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The month of May reflected Türkiye's continued efforts to strengthen its investment ecosystem through institutional innovation, international engagement, and strategic dialogue. From the launch of new investor facilitation mechanisms to participation in high-level global platforms spanning finance, technology, entrepreneurship, and talent attraction, the month underscored Türkiye's commitment to building a more competitive, connected, and future-oriented investment environment.

A major milestone was the inauguration of the One-Stop-Shop at the Istanbul Financial Center by the Investment and Finance Office. Designed to streamline administrative procedures frequently required by international investors, the initiative provides centralized access to a wide range of public services through a single point of contact.

The Istanbul Financial Center also hosted the launch of Investment and Finance in the Türkiye Century, a publication jointly prepared by the Presidency of the Republic of Türkiye Directorate of Communications and the Investment and Finance Office. Introduced as part of the Office's 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations, the book chronicles Türkiye's investment and finance journey from 2014 to 2025. By compiling speeches delivered by President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan on investment and finance during this period, the publication offers a comprehensive perspective on Türkiye's economic transformation, evolving investment landscape, and long-term development vision. The launch event also featured a panel titled "Investment and Finance in the Türkiye Century," where speakers shared their perspectives on Türkiye's investment climate, financial infrastructure, and the opportunities it offers on a global scale.

Türkiye's efforts to attract global talent and international capital continued throughout the month. The Turquoise Card Award Ceremony highlighted the country's commitment to welcoming highly qualified professionals, senior executives, investors, and entrepreneurs. At the same time, the "20 Years of Excellence" reception series continued across international destinations, sharing Türkiye's FDI success story and strengthening engagement with global business communities.

Sector-specific engagement also remained strong. SAHA 2026 brought together leading stakeholders from the

defense and aerospace industries, while Space Meetings Veneto strengthened dialogue and cooperation within the international space sector.

Financial services and emerging technologies remained central themes across several high-level gatherings. The Anadolu Agency Participation Finance Summit convened leading stakeholders to discuss sustainable growth, digital transformation, and new investment models within participation finance. The launch of the Fintech Gate Istanbul Support Program further reinforced Türkiye's ambition to strengthen its fintech ecosystem and deepen collaboration between startups and established institutions.

Türkiye's growing role as a platform for international dialogue was also evident through a wide range of global events. The Vizyon 100 Istanbul Summit brought together public- and private-sector leaders to explore the future of the global economy, while the Türkiye-Belgium Business Forum provided new opportunities to deepen bilateral economic cooperation. Discussions on nation branding, competitiveness, and investment attraction continued at the Brand Finance Place Brand Forum in London, where policymakers, business leaders, and investment organizations gathered to explore the evolving drivers of economic influence.

Innovation, entrepreneurship, and technology-driven growth featured prominently throughout the month. The Harvard College Türkiye Summit convened international leaders from investment, technology, life sciences, infrastructure, and academia, highlighting Türkiye's evolving role in a rapidly changing global economy. The Inspiring Best Practices Forum, Laton Summit, National Technology Summit, London VC Summit, and Future Finance Forum in Seoul each contributed to expanding Türkiye's connections with global innovation, venture capital, and technology ecosystems.

As Türkiye continues to strengthen its position as a powerhouse for investments, finance, innovation, and talent, the Investment and Finance Office remains committed to facilitating high-quality investments, fostering international partnerships, and supporting sustainable long-term growth through investor-focused services and forward-looking initiatives.

**A. Burak Dağlıoğlu**  
President, Investment and Finance Office



## SAHA 2026 Defense and Aerospace Exhibition Showcases Türkiye's Industrial Strength

SAHA 2026 International Defense and Aerospace Exhibition opened its doors at the Istanbul Expo Center, bringing together leading stakeholders from the global defense and aviation ecosystem and showcasing the latest technologies shaping the future of advanced industries.

The opening ceremony was attended by Minister of Industry and Technology M. Fatih Kacır, SAHA Istanbul Chairman Haluk Bayraktar, Turkish Technology Team Foundation Chairperson Selçuk Bayraktar, Presidency of Defence Industries President Haluk Görgün, and Minister of National Defense Yaşar Güler, alongside prominent representatives from the public and private sectors.

In his opening remarks, Minister Kacır highlighted the scale and depth of Türkiye's defense ecosystem, which encompasses major defense companies, SMEs, research institutions, and innovative technology startups. Emphasizing that global defense spending reached USD 2.9 trillion in 2025, he underlined the importance of building a comprehensive defense industry supported by strong R&D capabilities, advanced testing infrastructure, large-scale production capacity, and highly skilled human capital.

Throughout the exhibition, thousands of visitors witnessed the latest advancements shaping the future of Türkiye's aerospace and defense industry. From cutting-edge defense systems to next-generation aerospace solutions, the event demonstrated the country's growing technological capabilities and expanding role in global value chains.



Investment and Finance Office participated in SAHA 2026, engaging with international investors, industry leaders, and strategic partners. Located at the heart of the exhibition, the Office's booth welcomed global stakeholders and showcased Türkiye's investment environment, highlighting the country's transformation into a powerhouse for investments across high-value-added and technology-driven sectors.

