Türkiye Legal Update

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Turkish Color of the Month

Born in Elazığ on the east of Türkiye, 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.

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Notification Obligation to Tax Office for Registered Transactions in the Trade Registry is Abolished

Corporate and M&A

By Görkem Bilgin and Seda Takmaz

Notification obligation to tax offices for registered transactions in the trade registry is abolished for various matters with the Communiqué entered into force as of 1 February 2023.

News and Events

Our hearts go out to the wounded and the families who have lost their loved ones

We are devastated by the great loss lives and the enormous moral and material destruction caused by the Kahramanmaraş earthquake across the 10 provinces in the affected region.

Turkey's Ongoing Decline In Corruption Perception Index

Business Crimes and Anti-Corruption

By Asena Aytuğ Keser and Kardelen Dorken

According to Corruption Perceptions Index, Turkey's downward trend remained unchanged in 2022. Rest of 2023 may be quite challenging for Turkey, given the recent earthquakes, approaching general election and current hyperinflation.

Eco-Friendly Advertisements!

Technology, Media and Telecom

By Hande Hançar, Baran Güney and Göksu Ayçıl Altınok

The Guideline for Environmental Claims in Advertising introduces principles in order to prevent advertisements that might abuse consumers' environmental sensitivity and mislead them regarding environmental impacts of products.

Developments in the Obligation of Registration to Data Controllers' Registry

Data Protection and Privacy

By Begüm Yavuzdoğan Okumuş and Yalçın Umut Talay

The DPA issues fines against controllers located outside Turkey and other controllers exceeding thresholds if they are not registered with Data Controllers' Registry yet. The obligation for companies in Turkey may also begin in 2023.

New Regulation on Named Patient Programs is Published

Life Sciences

By Dicle Doğan and Fatma Sevde Tan

Following the news that counterfeit drugs were supplied, a new NPP regulation was published.

Countdown to Revocation Requests at The TPTO

Trademarks and Designs

By Güldeniz Doğan Alkan and Cansu Evren

Now that less than 1 year remaining to the effective date of Article 26 of the IP Code for the assignment of revocation authority of trademarks to the TPTO, the preparations have fastened, giving rise to many questions.

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