

# INFORMATION NOTE OF THE COMPETITIVE SECTORS PROGRAMME FOR MEDIA

Competitive Sectors Programme (CSP) is an umbrella programme implemented by our Ministry under Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA) co-financed by the European Union and Republic of Turkey and covers different Operational Programmes of 7 year periods. The programme is basically designed to achieve the goal of increasing our country's adaptation to global competition conditions. Accordingly, different intervention methods are used in areas such as industrial infrastructure, R&D infrastructure, financial instruments, clustering.



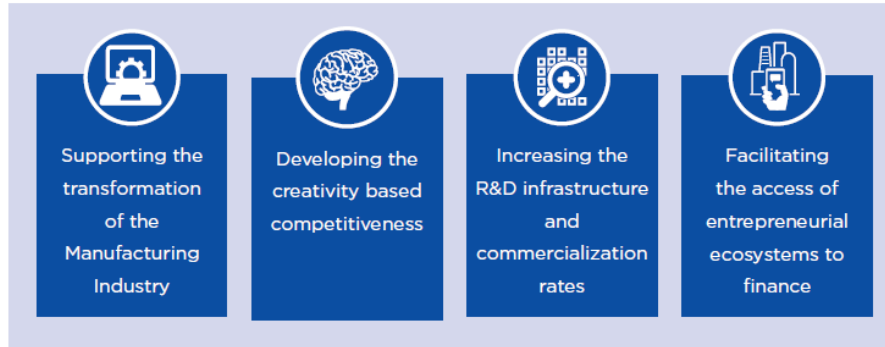
Since SMEs and entrepreneurs constitute the main force of competitiveness, traditional and innovative projects for SMEs and entrepreneurs are supported in these areas.

In the IPA I period covering the years 2007-2013, 46 projects with a total budget of 520 million Euros were carried out with the aim of balancing regional differences in our country and significant outputs were achieved.

RSP 1st Term Results and Outputs	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ 10 business development centers,</li> <li>➤ 9 common use facility for SMEs</li> <li>➤ 3 licensed warehouses and 1 logistics center</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1415 SMEs benefitted</li> <li>• 262 new businesses established</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ 8 centers on R&amp;D and innovation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 323 SMEs benefitted</li> <li>• 328 new R&amp;D jobs</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ 7 tourism attraction center</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• about 1.5 million tourist visits</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ 1 billion Euros credit volume                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ 40 million Euros credit guarantee</li> </ul> </li> <li>➤ 51.7 million Euros of venture capital</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial support to 15,771 SMEs</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ 16 new job clusters</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 500 SMEs benefitted</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Capacity building activities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Direct and free advice to 1305 SMEs</li> <li>• Business and investment plan services to 412 SMEs</li> <li>• 14.071 people are reached through information meetings</li> </ul>

## CSP Targets and Realizations in IPA II Period

While works in IPA II period (2014-2020) take place in five different policy areas in Turkey, our Ministry as the institution responsible for the Competitiveness and Innovation issues, launched the Competitiveness and Innovation Sector Operational Programme (CISOP). The objectives of the second period are summarized as follows:



Competitiveness and Innovation Sector Operational Programme in IPA II period applied to cover all of Turkey and approximately 260 million euros has been allocated to our Ministry for [projects](#) to be supported under the programme. CSP in this period aims helping the transformation of the manufacturing industry by focusing on SMEs and entrepreneurs with high growth rates; to establish a competitive understanding focused on creativity by strengthening the links between the creative industries and the manufacturing industry; increasing both the R&D infrastructure and the commercialization rates by strengthening the cooperation between the public and private sectors; increasing the relationship of the entrepreneur ecosystem with financial markets and to provide the capital needed at an early stage. For more information about the second term, you can visit our [RSP page](#) under the About Us section.