As part of the exhibition program, the Office contributed to the panel titled "Shaping the Future: Investment and Entrepreneurship in Next-Generation Defense and Aerospace." Representing the Investment and Finance Office, Investor Services Department Head Mahmut Selim Porgali highlighted Türkiye's rising position in the global defense industry and emphasized the country's competitive investment ecosystem. He outlined the opportunities available to international investors, including

strategic incentives, tax advantages, and land allocation mechanisms designed to support large-scale industrial investments.

Delivering the closing remarks, President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan noted that, with more than 1,700 exhibiting companies and participants from over 120 countries, SAHA 2026 once again demonstrated Türkiye's growing influence in advanced industries. The President emphasized that Türkiye is emerging as one of the key actors shaping the new era of integrated and multi-layered defense systems.

As one of the region's premier defense and aerospace gatherings, SAHA 2026 reaffirmed Türkiye's commitment to innovation, technological excellence, and international collaboration, while highlighting the country's increasing attractiveness as a destination for strategic investments in advanced manufacturing and high-technology industries.





## Investment and Finance Office Opens "One-Stop-Shop" at Istanbul Financial Center

Investment and Finance Office officially launched the "One-Stop-Shop" service at the Istanbul Financial Center (IFC), with the attendance of Vice President Cevdet Yılmaz, Investment and Finance Office President A. Burak Dağlıoğlu, Türkiye Wealth Fund CEO and Board Member Arda Ermut, and Istanbul Financial Center CEO Ahmet İhsan Erdem. The initiative aims to streamline public services and administrative procedures for investors, companies, and employees operating within the financial hub.

Addressing attendees at the opening ceremony, Vice President Yılmaz highlighted the complementary relationship between the real economy and the financial system, describing the One-Stop-Shop as a platform that will further strengthen

dialogue between the two sectors. Vice President Yılmaz also noted that the IFC serves as a testing ground for policy reform, with the One-Stop-Shop model expected to be scaled across Türkiye in subsequent phases. The initiative forms part of a broader package of investment-focused reforms aimed at positioning Türkiye as a fully-fledged global powerhouse rather than a transit corridor.

In his remarks, Dağlıoğlu emphasized President Erdoğan's vision of improving the ease of doing business for investors in Türkiye: "The One-Stop-Shop, which will operate at the IFC, has been established to provide services within the IFC, in a more efficient and accessible manner. At the One-Stop-Shop, the relevant institutions of our ministries will be present and ready to serve our investors."



As one of the key non-tax competitive advantages of the IFC, the One-Stop-Shop is designed to ensure the effective delivery of public services to companies, institutions, and organizations applying to operate within the IFC; entities holding participant certificates; as well as their employees and dependents.

The One-Stop-Shop model is designed to accelerate permit, authorization, and licensing procedures, as well as other administrative processes frequently required by international investors, including bank account opening, work permits, residence permits, and related applications.

The initiative seeks to simplify investor transactions and provide centralized access to public services through a single point of contact.

Applications for participant certificates and access to One-Stop-Shop services will be managed digitally through the IFC Portal, offering a fast, accessible, and user-friendly experience.

Developed through coordinated efforts between public institutions and local authorities at the IFC, the One-Stop-Shop was introduced to the public by President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan as part of the "Türkiye Century: Powerhouse for Investments" program.

Beyond strengthening the competitiveness of the IFC, the initiative is expected to serve as an innovative benchmark for one-stop-shop models implemented by financial centers and investment hubs worldwide.





## "Investment and Finance in the Türkiye Century" Debuts for Readers in Istanbul

The book titled Investment and Finance in the Türkiye Century, jointly prepared by the Presidency of the Republic of Türkiye Directorate of Communications and the Presidency of the Republic of Türkiye Investment and Finance Office, was launched at the Istanbul Financial Center.

Hosted as part of the Investment and Finance Office's 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the event brought together representatives from the financial sector, international investors, public and private sector officials, and members of the media. The program opened with remarks by Vice President Cevdet Yılmaz, Communications Head Burhanettin

Duran, and Investment and Finance Office President A. Burak Dağlıoğlu.

Vice President Yılmaz extended his best wishes for the publication and underscored Türkiye's sustained appeal as an investment powerhouse. He noted that foreign capital inflows over the past 23 years have exceeded USD 290 billion, with Türkiye standing among the few countries to increase foreign direct investment (FDI) even as global flows contracted. He attributed this performance to the country's strategic location, strong production capacity, young population, and broad market access. Vice President Yılmaz reaffirmed that the Turkish government's overarching objective remains clear: to elevate Türkiye to a higher league in the global economy.



In his remarks, Dağlıoğlu noted that the publication compiles 220 speeches delivered by President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan between 2014 and 2025, reflecting three defining themes: prioritization of investment, determination, and visionary leadership. He highlighted Türkiye's transformation from an economy with 80 percent import dependency to one with an 80 percent domestic production rate as a testament to that determination. Dağlıoğlu also emphasized that Türkiye is now recognized internationally not as a bridge, but as a regional powerhouse.

Building on this perspective, Duran described the publication as an institutional record of Türkiye's economic trajectory, noting that the President's addresses spanning 11 years serve both as a historical document and as a roadmap for the future. He further emphasized Türkiye's strategic focus on digital infrastructure, green energy, and high

technology as the pillars of its forward-looking economic vision.

