



# ACTIVITIES OF TURKISH HEALTHY CITIES NETWORK

**RUSSIAN AND TURKISH HEALTHY CITIES NETWORKS MEETING**  
**“Healthy Cities For a Healthy Future”**  
**20 October 2021 (Online)**

**Murat Ar**

*Director and NN Coordinator of Turkish Healthy Cities Network,  
Member of WHO European Healthy Cities Network Advisory Committee (2018-to date)*

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## Structure and overview of the network

- Turkish Healthy Cities Association (THCA) has been established in 2005.
- There were 10 municipalities during the first establishment meeting.
- Structure: Union of Municipalities (Public Institution)
- Affiliated to Ministry of Environment and Urbanization
- Secretary is in Bursa



**TÜRKİYE SAĞLIKLI KENTLER BİRLİĞİ**

ANA SAYFA KURUMSAL BİLGİ MERKEZİ COVID-19 ÜYELERİMİZ HABERLER İNTERAKTİF İLETİŞİM

**SANDIKLI KONFERANSI 2030 SÜRDÜRÜLEBİLİR KALKINMA AMAÇLARI**  
25-27 EKİM 2019

**Özellikler** **Tümünü Göster**

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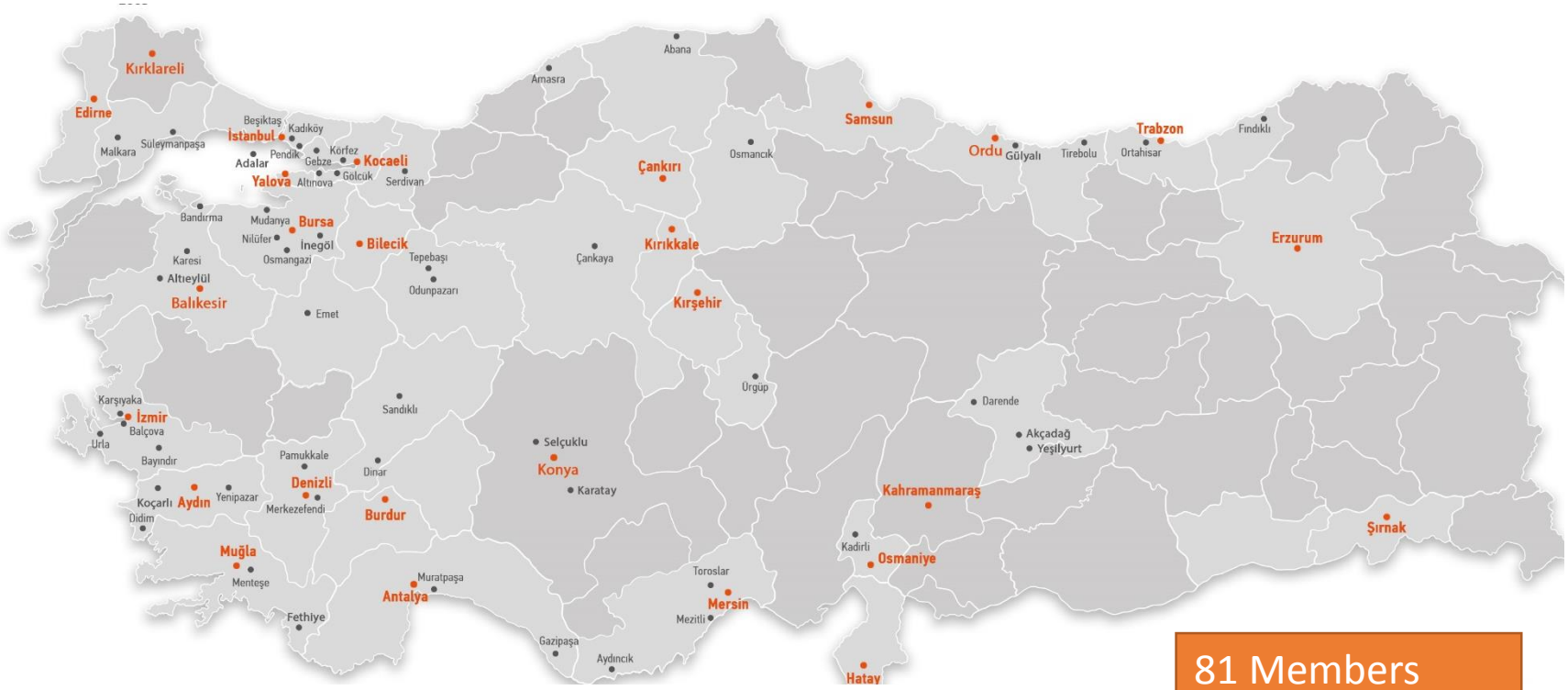
**SKB Haberleri** **Tümünü Göster**

