

TURKEY

STATE OF THE ENVIRONMENT REPORTING



2016
Climate change elaborated in a separate chapter and a DPSIR evaluation included for the first time



2011
Provincial State of Environment reports are integrated in 4th SoE report.



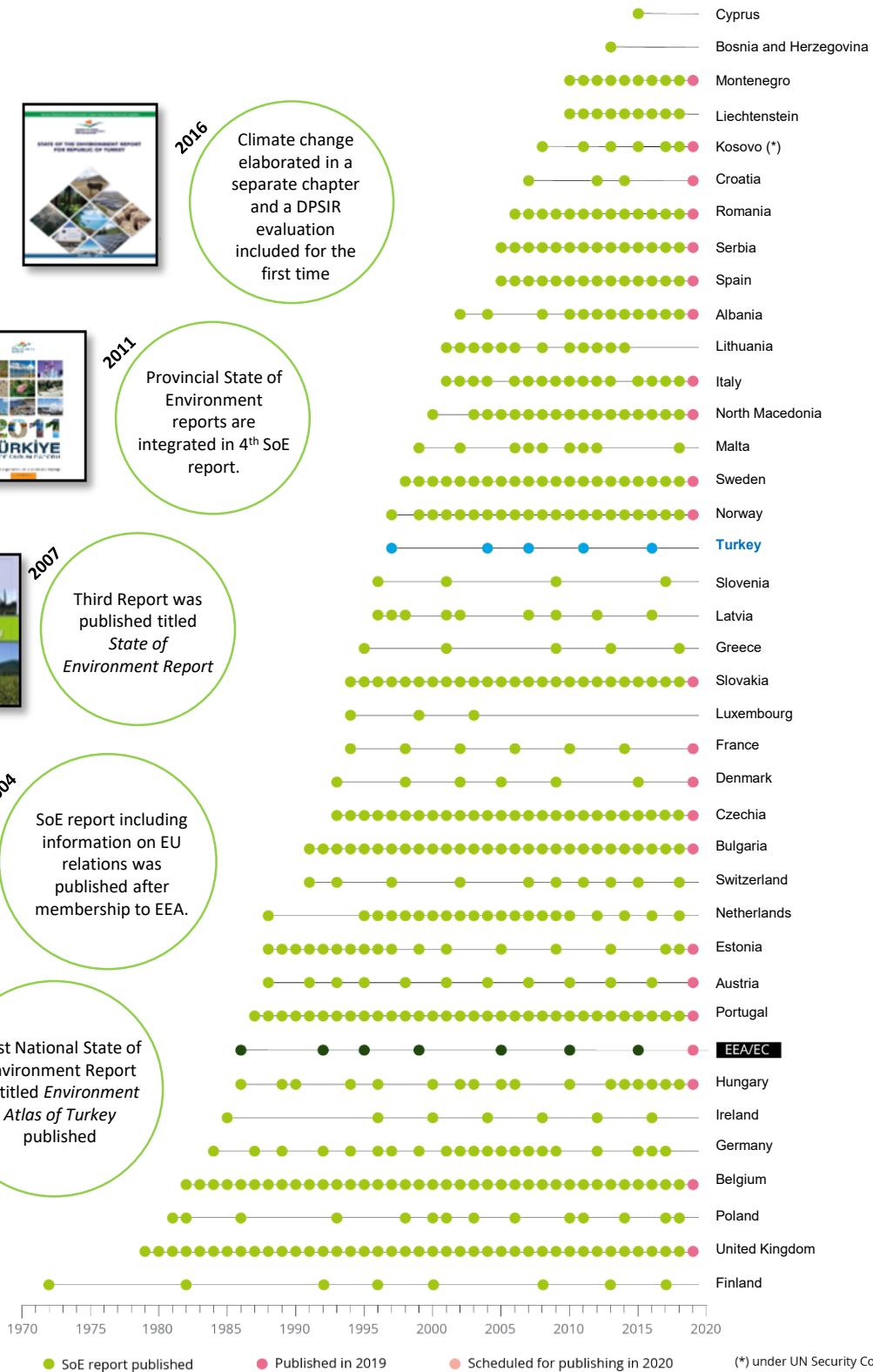
2007
Third Report was published titled *State of Environment Report*



