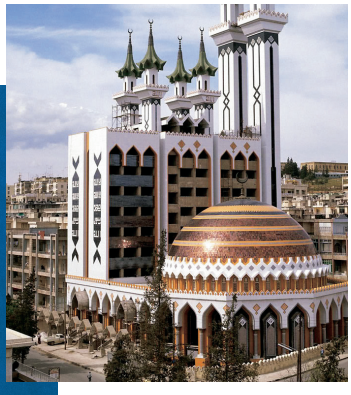
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Commercial relations with **Middle Eastern** countries are improving







TOBB stroke a blow for increasing the economic and commercial relations with Middle Eastern countries. TOBB President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu, repeating in every occasions that peace and stability will bring the wealth, is giving efforts for TOBB which is the umbrella organization of the business world would use the business opportunities with the Middle Eastern countries.

German and Turkish companies discussed in detail the Iraqi market

Within the hosting of TOBB/DEİK President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu and participation of Iraq Minister of Transport Amer Abdul-Jabbar Ismael and Iraq Minister of Electricity Karim Waheed and support of Foreign Ministry, Iraqi market has been discussed in detail in the "Turkish- German cooperation in Iraq" meeting where many German companies have attended either.





Hisarcıklıoğlu was given the "Turgut Özal Economy Prize"



TOBB President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu was given the " Turgut Özal Economy Prize" by the "Turgut Özal Organization of Thinking and Acting". Hisarcıklıoğlu, " I am appreciating so much to deserve a prize as such. Particularly the fact that this prize is given in the name of someone that had put many marks in people's heart and memory like Turgut Özal makes it more meaningful and precious for me" remarked.

Ambassador of Vietnam in Ankara Duong Hyyhn Lap:
"I am inviting Turkish investors to come to Vietnam on trust"

Ambassador Duong Hyyhn Lap underlined that Vietnam, between 2005-2007, had a growth rate of %7 and % 8 for each year, in 2008 %6,5 and in last year, in 2009 % 5,5. Lap, also said that foreign investments equal to 10 billion dollar have been made in 2009 in their country and with its 87 million population, Vietnam constitutes a significant market and added: " I am inviting Turkish investors to come to Vietnam on trust"



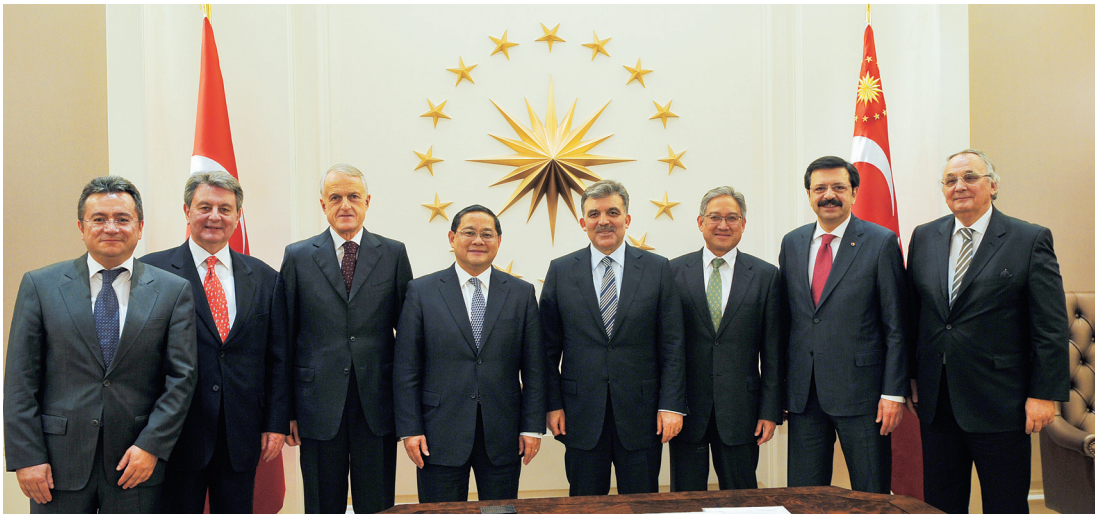


Australia is in search of cooperation with Turkish companies in renewable energy

Within the " International Commercial Opening Campaign" that constitutes Australian strategy of opening to the new market, Australian Undersecretaries of Commerce that prepare reports on different sectors of the concerning countries, included renewable energy sector into the list.

TOBB President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu:
"Competition conditions have changed a lot"

President of International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) Dr. Victor K. Fung, as a guest of M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğly, participated to the "Competition in the Flat World" seminar hold in TOBB ETÜ. Hisarcıklıoğlu, " Changing world obliges us to change our habits and ways of working" cited.



2010 Targets of DEİK have been declared

2009 DEİK Ordinary General Assembly TOBB and DEİK President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu declared the targets of DEİK for 2010. Hisarcıklıoğlu, "We will analyze the existent, think of the imaginary and will chase the probable. In this transformation period our national target is to make our country be in the first 10 economies of the world by increasing the size of our companies and our country" said.





Exchange program is still continuing: ERASMUS: Student and staff mobility program

With Erasmus Exchange Programs, TOBB ETÜ students are studying one of the periods of their study in European countries and realizing their common studies. The number of the students that will be provided by Erasmus Program in TOBB ETÜ will exceed 100. In the university not only students but also academic and administrative staff will give lectures and study within the Erasmus Program in European Union countries.

TEPAV: 2009 Revised Budget might not work due to the SGK"

In the TEPAV Financial Monitoring Report, it is warned about the "revised budget might not work due to SGK" and it is mentioned that some burdens that were more than the funds might be transferred to the year of 2010 in order to avoid this risk.

