**Assessment of the Contribution to the Turkish Economy by Syrians under Temporary Protection**

**ECOIMPACT PROJECT**

CROSS-CUTTING 2022

Executive Summary

“Assessment of the Contribution to the Turkish Economy by Syrians under Temporary Protection (ECOIMPACT)” project is aimed to contribute to the evidence-based migration policy development as well as to further strengthen socio-economic inclusion in Turkey through analysing the economic impact of SuTPs on Turkish economy.

The project is being funded by Switzerland for the period of 01 June 2022 – 31 October 2022. Counterpart in Turkey is the Presidency of Migration Management (PMM).

Current Context

Syrian influx has brought many challenges to Turkey from social, economic, security and political dimensions. Since the beginning of the crisis, there have been many studies about the conditions of the SuTPs, their needs and contributions to the host communities. Although migration management system has been rapidly established in Turkey, the development perspective with a focus on long term harmonization prospects of SuTPs has not yet been fully formulated. An important challenge for policy-makers is now understanding the social, economic and administrative impacts of the current migration situation on communities, institutions and priority sectors in order to enable a nurturing environment where the socio-economic integration of SuTPs is possible through strengthened access to certain employment opportunities in line with Turkey’s development objectives.

In Turkey, SuTPs have been employed in different sectors, Syrian-owned business initiatives have been expanding, and consumption rate of SuTPs have been generating increased market demand. All of which are generally considered as contributions to job creation international trade as well as regional and national economic growth. However, there is no systematic research verifying these assumptions regarding the economic impact of SuTPs in Turkey. The economic implications of the long-term presence of SuTPs in Turkey is often overlooked in the migration management scene of Turkey. As a result, there is a growing need for an in-depth analysis in order to design data-driven policies and ensure development perspective in migration management.

Objectives

The overall objective of the ECOIMPACT project is to contribute to the evidence-based migration policy development as well as to further enable socio-economic inclusion in Turkey through analysing the economic impact of SuTPs on the Turkish economy.

The specific objectives of the project are to:

1. Support the evidence-based policy development through research and analysis of the economic impact of SuTPs
2. Strengthen institutional capacities through improving institutional knowledge on employability, consumption, production as well as investment capacities of SuTPs
3. Support the development of evidence-based policy recommendations to increase SuTPs’ economic integration and contribution to Turkish economy

Beneficiaries

The beneficiary of the ECOIMPACT project is the Presidency of Migration Management (PMM).

Project Duration

The ECOIMPACT project is running for the duration of 4 months from 01 June 2022 to 31 October 2022.