**Sağlıklı Kentler Birliği Karşıyaka'da Toplandı**

**Büyükşehir'den Can Dostlarına Modern Yuva**

**Ekim Ayı Encümen Toplantısı Karşıyaka'da Gerçekleştirildi**

**Karşıyaka'nın İkinci 'Güneş Tarlası' Tamamlandı**



Population Coverage:  
43 million (53%)

**Members,  
population  
coverage**

Metropolitan Municipalities	17
Provincial Municipalities	10
Metropolitan Sub-provincial Municipalities	43
Sub-provincial Municipalities	11



- To accept WHO Healthy Cities Declarations,
- To pioneer good practice examples,
- To designate 2 to 4 council members to participate in THCA council meetings,
- To designate coordinators and provide establishing Healthy Cities Project Office,
- To prepare City Health Profile,
- To participate at the meetings and answer the surveys sent by THCA

**Population between:**

Less 100.000 (2 council members)

100.000 – 1.000.000 (3 council members)

1.000.000 – more (4 council members)

**Mr. Alinur Aktaş**

Mayor of Bursa Metropolitan Municipality

Chairperson of THCA



Council

Chairperson

Board

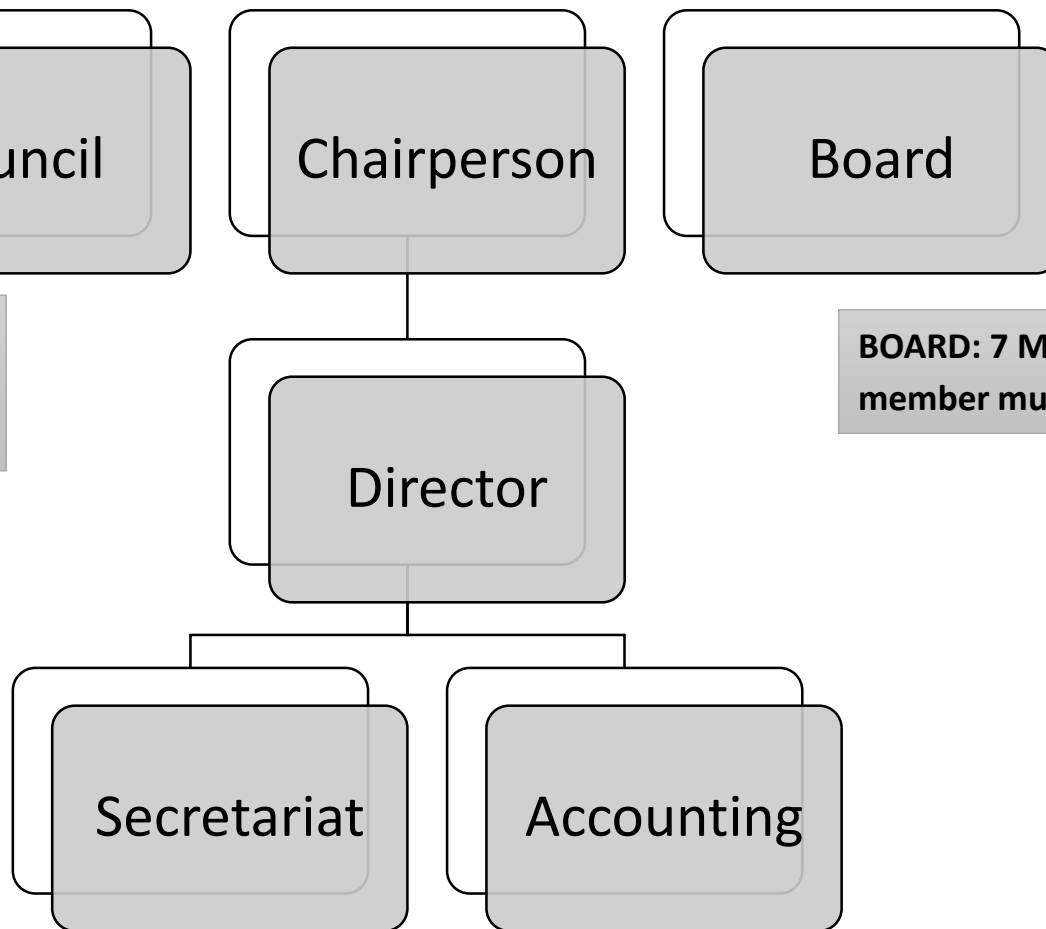
**COUNCIL : 2 to 4 politicians  
from each member,  
228 totally**

