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## Expertise

Zeynep Seda Alhas joined the firm in 2006 and became a partner in 2017. She is both a lawyer and a trademark attorney specializing in Intellectual Property law. She focuses trademark and design, anti-counterfeiting, and copyright.

Zeynep's IP litigation practice focuses on trademarks, designs, unfair competition and copyrights. She advises a wide range of foreign and domestic clients from numerous business sectors on implementing IP protection and enforcement strategies,

She has vast experience in civil IP litigation, as well as domain name and unfair competition conflicts, representing clients in cancellation, invalidation, infringement and other civil court actions and domain name ADR proceedings, filing for interlocutory and precautionary injunctions, negotiating and drafting co-existence, settlement and licensing agreements.

Zeynep has been involved in numerous anti-counterfeiting and anti-piracy campaigns, handled and supervised evidence gathering and criminal raid procedures all around Türkiye, and works with the firm's in-house investigations department closely.

She advises on portfolio management strategies and represents clients before the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (TURKPATENT), and supervises opposition and appeal procedures for trademark, design and well known trademark applications to the TURKPATENT.

#### Areas of Expertise

Intellectual Property

Trademarks and Designs

Anti-Counterfeiting

**IP Prosecution** 

Copyrights

### **Publications**

Navigating Türkiye's Legal Landscape on Parallel Imports and Grey Market Goods

WTR, Co-Author, Jul 25, 2025

IP Rights 2024 in Türkiye: Overview

Practical Law, Co-Author, Sep 16, 2024

Is Alternative Dispute Resolution Effective Enough for ".tr" Domain Names?

Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Nov 01, 2023

New Turkish Domain Name System Creates a Situation in Need of Resolution

ManagingIP, Co-Author, Apr 20, 2023

Can The Accused be Acquitted Solely on The Grounds That The Number of Seized Counterfeits Is Very Low?

Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Apr 08, 2023

A New Era in .Tr Extended Domain Names - and a New Issue Waiting for a Solution

ManagingIP, Co-Author, Apr 05, 2023

Turkish Court of Cassation's Recent Decision on Search and Seizure Orders is Strengthens the IP Owners' Position

ManagingIP, Co-Author, Nov 22, 2022

Patents, Trade Marks, Copyright and Designs 2022 in Turkey

Practical Law, Co-Author, Nov 09, 2022

Turkish IP Office Rules on Similarity of Figurative Marks: Timberland's Tree Emblem

ManagingIP, Co-Author, Sep 12, 2022

Similarity of Short Trademarks: Patent and Trademark Office Deviates From Practice in Groundbreaking Decision

WTR, Co-Author, Apr 13, 2022

Challenges and Opportunities When Combatting Counterfeits in Turkey

Managing IP - Future of IP: Turkey 2022, Co-Author, Mar 14, 2022

IP Court Rules on Red Bull's Colour Marks in an Infringement Claim

ManagingIP, Co-Author, Nov 19, 2021

Red Bull Triumphs in Opposition Before the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office

WTR, Co-Author, Sep 06, 2021

A Look at Brand Enforcement During the COVID-19 Pandemic

ManagingIP, Co-Author, Feb 18, 2021

District Court Upholds Foreign Mark Owner's Opposition Based on 'Genuine Right Ownership' Ground

WTR, Co-Author, Aug 24, 2020

# Speaking Engagements

The International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (AIPPI) "Sertaç Köksaldı 6th Intellectual Property Law Seminar", Moderator, Istanbul, 03.04.2025

In-service Training Sessions, General Directorate of Customs, Speaker, Istanbul, 09.07.2024

Absolutely Relative Grounds for Refusal, 2023 AIPPI World Congress, Panellist, İstanbul, Turkey, 24.10.2023

Combating Counterfeiting in Turkey, JETRO - International Intellectual Property Protection Forum, Speaker, 27.10.2022

Trademark Law in Turkey Key Developments and Predictions 2022, Gün + Partners Webinar, Speaker, Istanbul, Turkey, 03.06.2022

What Happened in the World of Intellectual Property in the Days of Pandemic and Perspectives for the Future, IPR Gezgini, Speaker, 10.03.2021

The Effects of COVID-19 on Anti-counterfeiting Activities in EMEA Region, Gün + Partners Webinar, Speaker, 22.06.2020

Key Developments and Predictions for Trademark Law in Turkey - 2020 With a Focus on the Impacts of the COVID-19, Gün + Partners Webinar, Speaker, 18.05.2020

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

Enforcement Issues and Best Practices on Anti-Counterfeiting, Gün + Partners – World IP Day, Moderator, Istanbul, Turkey, 26.04.2019

Trademark – Design – Artistic Works Mock Trial, AIPPI Turkey - Sertaç Köksaldı – 5<sup>th</sup> Intellectual Property Law Seminar, Counsel for the Defence, Istanbul, Turkey, 06.04.2018

Trademark Litigation in Emerging Markets, INTA - 139th Annual Meeting, Barcelona, Spain, 21.05.2017

New Intellectual Property Code Enters into Force, AIPPI Türkiye and Ozyegin University, Panellist, Istanbul, Turkey, 01.04.2017

Turkey's New Industrial Property Code (no:6769), Gün + Partners Seminar, Speaker, Istanbul, Turkey, 10.02.2017

#### Associations

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

Association Internationale pour la Protection de la Propriété Intellectuelle (AIPPI), Piracy and Counterfeiting Committee

International Trademark Association (INTA), Anticounterfeiting Committee

Istanbul Arbitration Center (ISTAC), Secretary of Intellectual Property Working Commission

Patent and Trademark Attorneys' Association of Turkey (PEM), Member

#### Education

2006, Faculty of Law, Galatasaray University, Istanbul LL.B.

1999, Samsun Anatolian High School, Samsun

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