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NATIONAL E-LEGAL DEPOSIT SYSTEM:  
**FROM LEGAL FRAMEWORK TO  
LIBRARY PRACTICES**

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## Legal Mandate

In Türkiye, the journey of legal deposit of electronic publications began in **2012** with the enactment of the Deposit Law. This law assigned the responsibility of depositing electronic publications to our National Library.

## Secure System Development

Following this legal mandate, we prioritized creating a secure system that respects copyright and prevents violations, while also being user-friendly for publishers.

## Stakeholder Engagement

Our efforts involved consulting with e-legal deposit obligators, authors, publisher associations, relevant public institutions, and various stakeholders, as well as examining similar implementations globally.

## HOW DID WE START?



# TIMELINE

- REGULATIONS ON LEGAL DEPOSIT OF REPLICATED INTELLECTUAL AND ARTISTIC WORKS

2012

2018

- ELECTRONIC LEGAL DEPOSIT SYSTEM

- NATIONAL DIGITAL LIBRARY

2020

- NATIONAL DIGITAL LIBRARY STATIONS

2024

# EYDES

## ELECTRONIC LEGAL DEPOSIT SYSTEM

Following primary legislation in February 2012, new regulations came into force in the Türkiye in August 2012 enabling the National Library to deposit electronic publications (e-books, e-journals, e-thesis).

Electronic Legal Deposit is also referred to as Non-Print Legal Deposit (NPLD).

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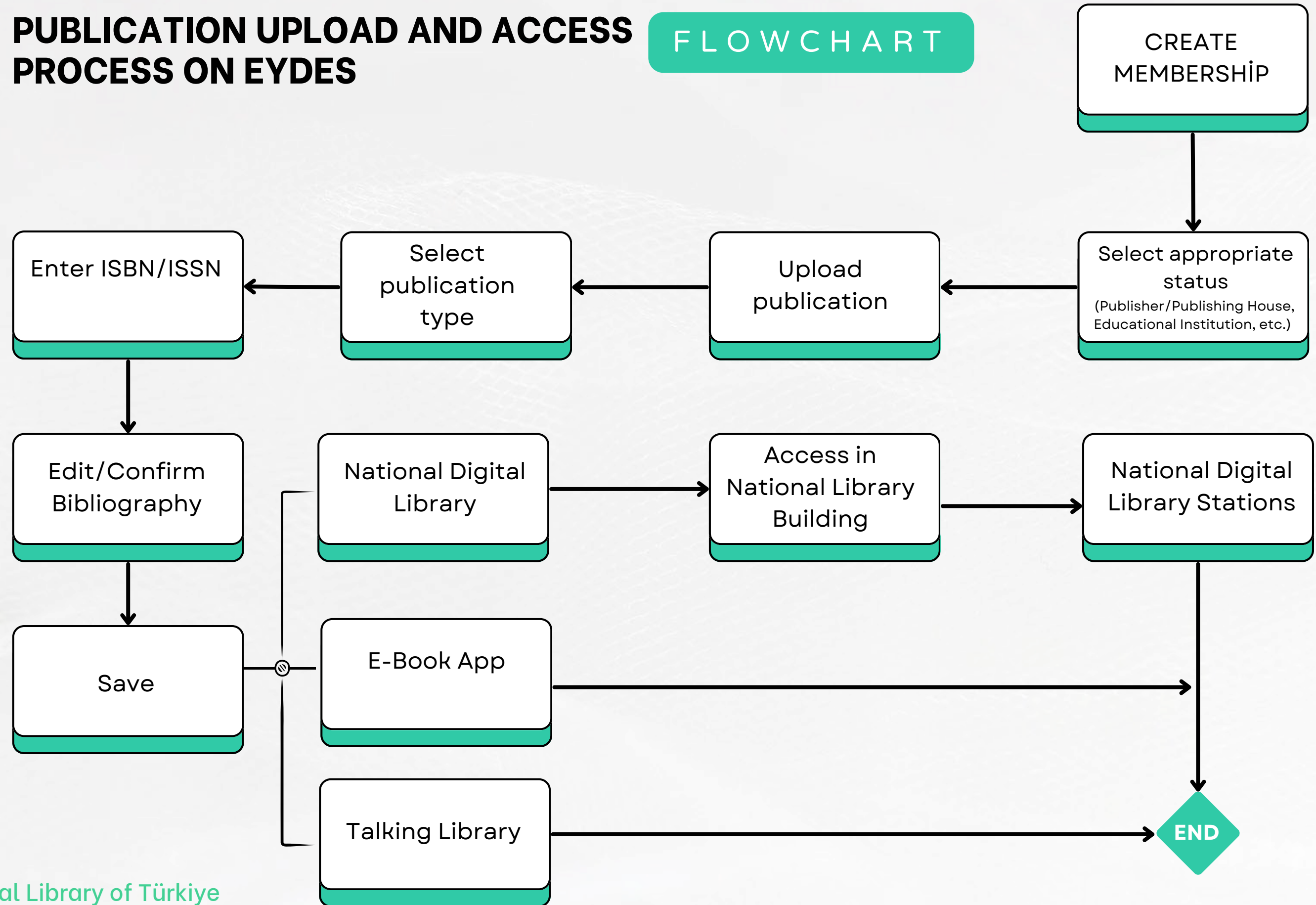
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# PUBLICATION UPLOAD AND ACCESS PROCESS ON EYDES