**BOARD: 7 Mayors from  
member municipalities**

Director

Secretariat

Accounting



## Advisory Committee Members

### Turkish Healthy Cities Network

#### ❑ Erdem SAKER

Former Mayor of Bursa Metropolitan Municipality

#### ❑ Prof. Atilla AKKOYUNLU

Boğaziçi University, Faculty of Engineering, Department of **Civil Engineering**

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Bandırma Onyedi Eylül University, Dean of Maritime Faculty, Head of The Department of **Water Resources Management**

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Bursa Uludağ University, Faculty of Engineering, Head of the Department of **Environmental Engineering**

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Eskişehir Technical University, Science Faculty, Head of the Department of **Ecology**

#### ❑ Prof. Emine Didem EVCİ KIRAZ

Aydın Adnan Menderes University, Head Of The Department Of **Environmental Health**, Medical Faculty Department Of **Public Health** Lecturer

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Bursa Uludağ University, Faculty of Architecture, Head of the Department of **Architecture**

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Bilecik Şeyh Edebali University Faculty of Fine Arts and Design Head of Department of **Industrial Design**

#### ❑ Prof. Gül SAYAN ATANUR

Bursa Technical University, Faculty of Forestry, Head of the Department of **Landscape Architecture**

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Bursa Uludağ University, Medical Faculty, Department of **Public Health** (Retired)

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### MISSION

To maximize health in all policies among member municipalities within the framework of local government principles.

### VISION

To contribute to the development of capacities of cities by using the strategies for creating a sustainable urban environment that focuses on health.

With the slogan of “Sustainable Development” and “Creating Sustainable Cities”, THCA brought together the member municipalities by organizing trainings, workshops, symposia, conferences, international congresses, competitions, award ceremonies and awareness activities on all urban and environmental issues that concern urban health. Knowledge and social awareness were sought to be created with the accumulations and results obtained through printed and visual publications.

