# **ISTANBUL**

Population: 15.907.951 30 m Altitude:







## **Proje Details**

School Name: Gungoren Vocational

Training Centre

Project Name: Decorative

Transformation



## Purpose

We aimed to produce new materials by upcycling from materials that are seen as idle or waste. In this way, we wanted to draw attention to the problem of overconsumption.

# Target Audience

The target audience of our project consists of the students in our school and their families, the teachers and administrators in our school, the master trainers in the businesses we cooperated with, and all the beings around us affected by waste, especially plastic and metal.

**200** apprentice students, 3 teachers, 35 master trainers, and 20 parent-teacher association members worked for the project;



- **820** people were included in awareness-raising activities,
- 40 pieces of metal industry wastes were used,
- 35 pieces of plastic wastes were used,
- 41 pieces of idle materials such as mirrors, glass, paper, wood etc. were transformed,
- 116 pieces of decorative works were produced.

### **Collabrations**

**Fatih Auto Authorized Service** 

1 Person

**Asiller Auto Service** 

1 Person

**Yildirim Auto Special Care Service** 

2 Persons

Our team researched examples of decorative works and discussed the options that can be produced.



The students who wanted to contribute to the activity decided what kind of decorative work they wanted to do within the framework of their own taste and skill. With the support of businesses and family members, we collected idle or waste materials for these decorative works.



We designed decorative products from idle or waste materials and produced them together.



We introduced the decorative products produced to 670 students and 150 visitors by organizing an exhibition in our school.



We gifted handmade decorative products, which are examples of upcycling, to our friends and families, and strengthened our gifting muscles without expecting anything in return.

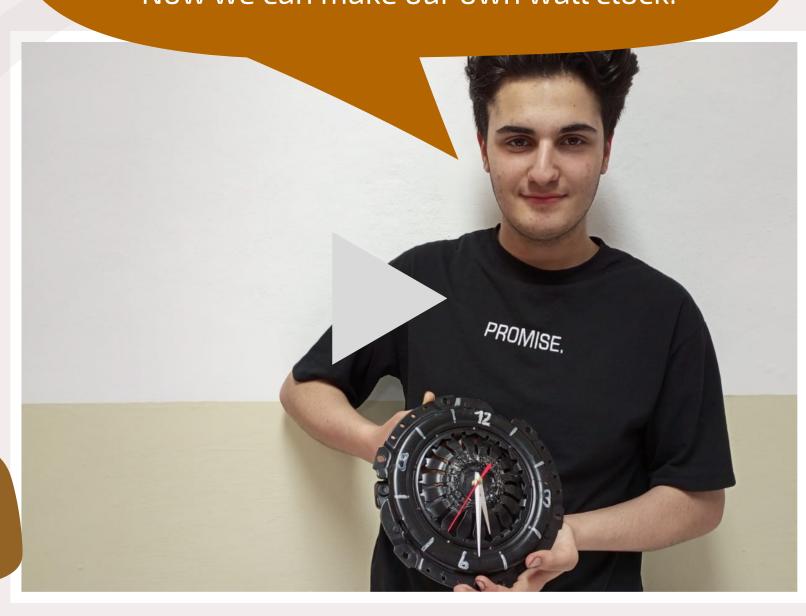


### What do beneficiaries and practitioners think about the project?



Our families loved the glass coffee table we made from old car wheels for our school. They want us to make a glass coffee table for our house. This shows us that our project is successful.

My mother asked me to make a wall clock, I did it. Now we can make our own wall clock.



#### Recommendations for implementing and improving the project

- Conducting critical thinking activities that question unnecessary and excessive consumption behaviour Including visuals describing the ecological consequences of waste in schools
- Carrying out "reduction" awareness activities in order not to produce waste
- Addressing upcycling issues in lessons
- Raising awareness among businesses about waste and upcycling
- Collaboration among all apprenticeship training pa around the issue of waste







