ROLE OF DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES IN POVERTY ALLEVIATION

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ANKARA
• Development Agencies
• Ankara Development Agency
• Ankara Regional Plan
• Support Mechanisms
Development agencies are units established for improving regional development and increasing local capacity. They aim to activate the regional dynamics and increase the collaboration between local actors and central administration.

- Around 20000 development agencies are established in the world while there are about 1600 agencies in Europe.
- 26 Development Agencies operate in Turkey.
- Development Agencies are governmental bodies which are established by law.
• Last development agency established
• Started to operate on July 9, 2010
• Ankara Development Agency is one of the three agencies in Turkey which is responsible for a single city
• **BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** The decision making body comprising of Governor, Mayor, Chair of Province General Assembly, Chair of Chamber of Commerce, Chair of Chamber of Industry and three representatives to be elected by the Development Board.

• **DEVELOPMENT BOARD:** This is a board with 100 members comprising of representatives from public agencies and institutions, private sector, civil society organizations, universities and local administrations. The Board is the advisory body of the Agency.

• **OFFICE OF SECRETARY GENERAL:** As the executive body of the Agency, it works for realizing the targets within the framework of the regional plan. The Office of Secretary General comprises of Secretary General, coordinators, experts and support staff.
• Carrying out regional plan studies
• Providing financial supports to activities and projects that ensure the implementation of regional plans and programs
• Improving the collaboration between public sector, private sector, local administrations and civil society organizations towards realizing the regional development targets
• Ankara Development Agency, has completed preparing 2011-2013 Regional Plan, which will be drawing the route Ankara will follow in the coming years. The regional plan is a strategic document that would guide the governmental bodies, the private sector and the civil society organizations.

“Presenting a high quality of life and competing with the world, the capital of knowledge and innovation: Ankara”
• Section 1: «Living at Ankara»

• Subsection 1.2: Social Integration
  ▪ 1.2.1. Management of Migration
  ▪ 1.2.2. Fight Against Poverty
  ▪ 1.2.3. Social Inclusion

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• 1.2.1. Management of Migration
  ▪ Obj: Transforming migration from an obstacle to an advantage by managing it well.

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• 1.2.2. Fight Against Poverty
  ▪ O: Providing equal opportunity among individuals by fighting against poverty
    ➢ G1: Alternative income and employment opportunities will be developed
    ➢ G2: Application of urban transformation projects sensitive to social exclusion will be supported

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• 1.2.3. Social Inclusion
  ▪ Socially excluded group’s active participation to social, political, economic and cultural life will be provided.

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CALL FOR PROPOSALS:

- Social Development Financial Support Programs
  - In 2010, 4 FSP, 35 million TL grants
  - İzmir Development Agency: 2008, 71 social development projects, 11.7 million TL grants, 28,941 people have been supported in access to mostly skill training services

DIRECT ACTIVITY SUPPORT: for the activities (strategic research, planning and feasibility report) that will contribute to implementation of regional plans and to development of the region

- Ankara Development Agency: 1 million TL grants, for in-depth researchs related to poverty, unemployment, migration, disadvantaged groups in Ankara
Thank You...

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