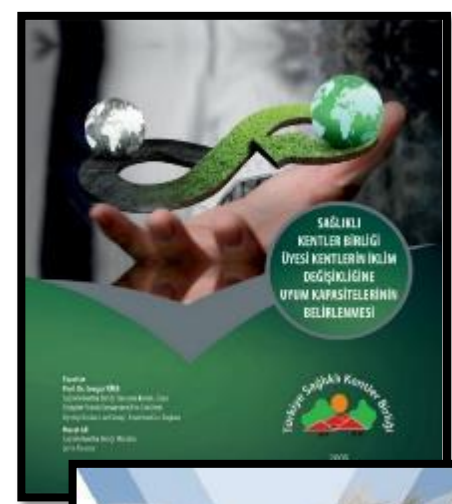
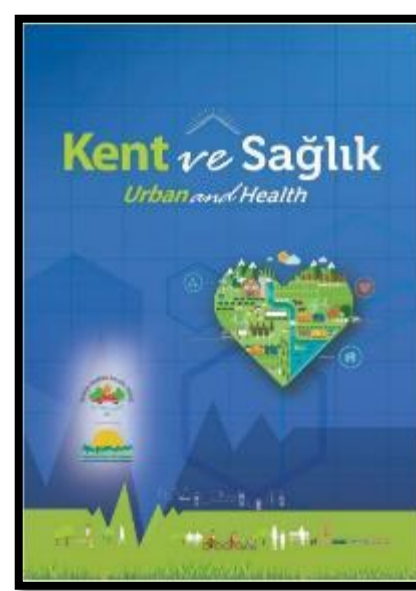
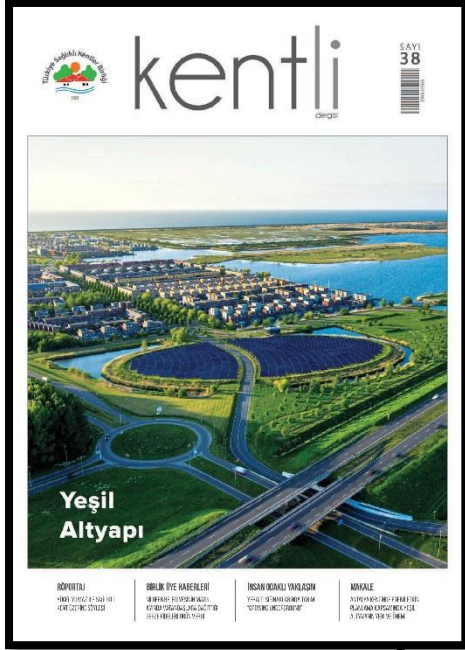
### Responsibilities and Service Areas Against Member Municipalities

The main topics that make up the areas of activity of our Association are:

- National and international representation
- Helping the development of dialogue and cooperation between the WHO European Healthy Cities Network and its member municipalities.
- Printed and visual publications
- Organizing education, seminars, panels, workshops, contests, award ceremonies, conferences and national and international congresses on municipalities and urban health issues
- Information and technical support meetings
- Consultancy to city health profile, city health development plan and urban carbon footprint inventory preparations
- Supporting or organizing scientific, sports, educational and cultural activities
- Partnership for grant projects
- Support to researches regarding urban health topics

