PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY OF TURKIC STATES

COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENT, NATURAL RESOURCES AND HEALTH PROTECTION

TENTH MEETING

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Bishkek

RECOMMENDATIONS

COOPERATION OF TURKPA MEMBER STATES ON ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND GREEN WORLD IN THE CONTEXT OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

The Parliamentary Assembly**:**

Taking into consideration the 2030 Agenda and its SDGs as a ground-breaking global commitment to set the world on a sustainable path to inclusive development;

Stressing the active role of parliaments in identifying strategies, and mechanisms to support the implementation of the SDGs more effectively;

Underlining the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015–2030 to enhance disaster preparedness and efforts for effective response;

Also underlining the Paris Agreement for effectively addressing the urgent threat of climate change;

Noting the cooperation among the member parliaments in the field of SDGs through their interaction with international and regional organizations;

Emphasizing strong conviction in TURKPA's efforts to support the implementation of the 2030 Agenda, by enhancing inter-parliamentary coordination;

Supporting activities of a broad alliance of people, governments, civil society, and the private sector for an economically, socially, and environmentally sustainable future for the planet;

Welcoming efforts to consolidate achievements of the relevant institutions of the TURKPA member states;

Mentioning international conventions and laws in this field which TURKPA member states have joined and adopted;

Underscoring the interaction of parliamentary committees as an important tool in developing inter-parliamentary cooperation and in this context, the significance of meetings of relevant committees in the frame of TURKPA;

Recommends the parliaments of the TURKPA member states:

a) *to implement* joint policies for waste management, such as Zero Waste initiative, recycling technologies, and waste-to-energy initiatives collaborating on developing regional waste-to-resource strategies;

b) *to* organize events where the parliaments can exchange best practices on SDGs implementation;

c) *to promote* sustainable agricultural practices that improve food security while conserving biodiversity and ecosystems;

d) to strengthen the cooperation on the conservation of biodiversity, focusing on protecting, sustainable management and restoring forests, wetlands, endangered species, their habitats and other vital ecosystems that contribute to regional biodiversity;

e) to support environmental education and capacity-building programs to enhance public understanding of sustainable development and its challenges and the green world;

f) to encourage TURKPA member states to reduce carbon footprints and promote sustainable living in green cities with better public transportation systems, green spaces, and energy-efficient buildings;

g) *to enhance* regional cooperation to build resilience against natural disasters that are increasing in number and intensity due to climate change and *to share* their experience in disaster risk reduction and post-disaster response during wildfires, floods and inundation, and other emergencies;

h) *to strengthen* climate change adaptation activities to achieve sustainable development;

i) *to promote the* transition to clean energy and in this context, *to consider* the role of nuclear energy in ensuring environmental sustainability and green expansion.

j) adoption and *promotion* of sustainable consumption and production;

k) *protecting* and *improving* the quality of water resources, ensuring the economical use of water in the short, medium and long term by considering the conservation-utilization balance;

l) *treating* the wastewater generated with an alternative water resource approach by considering the highest level of cost-benefit ratio, approaching wastewater management integratedly from the reuse of treated wastewater to the utilization of treatment sludge;

m) *sharing* knowledge, experience and good practices on combating desertification, land degradation and drought among TURKPA member countries.