1. Introduction

1.1 - State Party
Comment
Turkey

1.2 - Date of ratification of the World Heritage Convention
Comment
March 16th, 1983

1.3 - Entities involved in the preparation of Section I of the Periodic Reporting

Governmental institutions responsible for cultural and natural heritage
UNESCO National Commission
ICOMOS national / regional

1.4 - Primary government authorities responsible for the implementation of the Convention
Comment
Ministry of Culture and Tourism, General Directorate of Cultural Heritage and Museums

1.5 - Other key institutions responsible

- Osman IYIMAYA
  General Director for Conservation of Natural Heritage
  Ministry of Environment and Urbanisation, General Directorate of Conservation of Natural Heritage
  Domain: Natural

- Ahmet OZYANIK
  General Director for Nature Conservation and National Parks
  Ministry of Forest and Water Affairs, General Directorate of Nature Conservation and National Parks
  Domain: Natural

1.6 - Comments

2. Inventories / lists / registers for cultural and natural heritage

2.1 - Cultural Heritage (Level and Status)

National	Process completed or continually updated
Regional / provincial / state	Not applicable
Local	Not applicable
Other (please provide details in 2.7)	Not applicable

2.2 - Natural Heritage (Level and Status)

National	Process commenced
Regional / provincial / state	Not applicable
Local	Process commenced
Other (please provide details in 2.7)	Not applicable

2.3 - Are inventories/lists/registers adequate to capture the diversity of cultural and natural heritage in the State Party?
Inventories / lists / registers capture the full diversity of cultural and natural heritage.

2.4 - Are inventories / lists / registers used to protect the identified <u>cultural</u> heritage?
Inventories / lists / registers are frequently used for the protection of cultural heritage.

2.5 - Are inventories / lists / registers used to protect the identified <u>natural</u> heritage?
Inventories / lists / registers are sometimes used for the protection of natural heritage.

2.6 - Are inventories / lists / registers used for the identification of properties for the Tentative List?
Inventories / lists / registers are frequently used for the identification of potential World Heritage Properties.

2.7 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to inventories / lists / registers of cultural and natural heritage (questions 2.1 to 2.6)

3. Tentative List

3.1 - Potential future nominations (Property name / anticipated year of nomination)

Ephesus / 2015 /
Diyarbakir Fortress and Hevsel Gardens Cultural Landscape / 2015 /
Cultural Landscape of Ani / 2016 /
Archaeological Site of Aphrodisias / 2016 /
Neolithic Site of Gobeklitepe / 2017 /
Eşrefoğlu Mosque / 2018 /
Gordion / 2019 /
Eşrefoğlu Mosque / 2020 /
Gordion / 2021 /

3.2 - Tools used for a preliminary assessment of the potential Outstanding Universal Value

ICOMOS thematic studies
Filling the gaps – an action plan for the future by ICOMOS, Gaps analysis by IUCN
Meetings to harmonize Tentative Lists within your region
UNESCO's Global Strategy for a representative, balanced and credible World Heritage List
Other global comparative analysis

3.3 - Level of involvement in the preparation of the Tentative List

National government institution(s)	Good
Regional / provincial / state / government(s)	Good
Local government(s)	Good
Other government departments	No involvement
UNESCO National Commission	Fair
Local authorities within or adjacent to the property	No involvement
Local communities / residents	No involvement

Indigenous peoples	Not applicable
Landowners	No involvement
Local industries	No involvement
Non Governmental Organization(s)	Fair
Consultants / experts	Good
Site manager / coordinator(s)	Not applicable

3.4 - Was the authority(ies) listed in question 1.4 responsible for the approval and submission of the Tentative List?
Yes

3.5 - If not, what authority(ies) is responsible for the approval and submission of the Tentative List?

3.6 - Do you intend to update your Tentative List within the next six years?
Yes

3.7 - Comments

4. Nominations

4.1 - Property
Comment
Ephesus -- Submitted by the 1st Februray 2014 -- In evaluation process by ICOMOS Diyarbakır Fortress and Hevsel Gardens Cultural Landscapes -- Submitted by the 1st Februray 2014 -- In evaluation process by ICOMOS

4.2 - Involvement in recent nominations

National government institution(s)	Good
Regional / provincial / state government(s)	Good
Local government(s)	Good
Other government departments	No involvement
UNESCO National Commission	Fair
Local authorities within or adjacent to the property	Good
Local communities / residents	No involvement
Indigenous peoples	Not applicable
Landowners	No involvement
Local industries	No involvement
Non Governmental Organization(s)	Poor
Consultants / experts	Good
Site manager / coordinator	Good

