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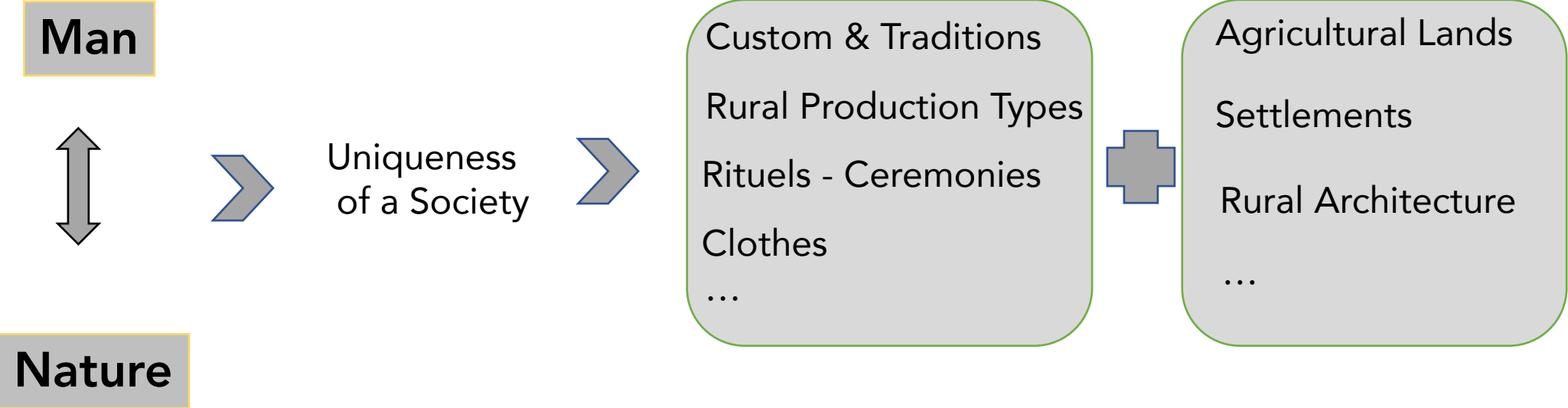
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A Discussion on Rural Transformation in Turkey: Negative Effects of Applied Policies