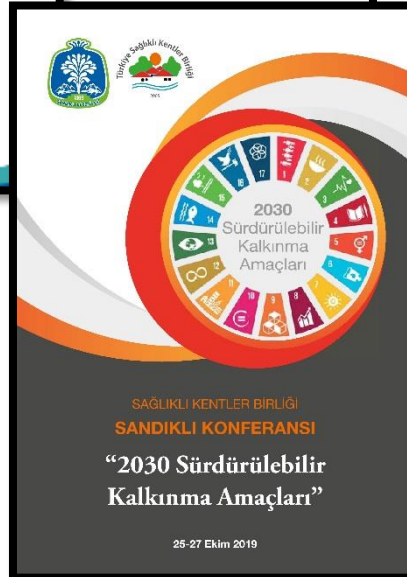


# PUBLICATIONS



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KLİM





## CONFERENCES&TRAININGS



Urban and Health Congress



Symposium on Street Animals



Place Standard Workshop



Training On Urban Health Development Plan



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Urban and Health Congress



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Place Standard Workshop



Training On Urban Health Development Plan



**JURY MEETING  
8 SEPTEMBER 2021**

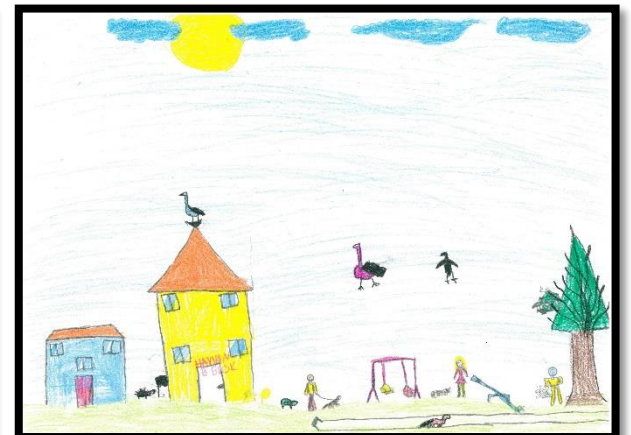
**CATEGORIES:  
SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY,  
HEALTHY LIFE, HEALTHY  
ENVIRONMENT AND CITY  
PLANNING**

**HEALTHY  
CITIES BEST  
PRACTICES**





# ANIMALS WE LIVE TOGETHER





# Biking To School-2019



Istanbul



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K. Maraş



Denizli



Bilecik



Osmaniye



Adalar



Bandırma



Dinar



Merkezefendi



Süleymanpaşa



Ürgüp





Now We Move  
Bursa-Denizli

## BIKING ORGANIZATIONS



Physical Activity and Active Life  
Bursa-Balıkesir



Bağımlılığa Hayır  
Bursa-Gebze

# Cooperation with Government and Local Authorities



**Member  
Municipalities**



**Ministry of Health**

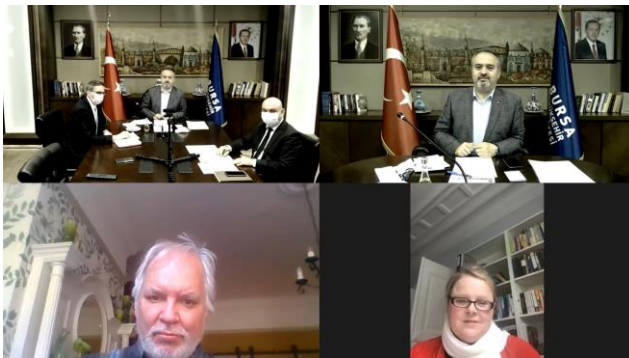


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## WHO European Healthy Cities Network



WHO Healthy Cities is a global movement working to put health high on the social, economic and political agenda of city governments.

For 30 years the WHO European Healthy Cities Network has brought together some 100 flagship cities and approximately 30 national networks.

The flagship cities interact directly with WHO/Europe, while the national networks bring together cities in a given Member State. In both cases WHO provides political, strategic and technical support as well as capacity-building.

Together the flagship cities and national networks cover some 1400 municipalities.

Their shared goal is to engage local governments in political commitment, institutional change, capacity-building, partnership-based planning and innovation.

### 30 years of Healthy Cities

In 2018, the network celebrates its 30th year across the whole European Region, kicking off with the Summit of Mayors and building up to the International Healthy Cities Conference in Belfast in October.

For 3 decades the Healthy Cities movement has been a pioneering driver of change, creating healthier urban settings that support the health and well-being of the people that use them. It has also inspired Healthy Cities networks to blossom in all other WHO regions creating a global push for healthy cities.

The network will celebrate the past 30 years with an eye on the future, recognizing that cities are playing a critical role socially, culturally and politically.

Within a complex world of multiple tiers of government, numerous sectors working towards similar goals, and many stakeholders involved in the pursuit of health and well-being, cities are uniquely placed to provide leadership.

Global problems are being dealt with at a local level. The Healthy Cities vision acknowledges this.