Following the opening remarks, a panel session titled "Investment and Finance in the Türkiye Century" was held, moderated by Investment and Finance Office Communications Department Head Gökhan Yücel. The panel featured, TürkMedya CEO Murat Çiçek; Banks Association of Türkiye Chairman and Ziraat Bankası CEO and Board Member Alpaslan Çakar; YASED Chairman Ali Fuat Orhonoğlu; and AmCham Türkiye President Emre Karter. The discussion addressed key themes including FDI, sustainability, digitalization, financial technologies, and participation finance.

The event reaffirmed Türkiye's institutional commitment to strengthening its position as a reliable, predictable, and globally competitive nexus of investment, manufacturing, and finance, guided by the vision of the Türkiye Century.





## Vizyon 100 Platform Discusses the Future of the Global Economy

The Vizyon 100 Platform's Istanbul Summit successfully brought together representatives from both the public and private sectors to discuss the future of the global economy under the theme "The Future of the Global Economy." The summit was attended by Vice President Cevdet Yılmaz and Investment and Finance Office President A. Burak Dağlıoğlu.

The summit covered key topics including Türkiye's investment performance, manufacturing capabilities, digital transformation, and global risks. Officials emphasized Türkiye's strengthening position in FDI, highlighting the vision of the recently unveiled "Powerhouse for Investments" program.

In his opening speech, Vice President Cevdet Yılmaz highlighted the global economy's average growth of 3% over the past three years and emphasized Türkiye's positive differentiation from the rest of the world. "Our national income has reached USD 1.6 trillion, and the economic policies we have implemented are delivering tangible results," the Vice President stated. "We are shielding Türkiye from crises

in the region and strengthening confidence in the economy. The 'Powerhouse for Investments' program is being implemented, and with this new initiative, Türkiye's position will be further strengthened," he added.

Investment and Finance Office President A. Burak Dağlıoğlu also shared key insights into Türkiye's evolving role in the global economy. Reflecting on Türkiye's strategic position at the nexus of Asia and Europe, Dağlıoğlu noted that, under the leadership of President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, Türkiye has evolved into a regional hub. "Since 2003, Türkiye has attracted approximately USD 290 billion in FDI," he emphasized. "Our vision for the future is for Türkiye to become a global economic powerhouse."

Speaking at the Global Leaders Session, Dağlıoğlu pointed out that Türkiye has firmly established itself as a regional hub for production, R&D, regional management offices, procurement centers, and logistics operations. "This is no longer up for debate," he stated. He also highlighted that international companies relocating their regional headquarters to Türkiye could benefit from significant tax advantages under favorable legal regulations. "Likewise, we aim to offer substantial incentives to companies bringing global business units or shared services center projects to Türkiye," Dağlıoğlu added.



## Minister Şimşek Unveils Türkiye's Roadmap for Investment Growth and Participation Finance

The Anadolu Agency Participation Finance Summit was held in cooperation with the Participation Banks Association of Türkiye (TKBB) at the Istanbul Financial Center. Delivering the closing address, Treasury and Finance Minister Mehmet Şimşek outlined Türkiye's strategic investment framework, underscoring the country's ambition to emerge as a leading powerhouse for trade, technology, and participation finance.

The Minister noted that Türkiye entered this period with strengthened macroeconomic buffers, including a fiscal deficit-to-GDP ratio of 2.9 percent and a public debt-to-GDP ratio of approximately 24 percent, providing the necessary policy space to absorb external pressures without compromising the program's trajectory.

Minister Şimşek also presented a new asset repatriation framework designed to channel domestic and

international capital into the financial system. Under the framework, assets retained within the system will be fully exempt from taxation, while long-term placements will benefit from a tax rate reduced to zero, all in full compliance with FATF standards.

On participation finance, Minister Şimşek reaffirmed the Ministry's ambition to elevate Türkiye into the global top five, stressing that institutions must prioritize innovation and product diversification to fully realize the country's potential in this rapidly expanding sector.

In his remarks, Investment and Finance Office President A. Burak Dağlıoğlu also highlighted Türkiye's strategy to expand its participation finance ecosystem through stronger international partnerships, cross-border delegation programs, and new initiatives focused on digital infrastructure, financial literacy, and qualified talent development. He also underlined ongoing efforts to position Türkiye as a regional hub for participation finance through global engagement platforms and long-term sectoral cooperation.





## Minister Kacir Unveils New Fund Investment Strategy Aiming to Allocate USD 300 Million to VCs

Minister of Industry and Technology M. Fatih Kacir announced that the Ministry will allocate USD 300 million to venture capital funds as part of its new fund investment strategy, aiming to further strengthen Türkiye's technology entrepreneurship ecosystem and accelerate the growth of innovative ventures.

Speaking at the Venture Capital Fund Calls Launch Event, Minister Kacir emphasized the importance of technology entrepreneurship for Türkiye's long-term development goals. Minister Kacir stated that a comprehensive research, development, innovation, production, and entrepreneurship infrastructure has been established over the past 23 years, adding that nearly 13,000 companies currently operate across Türkiye's 114 technoparks, while more than 1,700 R&D and design centers continue to develop new technologies in strategic sectors.