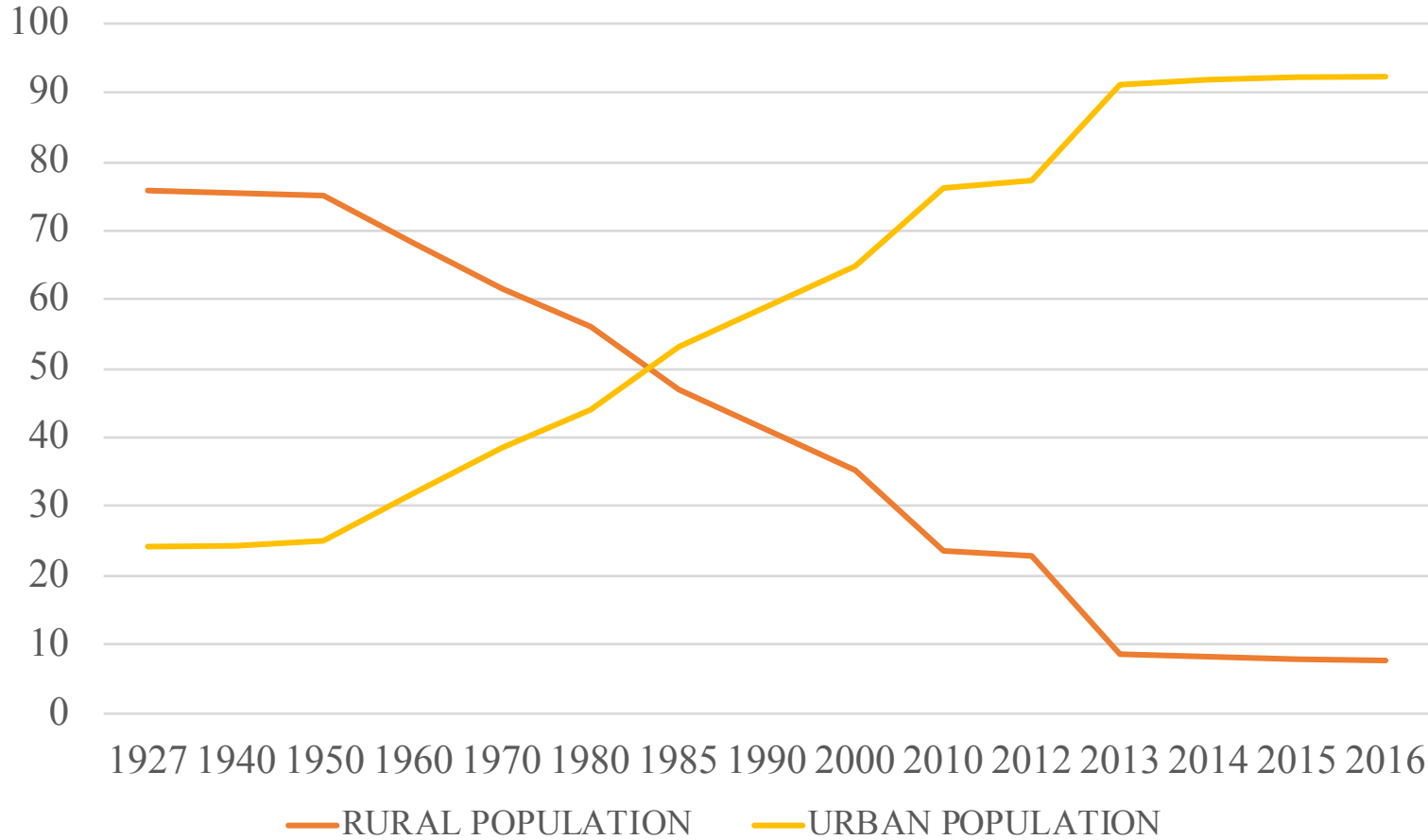
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Rural Areas



The Decrease in Rural Population

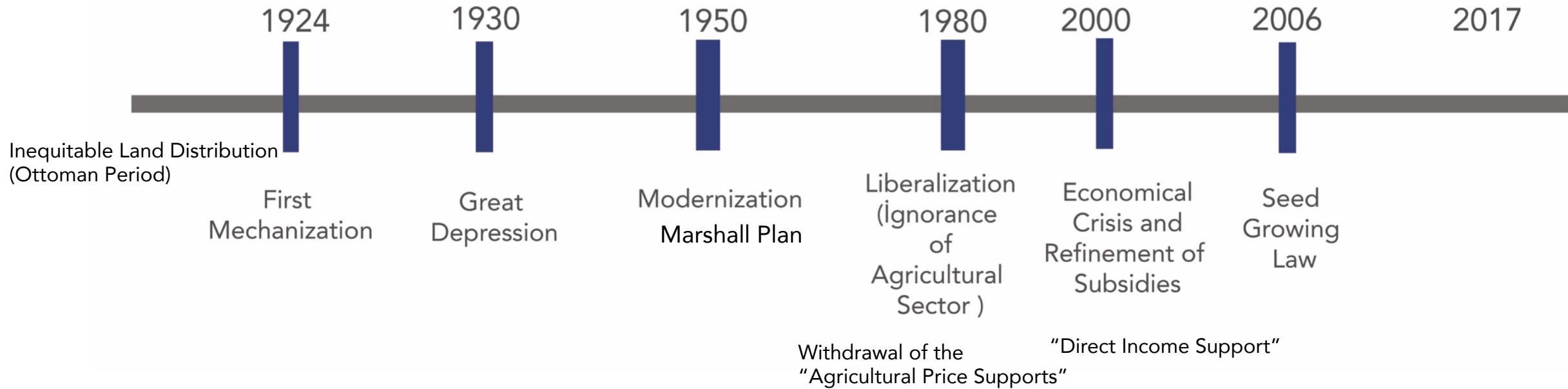
Between 1927 – 2016 (TUIK (Turkish Statistical Institute), 2017).