[What is a healthy city?](#)  
[Healthy Cities approach](#)

[Become a member](#)



Videos from the WHO European Healthy Cities Network Summit of Mayors 2018



### Tweets by @WHO\_Europe\_HCN

 HealthyCitiesNetwork  
Retweeted

 **EUPHA**  
@EUPHAct

Starting soon (10:00 CET), webinar by  
@WHO\_Europe\_HCN  
to kick off today's theme 🎯

With @asanhielen Dineke Zeegers,  
Nino Berdzuli @WHO\_Europe  
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**IMPLEMENTATION FRAMEWORK FOR  
PHASE VII (2019–2024)  
OF THE WHO EUROPEAN HEALTHY CITIES NETWORK:  
GOALS, REQUIREMENTS AND STRATEGIC APPROACHES**  
  
FINAL



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NİHAİ



# **National Network Applying for Phase 7 Membership of the WHO European Healthy Cities Network:**

## **Turkish Healthy Cities Association**

### **Applicants for Phase 7 Membership of the WHO European Healthy Cities Network (Quota 15):**

#### **Designated:**

1. Bursa
2. Burdur
3. Ankara/Çankaya
4. İstanbul/Kadıköy
5. İzmir
6. Trabzon
7. İzmir/Karşıyaka

#### **Application Process Continue:**

1. Denizli
2. Eskişehir/Tepebaşı
3. Mersin/Mezitli
4. Yalova
5. Bursa/Nilüfer
6. Kocaeli/Gölcük
7. İzmir/Balçova
8. Karatay / Konya





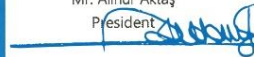
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**Turkish Healthy Cities Association**

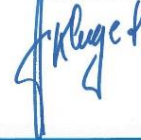
has met the standards for accreditation  
as a member of the World Health  
Organization European Healthy Cities  
Network for Phase VII (2019-2025)

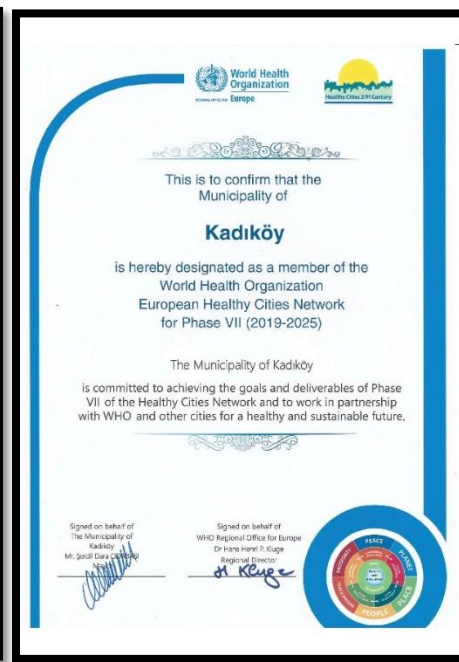
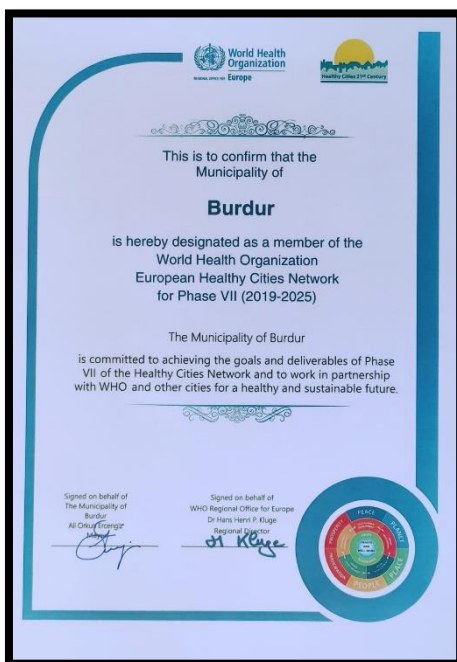
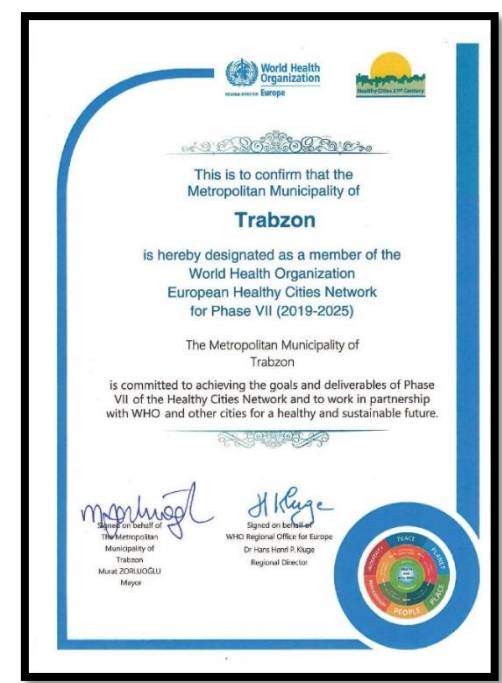


