

Notable publications in 2019

- Merger Control in the EU and Turkey, A Comparative Guide, published by Wolters Kluwer
- Competition Compliance 2019 Turkey, Getting The Deal Through
- Private Antitrust Litigation 2020 Turkey, Getting The Deal Through
- The International Trade Law Review 5th edition, Turkey 2019, Law Business Research
- Trade & Customs Turkey 2020, Getting The Deal Through
- International Trade and Commercial Transactions, 2019, Thomson Reuters
- The Output® Quarterly 2019
- Regular contributions to e-Concurrences and Kluwer Competition Law Blog



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ACTECON 2019
YEAR IN REVIEW



Dear friends and colleagues,

We had a fruitful year and hope you did as well. Here are a few of our highlights of the year that we do not want you to miss...

OUR 2019 YEAR IN REVIEW



Our projects took us to:

Belgium, China, Korea, India, the Netherlands

TOP 7 successful competition law stories of the year

1 Essilor, a leading ophthalmic lens company, in seeking Turkish Competition Authority's ("TCA") clearance of its merger with Luxottica, a deal value of USD 54 billion. ACTECON also advised Essilor on divestiture process within the scope of the structural commitments required by the TCA to clear the merger transaction.

2 Samsung, one of the world's largest producers of electronic devices, in abuse of the dominance case - preliminary inquiry closed without turning into a full-fledged investigation.

3 LG Chem, in its merger filing for the joint venture with Shanghai Huapu Guorun Automobile Co., Ltd., for the purpose of the production and sales of new energy vehicle batteries.

4 Daimler AG, one of the biggest car manufacturers, in the merger control proceedings, where Daimler AG and Zhejiang Geely Holding Group Co. Ltd. established a joint venture in China for Battery Electric Vehicle production.

5 Flixbus, a leading inter-city bus operator, against allegations of abuse of the dominant position in a preliminary inquiry closed without turning into a full-fledged investigation.

6 Aksigorta, represented before the TCA in the investigation initiated against eight insurance companies operating in the market for voluntary insurance for big projects with high-risk capacity, in which the investigation is closed without any fine.

7 A major poultry producer, regarding the alleged anticompetitive practices of the competitors in the relevant market in an investigation closed without any fine.



Publication project of the year

Merger Control in the EU and Turkey: A Comparative Guide, published by Wolters Kluwer

A book by Fevzi Toksoy, Bahadır Balki, Hanna Stakheyeva

We look forward to a new exciting year and projects in 2020!

Awards of the year

Who's Who Legal ("WWL") - Bahadır Balki, Managing Partner, as one of the World's Leading Competition Lawyers 2019 WWL says: Bahadır BALKI has a great reputation in the market, thanks to his first-class handling of high-profile cartel and dominance investigations.

Who's Who Legal – Fevzi Toksoy, Managing Partner, as one of the World's Leading Economists and Anti-dumping Consultants

TOP 10 successful international trade stories of the year

1 Hyundai Steel Company, a global integrated steelmaker, in the safeguard investigation concerning imports of certain iron and steel products.

2 POSCO Co. Ltd., a Korean integrated steel producer, in the safeguard investigation concerning imports of certain iron and steel products.

3 Dralon GmbH, a German acrylic fiber producer, in the anti-dumping investigation concerning imports of acrylic and modacrylic products originating in Germany, South Korea, China and Thailand.

4 LG Chem Ltd., a major Korean chemical company, in the anti-circumvention investigation against imports of compound plasticizers for rubber or plastics originating in South Korea.

5 Nilit Ltd., an Israeli producer of nylon fibre, in the safeguard investigation concerning imports of nylon yarn and other polyamides.

6 China Chamber of International Commerce, the largest Chinese chamber of commerce, in the safeguard investigation concerning imports of nylon yarn and other polyamides.

7 Jilin Jimont Acrylic Fiber Co., Ltd., a Chinese acrylic fiber producer, in the anti-dumping investigation concerning imports of acrylic and modacrylic products originating in Germany, South Korea, China and Thailand.

8 Tube Investments of India Ltd., a major Indian chain producer, in the anti-circumvention investigation concerning imports of articulated link chain and parts thereof from India.

9 The Istanbul Apparel Exporters' Association, in the expiry review investigation concerning imports of woven fabrics of synthetic/artificial staple fibres originating in China.

10 Customs projects in relation to: a major European bicycle producer on the applicability of a preferential customs treatment regarding a potential shift of the production in Turkey; an international law firm on the Turkish non-preferential rules of origin applicable to imports of generators.

Notable "non-client" work



■ Presentation and sponsorship of Turkey & Middle East 6th Annual International Arbitration and Regulatory Global Summit



■ Compliance Manager Trainings at TEID Academy, Ethics & Reputation Society



■ Lectures at Marmara University EU Institute and Bogazici University



■ Lectures and sponsorship of ELSA Istanbul Summer Law School

■ Participation at Istanbul Competition Forum