*Worldwide Policies
(Mechanization, Globalization,
etc.)*

*Agricultural,
Legislative,
Administrative Policies*

Milestones of Agricultural Policies Affected Rural Transformation in Turkey



Improvisation of Farmers, especially Small Landowners
Decrease of Agricultural Production

Unconscious Consumption

Overtaken urbanization and development

Mass production by using chemical additives

Loss of Natural Resources

Production in accordance with industry

1980s

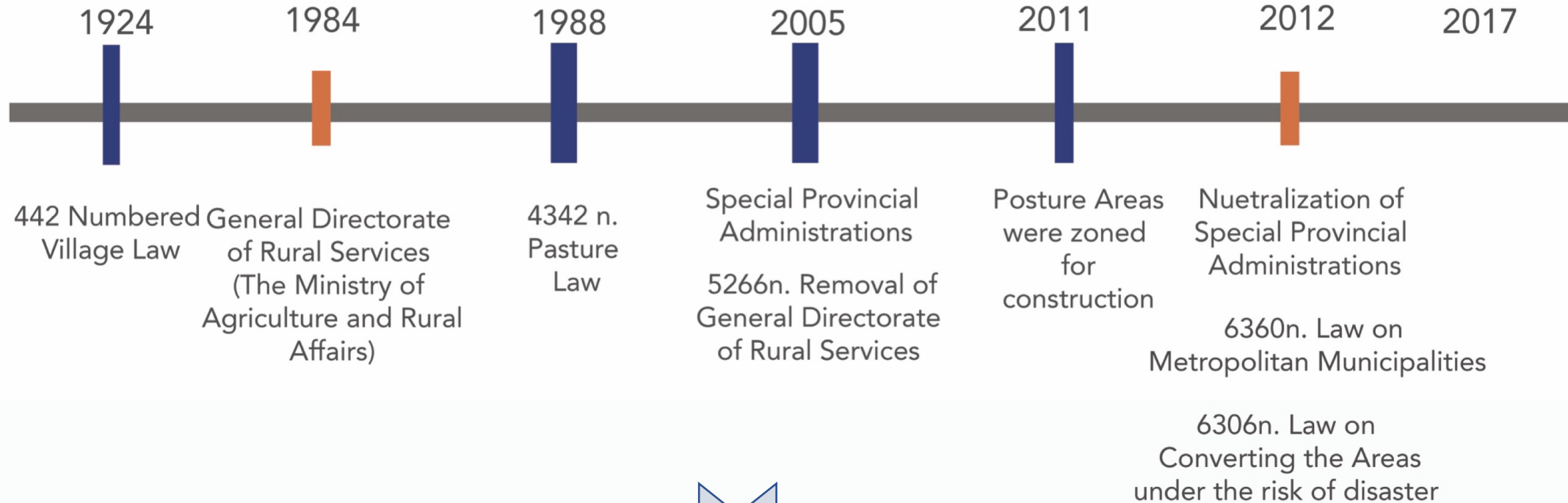
Industrialized Food Production



Destroyed Rural Life

Destroyed Traditional Agriculture

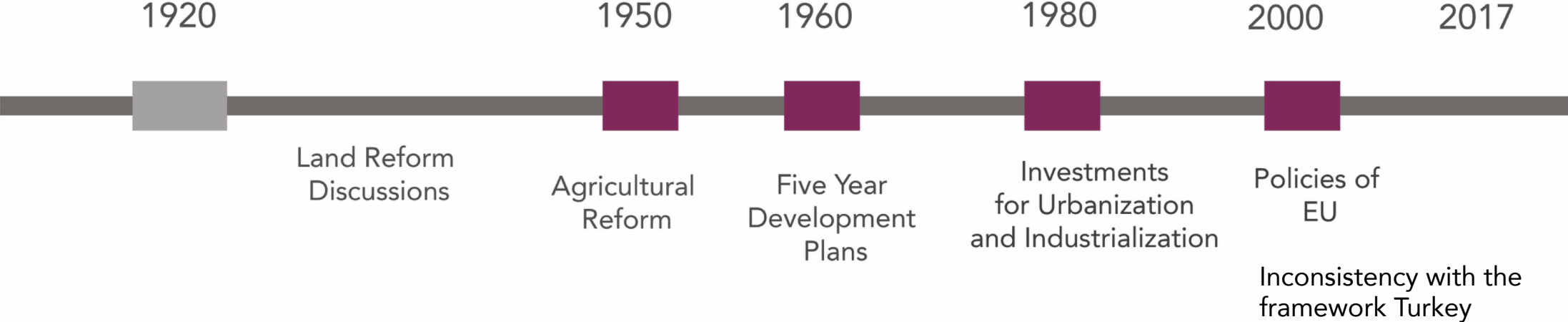
Milestones of Legislative Policies Affected Rural Transformation in Turkey



Villages to Neighbourhoods
- Prohibited animal husbandry

Rural Areas are zoned for new constructions
