

KAHRAMANMARAŞ TECHNOPARK IT CLUSTER (BİLKÜM)

REGULATION

INTRODUCTION

Kahramanmaraş Teknokent Information Technologies Cluster started its first studies in 2019 and the cluster was established on 2020 with the participation of companies operating in the field of Information Technology in the region and the support of the actors in the region. Kahramanmaraş Teknokent Information Technologies Cluster does not have a legal personality and the realization and management of the activities are carried out under the leadership of Kahramanmaraş Teknokent Yönetici A.Ş. with the support of the decision-making bodies of the cluster.

VISION

To move Kahramanmaraş to a leading position within the region where it is located in the field of informatics and R & D, innovation, entrepreneurship and with supporting the cooperation activities to be one of the top 20 cities in the contribution to Turkey's economy.

MISSION

To develop products and Technologies in the field of Information Technologies to respond to the needs of Turkey, especially within the region, and international markets through cooperation, experience sharing and qualified projects between firms and institutions in the cluster,

OBJECTIVES

- To increase the share of domestic products and services in the field of information technologies
- Being a leader in our region in the field of information technologies
- To create infrastructures to increase cooperation among its members and to carry out joint projects
- Developing innovation and entrepreneurship culture and developing new activities in this direction
- To create a reference for clustering and to contribute to other clustering studies
- To contribute to Turkey's social and economic development
- To transfer the theoretical knowledge of universities to the industry and to ensure their commercialization
- To create new employment in the region

TASKS

- Conducting necessary investigations and researches for the development of clustering activities and publishing reports on these studies
- Organizing national and international events such as training, seminars, promotional activities, consultancy services, fairs, project markets for the purpose of developing and promoting the IT sector and participating in events organized in this field.
- To organize activities such as creating a website and conducting social media relations in order to promote the cluster in the national and international arena and increase its visibility.
- To create common working areas and technical infrastructures that can be used by cluster stakeholders in the field of informatics, to manage and operate these structures and to create common procurement platforms to use the necessary hardware and software at an affordable cost.
- To organize entrepreneurship programs, entrepreneurship competitions and trainings in order to create new projects and new initiatives in the field of entrepreneurship and innovation, and to cooperate with other institutions and to carry out joint projects to develop these activities.
- To organize technical trainings, seminars and congresses in order to increase the technical knowledge and capacity of cluster member companies.
- Conducting joint projects with universities in order to develop R&D and innovation based projects
- To carry out marketing activities in order to open up to international markets, to communicate with institutions and companies abroad and to organize delegation visits in order to examine foreign samples and to make exports.
- To be a member of structures such as chambers, professional organizations, cluster umbrella organizations and to represent the cluster on these platforms
- Making and managing project applications for the purposes and tasks of the cluster
- To communicate with public, private and international institutions and to carry out lobbying activities for the sectoral problems and promotional activities of BİLKÜM member companies
- To carry out studies on the development and operation of legislation concerning cluster stakeholders.
- Creating sustainable communication and cooperation among cluster stakeholders and providing support for joint projects
- To guide BİLKÜM companies in the use of national and international incentives and supports that will contribute to their development
- Carrying out other studies for clustering purposes

BİLKÜM MEMBERSHIP

Cluster membership is realized, maintained and terminated as stated below.

Application and Admission to Membership

Admission to membership is made with apply to BİLKÜM with the complete participation declaration form and company introduction document of the candidate companies that meet the following conditions and the application is approved by the Board of Management of BİLKÜM. The following conditions are sought in BİLKÜM Members:

Carrying out R&D and innovation activities in the field of Information Technologies

To be located in the technology development zone within Turkey's borders or to have a R & D Center, to be the representative of the relevant departments of universities, to be among the members of non-governmental organizations operating in the field of information technologies

Being a service company that carries out activities that contribute to the development of companies operating in the field of Information Technologies.

The decision of the Board of Management of BİLKÜM is essential for the acceptance of the companies that meet the above conditions. In line with the decision of the Board of Management, the application companies accepted for membership are notified in writing and / or by e-mail, and their name and contact information are added to the "Member Firms" list on the cluster web page.

Maintenance of Membership

Cluster member firms submit the year-end summary information to the cluster management at the end of May of the year following the end of each year with the "Clustering Firm Information Form". With this notification, the cluster member firm declares that it will continue its clustering activities.

Continuation of Membership

Members who want to terminate their membership of BİLKÜM send their request to terminate membership to BİLKÜM management with a petition. If the petition submitted is evaluated in the Board of Management and deemed appropriate, the company is removed from membership.

The membership of the member who does not submit the "Clustering Firm Information Form" two years in a row is automatically canceled and the name and contact information of the company is removed from cluster web page company list.

In case of a request by third parties to terminate the membership of BİLKÜM or the improper behavior of the member, the situation of the member is discussed in the Board of Management together with the relevant reasons and the matter is resolved in the Board of Management.

STRUCTURE OF BİLKÜM MANAGEMENT BOARD

BİLKÜM Board of Management consists of 5 members in total. Due to the nature of the Board, the representative of Kahramanmaraş Teknokent Yönetici A.Ş. is a permanent member.

The Board of Management is elected from among the candidates of the companies that are members of BİLKÜM, provided that at most one person from each company is nominated, with the votes of the member companies, to serve for two years.

The Board of Management consists of a chairman, a vice president, a general secretary (Kahramanmaraş Teknokent Yönetici A.Ş. permanent member) and members. The vice president is the company representative that employs the highest number of personnel in the Kahramanmaraş Technology Development Zone.

The chairman and vice chairman of the Board of Management are elected by the members of the Board of Management.

If the chairman or one of the vice-chairmen leaves, an election is made within the board of management for the vacant post.

If the number of members of the Board of Management falls below the meeting quorum, re-election is held.

If the members of the Board of Management leave the company they were working for during the period they were elected, their membership is terminated.

MEETINGS

General Meeting

These are general attendance meetings attended by the representatives of all BİLKÜM member companies.

Meeting Time

A meeting is held with all members of BİLKÜM at least once a year upon the call of the Board of Management (General Assembly).

The first meeting is held in the first quarter of the calendar year.

Management Board

These are the meetings attended by all Board members.

Meeting Time

The Board of Management normally meets regularly every month.

When needed, the chairman may convene the board of management extraordinarily.

Meeting Agenda and Participation

The agenda of the Board of Management meetings is determined by taking the opinions of the members under the coordination of the general secretary.

The Board of Management of BİLKÜM shares its annual activity plan and the evaluation of the previous period with all members at the first General Meeting.

If a member of the Board of Management does not attend 5 consecutive meetings, her/his membership is terminated.

Voting by Members

In the Board of Management, each member has one vote.

Each firm that is a member of BİLKÜM has one vote in the election of the Board of Management.

Voting can be done electronically.

Distribution of Meeting Decisions

Decisions taken in the Board of Management meetings in a scope that affect the working principles of BİLKÜM are shared with BİLKÜM member companies.

AMENDING THE REGULATION

The regulation change can be made based on the decision of the General Assembly. A majority of 2/3 of the cluster member firms is sought in order to make a change in the regulation in the General Assembly. In case the meeting is postponed due to the absence of the majority, majority is not required in the second meeting. However, the number of members attending this meeting cannot be less than twice the number of members of the Board of Management.

ANNEX

1. Cluster Participation Statement
2. Cluster Member Information Form
3. Cluster Membership Termination Request Petition