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<p>Established in 1984, the Department of City and Regional Planning at Gazi University is the sixth and one of the largest schools of planning in Turkey. The Department has played a key role in planning education and in the development of urban research in Turkey. This project team that as been established in order to make social and spatial researches, consists of City Planners, Architects, Statistician, Demographer, Specialist in GIS and Economist. The areas of specialization are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Urban renewal</li> <li>• Socio-spatial analysis of the city</li> <li>• Urban crime and safe city planning</li> <li>• Urban geography</li> <li>• Migration and demography</li> <li>• Ethnicity and social cohesion</li> <li>• Project management</li> <li>• Business administration and socio-economics</li> <li>• Urban housing problems</li> <li>• Social structure-housing</li> <li>• Traditional housing</li> <li>• Statistical analysis and evaluation techniques</li> <li>• GIS</li> </ul>			
Project Implementation			
<b>Project title</b>	<b>year</b>	<b>Funding body</b>	
Evaluation of Social Solidarity Networks in Urban Regeneration: Edirne	2005	TUBİTAK (The Scientific and Technical Research Council of Turkey)	
Evaluation of Social Solidarity Networks in Urban Regeneration: Edirne/Menzilahir	2005	Gazi University Scientific Research Project	
Effects of Foreign Retirees' Property Ownership Patterns on Coastal Areas: Fethiye	2006	Gazi University Scientific Research Project	
<b>Publications</b>	<b>year</b>	<b>Journal/Conference/Seminar/Congress</b>	

Dündar, Ö., "Models of Urban Transformation"	2001	Cities, vol: 18/6, pp: 391-401
Dündar, Ö., "The Dikmen Valley Squatter Housing Renewal Project in Ankara"	1999	Ekistics, vol:63, no:376/377/378, January/February, March/April, May/June 1996, pp:116-126.
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Gültekin, N., Dündar, Ö., Büyükgöçmen, A., Özcan, Z., 2000, "Useability Criterion in Traditional Urban Fabric: Talas/Turkey	2000	ENHR'2000 Congress
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## **Project Description**

### **EVALUATION OF SOCIAL SOLIDARITY NETWORKS WITHIN THE PROCESS OF URBAN REGENERATION IN ROMA NEIGHBORHOODS**

Globalization and its dynamics not only restructure the economic and political spaces based on city-regions rather than nation-states but support differences and identity formations within the perspective of postmodern culture definitions. Occasionally, social stratification and concentration based on class and ethnic identities are seen not as an obstacle to development but as an important effect in the creation of new governance systems.

At the other end of the spectrum while urban regeneration is used as an important tool for the restructuring of cities to become powerful in intraurban competition, partnerships of different groups within the society are upported as the key elements of integration for the achievement of regeneration not only on physical space but on social and economic spaces as well. Within this perspective, current discussions on urban regeneration are centered around an integrated approach that will achieve transformation on space with the help of community initiatives which were destroyed since 1950s, to be recreated to become an effective power.

The approach that has generally been implemented in squatter housing and slum areas that are subject to regeneration in Turkey, is redevelopment to be shaped with public-private partnerships but recent experiences prove the fact that this approach can not create successful results neither in economic nor in social perspectives. Thus approaching regeneration within its economic and social dimensions, investigating the ways of participation/integrating to the society together with spatial upgrading, creating environments in order to achieve social unification, the possibility of using social solidarity networks as a trigger-effect in regeneration, in other words the possibility of using self-originality as a potential rather than an obstacle, as a result, recreation of community initiative to become an effective power in regeneration, are the research subjects of this project.

The case study areas are Roma neighborhoods. The reason of choice can be expalined as follows: Most Roma neighborhoods are deteriorated urban areas subject to regeneration. Secondly, they are populated with low-income groups subject to exclusion especially in economic space. Thirdly, social solidarity networks are very powerful in Roma population. This research project investigates whether these networks can be used as a trigger-effect to achieve a successful regeneration process that will bring an integrated approach in their physical, social and economic lives. Conclusively the research aims to reach to a new theory for the better achievement of urban regeneration.

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#### **Instruments:**

- Collaborative Research Projects (CP)

	Large scale integrating projects
•	Small or medium scale focused projects
	Network of Excellence (NoE)
•	Coordination and Support Action (CSA)
	Specific Project for SMEs

Partner Sought	
consultancy	training organisation
industry	• education
• research	• non-commercial
other(specify) NGO/Voluntary Organisation	
<b>Expertise required:</b> Economic, spatial, sociology and social research	

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