

Project on Gender Equality Mapping and Monitoring in State Universities in Ankara and Istanbul in the Context of LGBTI+ Rights

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Target Groups: Students of state universities in Istanbul and Ankara, LGBTI+ individuals attending state universities in Istanbul and Ankara, civil society organizations defending the rights of LGBTI+ individuals in universities, stakeholders active in defending the rights of LGBTI+ and local citizens.

Project Aim: The Project "Gender Equality Mapping and Monitoring in State Universities in Ankara and Istanbul in the Context of LGBTI+ Rights" aims to assess, monitor and map the present status of LGBTI+ individuals in these universities in the context of gender equality. In line with this, the project envisages a monitoring and mapping study in the thematic field of gender equality in 20 state universities in Istanbul and Ankara provinces by focusing on the rights of LGBTI+. To examine the present status of LGBTI+ individuals in 20 state universities, their access to human rights and discrimination they face will be monitored by conducting focus group interviews, examination of course content and legislation, policy analysis, stakeholder analysis by using two reliable assessment tools with adequate psychometric properties as LGBTI+ rights access scale and discrimination scale.

Under the project, gender indicators in the thematic area of LGBTI+ will be identified and the status of LGBTI+ individuals in universities will be investigated in line with these indicators. At the end of the project, data will be shared in comparative terms by using interactive graphics and maps based on data collected from universities which will provide the ground for university-based systematic monitoring LGBTI+ rights in Türkiye.

Project's Main Expected Result: The project envisages the monitoring and mapping of the status of LGBTI+ individuals in state universities in Ankara and Istanbul with respect to rights and gender equality. There will be literature review in the thematic area of gender equality in the context of LGBTI+ rights in universities.

Opinions of university members covered by the project on gender equality will be compiled again in the context of LGBTI+ individuals. Two reliable assessment tools with adequate psychometric properties will be developed as LGBTI+ rights access scale and discrimination scale. Each of 20 state universities covered by the project will be examined with reference to gender equality indicators in the context of LGBTI+ rights. This will be accompanied by legislation and course content reviews, policy and stakeholder analyses.

Then there will be reports on Gender Equality in State Universities in Ankara and Istanbul in the context of LGBTI+ rights, and discrimination against LGBTI+ individuals. A website will be launched to promote the project and disseminate project outputs. Finally, a workshop will be organized as "Gender Equality in State Universities in Ankara and Istanbul in the Context of LGBTI+ Rights" where project outputs will be widely shared.

Achievements Gained through Project Outputs: Through this project, the present status of LGBTI+ individuals in state universities of Ankara and Istanbul in terms of gender equality will be exposed so as to serve as a source for advocacy activities along with awareness raising in this issue. This will also contribute to wider understanding and adoption of gender equality principles in universities. As part of the project, universities will be further informed about gender equality with specific reference to LGBTI+ individuals.

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