No Valid definition for rural areas

Milestones of Administrative Policies Affected Rural Transformation in Turkey



Instability of Administrative Policies

Administrative Policies: State Tools and Supports

1950 – **Marshall Plan**

1963 – **Five Year Development Plans:**

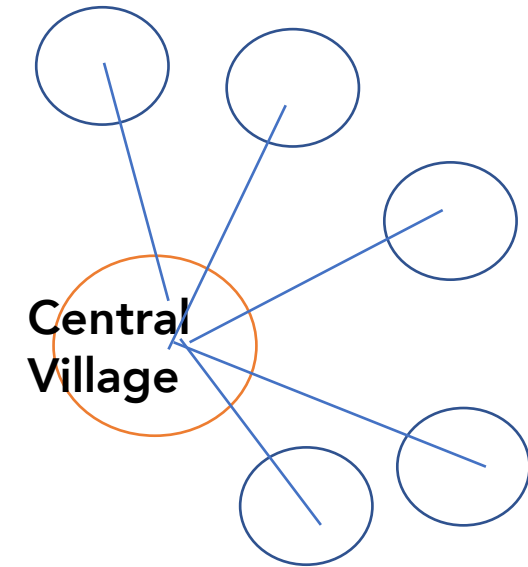
(1963-1967) and (1968-1972) -- Community Development

(1974-1978) **Central Village**

(1979-1983) **Village Town**

(1985-1989) (1990-1994) (1996-2000) -- **Central Village**

2000 - Land Consolidation discussions



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(2001-2005) EU harmonization process started

(2007-2013) (2004-2020)

National Rural Development Strategy

IPARD (Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance in Rural Development)



