

BİLGİ Social Incubation Center



**İstanbul
Bilgi University**



- **Founded by Istanbul Bilgi University Center for Civil Society Studies in 2014**
- **Incubation Center provides organizational development support to CSOs and informal citizen groups:**
 - involved in non-profit activity
 - working on right based issues
 - located in Istanbul and online in other cities
 - working through innovative solutions to social problems



Incubation Center provides organizational development support on these issues

- Volunteering
- Fundraising
- Networking
- Strategy Making
- Project Management
- Communication Skills



Incubation Center provides organizational development support systems in the form of

- Workshops
- Trainings
- Mentorship
- Office space
- Academic input
- Networking
- Legal support
- Consultancy



...since 2014 the Incubation Center

- 18 total number of Social Incubation Support Term is completed.
- 199 civil society organisations (CSOs) and civic initiatives directly supported
- 193 mentorship support to 199 CSOs.
- 222 trainings and workshops.
- 4.575 people from 3.130 CSOs participated



...since December 2014 the Incubation Center

- 283 different CSOs and civic initiatives used the center for their meetings, trainings and workshops.
- 8.942 people participated in these events.
- The Center was used as CSOs' own office space for 12.170 hours.



Mentorship Experience and Dissemination

- Totally, 4 mentorship training was organized with 64 participants in 2015, 2018, 2019 and in 2021.
- A guideline for CSO, “Our Mentoring Experience” has been written to share the experience of the Bilgi Social Incubation Center on mentorship with CSOs that aim to provide mentoring activities in the civil society space in Turkey. The Turkish version is available on the web-site and has spread. The English version is also available as an open source.



Local Participation Based Capacity Building Trainings

Organized 3 training programs that focused on local participation within the frame of the protocol with Kadikoy Municipality. 2 of them aimed to develop the capacity building of the CSOs in the city council of Kadikoy and Sisli which Istanbul Bilgi University has campuses.

The last one was for the CSOs do not exist in any municipality's city council and the training aimed to reach primarily to the CSOs from Eyup (where Santral Campus exists). The training program's goal was to strengthen the CSOs about local participation and collaboration with local authorities.



Remote Incubation Support Programs

1. Online Incubation Periods

In pandemic conditions, to correspond current developments, needs of civil society, the incubation center turned social incubation support period into an online form. This new remote form created an advantage to reach to the CSOs from different cities all over the country.

Last 3 years, The Center implemented the incubation period online and supported the capacity building of the incubated CSOs respectively working in **local participation, women rights', young studies and ecology**. In total, **36 CSOs from 21 different cities** got mentorship support, **63 trainings** were organized related to the needs of the CSOs.

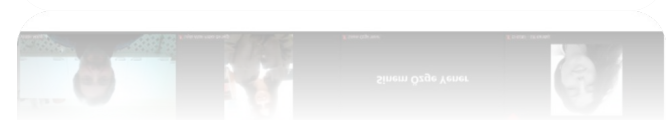


Remote Incubation Support Programs

2. Online Incubation Period in the Scope of Go For Youth Project

As part of the project carried out in collaboration with Youth Organizations Forum;

- Mentorship support for 50 CSOs
- A mentoring training with 25 participants



Remote Incubation Support Programs

4. Learning in Online Meetings and Webinar

- The structured experience sharing modules were for 28 participants from different 28 CSOs
- Small group practices and plenary discussion with the subjects; learning in online (comparing to face to face), facilitation in online, monitoring and evaluation in online with the need of the participant CSOs
- An open source report to see the common challenges and solutions
- An *Online Learning in Processes* Webinar



The poster features a central illustration of a computer monitor displaying a green screen with three white dots and three small human icons below it. Below the monitor is a yellow keyboard. The text is in green and black. The title is 'WEBİNAR: Çevrim içi Süreçlerde "Öğrenme"'. The date and time are '24 OCAK 2022 PAZARTESİ 19.00-21.00'. A note says '+Zoom bağlantısı katılımcılarla paylaşılacaktır.'. Logos for 'BİLGİ SOSYAL İNKBÜVASYON MERKEZİ', 'İsvet Sverige', and 'ՀԱԵԼԻՑԵ Ինք' are present. At the bottom, it says 'ՀՀ ՌԵՍՍՈՒՐՍ ԿԱՌԱՎԱՐՈՒԹՅԱՆ ԲԱԿԱԾԻՅԱԿՆԵՐԻ' and '18.00-21.00 24 OCAK 2022 PAZARTESİ'.

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Capacity Building for Right Based CSOs Through Distance Learning Program

Three videos as online learning tools were designed and developed:

- Collaborating with Volunteers and Activists
- Strategic Planning
- Advocacy

Web site and an open sharing forum:

- Self-learning tool
- Conceptual discussions and information, comparisons with various existing digital and online tools,
- Independently and asynchronous

<https://kuluckacevrimicilaraclar.bilgi.org.tr/>

A six sessions online training program:

- Based on the needs of the right-based CSOs
- Skill building processes based on digital competencies.
- A learning space of using of many digital and online tools



Monitoring and Evaluation Process

- As a principle, The Center's each project is monitored and evaluated by an external expert, the reports are shared openly on the Center's website as a resource for stakeholders and civil society actors to access and learn from the experiences and knowledge gained through the projects. You can find updated reports at <https://shorturl.at/nzENZ>.
- The dissemination of these monitoring and evaluation reports in an open-source format promotes transparency and the sharing of knowledge, creates an environment for mutual learning and growth of civic area. The Center always takes into account the results and needs identified in the reports when designing its next projects, further emphasizing its commitment to transparency and the dissemination of knowledge.

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- The Open Society, 2015
- Consulate General Sweden, 2015
- Stiftung Mercator, 2016
- Consulate General of Sweden, 2016
- Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, 2016
- Consulate General of Sweden, 2018-2019
- Central Finance and Contracts Unit (EU), 2018-2019
- Central Finance and Contracts Unit (EU), 2020-2021
- Consulate General of Sweden, 2020 - 2023

Between 2014-2023, Bilgi Social Incubation Center has raised nearly 520.000 euros.