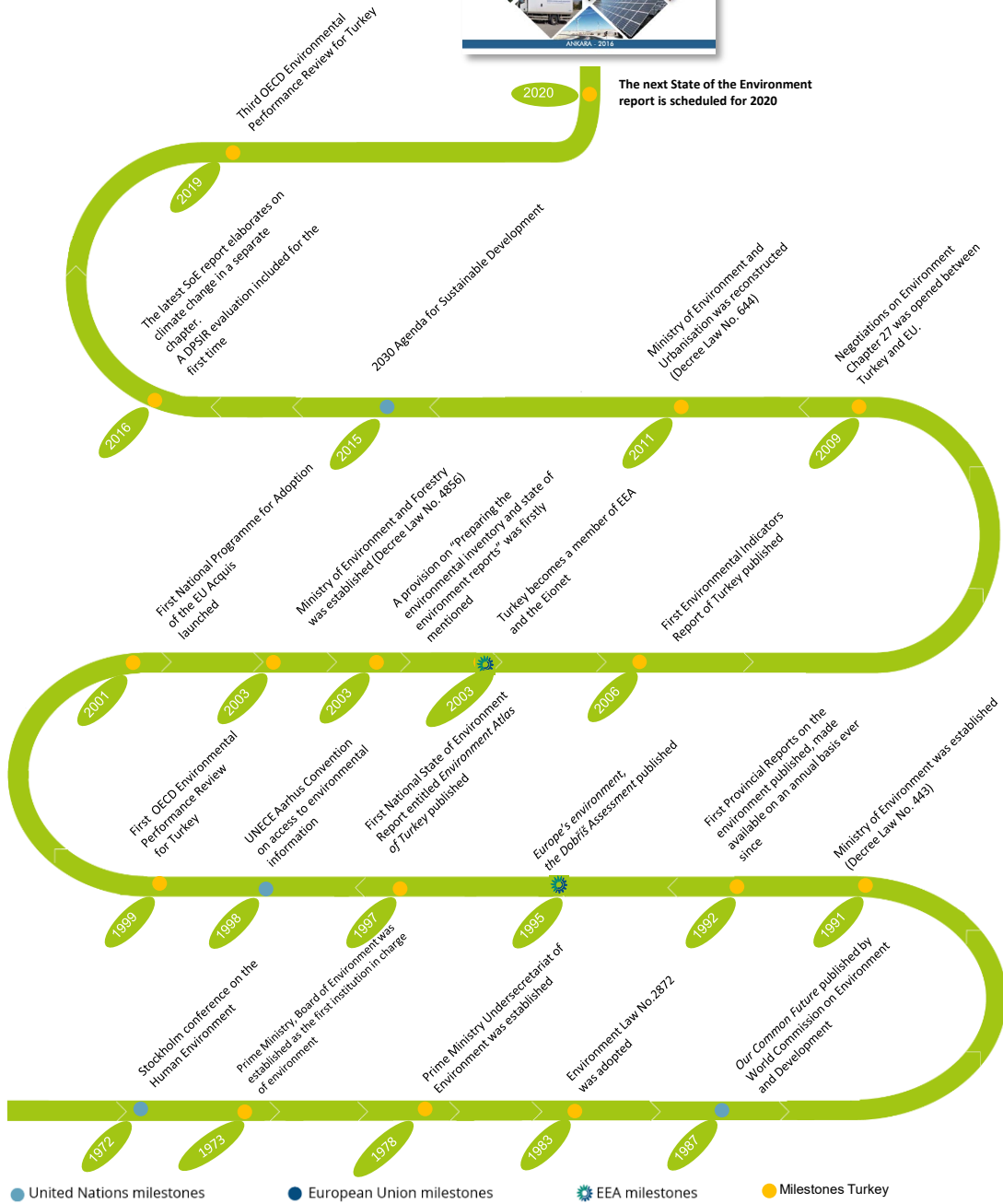
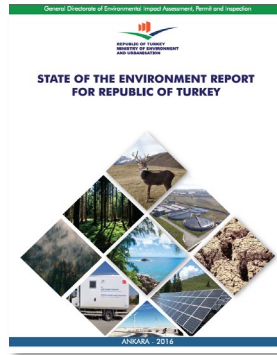
2004
SoE report including information on EU relations was published after membership to EEA.