4.3 - Perceived benefits of inscribing properties on the World Heritage List

Strengthened protection of sites (legislative, regulatory, institutional and / or traditional)	High benefit
Enhanced conservation practices	Some benefit
Catalyst for wider community appreciation of heritage	Some benefit
Improved presentation of sites	Some benefit
Enhanced honour / prestige	High benefit
Increased funding	Limited benefit
Additional tool for lobbying / political influence	Limited benefit

Stimulus for enhanced partnerships	Some benefit
Increased recognition for tourism and public use	High benefit
Stimulus for economic development in surrounding communities	Low benefit
Others (please provide details in 4.4)	Not applicable

4.4 - Comments

5. General Policy Development

5.1 - Legislation
Comment
Act for Preservation of Cultural and Natural Heritage Act for National Parks Act for Environment Act for Preservation by Renovation and Utilization by Revitalization of Deteriorated Immovable Historical and Cultural Properties Act for the Organization and Duties of Ministry of Culture and Tourism Decree Law Concerning the Organization and Duties of the Mnistry of Environment and Urbanization Decree Law Concerning the Organization and Duties of the Mnistry of Forestry and Water Affairs

5.2 - Legislation not listed in 5.1

5.3 - Comment

5.4 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulations) adequate for the identification, conservation and protection of the State Party's cultural and natural heritage?
The legal framework is adequate for the identification, conservation and protection of cultural and natural heritage.

5.5 - Can the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulations) for the identification, conservation and protection of the State Party's cultural and natural heritage be enforced?
Existing capacity/resources to enforce the legal framework could be strengthened.

5.6 - Other International Conventions adhered
Comment
Ramsar Convention on Wetlands Convention on Biological Diversity The European Landscape Convention The European Convention on the Protection of the Archaeological Heritage Conventon on the Conservation of European Wildlife and natural Habitats Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Properties Framework Convention on Climate Change Convention to Combat Dessertification Memory of the World INternational Register

5.7 - Implementation of International Conventions into national policies
There is limited coordination and integration.

5.8 - States Party's policies to give heritage a function in the life of communities
There are policies but there are some deficiencies in their implementation.

5.9 - Integration of heritage into comprehensive / larger scale planning programmes

There are no specific policies, but nonetheless this is being achieved on an ad hoc basis.

5.10 - Comments

Convention on the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict with regulations for the Execution of the Convention (1st Protocol) Convention for the Protection of the Architectural Heritage of Europe Convention for the Safeguarding of the INtangible Cultural Heritage Convention for the Protection of the Mediterrenean Against Pollution Convention for the Protection of the Black Sea Against Pollution Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expre

6. Status of Services for Protection, Conservation and Presentation

6.1 - To what degree do the principal agencies / institutions responsible for cultural and natural heritage cooperate in the identification, conservation, protection and presentation of this heritage?

There is some cooperation between the principal agencies / institutions for the conservation and protection of cultural and natural heritage but improvements are possible.

6.2 - To what degree do other government agencies cooperate in the identification, conservation, protection and presentation of natural and cultural heritage?

There is limited cooperation between other government agencies and the principal agencies / institutions for the conservation and protection of cultural and natural heritage.

6.3 - To what degree do different levels of government cooperate in the identification, conservation, protection and presentation of cultural and natural heritage?

In general, cooperation exists between different levels of government for the conservation and protection of cultural and natural heritage but there are still deficiencies.

6.4 - Are the services provided by the agencies / institutions adequate for the conservation, protection and presentation of World Heritage properties in your country?

There is some capacity to conserve, protect and present World Heritage properties but significant deficiencies remain.

6.5 - Comments

7. Scientific and Technical Studies and Research

7.1 - Is there a research programme or project specifically for the benefit of World Heritage properties?

There is no research programme specifically addressing World Heritage.

7.2 - Research projects

- Istanbul Historic Peninsula Site Management Plan / 2011
  Local
  Cultural
  http://www.alanbaskanligi.gov.tr/english/files/Manageme

nt_Plan_090312_TUM.pdf
Process Conducted by Site Management Directorate

- Commagene Nemrut Conservation Development Programme / 2006-2014
  National
  Cultural
  http://www.nemrut.org.tr/
  Project Conducted by Middle East Technical University under the inspection and with the financial resources of Ministry of Culture and Tourism

- Selimiye Mosque and Its Social Complex Management Plan / 2012
  Local
  Cultural
  -
  Process Conducted by Site Management Directorate

- Çatalhöyük Management Plan / 2013
  National
  Cultural
  -
  Process Conducted by Ministry of Culture and Tourism with the collaboration of excavation team