## FLOWCHART



# TYPES OF PUBLICATIONS DEPOSITED ON EYDES



## BORN-DIGITAL PUBLICATIONS

These are works created and made available in digital form. In Türkiye, this includes books, encyclopedias, albums, atlases, sheet music, and periodicals like newspapers, magazines, yearbooks, bulletins, and calendars.

Publishers are required to upload online electronic publications within **fifteen days** of their initial online transmission.

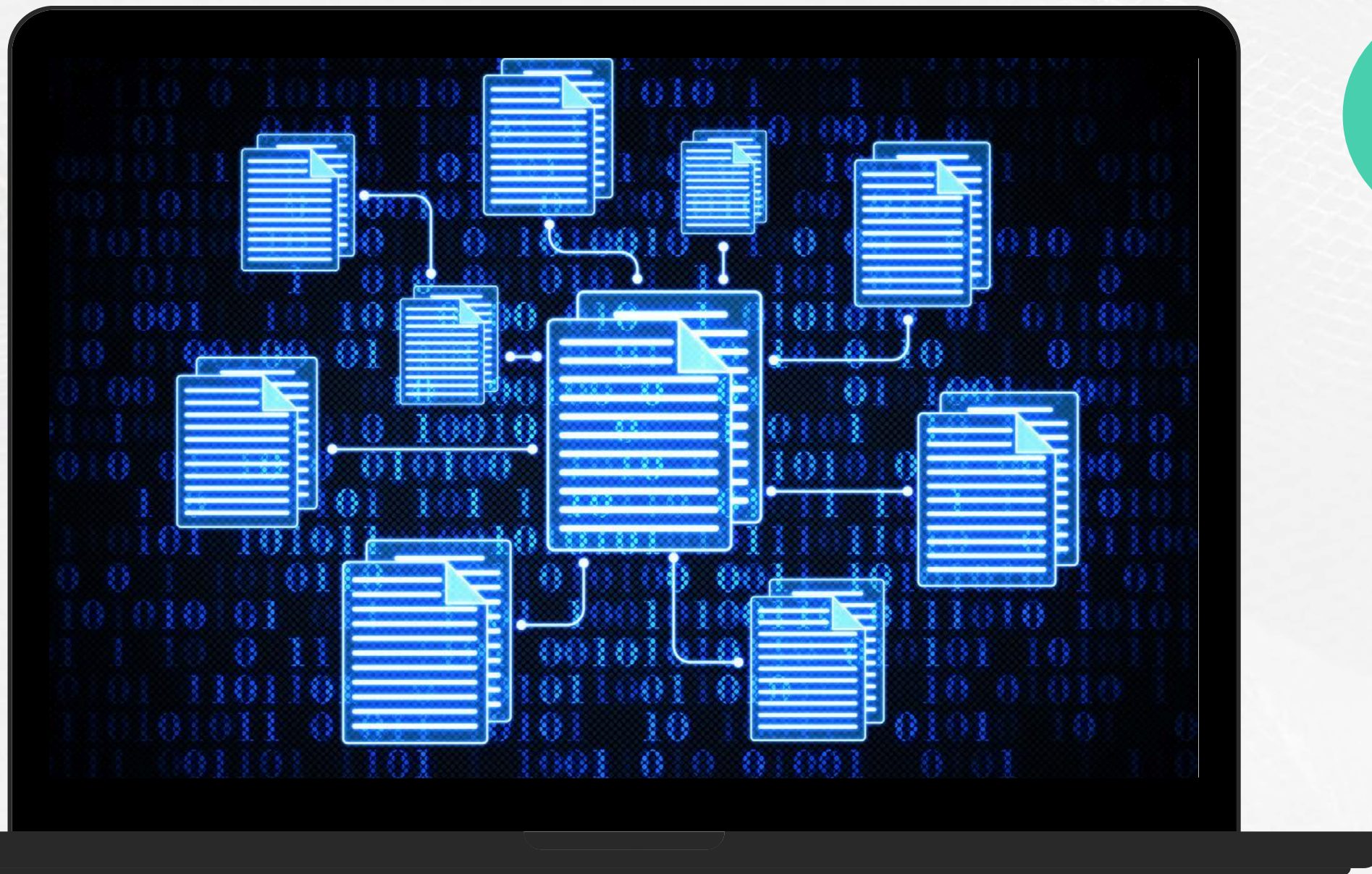


## PUBLICATIONS FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

These include both born-digital works and digital versions of hard copy publications, specifically formatted for accessibility. We currently request these in PDF format.

Publishers are required to upload offline electronic publications within **fifteen days** of reproduction.