1997
First National State of Environment Report entitled *Environment Atlas of Turkey* published



(*) under UN Security Council Resolution 1244/99



State of the environment tools and building blocks

TOPICS COVERED

Themes

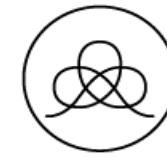
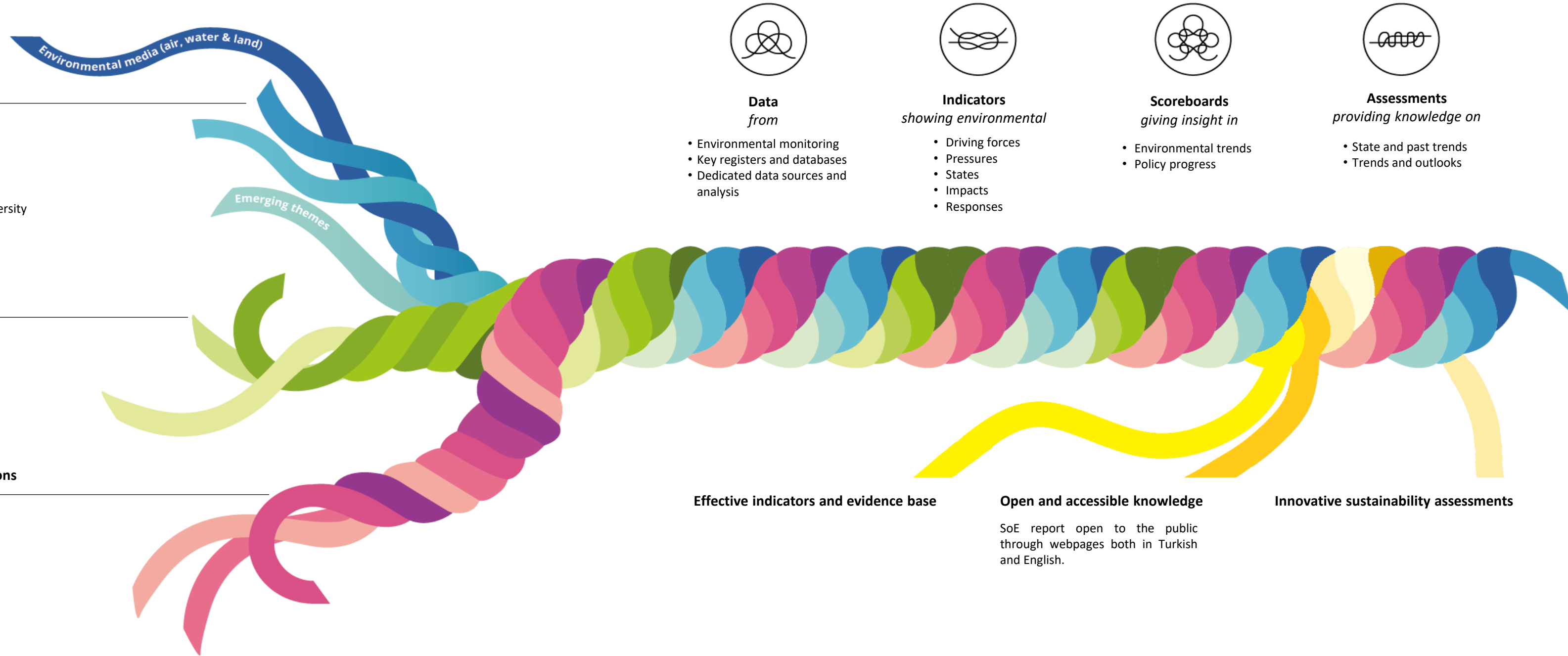
- Air
- Climate Change
- Water and Wastewater Management
- Waste
- Management of Chemicals
- Nature Conservation and Biological Diversity
- Land use