Minister Kacir also highlighted the role of public support mechanisms in fostering entrepreneurship, noting that since 2007, fund-of-funds and co-financing mechanisms have been mobilized to facilitate access to finance. Through these initiatives, TRY 5.8 billion in public resources has been directed toward the growth of startups, helping generate a fund volume of TRY 130 billion through leverage effects. Supported by these funds, 1,091 technology startups have secured investments totaling TRY 175 billion to date.

As part of the new strategy, the Ministry will allocate USD 300 million to venture capital funds, focusing on priority areas such as artificial intelligence and biotechnology as well as targeted startup segments. According to Minister Kacir, the initiative is intended not only to provide direct financing but also to mobilize private-sector capital and stimulate a significantly larger investment volume. Through its expected leverage effect, the allocation is projected to generate more than USD 750 million in liquidity for the venture capital ecosystem.

The Ministry has designed six separate fund calls to address the diverse needs of the entrepreneurship ecosystem. Among them is an advanced-stage venture capital fund, to which the Ministry will contribute USD 100 million, with the objective of accelerating the scaling of Series A and later-stage technology startups, meeting the financing needs of growth-stage companies, and attracting international investment funds to Türkiye.

Calling on investors to engage more closely with Türkiye's entrepreneurship ecosystem, Minister Kacir emphasized that the country offers significant opportunities for venture capital investments through its strong infrastructure, young talent pool, expanding technological capabilities, and long-term vision.

Following Minister Kacir's remarks, a cooperation agreement related to the Venture Capital Fund Calls was signed by representatives of the Ministry of Industry and Technology, KOSGEB, and TÜBİTAK.



## Türkiye-Belgium Business Forum Deepens Economic Ties

The Türkiye-Belgium Business Forum, organized by Türkiye's DEİK - Foreign Economic Relations Board, was held in Istanbul during Belgium's Queen Mathilde's visit to Türkiye along with 500 Belgian representatives from public and private sectors.

During the forum, Minister of Trade Prof. Dr. Ömer Bolat delivered remarks, underlining that the bilateral relations between the two countries gained momentum thanks to strong cooperation in economic and trade activities. Bolat said, "Türkiye stands out with its strategic location at nexus of Europe, Asia and Africa."

In his speech, Investment and Finance Office President A. Burak Dağlıoğlu emphasized Türkiye's transformation from being a regional bridge into a global economic powerhouse through massive infrastructure investments. "We facilitate international investment projects in Türkiye and continue the reforms with determination since 2003," he added.

DEİK President Nail Olpak also addressed the attendees, and underlined that Türkiye has economic strength in production, technology and R&D.

Hosting the largest delegation ever, Türkiye continues to strengthen its trade and economic cooperation with strategic partners such as Belgium as the powerhouse for investments.





## Fintech Gate Istanbul Opens New Chapter for Fintech

The Fintech Gate Istanbul Support Program was officially launched by Fintech Zone Istanbul to accelerate Türkiye's fintech transformation and strengthen collaboration between startups and corporate institutions.

Through secure API-based sandbox environments provided by corporate partners, fintech startups will be able to develop, test, and scale their solutions more effectively. The program aims to foster at least 20 collaborations with 10 corporate companies, with several projects expected to reach commercialization.

Supported by the Istanbul Development Agency, implemented by Fintech Zone Istanbul, and

strategically partnered by Investment and Finance Office, the initiative reinforces Türkiye's ambition to position Istanbul as a globally competitive fintech hub.

At the launch, Investment and Finance Office President A. Burak Dağlıoğlu highlighted the growing strength of Türkiye's technology ecosystem and expressed confidence that more Turkish startups will emerge as regional champions.

Fintech Zone Istanbul General Manager Bilal Benna Haksal described the program as a new collaboration model for Türkiye's fintech ecosystem, bringing together the innovative capacity of startups with the experience of corporate institutions to build a sustainable, high-value-added ecosystem.



## Trade Diplomacy Workshop Highlights Strategic Vision and Youth

Investment and Finance Office, as a strategic program partner of the Trade Diplomacy Workshop (TDA) initiated by Genç MÜSİAD, participated in the TDA Grand Finale.

The TDA program aims to equip students and young professionals with strategic competencies in trade diplomacy while supporting their academic, professional, and international development.

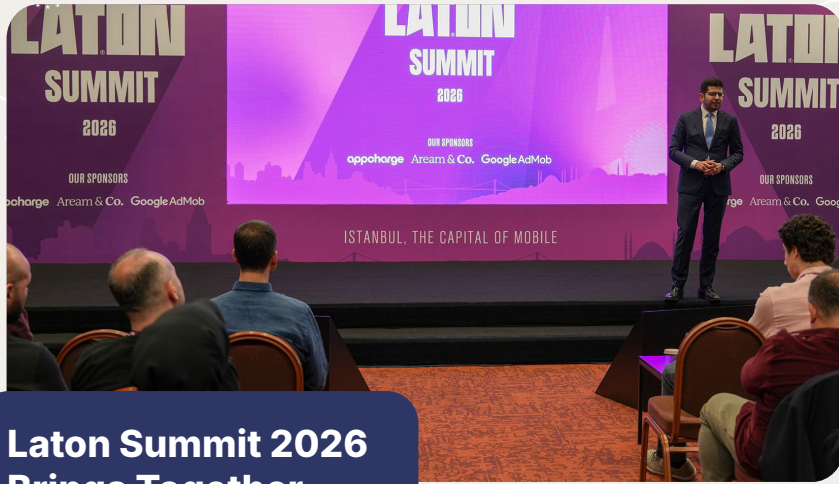
The event featured keynote speeches by DEİK President Nail Olpak, Central Bank of the Republic of Türkiye Governor Dr. Fatih Karahan, and Investment and Finance Office President A. Burak Dağlıoğlu. In their remarks, the

speakers shared valuable insights on global economic transformation, trade diplomacy, international cooperation, and the role of youth in shaping Türkiye's future.

