



TÜRKİYE

on its European path

#EUenlargement



Key milestones

- 1995**
Customs Union enters into force
- DECEMBER 1999**
EU candidate country status granted
- DECEMBER 2004**
EU decides to open accession negotiations
- DECEMBER 2013**
Visa liberalisation dialogue launched
- MARCH 2016**
EU-Turkey Statement
- JUNE 2018**
The Council notes that Türkiye's accession negotiations have effectively come to a standstill and no further chapters can be considered for opening or closing
- MARCH 2019**
54th EU-Türkiye Association Council held
- MARCH 2021**
The European Council expresses the EU's readiness to engage with Türkiye in a phased, proportionate and reversible manner to enhance cooperation in a number of areas of common interest
- NOVEMBER 2022**
The first EU-Türkiye High level dialogue on science, research, technology and innovation takes place in Brussels

Source: EU Data



Migration and Border management

- The **EU Facility for Refugees in Turkey** provides **€6 billion** (2016-2019) in support to refugees (mostly from Syria) and host communities. In 2020, an **additional €535 million** in humanitarian funding outside the Facility ensured the continuation of two Facility flagship programmes. **After 2020, we have allocated €3 billion** to ensure the continuation of Facility support



Türkiye investment platform

The recently established **Türkiye investment platform (TIP)** became the main vector for identifying and selecting investment opportunities. This will allow Türkiye to profit from a wide range of budgetary guarantee mechanisms that facilitate public and private investments. This new mechanism will aim to support innovative investments proposed by EU financial institutions in areas that include **decarbonisation, digitalisation, access to finance, innovation and green investments**



We continue our partnership

- Under IPA III, the EU allocates funds focusing on actions aiming at improving the functioning of the Customs Union, climate and environment, energy, transport, agriculture, civil society, employment, competitiveness and the business environment
- In addition to bilateral cooperation, funding for civil society amounts to **€25 million** per year in 2021-2023



Trade & investment

- Türkiye is the EU's 7th largest trading partner and the EU is by far Türkiye's biggest trading partner, representing more than one third of Turkish trade and its main source of investment
- Türkiye's exports to the EU amounted to **€98.68 billion** in 2022 and imports from the EU amounted to **€99.65 billion**
- The EU foreign investment stock to Türkiye was **€44 billion** in 2021



Post-Earthquake Assistance

Right after the 6 February 2023 devastating earthquakes the EU swiftly reacted by deploying humanitarian and relief support as well as hosting an **International Donors' Conference for the people in Türkiye and Syria**. A total of **€7 billion** was pledged, which includes the **€1 billion** pledge of the Commission for the people in Türkiye



Human capital & innovation

- The EU pays special attention to youth, education and innovation
- Türkiye participates in EU programmes such as **Erasmus+**, **Horizon Europe**, the **European Solidarity Corps** and **Digital Europe**
 - In 2004 - 2020: 98,800 higher education students were hosted in countries participating in the ERASMUS+ programme
 - In 2004 - 2020: 32,750 higher education students were hosted in Türkiye
 - In 2014-2020: **€220.5 million** were provided in support to civil society

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