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Turkey is a strategic country that acts as a bridge between Asia and Europe. Dec. It is an important regional actor with its rich history, cultural diversity and growing economy. with a population of 84 million, Turkey has a young and dynamic society structure. The country has carried out significant reforms in healthcare, education and infrastructure in recent years. Turkey's economic structure is growing with the diversification of industry, agriculture and service sectors. Although the economic development and digitalization processes are continuing rapidly, Turkey's social and economic policies are being shaped in order to ensure that all its citizens have equal rights. Within this framework, the integration of individuals with disabilities into society is one of the important agendas in the social policies of the country.

The integration of persons with disabilities into society is an important issue that has been discussed on a global scale for many years and is being addressed by the United Nations on various platforms. The United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) provides a global framework for ensuring that these individuals live with equal rights. By signing this agreement in 2009, Turkey has undertaken obligations towards the full integration of disabled individuals into society. However, the challenges faced by people with disabilities still remain, especially in the areas of education, employment and physical access. The policies implemented by Turkey to ensure more effective participation of people with disabilities in social life can be taken as an example worldwide, but developments in this area may be slow from time to time. In this context, Turkey's role in defending the rights of people with disabilities has the potential to create a regional and global impact.

Turkey has a strong legal infrastructure for the integration of people with disabilities into society and is taking serious steps to protect the rights of people with disabilities. Turkey has guaranteed the basic rights of persons with disabilities such as education, health and employment with the Law on Persons with Disabilities enacted in 2005. However, the problems encountered during the implementation phase of these laws prevent the full integration of disabled individuals into society. Turkey should develop projects aimed at improving the quality of life of people with disabilities by cooperating with the UN and other international organizations. At this point, it is necessary to increase accessibility in public services, encourage the participation of people with disabilities in the workforce and raise social awareness. We think that in order to solve this problem, the UN should first provide support by offering educational programs and financial resources in coordination with member states. In this process, Turkey will carry forward the social integration of people with disabilities further by cooperating with the UN and other states.

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