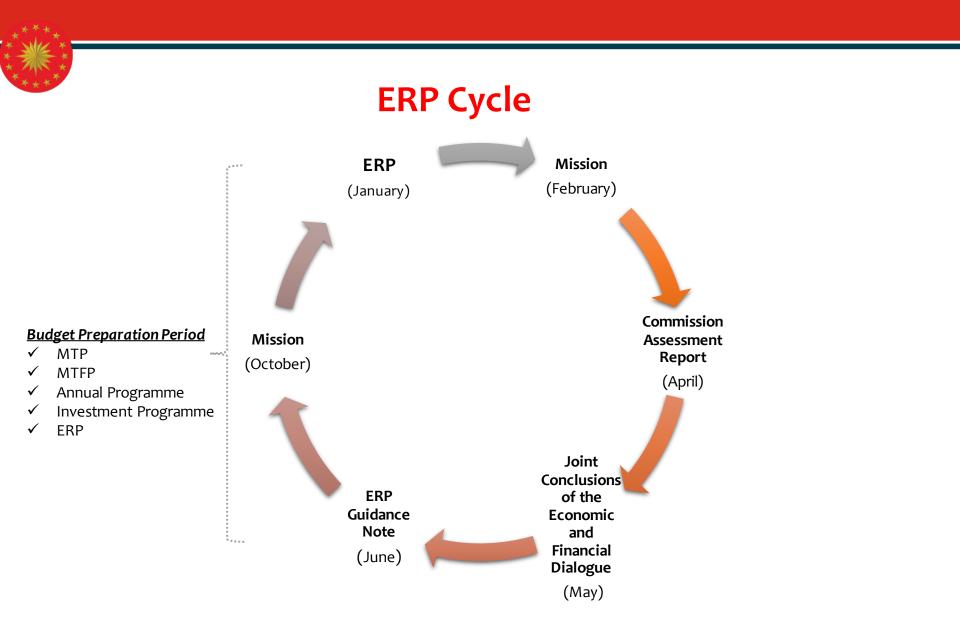
### **ERP Process, Challenges and Prospects**

### **Case of Turkey**

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#### 1) Challenges in integration of SRs into fiscal programmes

- ✓ Insufficient **ownership**,
- ✓ Low awareness of ERP in LMs,
- ✓ Envisaging a very low chance for EU membership and being tired of long standing accession process,
- ✓ Insufficient communication and information about the preparation stages and their integration into financial programs,
- ✓ Inconsistency problems between policy papers and country targets due to conjunctural developments,
- ✓ Weak cooperation with stakeholders/institutions in determining and implementing the reform areas,
- ✓ Mobility/change in staff, partially inadequate staff capacity in LMs.

# 2) How to improve capacities for identification and good design of "traditional" SRs

- ✓ Regular online or face to face meetings to determine the structural problems with all responsible LMs,
- ✓ **Trainings** to improve the staff capacity in LMs,
- ✓ Prepare a set of **best practices** from the completed SR measures and explain the issue to the policy makers, decision makers and technical experts by means of examples,
- ✓ Impact analysis for measuring the efficiency of support programs,
- ✓ Strengthen cooperation and coordination between policy-making units in LMs,
- ✓ Increasing communication between the executive ministry and the private sector during the planning and implementation phases of SRs.

## 3) How to mitigate direct negative implications of COVID-19 crisis

- ✓ Revise existing reforms,
- ✓ Establish working groups to prepare new reforms,
- ✓ Create fiscal space by readopting the budget,
- ✓ Access to finance for SMEs,
- ✓ Postpone SMEs' debts to banks,
- ✓ Income support to people who lost their jobs/workplaces,
- ✓ Reorganize the *financial liabilities of business* in fragile sectors, (tax reduction, tax exemption etc.)
- ✓ Focus on the "health-safe country" promotion in order to increase the tourist entry to the country,
- ✓ Make economic arrangements to stimulate domestic tourism,
- ✓ Intervention programs in order to eliminate the missing learning and support in the psychosocial field of children.

#### 4) How to improve the alignment of the budget and ERP

- Strenghten the links between the policy documents and budget programs by preparing Program Based Budget,
- ✓ Start ERP process earlier,
- ✓ Write the targets more clearly,
- ✓ Increase the awareness and ownership by any means,
- ✓ Convince Turkish people **«there is a hope to access to EU».**