Signed on behalf of  
Turkish Healthy Cities  
Association  
Mr. Alinur Aktaş  
President



Signed on behalf of  
WHO Regional Office for Europe  
Dr Hans Henri P. Kluge  
Regional Director







WHO European Healthy Cities Network –  
Phase VII

4 March 2021

**Members of the Scientific Committee**

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## WHO/Europe announces committee of political leaders to advise on emerging issues for healthy cities



19-05-2021

Cities are the level of government that are closest to the people and therefore uniquely placed to provide leadership to promote the health and well-being of their communities.

As part of the WHO European Programme of Work 2020–2025 and Phase VII (2019–2024) of the WHO European Healthy Cities Network, Dr Hans Henri P. Kluge, WHO Regional Director for Europe, has appointed a committee of political leaders to advise WHO/Europe on emerging issues of political significance to the healthy cities work in the WHO European Region.

The following are members of the Political Committee:

- **Alinur Aktas**, Mayor of Bursa, President of the Turkish Healthy Cities Association;
- **Irim Ali**, Cabinet Member, Newcastle, United Kingdom, representing the United Kingdom Healthy Cities Network;
- **Lene W. Conradi**, Mayor of Asker, Norway, representing the Norwegian Healthy Cities Network;
- **Daniel de la Rosa Villahoz**, Mayor of Burgos, Spain, representing the Spanish Healthy Cities Network;
- **Eelco Eerenberg**, Vice Mayor, Utrecht, Netherlands;
- **Dagur B. Eggertsson**, Mayor, Reykjavik, Iceland;
- **Tony Fitzgerald**, Councillor, Cork, Ireland, representing the Irish Healthy Cities Network;
- **Petr Hladik**, First Deputy Mayor, Brno, Czechia;
- **Kristin Kaufmann**, Mayor, Dresden, Germany;
- **Oleg Kuvshinnikov**, Governor, Vologda Region, Russian Federation and Chair, Russian Healthy Cities Association;
- **Andreas Leotsakos**, Vice Governor, Attica Region, Greece, representing the Hellenic Healthy Cities Network;
- **Yannick Nadesan**, Councillor, Rennes, France, representing the French Healthy Cities Network;
- **Arturas Razbadauskas**, Councillor, Klaipeda, Lithuania;
- **Frida Trollmyr**, Deputy Mayor, Malmö, Sweden, representing the Swedish Healthy Cities Network;
- **Sanna Vesikansa**, Deputy Mayor, Helsinki, Finland;
- **Adam Wieczorek**, Deputy Mayor, Lodz, Poland.

Membership of the Political Committee is for the duration of Phase VII of the WHO European Healthy Cities Network, and the makeup of the Committee will expand gradually to represent the entire European Region. Members can be mayors or local politicians or representatives of national networks responsible for healthy cities.

### WHO European Healthy Cities Network

The WHO European Healthy Cities Network was launched in 1988 as a political and intersectoral initiative to be implemented through direct collaboration with cities. It is now a leading political and strategic vehicle for promoting whole-of-government and whole-of-society approaches to health equity and sustainable development at the city level within the European Region.





**WHO European Healthy Cities Networks Phase V (2009-2013)**  
**Fourth Annual Business and Technical Conference**  
**St. Petersburg, Russian Federation, 14-16 June 2012**



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