# TECHNICAL DETAILS OF EYDES

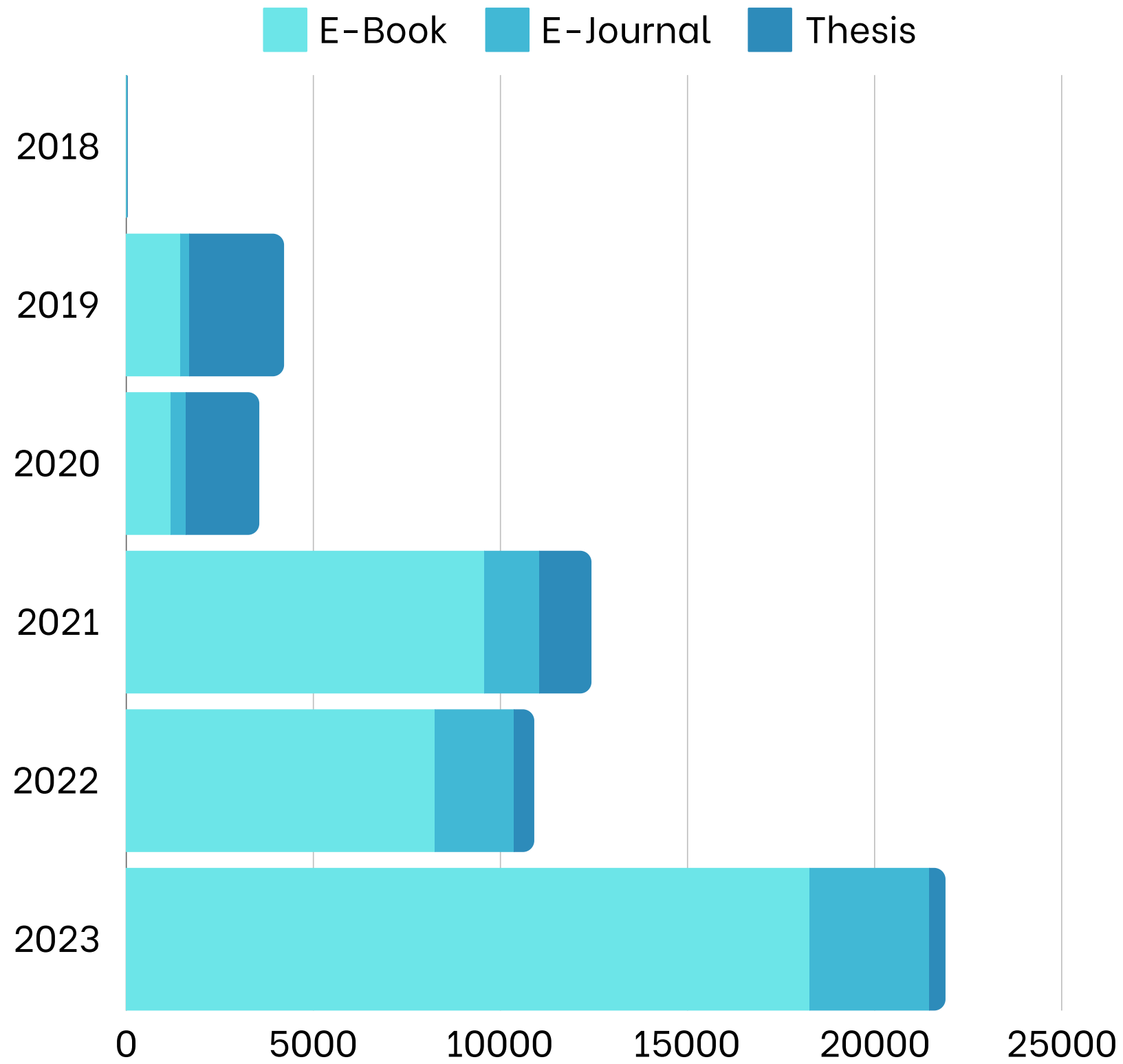


## SUPPORTED FORMATS

The system now allows e-legal deposit obligators to upload their publications in various formats, such as audio (mp3) and visual (pdf, epub, word).



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# ENSURING SYSTEM SECURITY ON EYDES



## THOROUGH SECURITY CHECKS

Before launching EYDeS, we performed thorough security checks and established robust protective measures in collaboration with TÜBİTAK, the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Türkiye.



## VERIFICATION PROTOCOL

We set up a verification protocol with the Ministry of Customs and Trade for identity checks of depositors.



