlined in this United Nations Development Cooperation Strategy (UNDCS) are areas for strategic partnership between the Government of Turkey and the United Nations that will contribute to the realization of this vision. The UNDCS takes particular account of the efforts made by the Turkish government since 2005 to vigorously pursue the accession process with the European Union (EU), and Turkey's desire and potential to maximize its role in international development cooperation.

During the development of the Strategy, every effort was also made to identify the areas in which the UN can support the Government in achieving internationally established development goals. From this perspective, the objective is to improve Turkey's performance in human development indices taking into consideration Turkey's status as an upper Middle Income Country (MIC) on the one hand, and the comparative and competitive advantages of the United Nations system in Turkey on the other.

Effective collaboration and cooperation between the UN system and the Turkish government have guided the preparation of this UNDCS from the very beginning. The consultative approach adopted by the UN for the preparation process has enabled priorities to be set, and common goals and results to be determined, in an inclusive manner.

Listed below are the four strategic areas of cooperation and eight concrete results (outcomes) identified during this participatory process. These are strongly aligned to the four strategic pillars of the Tenth Development Plan, namely: Qualified People, Strong Society; Innovative Production, High and Stable Growth; Liveable Places, Sustainable Environment; and International Cooperation for Development. The four strategic areas of cooperation and eight results have been endorsed by the Government of Turkey.

### 1. Sustainable, Inclusive Growth and Development

**Result 1 (Outcome 1.1):** By 2020, relevant government institutions operate in an improved legal and policy framework, and institutional capacity and accountability mechanisms assure a more enabling (competitive, inclusive and innovative) environment for sustainable, inclusive growth and development for all women and men.

**Result 2 (Outcome 1.2):** By 2020, all underserved population groups have more equitable and improved access to integrated, sustainable and gender sensitive quality services (e.g. health, education, decent employment, and social protection systems).

**Result 3 (Outcome 1.3):** By 2020, improved implementation of more effective policies and practices for all men and women on sustainable environment, climate change, biodiversity by national, local authorities and stakeholders, including resilience of the system/communities to disasters.

## 2. Democratic Governance and Human Rights

**Result 4 (Outcome 2.1):** By 2020, central and local administrations and other actors more effectively protect and promote human rights, and adopt transparent, accountable, pluralistic and gender sensitive governance systems, with the full participation of civil society, including the most vulnerable.

## 3. Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment

**Result 5 (Outcome 3.1):** Improved legislation, policies, implementation and accountability mechanisms to enable equal and effective social, economic and political participation of women and girls by 2020.

**Result 6 (Outcome 3.2):** Improved legislation, policies, implementation and accountability mechanisms (on prevention and protection) to promote gender equality and reduce all forms of Sexual and Gender-Based Violence by 2020.

## 4. Migration and International Protection

**Result 7 (Outcome 4.1):** Government institutions provide improved and sustainable multi-sectoral services to people under international protection based on the rights and entitlements as stipulated in the Law on Foreigners and International Protection and Temporary Protection Regulation.

**Result 8 (Outcome 4.2):** Central/local administrations and civil society effectively manage migration with a particular focus on vulnerable migrants and people under international protection.

Based on lessons learned from the previous cycle, the UN system will strive to put in place a robust mechanism which will enable it to achieve results collectively and measure its achievements. Annual reviews and a mid-term review of the UNDCS will be conducted under this overall framework, and will eventually feed into an independent evaluation of the 2016-2020 programme cycle.