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NEWS

The Eighth Meeting of the Investment Advisory Council



The International Advisory Council, which was founded to strengthen Turkey's global investment position and to bring an international point of view to the efforts towards improving Turkey's investment climate, held its eighth meeting on October 31, 2013 under the chairmanship of Prime Minister HE Recep Tayyip ERDOĞAN in İstanbul.

President of the World Bank as well as high level executives from a number of multinational companies attended the meeting held at the Prime Minister's offices at Dolmabahçe Palace. Council members expressed that Turkey's policies towards sustaining economic stability has inspired a number of countries, strengthened Turkey's position among developing economies and this was reflected by the FDI inflow figures.

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Turkish Economy Minister Calls for More Investments in Turkmenistan

Turkish Economy Minister Zafer ÇAĞLAYAN said that Turkish businessmen should increase and diversify their investments in Turkmenistan. Speaking at a reception marking the national day of Turkmenistan, ÇAĞLAYAN said, "As travelled 2 million kilometers around the world together with businessmen, I am proud to say that one of the countries I visited the most is our motherland Turkmenistan," said ÇAĞLAYAN. "We invited Turkish businessmen to invest into the industry, economic development and foreign trade of Turkmenistan, along with the investments in construction sector," he added. Also attending the reception, Turkish Energy and Natural Resources Minister Taner YILDIZ said that there were a lot more opportunities for Turkey-Turkmenistan cooperation. Meanwhile, Turkmen Ambassador Ata SERDAROV said that around 600 Turkish companies operating in Turkmenistan contributed very well in Turkmenistan's economic development.

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Fourteen Turkish Provinces Exceed \$1 Bln in Exports

Fourteen Turkish provinces made over a billion Dollars worth of exports each in the first ten months of 2013, according to the data of Turkish Exporters' Assembly (TIM). Turkey's Istanbul province has made \$52.21 billion worth of exports, accounting for around 42% of total Turkish exports in ten months as Turkish exports hit 124,35 billion Dollars in the January-October 2013 period. Bursa province with \$10.67 billion and Kocaeli province with \$10.56 billion took the second and third place respectively and have made over \$10 billion dollars of exports in the first ten months of 2013. Turkish capital Ankara ranked fourth with \$5.89 billion worth of exports after Izmir with \$7.29 billion in exports in 10 months.

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Turkey's Economy Ministry Agrees to Free Trade Zone

The Economy Ministry of Turkey penned a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in cooperation with the Ras Al Khaimah Free Trade Zone (RAK FTZ), one of the fastest-growing and most cost-effective free trade zones in the United Arab Emirates (UAE). Deputy Undersecretary of Turkish Ministry of Economy Bülent Uğur ECEVİT and RAK FTZ Chairman Sheikh Ahmad Saqer Mohamed AL-QASIMI penned the MoU at a ceremony, which was held in Ras Al Khaimah. AL-QASIMI said that Turkey has been a very important and strategic market for RAK FTZ and its clients, and he added, "We discussed a wide range of opportunities for closer business relations and have agreed on multiple areas of mutually beneficial cooperation." Pointing out the cooperation MoU between Turkey and Ras Al Khaimah, ECEVİT said that this MoU would open up new avenues for cooperation, launch joint projects and provide business and networking opportunities for the business clients in Turkey.

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Turkish-Canadian FTA Talks Expected After CETA

After the European Union and Canada unveiled their multi-billion Dollar Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) on Oct. 18, Turkey, which has had a customs union with the EU since 1996, expects to start formal negotiations for a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with Canada. Veysel Parlak, the Deputy Director-General of the EU Department in the Turkish Ministry of Finance, told that Turkey is hoping for a green light from Canada to begin formal negotiations, especially after Canada reached a significant trade agreement with the EU.

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Turkey, Sudan Ink Economic Cooperation Protocol

Turkey and Sudan signed an economic cooperation protocol after the two-day talks between the agriculture ministers of the two countries. Turkish Agricultural Minister Mehdi EKER and his visiting Sudanese counterpart Halim Ismail AL-MUTAAFI inked the Joint Economic Committee 3th Term Summit (JEC) protocol in Khartoum in a bid to boost economic relations. Sudan is the 11th largest trade partner for Turkey in Africa and 6th among the Sub-Saharan countries by 2012, according to figures released by the Turkish government. "We want to raise the trade volume between Turkey and Sudan to a much higher level than it currently stands," EKER said in a statement released by the Turkish Ministry of Agriculture. Turkey managed to achieve a 5.2 percent economic growth despite the negative effects of regional and global developments, EKER said. Turkey aims to become one of the 10 largest economies in the world by 2023, with gross domestic product of 2 trillion U.S. dollars, EKER added. AL-MUTAAFI said his country wants to see the Turkish private sector in Sudan, adding "We need Turkey's economic experience."

