

Turkey Talks: The Constitution Platform Citizen Meetings

The Constitution Platform formed under the lead of TOBB by professional organizations and NGOs in 2007 is being revitalized. The Platform will organize meetings in many provinces in the coming term with large attendances in order reach a consensus in the process of preparing the new constitution through dialog with wide audiences.



Konya discussed the **new constitution**

At the 'Turkey Talks' in Konya, TOBB President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu, emphasizing that all parts of society are in agreement in regards to the work being done on the new constitution said, "These clothes no longer fit in our pursuit to attain our goals."



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Turkish entrepreneurs are mobilizing

Bringing together 32 institutions -TOBB, KOSGEB, İŞKUR, TÜBİTAK and TÜSİAD among them- in order to consolidate work in regards to entrepreneurship in Turkey, form strategies and enact these strategies, the Entrepreneurship Council has been founded.



2012's **foreign economic course drawn** at DEİK's Ordinary General Assembly

Speaking at the Foreign Economic Relations Council (DEİK) 2011 Ordinary General Assembly, TOBB/DEİK President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu stated that in 2012 in terms of both foreign currency stock and credit capability, the EU will shrink and said, "We must head to the regions we've so far neglected, to rediscover the world. We must take our businessmen, our people, and our firms to these regions. First among these regions are Asia and South America".





We must revitalize the ancient **Silk Road** together with Kyrgyzstan

Hosting the Kyrgyzstan President AlmazbekAtambayev and the Minister of Development Cevdet Yılmaz during a business meal, TOBB Başkanı M. RifatHisarcıklıoğlu stated that the 21st century will be Asia's century and Turkey and Kyrgyzstan have the chance to revitalize the historical Silk Road. The Kyrgyzstan President AlmazbekAtambayev, invited Turkish businessmen to Kyrgyzstan for the construction of hydroelectric power plants and investing in the field of telecommunications.

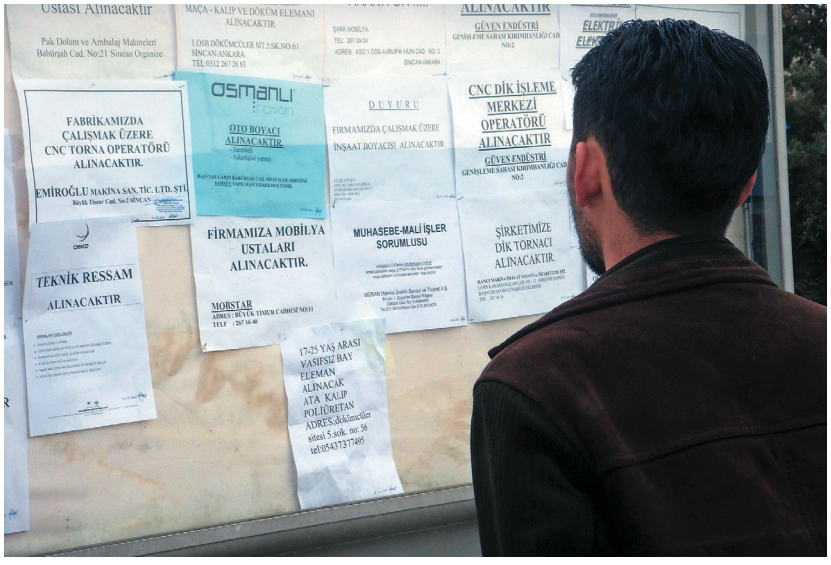
The crisis in EU countries may affect us in terms of exports and finances



Speaking at the TOBB Commerce and Industry Chambers Council Meeting where the latest economic developments and the recently prepared checks legislation were discussed, TOBB President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu stated that the crisis in EU countries may affect Turkey in terms of exports and finances.

Recovery in the industry continues despite the **slight increase in unemployment**

TOBB University of Economy and Technology (ETU) Social Policies Research Center (SPM) Research and Development Coordinator İdil Bilgiç Alpaslan's study, 'Developments in Industry and Employment Tendencies', shows that despite a slight increase in unemployment in October, the recovery in industry as a whole is ongoing.





The Turkish business world will continue to **lobby against Armenian allegations**

TOBB President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu said that even though the French Senate has passed a thought crime law regarding the alleged Armenian genocide, the Supreme Court process is significant and that even after the decision is passed they will continue lobby activities throughout the world.