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NEWS

Turkey's Annual Exports At 151.7 Bln USD in 2013



Turkey's export figures for 2013 were announced by Turkish Minister of Economy, Mr. Nihat Zeybekci, and Turkish Exporters' Assembly (TIM) last week. According to the figures, Turkish exports reached 151.7 billion USD in 2013. The export figure, covering the period between January-November 2013, increased 6.5 percent compared to January-November 2012. Minister

Zeybekci evaluated that Turkey's leading export sector in 2013 was the automotive sector, which sold 21.3 billion USD worth of vehicles and automotive components. It was followed by the chemical and chemical components sector with exports worth 17.4 billion USD and the ready-to-wear and apparel sector with 17.3 billion USD. The minister also noted that the sectors that showed the greatest increase in exports were the olives and olive oil sector with a 118.6 percent increase, the ship and yacht sector at 43.5 percent and the mining sector at 20.6 percent.

Source: *Ministry of Economy*

DEİK/DTİK Asia Pacific Regional Committee Meeting Held With Participation Of Economy Minister Zeybekci



Within the framework of Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdoğan's official visits to Japan, Singapore and Malaysia the meeting was held on January 6th, 2014. The meeting was attended by Turkish Minister of Economy Nihat Zeybekci, TOBB/DEİK/DTİK Chairman M. Rifat Hisarcıkloğlu, Chairman of the Turkish Exporters' Assembly Mehmet Büyükekşi, TOBB Vice President İbrahim Çağlar, DEİK / DTİK Asia Pacific Regional Committee

President Nejdet Demiryürek and Turkish businessmen operating in Japan. During the meeting Turkish Economy Minister Nihat Zeybekci stressed the importance of the World Turkish Business Council (DTİK).

Source: *DEİK (Foreign Economic Relations Board)*

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Patent Applications In Turkey On Rise

During the first 11 months of 2013, the number of patent applications in Turkey increased 5 percent compared to same period last year. According to data provided by the Turkish Patent Institute (TPI), the number of patent applications was up to 10,744 from 10,229 with 5 percent increase compared to same period of last year. In this period, the amount of domestic patent applications rose to 3,977 with 2.8 percent increase while external applications rose to 6,767 with 6.4 percent increase. The number of registered patents rose to 8,042 with 13.9 percent increase compared to figures in first 11 months in 2012. Among these applications Istanbul led with 1,631 applications and followed by Ankara, Bursa, Izmir and Kocaeli with 515, 261, 242, 204 applications respectively. Regarding external patent applications, Germany led the list with 1,645 applications and USA took second place with 1,050 applications. Switzerland, Italy and France followed with 601, 510, 446 applications respectively.

To view the news report, please visit [Ministry of Economy website](#).

EVENTS

Turkish Companies To Participate In INTERMAT Middle East



INTERMAT Middle East (international exhibition and conference for building machinery and construction materials) will be held in Abu Dhabi, UAE on January 14-16, 2014. Turkey will participate in the event at national level. Turkish companies operating in the related sectors will be present at the fair.

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

Turkish Companies To Participate In China Fur & Leather Fair



中国国际裘皮革皮制品交易会
China Fur & Leather Products Fair

The 39th China Fur & Leather Products Fair will be held in Beijing, China on January 15-18, 2014. Turkey will participate in the event at national level. Turkish companies operating in the related sectors will be present at the fair.

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





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Turkish Companies To Participate In Première Vision New York



Première Vision New York (international textile and fashion show) will be held in New York, USA on January 14-15, 2014. Turkey will participate in the event at national level. Approximately 30 Turkish companies operating in the related sectors will be present at the fair.

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

Bijoux Expo Turkey 2012, Istanbul



Bijoux Expo Turkey 2014 will be held in Istanbul on February 13-15, 2014. Bijoux Expo is a B2B event focused on fashion, jewelry and accessories industries.

For more information about the fair, please contact [its organizer](#).

Expo 2016, Antalya



The World Horticultural Exhibition-EXPO Antalya 2016 will take place from April 2016 to October 2016, under the theme of "Children and Flowers". 100 countries and 30 international organizations are expected to showcase their gardens. During the 6 months of EXPO, nearly 20.000 scientific and cultural activities are planned.

Source: [Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock](#)

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