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SECTORS

Turkey's Cement Export and The Vision For 2023



With the value added and employment it creates, the cement industry is one of the essential components of Turkey's economy. As the industry with the highest rate of local resource use to exports, cement also plays a key role for the vision laid out for 2023.

Source: [The Turkish Perspective](#), November-December 2013, Issue: 19

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EVENTS

Turkish Medical Exhibition In Yemen

Turkish Medical Exhibition In Yemen will be held in Sana'a, Yemen on December 13-15, 2013. Turkish companies operating in medical equipments, drugs and healthcare systems sectors will exhibit at the event.

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Turkey Innovation Week



Turkey Innovation Week will be held on November 28–30 in Istanbul. Innovation is a major priority for Turkey to become a leading actor in world trade by 2023. The event will have experts in science, technology, marketing, design, urban planning, business, industry, and energy share their knowledge and experience with participants.

Source: *The Turkish Perspective*, November-December 2013, Issue: 19

Turkish Companies To Participate In International Fair Of Furniture, Equipment and Interior Decoration



51st International Fair Of Furniture, Equipment and Interior Decoration will be held in Belgrade, Serbia on November 11-17, 2013. Turkey will participate in the event at national level. Turkish companies operating in the related sector will be present at the fair.

For more information about the fair, please visit [its website](#).

Turkish Companies To Participate In Cosmoprof Asia



Cosmoprof Asia will be held in Hong Kong on November 13-15, 2013. Turkey will participate in the event at national level. Approximately 15 Turkish companies operating in the cosmetics sector will be present at the fair.

For more information about the fair, please visit [its website](#).

Turkish Companies To Participate In FHC China 2013 – Food & Drink



FHC China 2013 – Food & Drink (17th International Exhibition of Food & Drinks) will be held in Shanghai, China on November 13-15, 2013. Turkey will participate in the event at national level. Approximately 40 Turkish companies operating in the related sectors will be present at the fair.

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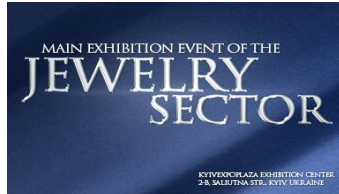
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Turkish Companies To Participate In Jeweller Expo Ukraine



Jeweller Expo Ukraine – International Jewelry, Watch & Equipment Exhibition will be held in Kiev, Ukraine on November 14-17, 2013. Turkey will participate in the event at national level. Turkish companies operating in the related sector will be present at the fair.

For more information about the fair, please visit [its website](#).

Turkish Companies To Participate In Sweets & Snacks Middle East



Sweets & Snacks Middle East will be held in Dubai, UAE on November 17-19, 2013. Turkey will participate in the event at national level. Approximately 17 Turkish companies operating in the related sector will be present at the fair.

For more information about the fair, please visit [its website](#).

Turkish Companies To Participate In Plma's 2013 Private Label Trade Show



PLMA's 2013 Private Label Trade Show will be held in Chicago, USA on November 17-19, 2013. Turkey will participate in the event at national level. Turkish companies will be present at the fair.

For more information about the fair, please visit [its website](#).

Turkish Companies To Participate In MIDEST Industrial Subcontracting Show



MIDEST (International Industrial Subcontracting Show) will be held in Paris, France on November 19-22, 2013. Turkey will participate in the event at national level. Approximately 25 Turkish companies operating in the related sector will be present at the fair.

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Turkish Companies To Participate In Iraq Agro-Food 2013



Iraq Agro-Food 2013 (International Exhibition for Agriculture, Food, Food Processing and Packaging) will be held in Erbil, Iraq on November 18-21, 2013. Turkey will participate in the event at national level. Turkish companies operating in the related sector will be present at the fair.

For more information about the fair, please visit [its website](#).

Turkish Companies To Participate In MEDICA 2013



MEDICA 2013 (International Exhibition for Medical Industry) will be held in Dusseldorf, Germany on November 20-23, 2013. Turkey will participate in the event at national level. Turkish companies operating in the related sector will be present at the fair.

For more information about the fair, please visit [its website](#).

Turkish Companies To Participate In The Big 5 International Building & Construction Show



The Big 5 International Building & Construction Show will be held in Dubai, UAE on November 25-28, 2013. Turkey will participate in the event at national level. Approximately 240 Turkish companies operating in the related sector will be present at the fair.

For more information about the fair, please visit [its website](#).

Turkish Companies To Participate In SIAL Middle East



SIAL Middle East Food Exhibition will be held in Abu Dhabi, UAE on November 24-26, 2013. Turkey will participate in the event at national level. Approximately 35 Turkish companies operating in the related sector will be present at the fair.

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Turkish Companies To Participate In International Trade Malaysia



International Trade Malaysia (INTRADE) will be held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on November 26-28, 2013. Turkey will participate in the event at national level. Turkish companies operating in various sectors will be present at the fair.

For more information about the fair, please visit [its website](#).

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