In his closing remarks, A. Burak Dağlıoğlu highlighted that today's global competition is shaped not only by economic capacity, but also by strategic vision, diplomatic competence, and international cooperation. Emphasizing Türkiye's role at the nexus of global trade, investment, energy, and connectivity, he underlined the importance of empowering younger generations with a global outlook and strong strategic thinking capabilities.

The program concluded with the presentation of certificates to students who successfully completed the training program.





## Laton Summit 2026 Brings Together Global Gaming Ecosystem

Laton Summit 2026, organized by Laton Ventures, brought together Turkish and global gaming communities in Istanbul to exchange insights and explore new collaboration opportunities.

The summit opened with a welcome address by Investment and Finance Office President A. Burak Dağlıoğlu. In his remarks, Dağlıoğlu stated that "Türkiye is no longer merely a bridge between Europe and Asia; it is increasingly positioning itself as the connectivity hub of the world," emphasizing the country's growing integration with the global economy. He also highlighted the

newly launched "Powerhouse for Investments Program," a comprehensive reform and incentive framework designed to strengthen Türkiye's position as the nexus of investment, finance, and innovation.

During the summit, it was announced that Turkish mobile gaming startup Grand Games had secured USD 70 million in a Series B funding round led by Balderton Capital. Grand Games CEO Bekir Batuhan Çelebi also joined the event for a fireside chat.

Featuring distinguished speakers from around the world, the summit served as a valuable platform for fostering stronger connections between Turkish gaming ecosystem and the global gaming community.



## IBPF 2026 Reinforces Entrepreneurship and Innovation

The 12<sup>th</sup> edition of the Inspiring Best Practices Forum (IBPF) took place at Boğaziçi University under the theme "Value over Valuation," bringing together leading figures from Türkiye's entrepreneurship and innovation ecosystem.

The event opened with remarks by Industry and Technology Minister M. Fatih Kacır and Investment and Finance Office President A. Burak Dağlıoğlu.

Highlighting Türkiye's industrial strength, Minister Kacır emphasized the country's leading position in production across multiple sectors,

including unmanned aerial vehicles globally, as well as commercial vehicles, solar panels, buses, white goods, steel, and wood products in Europe.

Addressing entrepreneurship and value creation, Investment and Finance Office President A. Burak Dağlıoğlu underlined that entrepreneurship is about creating real value for users while staying connected to the realities of business life.

Dağlıoğlu also noted that one of the key observations among entrepreneurs in Türkiye is how the same idea can generate different levels of value across different markets.





## "20 Years of Excellence" Reception Held in New York

As Investment and Finance Office marks its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the "20 Years of Excellence" high-level reception series continues to showcase Türkiye's Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) journey across 20 global destinations.

The latest stop of the reception series took place in New York City, bringing together investors, business leaders, entrepreneurs, and ecosystem stakeholders to discuss Türkiye's investment landscape and the future of Türkiye-U.S. economic cooperation.

Hosted at the Turkish House in cooperation with the Consulate General of Türkiye in New York,

the reception featured opening remarks by Consul General of Türkiye in New York Muhittin Ahmet Yazal; Investment and Finance Office Vice President Bekir Polat; American Chamber of Commerce in Türkiye President and Citi Country Officer for Türkiye Emre Karter; Mastercard Global Lead for Public Sector Strategy & Sales Enablement Selim Ergöz; and Uber Head of International Affairs Matthew Devlin.

In his remarks, Polat emphasized Türkiye's growing appeal for international investors: "Türkiye continues to distinguish itself as a strategic powerhouse for global investments thanks to its dynamic economy, young and skilled workforce, strong infrastructure, continuous reform process, and access to regional markets."



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## Türkiye Showcases Financial Investment Potential in Seoul

The 2026 Future Finance Forum, hosted by Chosunbiz, convened approximately 300 representatives from Korea's leading companies, financial institutions, and government bodies in Seoul.

Investment and Finance Office Vice President Furkan Karayaka delivered a presentation titled "Türkiye as a Destination for Financial Investments," noting that nearly 2,000 venture companies attracted USD 5.7 billion in investment over the past five years, backed by a market of 82 million internet users and approximately 900,000 university graduates each year.

Karayaka also participated in a panel discussion moderated by Seoul National University Professor Yoonsoo Lee, alongside Korea Venture Capital Association Chairman Kim Hak-kyun and Financial Services Commission Unit Head Son Myung-se. The panel explored how to cultivate next-generation technology companies through productive, confidence-driven investment ecosystems.

Türkiye stands at the nexus of finance and technology, where a dynamic workforce, a resilient economy, and global connectivity converge to create opportunities for investors and innovators alike.