7.3 - Comments

8. Financial Status and Human Resources

8.1 - Sources of funding

National government funds	Major source of sustained funding
Other levels of government (provincial, state, local)	Minor source of sustained funding
International assistance from the World Heritage Fund	Minor source of fixed term funding
International multilateral funding (e.g. World Bank, IDB, European Union)	Major source of fixed term funding
International bilateral funding (e.g. AFD, GTZ, DGCS, GEF, etc.)	Major source of fixed term funding
NGOs (international and / or national)	Minor source of fixed term funding
Private sector funds	Minor source of fixed term funding
Other (Please specify in 8.6)	Not applicable

8.2 - Involvement of State Party in the establishment of foundations or associations for raising funds and donation for the protection of World Heritage

Yes

8.3 - National policies for the allocation of site revenues for conservation and protection of cultural and natural heritage

Yes

8.4 - Is the current budget sufficient to conserve, protect and present cultural and natural heritage effectively at the national level?

The available budget is acceptable to meet the current conservation, protection and presentation needs.

8.5 - Are available human resources adequate to conserve, protect and present cultural and natural heritage effectively at the national level?

A range of human resources exist, but they are below optimum to conserve, protect and present cultural and natural heritage.

8.6 - Comments

9. Training

9.1 - Formal training / educational institutions / programs

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9.2 - Training needs

Conservation	Medium priority
Education	Medium priority
Promotion	Medium priority
Interpretation	High priority
Administration	Medium priority
Visitor management	High priority
Community outreach	Very low priority
Risk preparedness	High priority
Enforcement (custodians, police)	Very low priority
Other	Not applicable

9.3 - Does the State Party have a national training/ educational strategy to strengthen capacity development in the field of heritage conservation, protection and presentation?

There is no national strategy for capacity development in the field of heritage conservation, protection and presentation but nonetheless this is being done on an ad hoc basis.

9.4 - Comments

10. International Cooperation

10.1 - Cooperation with other States Parties

Participation in other UN programmes
Bi-lateral and multi-lateral agreements
Financial support
Participation in foundations for international cooperation
Sharing expertise for capacity building
Hosting and / or attending international training courses/seminars
Distribution of material / information

10.2 - Twinned World Heritage properties with others
No

10.3 - Comments

11. Education, Information and Awareness Building

11.1. Media used for World Heritage sites promotion

11.1.1 - Publications

Information
Awareness Raising
Education
International
National
Regional
Local

11.1.2 - Films / TV

Information
Awareness Raising
Education
National

11.1.3 - Media campaigns

Information
Awareness Raising
International
National
Local

11.1.4 - Internet

Information
Awareness Raising
Education
International
National
Local

11.1.5 - Postage stamps, medals

Not applicable
Education

11.1.6 - World Heritage Day

Not applicable

11.1.7 - Translation and diffusion of publications made available by the World Heritage Centre

Information
Awareness Raising
Education
National
Regional
Local

11.1.8 - Other (please specify in 11.1.8)

Not applicable

11.1.9 - Comments

There exist a well developed media infrastructure in Turkey to present and promote World Heritage Sites and its influence on public is high but it is not densely and efficiently benefited.

11.2. Education, Information and Awareness Building

11.2.1 - Strategy to raise awareness among different stakeholders

There are no strategies to raise awareness about conservation, protection and presentation of World Heritage but nonetheless this is being done on an ad hoc basis.

11.2.2 - Level of general awareness

Private Sector	Poor
Youth	Fair
Communities living in/around heritage sites	Poor
Tourism industry	Fair
Decision makers and public officials	Poor
Indigenous peoples	Not Applicable
General public	No awareness

11.2.3 - Does the State Party participate in UNESCO's *World Heritage in Young Hands programme*?

The State Party does not participate in UNESCO's *World Heritage in Young Hands programme* but intends to do so.

11.2.4 - Level of frequency of activities

Courses for teachers for the use of the *World Heritage in Young Hands Kit*	Never
Courses/activities for students within the school programmes	Often
Youth Forums	Never
Skills-training courses for students	Often
Organized school visits to World Heritage properties/cultural and natural sites	Occasionally
Activities linked to heritage within the framework of UNESCO Clubs/Associations	Never
Other (comment below)	Never

11.2.5 - Comments

12. Conclusions and Recommended Actions

12.1. State Party's implementation of the *World Heritage Convention*

12.1.1 - Identification of heritage

Identification of heritage
Inventories / lists / registers capture the full diversity of cultural and natural heritage.
Inventories / lists / registers are frequently used for the identification of potential World Heritage Properties.

12.1.2 - National Inventories

National Inventories
National : Process completed or continually updated
Regional / provincial / state : Not applicable

National Inventories
National : Process commenced
Regional / provincial / state : Not applicable

12.1.3 - Tentative List

Tentative List
Yes

12.1.4 - Legal framework

Legal framework
Existing capacity/resources to enforce the legal framework could be strengthened.

