

## Turkey Legal Update

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### Turkish Color of the Month

Born in Elazığ on the east of Turkey, Saim Dursun, depicts, with the warm liveliness of light and color on his spatula, the true Anatolian picture uncovering the strong willpower of Turkish people and their joy of life despite hardship. Painter Saim Dursun passed away in August 13, 2021 at the age of 62.



By Saim Dursun ©

## Amendments to the Law No: 5651 Concerning Social Media

Data Protection and Privacy

By Begüm Yavuzdoğan Okumuş, Selin Başaran Savuran and Yalçın Umut Talay

The Law amending the Law No. 5651 on the Regulation of Internet Broadcasts and Prevention of Crimes Committed through Such Broadcasts brings important obligations concerning social network providers.

### News and Events



#### WTR 1000 Rankings

We are pleased to announce that we have been named as the top tier firm and our 8 practitioners are recognized as the leading individuals.



#### Top 250 Women in IP 2020

Özge Atılğan Karakulak is listed among Top 250 Women in IP 2020 by Euromoney's Managing IP.



#### BİGG+ Mentor Program

Our CFO Özlem Divandiler selected as one of the mentors for the program by TÜBİTAK.

## Recent Developments about Unbreakable Deadlock in Consumer Disputes: Mediation and Solution Proposals

Dispute Management

By Pelin Baysal and Muzaffer Atar

The mandatory mediation has become the norm for consumer disputes in Turkey. This article explains why it matters for your firm and why it is likely to fail in terms of establishing fair and expeditious resolution for consumer disputes.

## Discovery of Evidence and Preliminary Injunction Demands During COVID-19

Patents and Utility Models

By Selin Sinem Erciyas and Zeynep Çağla Üstün

Turkish IP Court accepting discovery of evidence demand by acknowledging the legal benefit, however rejecting preliminary injunction request due to the so-called Bolar exemption, despite the expert report confirming patent infringement.

## COVID-19 Impact on Trademarks

Trademarks and Designs

By Mutlu Yıldırım Köse

Trademark applications in Turkey and before EUIPO have been negatively affected by the Covid 19 period but a rapid recovery period started in May and June. The number of Covid 19 related trademarks have increased during the period.



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