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**BİRLİKTE**  
STGM Kurumsal Hibe Fonu  
"birlikte değişelim"

# MAINSTREAMING GENDER EQUALITY in BİRLİKTE PROGRAMME

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## the agenda:

- BİRLİKTE Programme Structure and its GEM Approach
- GEM during the Selection & Identification of the Programme Beneficiaries
- GEM aspects in Organisational Management Areas in BİRLİKTE Capacity Development Model



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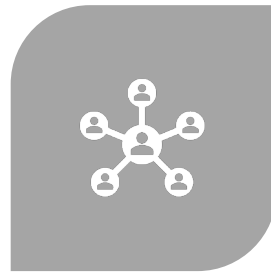


# Support Structure of BİRLİKTE

“support rights-based organisations to become **stronger**, **sustainable** and **effective** agents of civil society”



GENERAL OPERATING  
GRANT  
(AN FSTP MECHANISM)



ORGANISATIONAL  
CAPACITY  
DEVELOPMENT AND  
GENDER EQUALITY  
MAINSTREAMING



BİRLİKTE HUB AND  
COMMUNICATION  
SUPPORTS



MONITORING,  
EVALUATION,  
LEARNING



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### Principles

- Participation
- Value creation
- Transparency
- Accountability
- Sustainability
- Equality & prevention of discrimination

1. Governance and decision making
2. Strategic planning
3. Membership
4. Employees and Volunteers
5. Resources
6. Cooperations and Networking
7. Field of Action /Intervention
8. Communication
9. Digitalisation

## I. Planning and Implementation

# BİRLİKTE Organisational Development Model

## II. Monitoring and Evaluation

10. General Approach and Capacity
11. M&E Planning, Learning from Results
12. Learning from Key Stakeholders: Target Groups & Beneficiaries
13. Learning from Key Stakeholders: Employees and Volunteers

### Stakeholders

- Beneficiaries
- Employees
- Volunteers
- Society,
- Authorities,
- Contractors



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# Why does this matter concern us?

Experience showed the centrality of the gender equality not only in terms of the society, but within the CSOs themselves

Equality is a right, and at the center of other fundamental rights. It is unthinkable for rights-based CSOs to exclude GE.

In terms of the impact of civil society, a policy or programming that does not recognize gender needs, power relations, inequality and discrimination may have only a limited impact.

a democratic structure – a democratic & participatory culture in a CSO -- precondition for the success in the promotion of rights & freedoms



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# Dual Mechanism for GEM in BİRLİKTE

Project/programme  
level

- Planning, delivery, resource use of the operations and outputs
- Monitoring, evaluation, learning
- Communication & stakeholder engagement

the Beneficiary  
Organisations

- Identity, mandate, strategy
- Organisational structures, systems, policies, culture, rules, procedures, relations etc.



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# Identification of Birlikte Beneficiaries

- Current perspectives and practices of the applicant organisations on gender equality as an evaluation criteria
- Guidelines for applicants, evaluation grids and application form revised
- 2 main stages of evaluation: on desk evaluation of application forms, face-to-face interviews with short listed applicants
- Direct questions and criteria for GE
- GE mainstreamed into several sections in the application form and F&F questionnaire



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# Example for additional selection and assessment criteria based on GE

Evaluation of the Grant Application Form	Maximum score (%)
Criteria - Sub-criteria	
<b>1. Eligibility, coherence, relevance</b>	20
1.4 Is the importance and necessity of <b>gender equality mainstreaming</b> clearly defined in relation to the applicant's field of activity and its target group?	5
<b>3. Impact-orientation</b>	20
3.1 Is the problem analysis holistic and consistent with respect to the field of activity? At what level does the problem analysis cover <b>gender relations</b> ?	5





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## Example for additional selection and assessment criteria based on GE

Face-to-face Interview Stage	Maximum score (%)
Criteria - Sub-criteria	
<b>4) Human Rights Based Approach &amp; Gender Equality Perspective</b>	<b>30</b>
4.a. Is there an important acquisition or goals in at least one of the components of the rights- based approaches?	10
4.b. Does the applicant define <b>gender inequality-based issues and needs</b> in terms of its own organisational structure and scope of work?	5
4.c Does the applicant have a motivation for organisational change in the area of <b>gender equality</b> ?	5
4.d Does the applicant have at least one female member in the board of directors?	10



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## Example for mainstreaming GE in existing questions in Grant Application Form

