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#### Technical Assistance for Assessment of Türkiye's Potential on

**Transition to Circular Economy** 

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#### Good Practices Circular Economy Related Applications and Projects in Key Sectors

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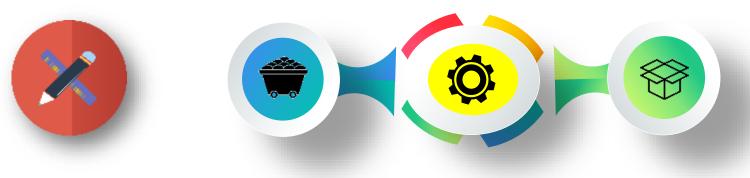








# **Outlines of Work**



## DESIGN R

- Standardization
- Ease of Disassembly
- Ease of Maintenance
  & Repair
- Durability
- Minimization of Hazardous Materials
- Maximization of Efficiency in Transportation
- Increasing Recyclability of Products

# RAW MATERIALS

- Reducing Plastic Consumption
- Increasing the Use of
- Recycled/Recyclable Materials
- Use of Bio-based Materials
- Reducing Chemical Use

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- PROCESS
- Energy Efficiency Renewable
  - Energy
  - Water
  - Stewardship
- Zero Waste / Zero Waste to Landfill
  - Industry 4.0

### PRODUCT

- Energy Efficient Products
- Water Efficient Products

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- Products that
- Prevent Food Waste
- Environmentally
  Friendly Products
- Products with Social Benefits
- IoT Connected
  Smart Products
- Upgradability
- Solutions for Persons with Disabilities



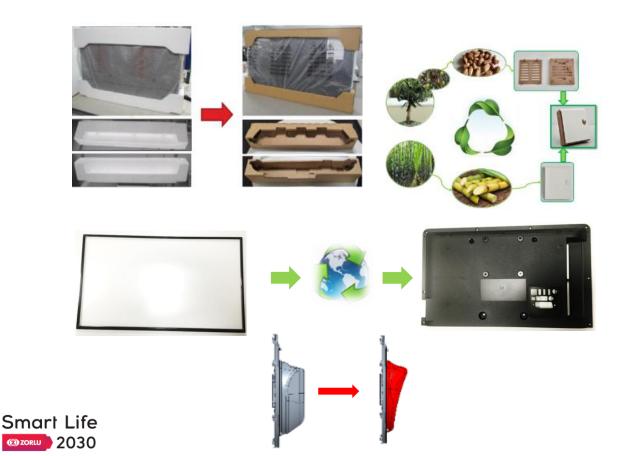
## **AFTER SALES**

- Maintenance/Repair/Ex tended Warranty
- Refurbishing and Selling Products at VsOutlets in Turkey
- Collection and Recycling of Waste Packaging and Electronic Devices & donating the proceeds to NGOs
- Authorized Services for Persons with Disabilities
- Proactive After Sales Services with Digitalization

Smart Life

#### **Our Work Against Plastic Pollution**

- As Vestel Elektronik and Vestel Beyaz Esya, we exceeded our commitments as of 2021 and prevented the use of 5,337.5 tonnes of virgin plastics.
- Instead of petroleum-based plastic raw materials, we use **bio-plastic** materials produced from olive pit waste in our refrigerator and tumble dryer parts.



#### **Our Work Against Deforestation**

- As of 2021, <u>as a first in Turkey</u>, we use FSC (Forest Stewardship Council) Recycled certified cardboard packaging for Vestel branded refrigerators and dishwashers.
- We started to use 100% recycled and recyclable cardboard in the packaging of all Vestel branded home appliances products produced for Turkey at our facilities.
- As Vestel Group of Companies, we prevented 336,441 trees from being cut by using a total of 19,791 tonnes of recycled cardboard in 2021.





VESTEL

#### <u>**Repair - Recovery – Refurbishment (Circular Economy Model)**</u>

- In 2021, we refurbished a total of 72,500 products and we donated 604 of them as part of social support.
- We recovered 30,101 spare parts.



Refurbishment – Test Stage



#### Classic Long Life (Circular Economy Model)

- Legislation obliges consumer appliances to have a minimum of 2 years warranty coverage in Turkey.
- We provide a free 3-year warranty for the Vestel brand. We provide warranty service to the consumer for up to 7 years.

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#### **Circular Economy – Other Works**

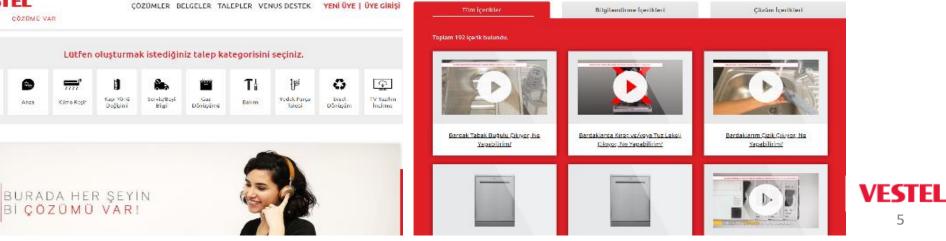
**Collection of Packaging Waste:** 

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- 25 tons of packaging waste was collected in 2021
- Income obtained from these wastes to be **donated to** NGOs.
- With the **customer support portal**, users can solve their issues by following the content steps without the need for a technician, and benefit from services such as spare parts.
- **Direct sales of spare parts** to the end consumer started in 2021
  - Since authorized service vehicles are not used, a reduction in carbon footprint is also achieved.
- Continuous improvement is made to increase the **recyclability** of our products.

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Vestel Beyaz Esya is a **zero waste to landfill** company.





#### **Domestic Recycling Project**





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