# 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.



By Saim Dursun ©

### Choice of Foreign Law in Contracts to be Concluded Between Turkish Citizens

Corporate and M&A

By Ozan Karaduman and Cansu Akbıyıklı

Nowadays, Turkish parties may tend to choose foreign law in their contracts as the governing law. However, there are different opinions on whether the choice of foreign law would be valid if a contract does not contain any foreign element.

#### **News and Events**



**Benchmark Litigation Europe** Awards 2019

We are delighted our firm won Euromoney Benchmark Litigation's inaugural award for Law Firm of the Year for Turkey in 2019.



Middle East Healthcare Compliance **Certificate Program** 

Özge Karakulak, spoke on compliance environment in life sciences industry in Turkey at the program organized by Seton Hall Law School faculty in Dubai



INTA Pre-Annual Meeting in Istanbul

The meeting was co-hosted by Gün + Partners, Uğur Aktekin made the opening speech and Uğur Yalçıner spoke about code of conduct rules for trademark attorneys.

### EU Requests Consultation before The WTO on Turkey's Localisation Policy

Life Sciences

By Özge Atılgan Karakulak and Dicle Doğan

On 2 April 2019, the EU made a request for consultation before WTO regarding the measures of Turkey concerning production, importation and marketing of pharmaceutical products.

# What If Your Unquantified Amount of Monetary Claim is in Fact Quantifiable?

Dispute Management

By Asena Aytuğ Keser

As per the decision of the General Assembly of Civil Chambers, when the monetary amount in dispute was in fact determinable but the claimant filed an action for undetermined amount, the case must be rejected directly due to lack of legal interest.

### Trademark Rights vs. Freedom of Expression: A Recent Decision of the Turkish **Constitutional Court**

Intellectual Property, Trademarks and Designs By Güldeniz Doğan Alkan

The Constitutional Court held that blocking access to a website for an indefinite period is proportional where unfair competition created by using the trademark in the domain name







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