



MoU signed by Global Good, TÜBİTAK and Technology Bank for Least Developed Countries in Gebze, Turkey

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At the inauguration of the Technology Bank in Gebze, Turkey, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK), the Global Good Fund and the Technology Bank to promote access to technologies and increase sciences, technology and innovation capacity for Least Developed Countries (LDCs).

This is the first partnership agreement for the new United Nations body. It is a true example of partnership between all stakeholders of the Technology Bank working to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals for LDCs.

Ms. Heidi Schroderus-Fox, the Acting Managing Director for the Technology Bank, stressed the importance of this MoU, saying “This framework will accelerate technology development for low-resource settings, and cooperation to develop awareness and educational tools for the promotion of global technology access”.

“The MoU is a sign of strong commitment by the Government of Turkey and Global Good to explore possibilities of partnership with the LDCs through the work of the Technology Bank”, said Dr. Orkun Hasekioğlu, the Acting (Vice) President of TÜBİTAK.

“The tragedy is that too many people in LDCs needlessly suffer and die each year from causes that science and technology can solve. Global Good is committed to making accessible the innovation needed to change this story”, said Mr. Guy Ellis, Vice President of Global Good.

TÜBİTAK is the coordinating agency for management, funding and conduct of research in Turkey. It acts as an advisory agency to the Turkish Government on science and research issues, and is the secretariat of the Supreme Council for Science and Technology (SCST), the highest science and technology policy making body in Turkey.

Global Good is dedicated to inventing technology for humanitarian impact. Funded by Bill Gates and focused on a shared vision with Nathan Myhrvold, Global Good invents technology to solve some of humanity's most daunting problems. Global Good does this by collaborating with leading humanitarian organizations, forward-looking governments, research institutions, and corporate and private sector partners that bring our inventions to market.

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