

Global Agenda: Entrepreneurship, Values and Development

The 2nd Global Entrepreneurship Summit was held at the Istanbul Congress Hall with the attendances of Speaker of the Grand National Assembly Cemil Çiçek, USA Vice President Joe Biden, United Arab Emirates Economy Minister Sultan Bin Said El Mansuri, Deputy Prime Minister Ali Babacan, Economy Minister Zafer Çağlayan, Science Industry and Technology Minister Nihat Ergün, Development Minister Cevdet Yılmaz, TOBB President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu, prominent entrepreneurs of the world, financier entrepreneurs NGO representatives, academicians and many private sector representatives between the 3rd and 6th of December, 2011.





150 entrepreneurs from 10 countries brought together by PNB Turkey

PNB Turkey group, consisting of TOBB, TÜSİAD, MÜSİAD, TUSKON, chamber presidents, academicians, Coca Cola Turkey, Intel Turkey, Cisco Turkey, women entrepreneurs and young entrepreneurs as well as the PNB representatives of ten countries shared their experiences and exchanged ideas on creating joint projects in the future. Partners for a New Beginning (PNB) Turkey President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu stated that Turkey would become a center of attraction in the new forming multi-polar global system.



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TOBB President M. RİFAT HİSARCIKLIOĞLU: "The French government has made a scholastic decision"

French National Assembly has passed a bill outlawing the discussion of the alleged Armenian genocide claims, let alone denial, punishable by law with up to a year prison sentence and a fine of 45,000€. TOBB President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu said, "The French government has made a scholastic decision by forbidding the discussion of a historical event even by historians."





TOBB/DEİK President **M. RİFAT HİSARCIKLIOĞLU: "Important steps** can be taken with Romania"

Speaking at the Turkish-Romanian Business Forum, TOBB and DEİK President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu thanked the Romanian President Traian Băsescu who urged the use of Turkish products. Hisarcıklıoğlu emphasized that important steps in the fields of logistics, energy and finance with Romania could be taken.

Roadmap being drawn for the establishment of **special economy zones**

The Special Economy Zones on the Way to 2023 Workshop was held in Gaziantep in order to formulate the roadmap for establishing special economy zones. TOBB President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu said, "We cannot be content with just a quantitative growth in economy. We must make the transition from mid-tech to high-tech. At this juncture a new understanging of the special economic zone is needed."





USA AMBASSADOR TO ANKARA **FRANCIS RICCIARDONE:** "Turkey isn't where it was **10 years ago"**

Emphasizing that the business worlds of Turkey and the USA have left behind outdated prejudices and preconceptions like not doing business in other countries USA's Ambassador to Ankara, Francis Ricciardone said, "Turkey isn't where it was 10 years ago, let alone 30 years ago. The USA market is full of opportunities and Turkish companies should expend time and resources for profiting from their enterprises in this market."

TEPAV **USA Center** opened

Aiming to hold light to Turkey-USA relations with reports and meetings, Turkey Economic Policies Research Foundation (TEPAV) USA Center was opened in Ankara on November 28th, 2011. The opening of the USA Center which will operate within TEPAV was conducted with a ceremony attended by the TOBB President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu, USA's Ambassador to Ankara, Francis J. Ricciardone and the former Minister of Foreign Affairs Yaşar Yakış.



Chambers and Exchanges in a **5 star service race**



TOBB Chamber/Exchange Accreditation Council met with TOBB Board Vice President Halim Mete presiding. During the meeting it was emphasized that the trust in chambers/exchanges has increased; the competitive power of members have increased on a regional, national and international scale; sustainable improvement methods are becoming more systematic each day, being successfully implemented by chambers/exchanges.