## Türkiye Showcases Its Powerhouse Vision at Brand Finance Forum 2026

Brand Finance Place Brand Forum 2026 was held at the Guildhall in London, bringing together place-brand leaders, diplomats, policymakers, and investment organizations for a high-level dialogue on nation branding, soft power, and capital attraction. The forum also unveiled the latest Nation Brand Value Rankings and key findings from the Global Soft Power Index 2026.

During the forum, Investment and Finance Office Communications Department Head Gökhan Yücel

underscored that in a fragmented world, the greatest advantage belongs not to the largest or the fastest, but to those who can connect, integrate, and endure. Yücel presented Türkiye's investment proposition through three defining pillars—Resilient, Nexus, and Powerhouse—positioning the country as a 360-degree power where hard, soft, smart, and sustainable capabilities converge into a single, integrated force.

With more than USD 290 billion in cumulative FDI since 2003 and an 11 percent increase in inflows in 2025 alone, Türkiye's narrative is no longer one of aspiration—it is one of proven performance.



## Global Leaders Convene at Harvard College Türkiye Summit

The Harvard College Türkiye Summit, held jointly by the Investment and Finance Office and the Harvard College Turkish Student Association, marked the first country-specific Türkiye summit ever held at Harvard. The event brought together more than 300 participants at Harvard University, convening global leaders from investment, technology, life sciences, infrastructure, and academia to advance dialogue on Türkiye's economic transformation and strategic role in a rapidly evolving global landscape.

Framed around the theme "Türkiye at the Crossroads," the summit explored Türkiye's role in connecting investment, innovation, and regional value chains amid shifting global economic and technological dynamics.

The program opened with remarks by the Turkish Consul General in Boston Halime Diğdem Buner, followed by keynote addresses from Investment and Finance Office Vice President Bekir Polat and Cambridge Innovation Center Founder & Chairman Timothy Rowe.

The summit reinforced Türkiye's role as the nexus of investment, technology, and transatlantic collaboration across emerging global growth corridors.



## Türkiye Expands Global Talent Strategy with Turquoise Card Ceremony

The Turquoise Card Award Ceremony was held in Istanbul in cooperation with the Investment and Finance Office and the Ministry of Labor and Social Security, granting permanent work rights to senior executives and investors, as well as permanent residence rights to their family members.

A total of 22 new Turquoise Cards were presented to senior representatives of international companies, marking a significant milestone following the "Powerhouse for Investments in

the Türkiye Century" Program. The selected candidates were identified and nominated by the Investment and Finance Office based on their qualifications and contributions

The awards were presented by Minister of Labor and Social Security Vedat Işıkhan and Investment and Finance Office Investor Services Department Head Mahmut Selim Porgalı.

Minister Işıkhan noted that Türkiye is now a powerhouse attracting not only capital but also talent, expertise, and vision.

As a key instrument supporting Türkiye's vision to become a global hub for investment and human capital, the Turquoise Card reinforces the country's position as the nexus of talent.





## National Technology Summit Brings Together Technology and Finance Leaders

Co-hosted by T3 Foundation and Yıldız Technical University, the National Technology Summit brought together leading figures from the public and private sectors with university students and industry professionals.

On the second day of the event, a special finance panel gathered prominent representatives from the finance and participation finance ecosystem. Moderated by Dr. Hülya Bulut, the panel featured Investment

and Finance Office Advisor Ahmet Cüneyt Selçuk, Takasbank Director of Information Technology Solutions Faruk Selman Lekesiz, and Kuveyt Türk Participation Bank Chief Digital Banking and Payment Systems Officer Dr. Okan Acar.

During the panel, Selçuk discussed recent developments in financial technologies and digital transformation, highlighting the growing share of financial investments within foreign direct investments, the factors positioning Türkiye as a leading destination for early-stage investments, and the contribution of technology startups to the country's investment ecosystem.



## Türkiye Showcases Space Industry Potential in Venice

Space Meetings Veneto, one of Italy's leading events for the space industry, brought together 250 companies from 26 countries in Venice.

During the event, Investment and Finance Office hosted a conference titled "From Türkiye to Space: Opportunities for Italian-Turkish Cooperation in the Space Industry," moderated by the Office's Country Advisor Alfredo Nocera.

Investment and Finance Office Project Manager Muttalip Tütüncü presented Türkiye's economic landscape and the country's growing space ecosystem, highlighting its skilled talent pool and key milestones in the sector.

Turkish Aerospace (TAI) Space Systems Programs Director Taha Tetik also shared insights into TAI's capabilities and ongoing space programs, showcasing Türkiye's expanding role as the nexus of technology.



## Investment and Finance Office Attends London VC Summit 2026

Investment and Finance Office attended the 2026 London VC Summit as a sponsor, joining leading figures from the global venture capital ecosystem in London. Hosted by the London Venture Capital Network, the summit serves as the network's flagship annual conference.

Investment and Finance Office Advisor Ahmet Cüneyt Selçuk participated in the "Entertainment

Shift: Gaming & Consumertech" panel, where he highlighted the strengths of Türkiye's startup ecosystem in mobile gaming, the drivers behind the country's recent momentum in the sector, and the growing opportunities for international investors. The discussions also emphasized Istanbul's position as Europe's second-largest gaming hub after London.

Meanwhile, Revo Capital Partner Cenk Bayraktar participated in the "The Future of Emerging Markets" panel, where he shared insights on Türkiye's rising prominence as a key player among emerging markets.