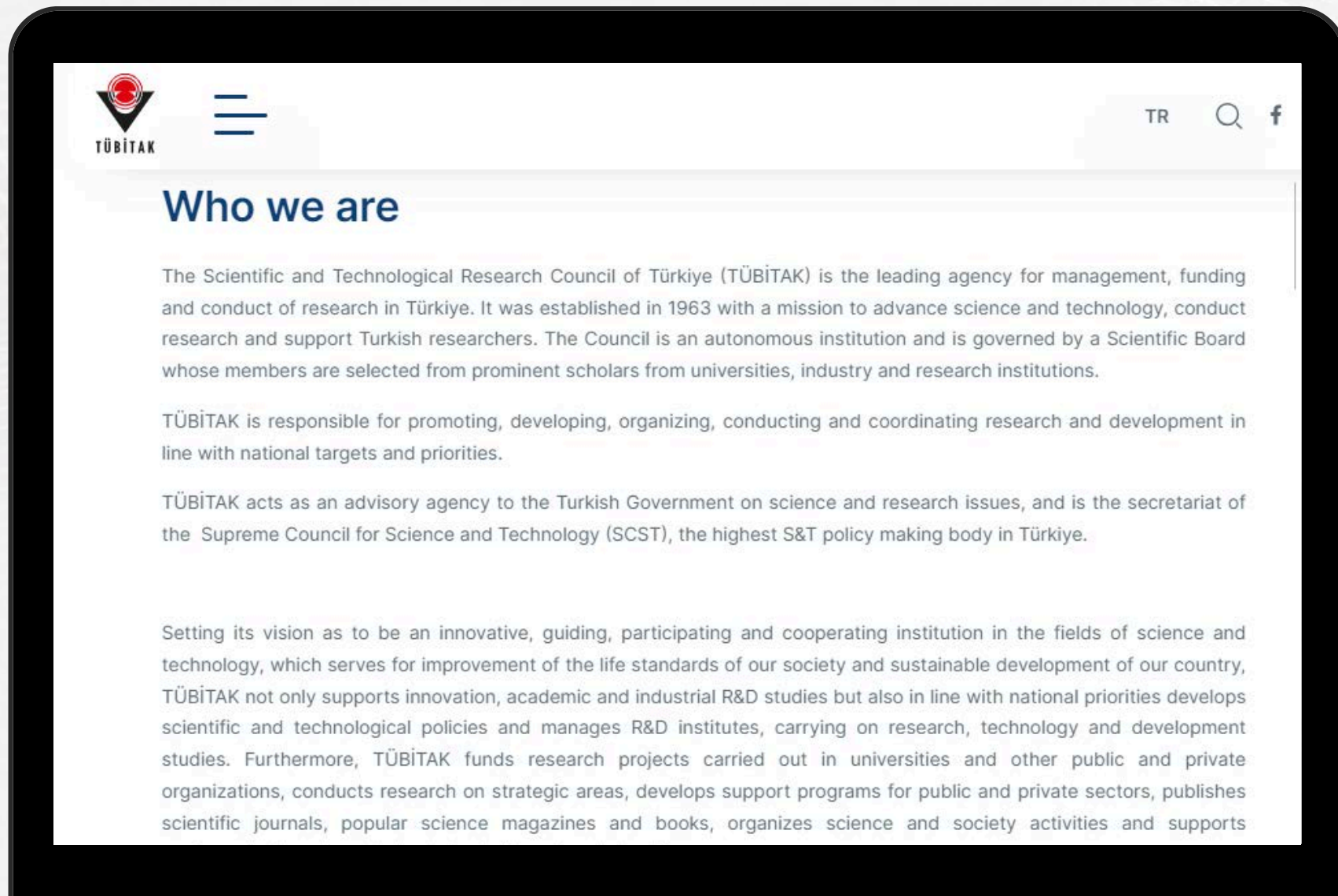
## SECURE ACCESS

Six dedicated computers were configured with unique usernames, passwords, and IP addresses to ensure secure access to EYDeS within the National Library premises.



## **ROBUST SECURITY MEASURES**

The technical development of EYDES involved creating a system with sufficient protection measures to prevent any infringement. Given the potential legal liabilities associated with even minor security breaches, we worked meticulously on these protections.



## COLLABORATION WITH TÜBİTAK

Collaboration with TÜBİTAK ensured that multiple security tests and measures were put in place, including a user verification mechanism and data sharing protocols with the Ministry of Customs and Trade.



## IN-LIBRARY ACCESS

Due to copyright restrictions, the electronic works deposited on EYDES can only be accessed within the National Library building.

## SECURE VIEWING



Access is limited to secure computers designated for full-text viewing and reading, with restricted copying capabilities (no downloading, saving, or printing).

Remote access to the deposited works is not available.



# NATIONAL DIGITAL LIBRARY

For nearly 10 years, the National Library has been serving its users through our Digital Library System, providing access to our digital collections, including manuscripts, rare works, non-book materials, periodicals, databases, and e-books/e-journals (digital-born). Recently, we have been working to make the collected works available through EYDeS, in compliance with copyright rules, to our users within the library building.

## WHAT ARE THE ADVANTAGES OF THE NATIONAL DIGITAL LIBRARY?

- Current publications are offered to our users through the National Digital Library system without requiring additional digitization efforts.
