



CIDE LOCAL ACTION GROUP  
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## CARRYING THE CULTURAL HERITAGE TO THE FUTURE

### *Millennial cultural heritage*

Cide Local Action Group (Kastamonu) implemented the "Model Boat Building Workshop" project under the priority of "Developing the Cultural and Social Life of the Community".

The Black Sea region, where extremely favorable conditions come together for boat and shipbuilding, has been the cradle of this culture throughout history. In various centers along the Black Sea coast, all kinds of sea vehicles were built to meet the needs of both the fishermen and the navy.

### *PROJECT INFO*

**PROJECT STAKEHOLDERS:**

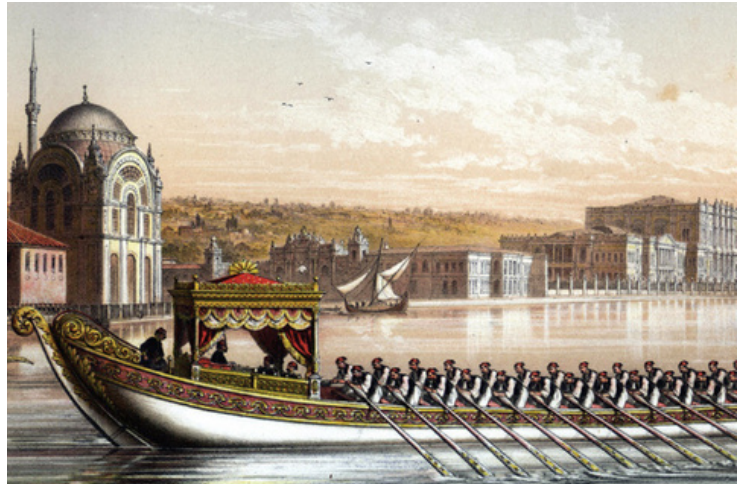
*Cide Ship Modelers and Local Wooden Crafts Association.*

**PROJECT SUBJECT:**

*Setting up workshop*

**PROJECT BUDGET:**

*73.120 TRY*



## *In pursuit of tradition*

Cide, one of these centers, specializes in the construction of the "Imperial Caique ", one of the symbols of the magnificence of the period, which was traditionally used especially in the special voyages of the Ottoman dynasty.

Today, wooden boat building continues in Cide as family businesses. However, wooden boat making also faces the same difficulties as other traditional arts. Problems such as the inability of craftsmanship to cope with modern technology, the indifference of the young population to be trained as apprentices to traditional crafts, migration, financing and raw material problems threaten wooden boatbuilding. The profession, which has been transferred to the next generations through the master-apprentice relationship, is in danger of extinction.

Cide Local Action Group has taken action to keep this profession alive and in the memory of young generations. In this regard, it was decided to establish a model ship building workshop by meeting with the Cide Ship Modelers and Local Wooden Crafts Association. Thus, they aimed to adapt the wooden boat building heritage to the times and bring it back to the economic and cultural life of the district. In this way, it is aimed to contribute to the promotion of both Cide in general and the wooden ship craft that tries to maintain its existence in Cide.



## *The aim is to bring back the crafts*

Within the scope of the project, many equipment such as planer and lathe machine, carpenter and miter cutting benches, drills and saws were procured and allocated to the members of the Cide Ship Modelers and Local Wood Crafts Association. Within the scope of the workshop, practical trainings were given to the members by experienced model builders. Later, various models of ships began to be built. The model ships produced were welcomed in the market and started to be sold to Istanbul Tahtakale, which is the center of wooden product trade in Turkey.

Cide LAG representatives state that thanks to the project, a serious income source has been created for the members of the association. However, in the longer term, they hope to increase the awareness of Cide's place and importance in the wooden ship industry among the stakeholders in the industry.



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