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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 ©

European Union Artificial Intelligence Act Approved: What Does It Entail in Terms of Copyrights?

Intellectual Property , Copyrights

By Mutlu Yıldırım Köse, Havva Yıldız and Su Yücel

In this article, we discuss the general scope of the EU AI Act, examine its provisions that may be relevant to copyright, and discuss their potential impacts on right holders and implementing administrative entities.

News and Events



Our Lawyers Spoke During the 2024 Patent and Trademark Attorney Qualifying Exams Preparatory Trainings

Our lawyers, Güldeniz Doğan Alkan, Aysel Korkmaz Yatkın, Dilan Sıla Kayalıca, Zeynep Çağla Üstün, Ayşenur Çıtak Bozdağ, Edanur Atlı, and Seda Takmaz, conducted legal sessions during the preparatory trainings organized by PEM in Ankara and Istanbul for the Patent and Trademark Attorney Qualifying Exams held on May 11, 2024.



Begüm Yavuzdoğan Okumuş spoke at the Climate Summit held at TOBB University

Our partner Begüm Yavuzdoğan Okumuş gave a speech on "Law and Compliance in the Green and Digital Transformation Path" at the Climate Summit held at TOBB University on May 10, 2024. Speakers from academia and the business world discussed the effects of the climate crisis, upcoming regulations, and developments during the event.



We Completed Our 2024-2025 Legal Intern Evaluation Process

We have completed our legal intern evaluation process for the 2024-2025 period. We would like to thank all our candidates who showed great interest and applied.

The Draft Regulation About Cross-Border Transfer of Personal Data, Turkish Standard Contractual Terms and Binding Corporate Rules Guidelines

Data Protection and Privacy

By Begüm Yavuzdoğan Okumuş, Yalçın Umut Talay and Seda Takmaz

Drafts of regulation regarding cross-border personal data transfers, standard contractual clause templates and binding corporate rules guidelines were announced. Data controllers shall take numerous urgent actionsuntil 1 September 2024.

Recent Changes Regarding the Determination of Companies Subject to Independent Auditing

Corporate and M&A

By Görkem Bilgin and Seda Takmaz

The new thresholds and scope changes for determining companies subject to independent auditing should be carefully considered for accounting periods starting on January 1, 2024, and thereafter. It is of utmost importance for companies within the scope to fulfill their obligations to appoint independent auditors.

Constitutional Court Annulled the Sanction for Non-Attendance to Mandatory Mediation

Dispute Management

By Beril Yayla Sapan, Asena Aytuğ Keser and Kardelen Özden

The Constitutional Court annulled the sanction for a party's non-attendance to the first mediation meeting without a valid excuse.

Latest Developments on Administrative Revocation of Trademarks!

Intellectual Property , Trademarks and Designs By Güldeniz Doğan Alkan and Cansu Evren

A quick review on important and recent developments on the administrative revocation procedure.

Türkiye's Update: Key Changes in Named Patient Program

Life Sciences

By Dicle Doğan and Fatma Sevde Tan

On April 17, 2024 the Guidelines on Named Patient Program has been amended.

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