




Small and Medium Enterprises Development Organization of Türkiye

Environmental and Social Policy

KOSGEB's overall mission is to increase the shares of SMEs and entrepreneurs in economic and social development to reach an innovative, technological and competitive structure through effective supports and services. Therefore, KOSGEB adopts the following environmental and social policies by aiming to avoid or reduce the negative environmental and social impacts of its activities and to leave a sustainable world for the future generations with a growing environmental awareness. KOSGEB:

- Complies with applicable Turkish and international legal requirements in order to strive for continual improvement in Environmental and Social Management System;
- Aims at supporting enterprises which may have environmental awareness and fully satisfy the environmental and social needs;
- Acknowledges new standards and sets new goals with constant focus on development and continual improvement;
- Plans projects by considering energy efficiency and aims to reduce energy consumption;
- Monitors the environmental and social performance of enterprises with continual improvement approach by developing their capacity;
- Focuses on resource efficiency, avoids wastage and contributes to environmental protection;
- Considers to support sustainable use of resources while undertaking all its activities;
- Respects the values, views and rights of the affected communities and establishes strong, open and fair relationships with affected communities;
- Implements engagement activities and discloses project related information through appropriate and transparent means considering the needs and expectations of related parties;
- Strives for continuous improvement in upholding and respecting human rights through ongoing dialogue with internal and external stakeholders; and
- Respects cultural background of the affected communities and supports enterprises by avoiding impacts on tangible and intangible cultural heritage.

This policy will be examined annually and revised if needed to meet the national and international requirements of the organization. KOSGEB will consistently implement and monitor its Environmental and Social Management System in all activities and ensure that they are in line with this policy.


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