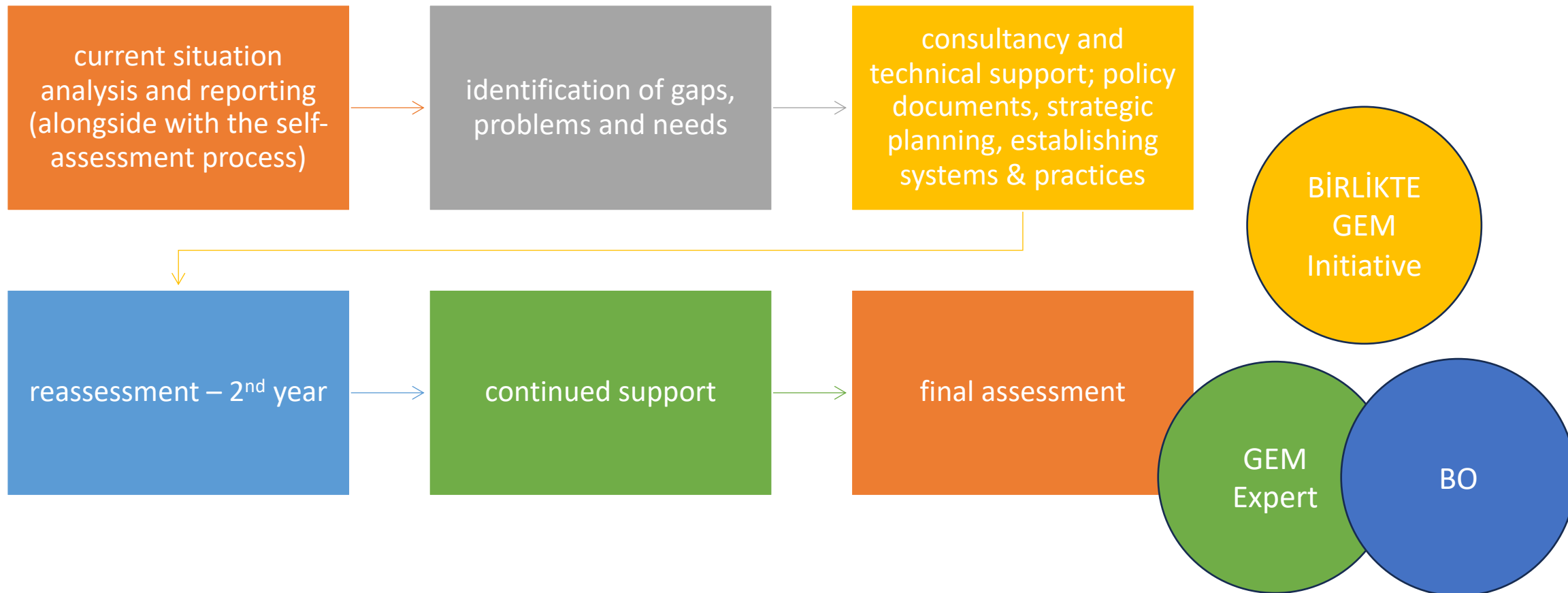
- 3.3. What type of activities are you implementing to strengthen the status of the right holders (your target group) in line with your goals of change? (What type of support are you providing? What type of deliverables (tools, resources, new methods, services, etc.) are you providing? In your response to this question, **please also describe actions aimed at addressing gender inequities, if any.**)



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# Mentorship for GEM - the process





