Turkey Legal Update

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Turkish Color of the Month

Born in Elaziğ 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 @

Protection of Websites Under Turkish Law

Trademarks and Designs

By Uğur Aktekin, Havva Yıldız and Göksu Ayçıl Altınok

In this article we look into the details of "protection of websites under Turkish law" where there is no set of rules specifically applicable to them, but general provisions of intellectual property and/or unfair competition rules may be applied in case of infringement.

News and Events



Middle East Healthcare Compliance Certificate Program by Seton Hall Law School

Dicle Doğan, spoke on "Anti-Corruption rules in life sciences industry in Turkey" at Middle East Healthcare Compliance Certificate Program, organized by Seton Hall Law School in Dubai, U.A.E.



Our Lawyers Met with ELSA Ankara Members

As part of the "Lawyers @ Work" event, we hosted ELSA (European Law Students Association) Ankara member law students in our office.



İrem Girenes Yücesoy Met with Students at Career Days Organized by Koç University

Irem Girenes Yücesoy attended online career days event organized by Koç University Law Club and Career Development Center.

What The Plausibility Requirement Means For Turkish IP Law

Patents and Utility Models

By Aysel Korkmaz Yatkın, Selin Sinem Erciyas and Aysu Eryaşar

Despite lack of legal provisions; plausibility is pursued in the context of sufficiency of disclosure or lack of inventive step. The G 2/21 decision of EPO is expected to establish a uniform understanding and precedent for Turkish IP Courts.

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.

State Council's Decision on the Rules and Procedures Regarding Experts at Insurance Arbitration Commission

Insurance and Reinsurance

By Aysel Korkmaz Yatkın and Kardelen Özden

Annulment of Articles 5/1 and 4/3 of Rules and Procedures on Experts at Insurance Arbitration Commission is considered to have paved the way for those specialized in law and lawyers to act as experts at Insurance Arbitration Commission.

Changes to Minimum Wage, Severance Payments and Administrative Fines in 2023

Employment

By Beril Yayla Sapan and Kardelen Özden

At the beginning of each year, the minimum wage, severance payments and administrative fines prescribed by the Labour Act are revised. This article provides an overview of the 2023 changes, which came into effect on 1 January 2023

Extension of the Deadline Regarding Amendments to the Communiqué With Respect to Capital Loss and Negative Equity

Corporate and M&A

By Görkem Bilgin and Latif Aktaş

The deadline regarding amendments to the Communiqué with respect to capital loss and negative Equity has been extended to January 1, 2024.

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