- Especially for visually impaired users, the opportunity to access current publications through programs that instantly convert **text to speech** is provided.
- In addition to born-digital publications, a digital copy of all physical publications is included within the scope of collection, making a significant **contribution to library archiving**.
- Consequently, the budget allocated for digitization efforts is also expected to decrease.

# NATIONAL DIGITAL LIBRARY STATIONS

**AIM TO MAKE THE DEPOSITED ELECTRONIC PUBLICATIONS ACCESSIBLE TO USERS ACROSS THE COUNTRY, NOT JUST WITHIN THE NATIONAL LIBRARY.**

- We have positioned the National Digital Library Access Stations within 20 different public libraries across the country.
- Each Access Station within the public libraries is equipped with two computers that have special security and access conditions.
- Users who cannot come to Ankara can benefit from these services by going to the public library in their city and using the Access Stations there.



## **ADAPTING TO THE DIGITAL AGE**

The National Library of Türkiye has taken significant steps to adapt to the digital age with the establishment of the Electronic Legal Deposit System (EYDES).

## **SECURING AND ACCESSING WORKS**

We are committed to ensuring that our deposited publications are secure, accessible, and serve the needs of our diverse user base.

## **CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT**

We look forward to your questions and discussions on how we can continue to improve and innovate in this vital area.



# **CONCLUSIONS**





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