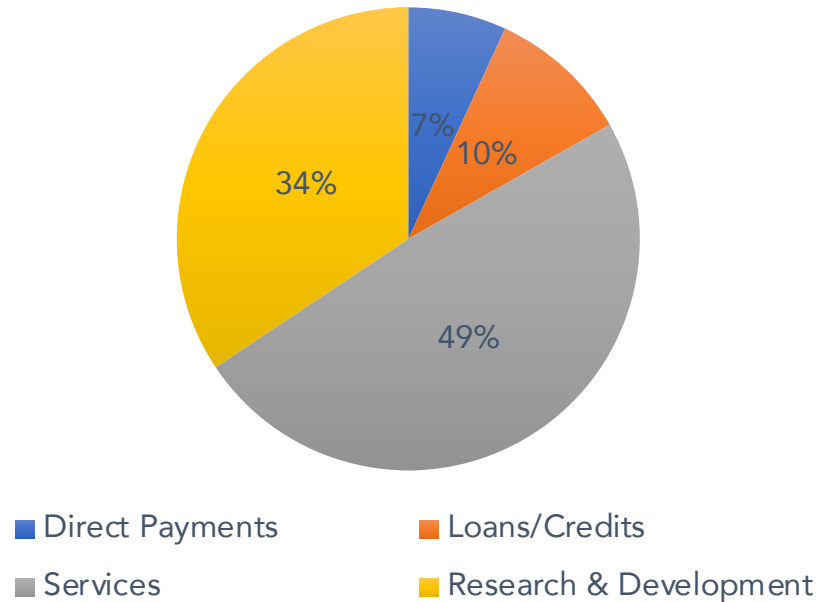
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Bottom-Up Approach
10 provinces - Pilot Projects



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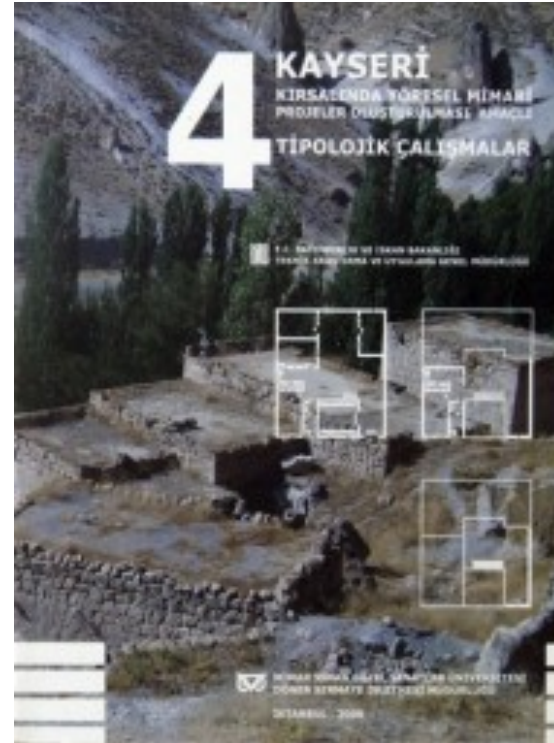
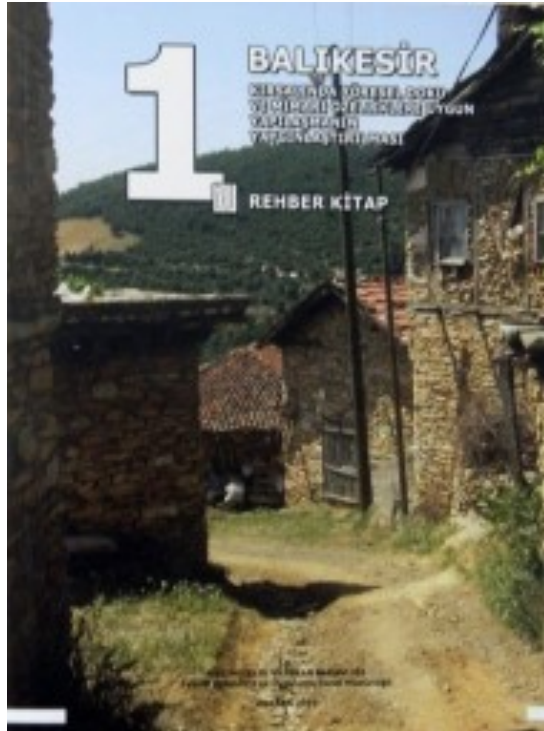
Percentages of State Provided Supports (2017)



*Based on UKKS

- Decisions made by Central Government
- Limited Budget and Authority for Local Administrations
- Aids intending Big entrepreneurs
- Neglecting involvement of local community
- *Rural Architecture and Rural Life is considered seperately.*

Administrative Policies: State Tools and Supports



Determination of Settlement Conditions:

- Local Properties in Villages
- User Needs.

