The Turkish diaspora **plots the course for the future** with DTİK

The World Turkish Entrepreneurs Council (DTİK) Board of Directors and the High Advisory Board (YİK), formed with the slogan "Global Power: Turkey" in order to increase the power of Turkey internationally and enact new projects, held a meeting in order to make important decisions on the 7th of June, 2012 in İstanbul as guests of TOBB/Foreign Economic Relations Board (DEİK) and DTİK President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu.

Attending the joint meeting of the DTİK Board of Directors and the DTİK High Advisory Board in addition to TOBB/DEİK and DTİK President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu were DTİK YİK President Muhtar Kent, DTİK Board Member Rahmi Koç, Ahmet Çalık, Zeynel Abidin Erdem, Rona Yırcalı, Hüseyin Aydın, Nejdet Demiryürek, Ali Galip Ssavaşır, Turgut Torunoğulları, Ömer Süsli, Celal Seçilmiş, Remzi Kaplan, DTİK YİK Member Aslı Başgöz, Mübariz Mansimov, Süreyya Ciliv, Yalçın Ayaslı, Atıl Kutoğlu, Mehmet Öztürk.

TOBB/DEİK and DTİK President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu, stating that they will be one of the most influential three diasporas in the world by the centennial anniversary of the Republic, said, "In two years, we plan to achieve an organizational model utilizing nearly 2,000 representatives in more than 100 countries."



TOBB PRESIDENT M. RİFAT HİSARCIKLIOĞLU: "The changes in the TTK have saved companies from a burden of **6 billion ₺**"

Assessing the changes to the new Turkish Trade Law (TTK), TOBB President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu said that with the changes, companies have been saved from a burden of 6 billion TL. Hisarcıklıoğlu stated that they are actively taking part in the process as TOBB and that changes have been made to 109 articles as requested by the private sector.





Hisarcıklıoğlu has been **elected to the ICC Board of Directors**

TOBB President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu has been elected to the Board of Directors of the ICC which was formed after WWI with the slogan "Merchants of Peace". Hisarcıklıoğlu has become the second person to represent Turkey in the ICC Board after Rahmi Koç. Aprroximately 100,000 establishments with giant corporations among them from 124 countries are part of the ICC.

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Emphasis on cooperation at the ATC conference

Turkish and American authorities called for increased economic and political cooperation between the two countries during the 31st annual conference of the American-Turkish Council (ATC). Speaking at the conference, TOBB/DEİK President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu stated that the business world has started to feel the economic aspect of relations with the USA.

TOBB BAŞKANI M. RİFAT HİSARCIKLIOĞLU:

"BALO is the grand Anatolian logistics project"

In his speech at the BALO Inc. General Assembly, TOBB President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu said, "Anatolia is not a part of the Customs Union. This is why when BALO Inc. sought partners the chamber/exchanges and OIZ's in Anatolia took a greater share in order to bring their cities to the European markets. BALO is no longer just the Western Anatolia Logistics Project. BALO is the grand Anatolian logistics project."



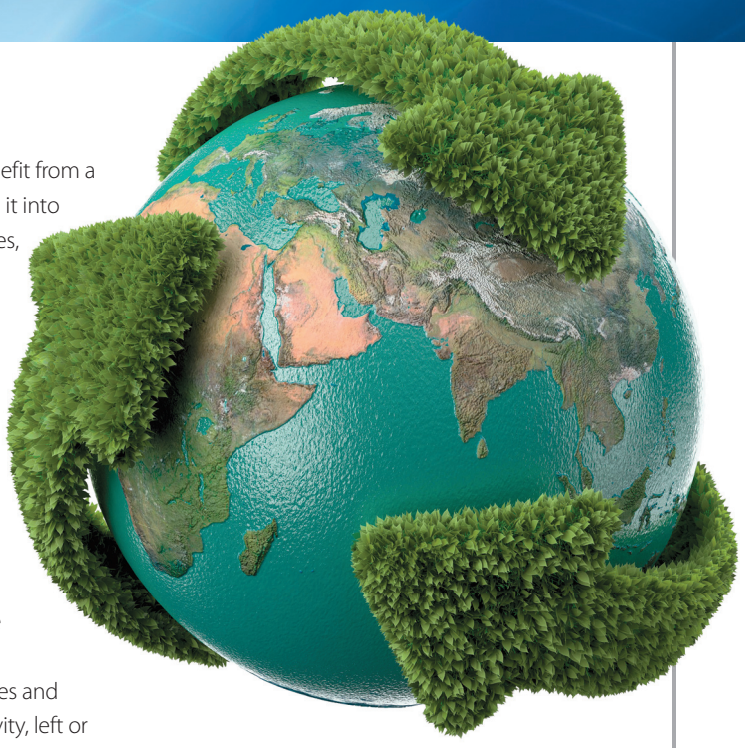


Entrepreneurship becoming a brand on the global scale

As part of GEP-Turkey, organized by the USA Ministry of Foreign Affairs and TOBB, American angel investors visited Turkey. Meeting many young entrepreneurs who took part in Turkey's Best Enterprises Business Plan Competition, the American investors expressed that they were impressed by Turkish entrepreneurs' spirit, confidence and level of education.

Waste or **opportunity?**





Today, it is possible to benefit from a majority of waste or even turn it into energy. Technological advances, environmental concerns and legal framework is making it possible for the formation of a new economic sector in Turkey and the world at large.

The rapidly changing production and consumption habits which started to change with the industrial revolution in Europe are increasing the pressures we put on the world's resources and environment. We define waste as "matter created as a result of any activity, left or dumped in nature". However it is no longer a simple matter to be rid of waste today. Waste must be separated according to type, stored or processed. This brings on many responsibilities and costs to stakeholders with municipalities chief among them.



Alliance of Civilizations met in İstanbul

Speaking at the UN Alliance of Civilizations Contributors' Forum, TOBB President M. Rifat Hisarcıklıoğlu said, "There is increasing discontent due to a consumption world with increasing population. The world's most important problem is poverty and impoverishment. The way must be opened for trade in order to reach prosperity. Trade requires peace."

TOBB ETU's **international success**

TOBB University of Economy and Technology (TOBB ETU) Foreign Language Department's project, "Beyond Language: Student Focused Extra-Curricular Activities in Communicative Foreign Language Learning Process" won the 2012 European Language Award. TOBB ETU, which won the European Language Award in 2006, has once again shown its success in the field of foreign language education.