12.1.5 - Implementation of international conventions within national policies

Implementation of international conventions within national policies

12.1.6 - Communities

Communities
Local communities / residents: No involvement
Level of involvement / consultation of local landowners: Not applicable
Level of involvement / consultation of local industries: No involvement
Local communities / residents: No involvement
Indigenous peoples: Not applicable
Landowners: No involvement

12.1.7 - Larger-scale planning

Larger-scale planning
There are no specific policies, but nonetheless this is being achieved on an ad hoc basis.

12.1.8 - Status of Services for Protection, Conservation and Presentation

Status of Services for Protection, Conservation and Presentation
In general, cooperation exists between different levels of government for the conservation and protection of cultural and natural heritage but there are still deficiencies.

12.1.9 - Scientific and Technical Studies and Research

Scientific and Technical Studies and Research
There is no research programme specifically addressing World Heritage.

12.1.10 - Financial status

Financial status
The available budget is acceptable to meet the current conservation, protection and presentation needs.

12.1.11 - Human resources

Human resources
A range of human resources exist, but they are below optimum to conserve, protect and present cultural and natural heritage.

12.1.12 - Training

Training
Ad hoc basis for national strategy for capacity development in the field of heritage conservation.

12.1.13 - International cooperation

International cooperation
Participation in other UN programmes
Bi-lateral and multi-lateral agreements
Financial support
Participation in foundations for international cooperation
Sharing expertise for capacity building
Hosting and / or attending international training courses/seminars
Distribution of material / information

12.1.14 - Education, Information and awareness building

Education, Information and awareness building
Private Sector : Poor
Youth : Fair
Communities living in/around heritage sites : Poor

12.2. Actions for the implementation of the *World Heritage Convention* (identified from table 12.1).

12.2.1 - Please select the top issues (up to six)
Please refer to question 5.2

12.3. Priority Actions Assessment

12.3.2 - Priority actions assessment

5 General Policy Development						
		Action	**Short description**	**Authority(ies) responsible**	**Timeframe**	**May this action require International Assistance from the World Heritage Fund?**
5.7	**There is limited coordination or integration of different legal instruments for the development of heritage conservation, protection and presentation policies.**	Examination of related legal instruments in order for strengthening and developing conservation activity	Detection of incompatible legal regulations which create obstacles for heritage conservation; revising these regulations in contact with related responsible authorities and providing the approval of these revisions	Ministry of Culture and Tourism Ministry of Environment and Urbanisation Ministry of Forest and Water Affairs	2014-2016	-
6 Status of Services for Protection, Conservation and Presentation						
6.2	**There is limited capacity to adequately conserve, protect and present cultural and natural heritage and significant deficiencies remain.**	Taking necessary measures for increasing coordination and collaboration among institutions	Establishing an advisory and coordination council composed of representatives from ministries, local governments, private sector, universities and ngos, and building work programmes to increase their capacities in heritage conservation	Ministry of Culture and Tourism Ministry of Environment and Urbanisation Ministry of Forest and Water Affairs NGOs Universities	2014 and onwards	Technical support for sharing international experiences may be needed.
9 Training						
9.3	**Ad hoc basis for national strategy for capacity development in the field of heritage conservation.**	Preparation of a national strategic action plan for conservation and promotion of cultural and natural heritage	This plan is a priority for an efficient management of conservation activity and this can only be managed and actualized with the participation of all related authorities.	Ministry of Culture and Tourism Ministry of Environment and Urbanisation Ministry of Forest and Water Affairs Ministry of National Education NGOs Universities	2014 and onwards	Technical support for sharing international experiences may be needed.

12.3.3 - Additional actions for the implementation of the World Heritage Convention

13. Assessment of the Periodic Reporting Exercise

13.1 - Was the questionnaire easy to use and clear to understand?
Yes

13.2 - Please provide suggestions for improvement:

13.3 - Please rate the level of support from the following entities for completing the Periodic Report questionnaire

World Heritage Centre	Good
UNESCO (other sectors)	Not applicable
UNESCO National Commission	Good
ICOMOS International	Not applicable
IUCN International	Not applicable
ICCROM	Not applicable
ICOMOS national / regional	Good
IUCN national / regional	Not applicable

13.4 - How accessible was the information required to complete the Periodic Report?
Most required information was accessible

13.5 - Please rate the follow-up to conclusions and recommendations from the previous Periodic Reporting exercise by the following entities

UNESCO	Good
Advisory Bodies	Good
State Party	Good
Site Managers	Not applicable

13.6 - Comments

14. Thank you