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Expertise

Özge Atılgan Karakulak has been with the firm since 2005 and has been a partner since 2013. She is chair of the firm's life sciences industry and competition practices and co-chair of patent and utility models practice.

With the combination of Özge's advisory and litigation expertise and in-depth knowledge of the life sciences sector, she advises clients across all phases of the business cycle of life science products, such as registration / authorization procedures, promotion practices, pricing and reimbursement regulations, distribution relationships and co-marketing deals, as well as on issues of merger control, vertical restraints and abusive conduct.

Özge has acted on behalf of originators in numerous complex patent infringement and validity actions in the pharmaceutical industry and she was involved in the first ever pharmaceutical data exclusivity and unfair competition actions in Türkiye.

In addition her corporate work, Özge advises multinational industry associations in Türkiye on numerous regulatory policy papers and drafting regulations for the Turkish government authorities.

Areas of Expertise

- Life Sciences
- Intellectual Property
- Patents and Utility Models
- Competition

Publications

An Important European Precedent: Legal Consequences of Statements Concerning Competitors and Its Implications for Türkiye
Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Jul 24, 2025

Medicines and Medical Devices Sectors: Current Status and Evolving Dynamics
Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Feb 25, 2025

Market Availability of Products and Parallel Trade
Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Feb 25, 2025

Named Patient Program
Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Feb 25, 2025

Developments in the Field of Medical Devices
Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Feb 25, 2025

Use of Hemp in Production of Pharmaceuticals
Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Feb 25, 2025

Food Supplements
Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Feb 25, 2025

Interactions with Health Care Professionals, Transfer of Values and Conditions of Payment
Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Feb 25, 2025

Market Access - Alternative Reimbursement Models
Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Feb 25, 2025

Fixed Exchange Rate in Pricing of Pharmaceuticals and its Impact
Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Feb 25, 2025

Pharmaceuticals, Medical Devices, Digitalization: What Awaits the Healthcare Sectors in the 12th Development Plan and the 2025 Presidential Annual Program?
Legalink Newsletter, Co-Author, Dec 24, 2024

Evaluating Disparaging Practices against Competitors in the Pharmaceutical Sector: A Competition Law Perspective
Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Dec 17, 2024

IP in Business Transactions 2024 in Turkey
Practical Law, Co-Author, Sep 13, 2024

Named Patient Program
Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Aug 14, 2024

Pricing of Pharmaceuticals and the Fixed Exchange Rate
Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Aug 14, 2024

Speaking Engagements

4Th Annual Pharma Biotech Patent Litigation Europe Summit, Bolar Exemption Safe Harbor Update Across Europe and the USA, Speaker, Amsterdam, 21.01.2025

[IBA - 10th Annual World Life Sciences Conference, Conference Co-Chair, Madrid, 29.05.2024](#)

IBA - 9th Annual World Life Sciences Conference, Conference Co-Chair, Washington DC, 02.06.2023

Significant International Post-Pandemic IP Policies - A Worldwide Review, IBA - 9th Annual World Life Sciences Conference, Co-Moderator, Washington DC, 02.06.2023

Patent Litigation in Turkey Workshop, LES-Turkey - IP Camp 2022, Trainer, İzmir, 12.08.2022

Litigation and Filing Trends in Life Sciences, Managing IP Intellectual Property and Innovation Summit 2022 Europe, Panelist, London, UK, 15.06.2022

IBA - 8th Annual World Life Sciences Conference, Conference Co-Chair, Paris, France, 04.06.2022

Have patents cured Covid-19?, IBA - Virtual Fever the New Pandemic Conference, Moderator, Berlin, Germany, 12.10.2021

World IP Day – Conversation on Impact of COVID-19 on IP, Gün + Partners Webinar, Moderator, 27.04.2020

IBA - 7th Annual World Life Sciences Conference, Conference Co-Chair, Philadelphia, USA, 31.05.2019

IP Rights in Health Technologies, LES Turkey - Friday IP Talks, Panellist, Istanbul, Turkey, 17.05.2019

Compliance Environment in Life Sciences Industry in Turkey, Seton Hall University School of Law Faculty - Middle East Healthcare Compliance Certificate Program, Speaker, Dubai, UAE, 02.05.2019

Review of Patent Cases in the German, Turkish And English Courts in 2018, Gün + Partners – World IP Day, Moderator, Istanbul, Turkey, 26.04.2019

Spotlight on Turkey – a Case Study, Managing Intellectual Property - International Patent Forum 2019, Speaker, London, UK, 07.03.2019

Licensing, Pricing and Reimbursement Processes, Transparency International Association Turkey - Pharmaceutical Sector Cooperation Program, Moderator, Istanbul, Turkey, 27.02.2019

IBA - 6th Annual World Life Sciences Conference, Conference Co-Chair, Boston, MA, USA, 01.06.2018

Preliminary Injunction in Turkey, Managing Intellectual Property - International Patent Forum 2018, Speaker, London, UK, 08.03.2018

Life Science Patent II – Hot Topics in the Life Sciences Litigation, IBA - 5th Annual World Life Sciences Conference, Co-Moderator, San Diego, CA, USA, 17.06.2017

IBA - 5th Annual World Life Sciences Conference, Conference Co-Chair, San Diego, CA, USA, 16.06.2017

All You Need to Know About the New IP Code in Turkey, Managing Intellectual Property - International Patent Forum 2017, Speaker, London, UK, 09.03.2017

Litigation Topic 1, IBA - 4th Annual World Life Sciences Conference, Co-Moderator, San Francisco, CA, USA, 04.06.2016

Pay for Delay, IBA - 4th Annual World Life Sciences Conference, Co-Moderator, San Francisco, CA, USA, 03.06.2016

IBA - 4th Annual World Life Sciences Conference, Co-Moderator, San Francisco, CA, USA, 03.06.2016

Creating a Sustainable Investment Environment in Pharma in the MENA Region, CPhI Istanbul 2016 Conference, Speaker, Istanbul, Turkey, 01.06.2016

Patent, Technology Licensing and Trademark, Istanbul Bilgi University – Master Program, Instructor, Istanbul, Turkey, 01.03.2016 – 30.04.2016

What's New in Patent Litigation? IBA - Annual Conference 2013, Speaker, Boston, MA, USA, 07.10.2013

Who Pays? Pharmaceutical Patents and the Developing World, IBA - Annual Conference 2013, Speaker, Boston, MA, USA, 07.10.2013

Associations

International Bar Association (IBA), Intellectual Property and Entertainment Law Committee Advisory Board Member

Seton Hall University School of Law Healthcare Compliance Certification Program, Advisory Board Member

Association Internationale pour la Protection de la Propriété Intellectuelle (AIPPI), Member

Licensing Executives Society (LES), Member

Galatasaray University Alumni Association, Member

Transparency International Turkey, Board of Directors Member

Education

2006, The Institute of Social Sciences, Galatasaray University, Istanbul (LL.M. in Business Law)

2004, Faculty of Law, Dokuz Eylül University, Izmir (LL.B.)

2000, Wautoma High School, WI, US

1999, TED Aliaga Private High School, Izmir

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