

**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.



By Saim Dursun ©

**Termination of Employment Contract Due to an Employee’s Frequent Medical Reports**

Dispute Management

By Beril Yayla Sapan, Merve Çimen Sevine and Su Yücel

The employee’s frequent receipt of medical reports may be evaluated as grounds for termination based on a valid reason. If the duration of the medical report exceeds, without interruption, the periods prescribed under the Labor Act, such termination can also be grounded on just cause.

**News and Events**



**We are Attending the IBA Annual Litigation Forum in Madrid**

We are pleased to announce our participation at the IBA Annual Litigation Forum - The World has lost its Compass: we need to talk about Litigators!, which will be held in Madrid on 15-17 Apr 2026 and extend an invitation for a potential meeting during the event.



**Gün + Partners Top Ranked by WTR 1000 2026**

We have been ranked as a top-tier firm in both the “Litigation” and “Prosecution” categories in the World Trademark Review (WTR) 1000: The World’s Leading Trademark Professionals 2026.



**We Support JIPA and JETRO’s Anti-Counterfeiting Mission in Türkiye**

Last week, we were delighted to support and accompany the Japanese Intellectual Property Association (JIPA) and Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) during their visits to Istanbul and Izmir.

**Significant Amendments to the Communiqué on Mergers and Acquisitions**

Corporate and M&A , Competition

By Begüm Yavuzdoğan Okumuş, Uğur Erkirli and Seda Takmaz

Turkey updated its merger control rules. Turnover thresholds for Board clearance are increased and tech undertaking exception is limited to Turkey-established targets. JV coordination and transition rules clarified and the notification form is updated.

**New Real-World Data and Pharmaco-economic Studies for NPP Products**

Life Sciences

By Dicle Doğan

Türkiye’s Medicine Agency will collect real-world and pharmaco-economic data for imported medicines under NPP, supporting evidence-based decisions and informing future reimbursement policies.

**A New Decision of The Constitutional Court on The Turkish Competition Board’s on-site Inspections**

Competition

By Begüm Yavuzdoğan Okumuş and Seda Takmaz

The Constitutional Court’s recent decision on on-site inspections signals a notable departure from the constitutional safeguards emphasized in the earlier Ford decision and brings the constitutional limits of competition investigations back into focus.

**The NIVEA Blue Effect: Can Increased Distinctiveness Create Likelihood of Confusion Based on Common Colours?**

Trademarks and Designs

By Güldeniz Doğan Alkan and Ayşenur Çıtak Bozdağ

Where a trademark has gained increased distinctiveness through consistent use of specific colours, likelihood of confusion may be found based on the common colour combinations or verbal references to those colours despite differences in word elements.



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