## Invest in Türkiye Spotlights Türkiye's Investment Strength at UKREiIF 2026

UKREiIF 2026, held in Leeds, convened leading global stakeholders from the investment, development, infrastructure, energy, logistics, and digital sectors to explore the future of the UK's built environment and economic growth agenda.

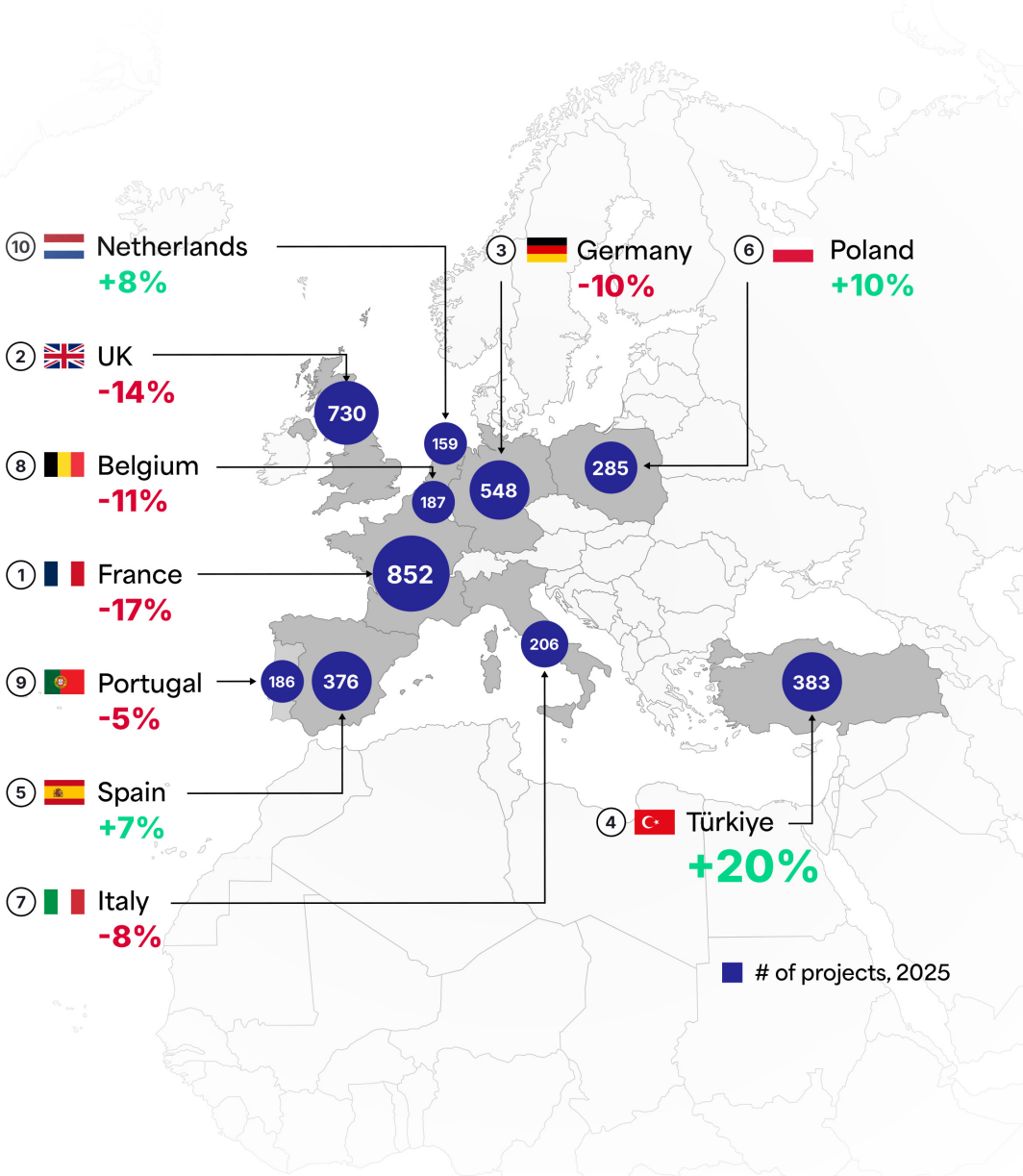
Investment and Finance Office Country Advisor Enes Güzel participated as a speaker across multiple sessions, sharing insights on green energy and infrastructure, data centers and digital infrastructure, as well as

logistics and industrial investment, with a particular focus on Türkiye's position as the powerhouse for investments.

Discussions throughout the forum reflected growing investor interest in sustainable infrastructure, clean industrial transformation, digital connectivity, and advanced logistics ecosystems, areas in which Türkiye continues to strengthen its role at the nexus of Europe, Asia, and the Middle East.

The forum brought together more than 16,000 participants and over 1,250 speakers, while showcasing more than GBP 300 billion worth of investment opportunities across key sectors, including energy, transport, housing, logistics, and digital infrastructure.

# Türkiye Ranks Among Europe's Top FDI Powerhouses



# Women Powering Türkiye's Tech Ecosystem

## GLOBAL ACHIEVEMENT OF WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS

Türkiye is the **#1** performer among Europe's top 3 WE-RISE applicants.

8 of 39 Turcorn100 startups founded by women.