Projects Done by Ministry of Public Works

Kayseri (2008) ve Balıkesir (2010).

Administrative Policies: State Tools and Supports

The Ministry of Environment and Urbanization



In Province Scale

Determine the characteristics of the local houses

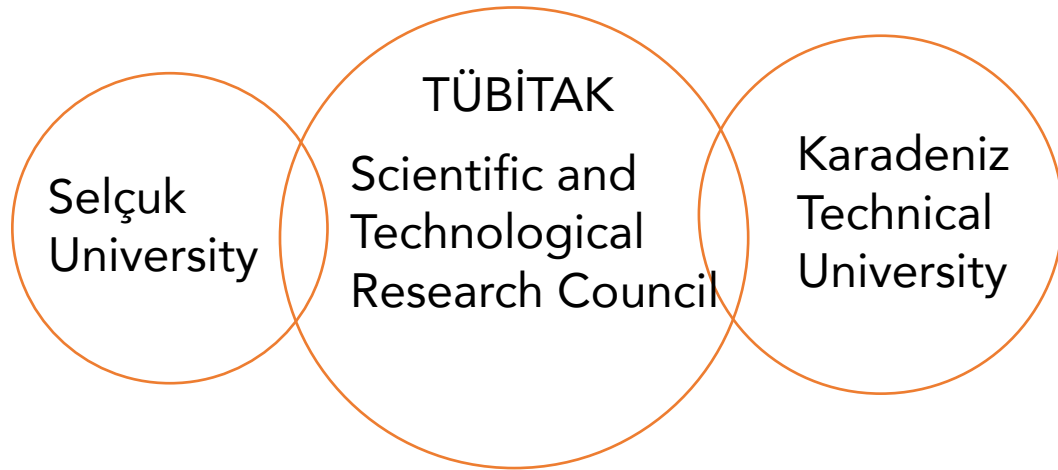
Typical Projects

Only Proposals,
No Support for Implementation

“Infill Projects Convinient for Vernacular Architecture” (15 Variations)

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Pilot Villages: Salacık, Trabzon; Emen, Konya



Aim : Creating a Model on Rural Area Planning

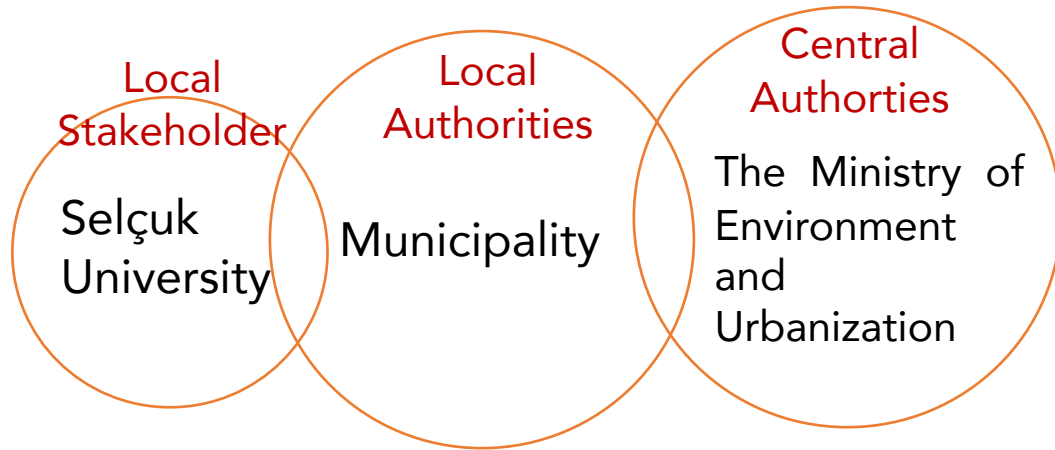
“Conservation-Oriented Rural Area Planning:
A Model Proposal»

