Turkish private sector came through the **hard times**



M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu, President of TOBB, emphasized that as Turkey has started to recover from the negative effects of the global economic crisis, the economic recovery still continues. "As of the first quarter of 2010, Turkey is one of the 9 developing countries out of 10 that shows the fastest growth in the world."





Turkish Standards Institution's (TSI) pride worthy success...

International Organization for Standardization (ISO), the biggest organization in the world in the field of standardization, had its 33rd General Assembly in Norway. At the elections, carried out at the General Assembly, TSE was elected to the ISO Council with the votes of 62 countries out of 94. Tahir Büyükhelvacıgil, President of TSE, expressed that being in the council will contribute to Turkey's membership process to the EU.



Improvement of the investment environment was discussed in Istanbul

30 experts from the member countries of IKB attended the workshop "Improvement of the Investment Environment for Economic Growth" organized in Istanbul. In his speech made at the workshop, M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu, President of TOBB, underlined the significance of keeping the reform period continuously active and stated "This is similar to riding a bike. If you don't want to fall off the bike, you have got to keep on pedaling."

Hisarcıklıoğlu spoke on behalf of the European business world in Montenegro

M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu, President of TOBB and Deputy President of EUROCHAMBRES, attended the "Economy of Montenegro – The Achieved Level, Development Directions and Prospects Conference" organized in Montenegro. In his speech made under his title of Deputy President of EUROCHAMBRES, Hisarcıklıoğlu, evaluated the global crisis and its effects on the EU.







Digital Tachograph System: A new Era in Road Transport



TOBB has been appointed as the Card Issuing Authority, Certification Authority and the Card Personalization Authority by the Ministry of Transport of Turkey. In this context, application and evaluation process for cards and certification, personalization and distribution of cards will performed by TOBB. M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu, President of TOBB, pointed in his speech at the Digital Tachograph System press conference that the system which can be named as the registry for road transport will provide fair competition in this sector, as well.



Agreement signed for Turkish-Egyptian Chamber of Commerce

With the participation of Rachid Mohammed Rachid, Minister of Trade and Industry of Egypt, and Ahmed El Wakil, President of Federation of Egyptian Chambers of Commerce, at the Turkish-Egyptian Chamber of Commerce Signing Ceremony of the Memorandum of Understanding, M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu, President of TOBB, stated "We are anticipating Egypt in joining the project on the establishment of a free trade zone between Turkey, Lebanon, Syria and Jordan."

The focus of development is the battle against with unregistered employment

M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu, member of the Turkey-EU Joint Advisory Committee, stated at the 28th Meeting of the Committee that, as TOBB, they are seeing that the battle against the unregistered employment as the focus of development and prosperity, the improvement of freedom and personal rights of a country, and at the same time, to set a transparent and accountable government.





World SME exchanges and markets, forthcoming findings

Turkish SME's that can be listed with "Second National Market" and "New Economy Market," which although have been established in the year 1995, the market value, number of listed companies, and total trading volume in the year 2009, have been far behind on all fields from its other examples in the world. This situation prevents the SME's in our country who can't get efficient finance, to compete with its competitors under equal circumstances.