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EMPOWERING THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO FOSTER SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC COHESION IN TÜRKİYE II

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NEWSLETTER 1



FOSTER II Project SME Support Programme Winning SMEs Announced, Support Process Begins!

Applications to FOSTER II SME Support Programme were completed between December 1 and 31, 2025, with intense interest from SMEs.

Winning SMEs will receive up to EUR 18,000 support for the employment of two personnel including one Turkish citizen and one foreigner.

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Applications for the FOSTER II Project SME Finance Support Programme Continue!

Applications for the FOSTER II Project's SME Finance Support Programme were launched on July 1, 2025. Loan disbursements will continue until March 31, 2026.

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Highlights from our Stakeholder Meetings and Information Days!



Under the project "Empowering the Private Sector to Foster Social and Economic Cohesion II - FOSTER II" financed by the European Union, managed by KfW Development Bank, and implemented by KOSGEB, we continue our field activities at full pace.

Extensive field outreach since 2024 has resulted in over 2,340 stakeholder meetings at local and 545 engagement meetings at headquarters level including with key stakeholders such as Red Crescent, Iskur, ICMPD, ILO, DG-ILF, PMM, VET4JOB, ASAM, UNHCR as well as chambers of industry and commerce in the project provinces.

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We Met with SMEs at Our Information Meetings for the Promotion of FOSTER II Project!



Under the project "Empowering the Private Sector to Foster Social and Economic Cohesion II - FOSTER II Project" funded by the European Union, managed by KfW Development Bank, and implemented by KOSGEB, we organised 23 Information Meetings across 20 provinces to introduce the SME Finance and SME Support Mechanisms.

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What Will be Different in FOSTER II E&S Activities Based on Our Experience with FOSTER I Project?



The experiences gained during the FOSTER I Project demonstrated that integrating Environmental and Social (E&S) considerations are not merely technical requirement, but a matter of institutional mindset and approach. Rather than simply explaining "what should be done," our approach focused on making field practices visible and collectively building environmental and social awareness across the project ecosystem.

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German Ambassador Mrs. Sybille Katharina Sorg Visits the FOSTER Project in Hatay!



The German Ambassador to Türkiye, Mrs. Sybille Katharina Sorg, visited a German SME in Hatay to observe the on-the-ground implementation and success stories of the FOSTER Project.

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The FOSTER Project Delegation was in Frankfurt at the Heart of Finance and Innovation!



Within the scope of the FOSTER Project, a Delegation led by the KOSGEB President carried out a study visit to Frankfurt, Germany, between June 15 - 17, 2025. The visit aimed to examine international financing opportunities and obtain information about SME support mechanisms.

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Project Team was in Spain for Study Visit within the FOSTER Project!



Within the scope of the FOSTER Project, financed by the European Union, managed by KfW Development Bank, and implemented by KOSGEB, a Delegation composed of the KOSGEB Vice President, Department Head, Managers, and the Project Team Leader conducted a study visit to Madrid, Spain, on November 13-14, 2025.

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