TOBB's 6th **Council of Commerce** and Industry of Turkey



M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu, President of TOBB, hosted the 6th Council of Commerce and Industry of Turkey at the TOBB Headquarters, with the participation of Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, Prime Minister of Turkey, Ali Babacan, Deputy Prime Minister of Turkey, and Nihat Ergün, Minister of Industry and Trade. At the Council held on November 2nd of 2010, the Turkish business world had the opportunity to convey the problems faced in the commerce, industry and maritime sectors of 81 provinces, and to offer possible solutions to the Prime Minister, accompanying Ministers and bureaucrats.

The cure for unemployment: **Entrepreneurship**

A press conference was held in order to introduce the activities of the "Global Entrepreneurship Week," which was held on November 5-12 of 2010, under the auspices of TOBB. At the press conference, M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu, President of TOBB, stated that all world economies had only one cure regarding unemployment and that is to increase the number of entrepreneurs.







The first meeting of the **ABC Women Entrepreneurship Council** will be held in Turkey

M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu, President of TOBB, proposed to host the first meeting of the ABC Women Entrepreneurship Council in Turkey, which was approved with consensus, at the 2nd General Assembly of Association of Balkan Chambers (ABC), held in Sarajevo, the capital of Bosnia and Herzegovina,.

Hisarcıklıoğlu: **"Progress Report 2010** does not give a new acceleration to Turkey's accession process."

TOBB President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu while emphasizing that some politicians from EU countries behave as if they are taking into account the coming elections not the next generations, he also declared that there are no encouraging approaches for Turkey in the Progress Report, regarding the accession process.



M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu, demanded solutions for visa, Free Trade Agreement and transportation tariff issues



Representatives of business world assembled at round-table meeting in Kayseri during Turkish-German Economic Forum in which President of Turkey, Abdullah Gül and President of Germany, Christian Wulff participated. M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu, President of TOBB, stated that if we are to increase trade between the two countries, it is a must to find solutions for visa, Free Trade Agreements and transportation tariffs issues.



Afghan Economy's situation as the axis of the world economy slides

Due to the long-lasting wars and internal disorder in Afghanistan, Afghan economy could not develop properly. Moreover, although Afghanistan has the richest mineral deposits and natural resources in the world, it is regarded as the poorest country in all over the world. Afghanistan is listed in 171. among 173 countries in terms of economic statistics and living standards in United Nations Development Plan's (UNDP) Human Development Report.

TOBB, assembled **'Turkish- Speaking Entrepreneurs'** from 25 different countries

TOBB XI. Turkish-Speaking Entrepreneurs Program assembled 45 entrepreneurs from 25 different countries. Program held in İstanbul and Ankara with the cooperation of DEİK, TOBB-ETÜ, TİKA, DTM and İGEME, consists of historical and cultural sightseeing and fair tours, various seminars and discussions and bilateral meetings with businessmen.





TOBB-ETU is ranking number one among 51 universities established in past 10 years

According to academic performance, TOBB-ETU is ranking number one among other universities established after 2000. TOBB-ETU, has also ranked number one last year when YÖK evaluated universities according to the number of their academic publication index published in SCI, SSCJ and AHCI for per academician.