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# MAIN MANAGEMENT AREAS



GOVERNANCE &  
DECISION MAKING



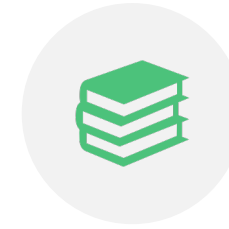
STRATEGIC  
PLANNING



MEMBERSHIP,  
EMPLOYEES AND  
VOLUNTEERS



COOPERATIONS AND  
NETWORKS



RESOURCES



FIELD OF ACTION /  
INTERVENTION



COMMUNICATION,  
DIGITALISATION



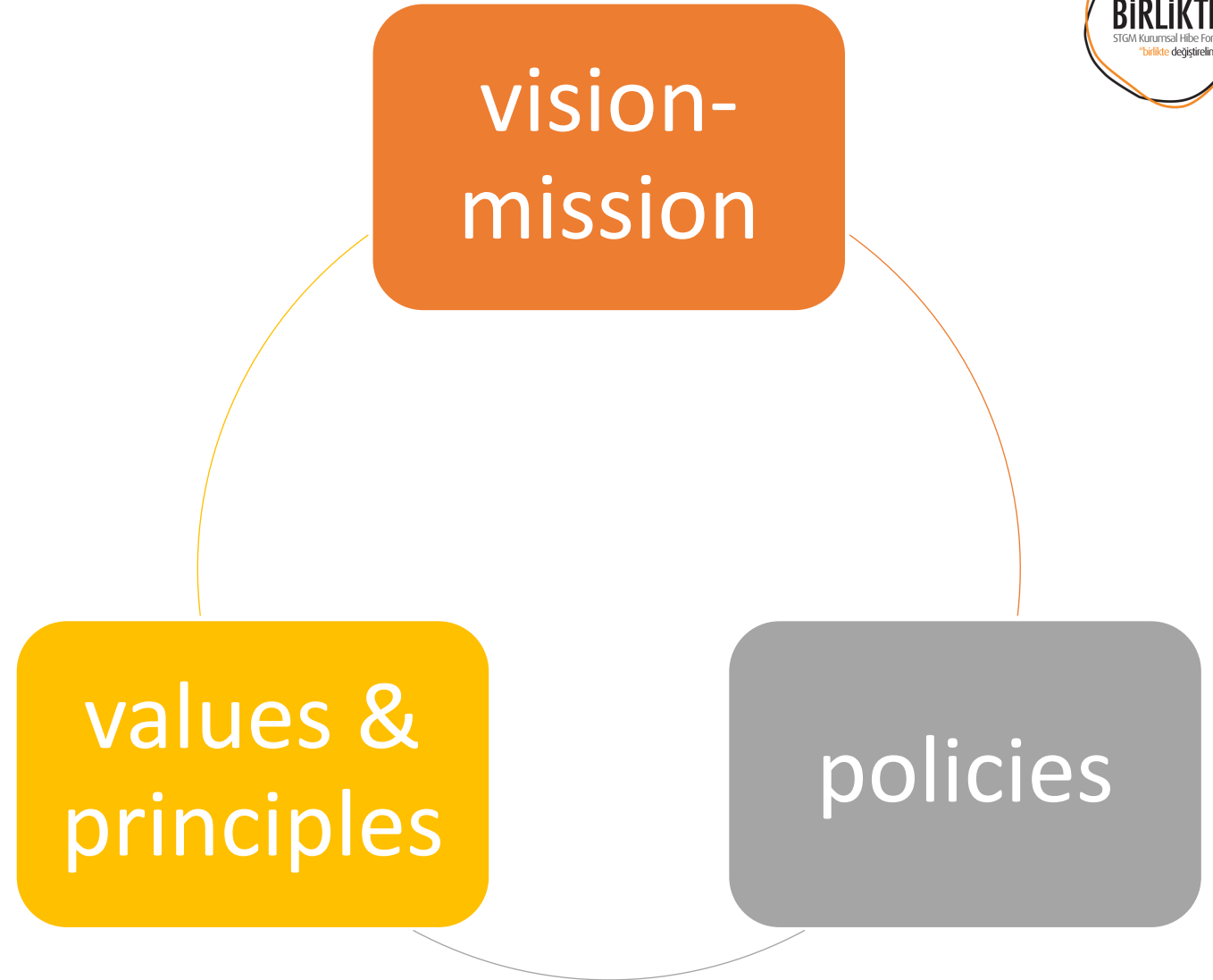
MONITORING &  
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# the foundations of the Organisation



# Governance and Decision Making

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Who

Where

With  
Whom

How

When

What

Which

To Whom

# Strategic Planning

involvement of GE in all stages of the process

looking into  
existing strategies  
and goals

defining new  
specific strategies  
and goals

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# Membership

- Profile – gender distribution, inclusiveness
- Existence of activities to strengthen members' awareness of GE
- Gender distribution of members' participation in organizational activities, facilitating practices in terms of GE to increase members' participation
- Disaggregation of member feedback by gender



# Employees and Volunteers

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Profile (intersectionality)

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Inclusion

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Division of labour

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Remuneration, rights, benefits

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Working conditions (physical conditions, facilities)

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GEM perspective

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GEM needs (facilitative, transformative)

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Orientation

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Visibility

# Cooperation, networks

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Cooperation with individuals, organizations and platforms working in the field of GE at local, national and international level

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Framework of cooperation

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Achievements of collaborations (policy, reflection in practice)

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Analysis for cooperation



# Resources

How and with whom resources are planned

How resources are distributed and used

Who is in control of resources

Whether they are used for GEM and for the empowerment of women and LGBTI+ persons

Whether gender needs and included in gender planning

# Field of Action / Intervention

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Gender analysis

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Inclusion of gender equality in policies and practices and specific targets

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Incorporating in the policy-making process the knowledge and experience of other CSOs that are working in the area of gender

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Gender impact assessment

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Capacity strengthening activities



# Communication

## Incorporating GE into the communication strategy

- Target group
- Means and methods
- Content (written, visual, audio)
- Language
- Timing
- Location



# Digitalisation

- Regular monitoring of whether there is gender inequality in access to digital tools and information on digital space in the organization
- Sex-disaggregated data in digital environment
- Protecting sensitive data on gender-related issues in the digital space
- Gender diversity in participation in trainings on digital capacity building
- Work on gender-based digital violence, risks and prevention
- Positive discrimination based on gender equality in the procurement of goods and services based



# Monitoring & Evaluation

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- Data disaggregation by gender
- Setting specific indicators for GE
- Analysis of results in terms of GE, reporting, dissemination
- Building internal capacity, gender responsive data collection, analysis, reporting training

# Thank You!