Sectors

- Energy
- Transportation
- Agriculture and Livestock
- Tourism

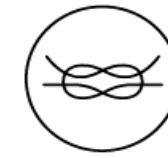
Systems and Sustainability transitions

- Renewable Energy



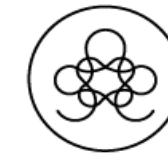
Data from

- Environmental monitoring
- Key registers and databases
- Dedicated data sources and analysis



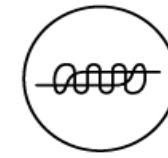
Indicators showing environmental

- Driving forces
- Pressures
- States
- Impacts
- Responses



Scoreboards giving insight in

- Environmental trends
- Policy progress



Assessments providing knowledge on

- State and past trends
- Trends and outlooks

Effective indicators and evidence base

Open and accessible knowledge

SoE report open to the public through webpages both in Turkish and English.

Innovative sustainability assessments

Advances in national state of the environment reporting

State of the Environment reporting in Turkey Information and knowledge for a sustainable environment

“State of the Environment Report for Republic of Turkey” has been prepared to evaluate all environmental assets of Turkey with a view to protect the environment and solve the environmental problems. This report has a great importance because it shows the relationship between the environment and related sectors, provides an overview of current situation, and acts as a formal source for decision-makers, civil society, researchers and other related institutions and organizations.

In Turkey, works related to environmental issues has gained momentum after the establishment of Prime Ministry Environment Undersecretariat in 1978. After establishment of Ministry of Environment in 1991, a series of works have been initiated regarding main issues related to water, soil, air and other pollution sources and the environmental problems with important environmental values and natural resources for our country. In later years, the scope of this works have been expanded and as a result “Environmental Atlas-96 Turkey Report” has been prepared and published. This was accepted as first national State of Environment Report. In 2003, Turkey became a member to European Environment Agency and in the same year the Ministry of Environment and Forestry was established with the Decree Law No. 4856. With this law preparing the environmental inventory and state of environment report become a legal obligation. The Second Environment Atlas of Turkey Report was published the following year and was distributed to all related institutions in the form of CD. In 2008, the first report was published with the name of State of Environment Report Turkey 2007. After this, reporting period has been adopted as every 4 years. In the 2011 report, provincial state of environment reports were given as an additional part.

The Last State of Environment Report has been published in 2016 (<https://ced.csb.gov.tr/turkiye-cevre-durum-raporu-i-82673>). It covers the 2011-2014 data and information in general, and may include data up to the first six months of year 2016 for some sectors. The report includes chapters on introduction, air, climate change, water and wastewater management, waste chemicals management, nature conservation and biodiversity, land use, institutional structure and work carried out, environmental expenditure and financial liability insurance and DPSIR evaluation. Climate change was elaborated in a separate chapter for the first time. The next National State of Environment Report will be prepared and published in 2020. It will cover the years 2015-2019. The report is being planned to include past and recent trends, outlook of environmental topics in Turkey and, if available, future projections.

Provincial SoE Reports in Turkey have been also prepared and published yearly since 1992 (<https://ced.csb.gov.tr/il-cevre-durum-raporlari-i-82671>).

Turkey has been publishing indicator reports since 2006 separately from SoE Reports. There are currently 87 indicators, while only 24 were included at the beginning, (<https://cevreselgostergeler.csb.gov.tr/>; <https://environmentalindicators.csb.gov.tr/>).