

## Autodesk Inks Agreement with Turkey's Ministry of Education

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ISTANBUL--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jun. 17, 2013-- [Autodesk, Inc.](#) (NASDAQ: ADSK) has signed a four-year agreement with Turkey's Ministry of National Education, to advance the country's vocational and technical education system. This nationwide agreement will enable more than 5,000 schools and 1.6 million students to access Autodesk's professional-grade software. Autodesk is a leader in [3D design](#), engineering and entertainment software.



The agreement was signed in Ankara by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Omer Acikgoz, General Director of Vocational and Technical Education and George Abraham, Head of Emerging Markets Education at Autodesk. The agreement aims to nurture the next-generation of engineers, designers, architects and digital artists in Turkey, by teaching them advanced technologies. Students will have access to industry leading software products such as Autodesk AutoCAD, Autodesk Revit, Autodesk 3ds Max and Autodesk Maya. Autodesk will also provide software training to teachers, and help organize design competitions for students.

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Omer Acikgoz, General Director of Vocational and Technical Education, said, "The ministry's primary goals are to equip our vocational students with the most advanced skills required by the national and international labor markets, and to coordinate their education in close collaboration with the industry. The advanced technology being provided by Autodesk to our students will be a significant contribution to the quality of

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vocational education."

Autodesk's George Abraham said, "Autodesk's vision is to help people imagine, design and create a better world. Design has long been a shaper of human progress, and we want students all over the world to have access to the best design tools. We are collaborating with Turkey's Ministry of National Education to ensure that today's students make a positive impact on the world through innovation, creativity and smart design."

Taylan Dedeoglu, Head of Mediterranean Region at Autodesk, added, "Working with educators and the Ministry of National Education, Autodesk looks forward to developing new learning content for students and teachers. Equipped with Autodesk technology, students across Turkey will have an opportunity to design, visualize, simulate and digitally prototype their ideas in the same way that professionals do worldwide."

### About Autodesk Education

Autodesk provides individual students and educators with free access to the latest 3D design software for non-commercial use. In 2012, Autodesk Education provided free access to 66 million students and educators at more than 176,000 schools worldwide. With the latest release of Autodesk's design software, there are now more than 40 software titles available to them through the [Autodesk Education Community](#).

### About Autodesk

Autodesk helps people imagine, design and create a better world. Everyone—from design professionals, engineers and architects to digital artists, students and hobbyists—uses Autodesk software to unlock their creativity and solve important challenges. For more information visit [autodesk.com](#) or follow @autodesk.

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