Participatory Design Methods

The cost of is very high

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Transformation with Rural Development Focus Project



Pilot project:

Taşkent: **Urban Site**

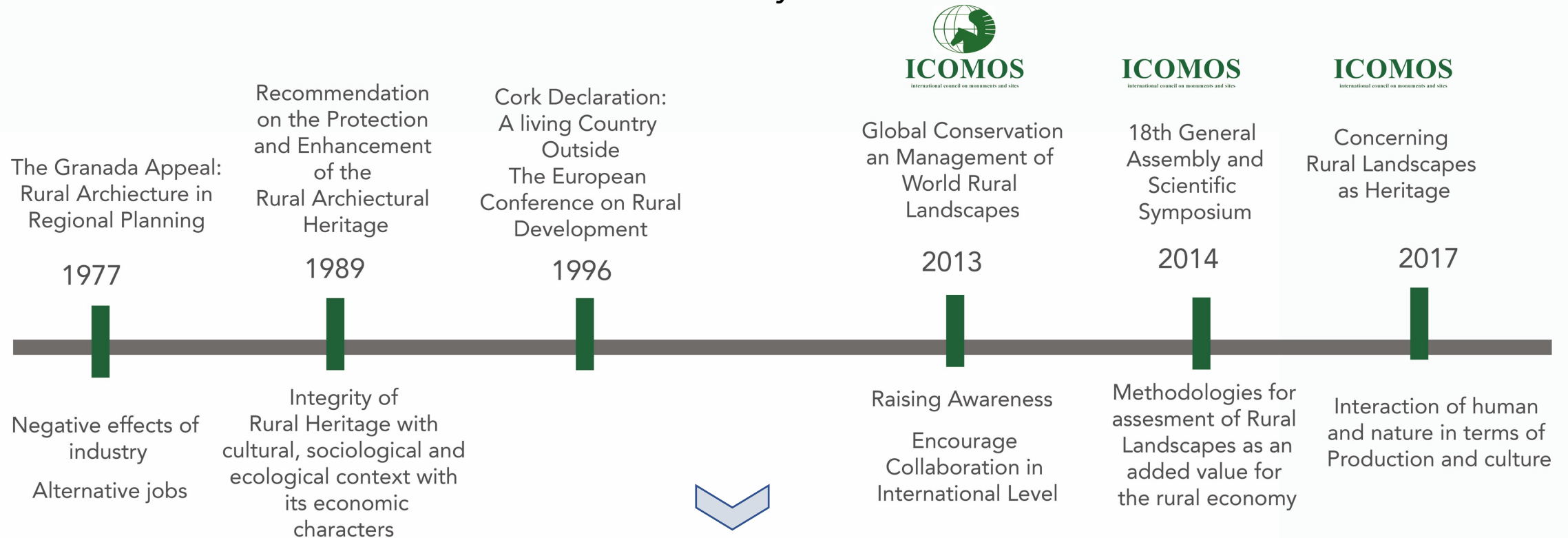
Alternatif Income Source – **Tourism**

Re-design of Environment



<http://www.bizimkonya.com/taskentresimleri.html>

Conservation of Rural Areas: Worldwide / Turkey



*An holistic approach including **Production and Culture.***

Conservation of Rural Heritage in Turkey is neglected:

No special status for Rural Sites

No guidelines for Conservation of Rural Heritage

A General Evaluation:

Rural production is reduced,

Peasants are improvised,

The production (open) spaces are opened to any kind of intervention,

Villages lost their status

A new inharmonious development model is put into action with EU harmonization process

Instable Administrative Policies: Different Systems

Lack of Valid Rural Definition

No Specific Regulations for Conservation of Rural Heritage

Continuity of Rural Life and Architecture is at Risk