## SUPPORT FOR WOMEN RESEARCHERS & STUDENTS

**TRY 30.3 billion**

to **210K+** women researchers & students. **57.7%** support rate (2025)



39% women researchers in 37K projects.

## WOMEN IN TECHNOLOGY ECOSYSTEM

**TRY 59 billion**

total support with **40%** to women-led projects since 2010.

926K women trained through KOSGEB E-Academy.

## E-COMMERCE & COOPERATIVE SUPPORT

**TRY 617 million**

to **86** women-led cooperatives. **2,615** women trained.



1,240 startups funded through EUR 10 million in grants.

## PATENT APPLICATIONS & WOMEN INVENTORS

Türkiye ranks **#1** globally in women inventors.

26.1% in PCT applications.

## WOMEN ENTREPRENEUR SUPPORT RATE

**32%**

of supported entrepreneurs in the BiGG Program are women.



## WOMEN IN TECHNOPARKS

**2,3K**

women-led companies in technoparks.

**33K**

women employees in technoparks.

**28K**

women employees in R&D and design centers.

# Open the Door to Powerhouse for Investments

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# WHY TÜRKİYE

## TÜRKİYE: HUB FOR INNOVATION AND GROWTH

Within a 4-hour flight, easy access to multiple markets of USD 35.0 trillion GDP, USD 11.3 trillion trade, and 1.3 billion people.

Booming economy reaching **1,596 billion in 2025**, up from USD 238 billion in 2002.

Over **USD 273 billion** of FDI between 2003-2024, while the total amount of FDI attracted between 1980-2002 stood at USD 15 billion.

## ACCESS TO MULTIPLE MARKETS

### EURASIA

GDP: \$3.2 Trillion  
Import: \$491 billion  
Population: 246 million

### MENA

GDP: \$4.7 Trillion  
Import: \$1.6 trillion  
Population: 485 million

### EUROPE

GDP: \$27.1 Trillion  
Import: \$9.2 trillion  
Population: 595 million

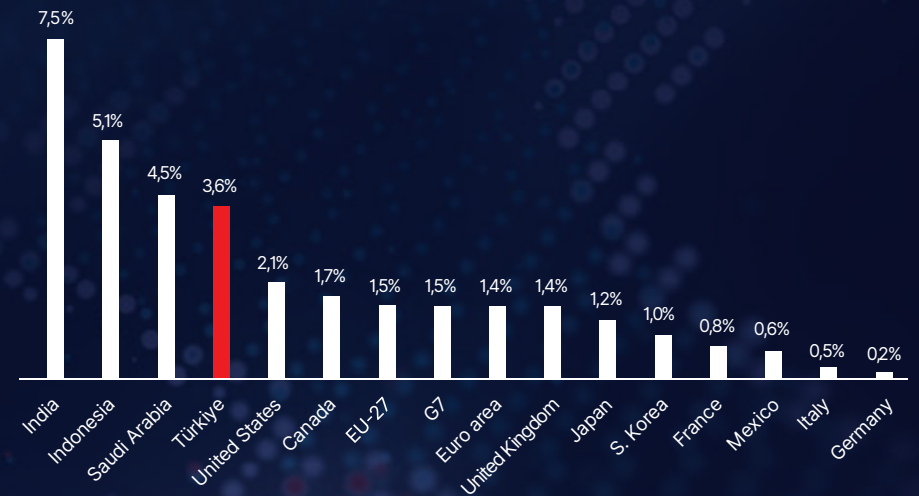
### TOTAL

**GDP:** \$35.0 trillion  
**Import:** \$11.3 trillion  
**Population:** 1.3 billion

Source: IMF, WTO, TurkStat 2025

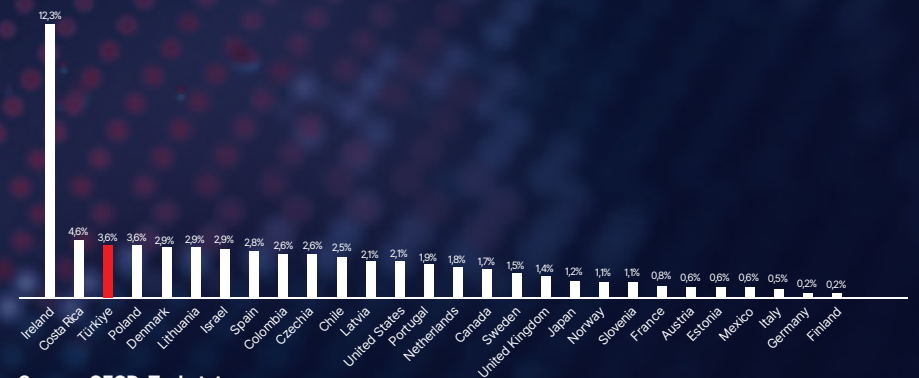
## REAL GDP GROWTH (2025-H1, year on year growth)

### G20 Economies



Source: OECD, Turkstat

### OECD Economies



Source: OECD, Turkstat

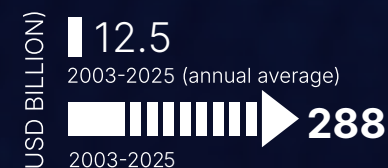
## TÜRKİYE

was the fastest growing economy of the OECD members during 2003-2025, with an average annual growth rate of

# 5.3%

## CUMULATIVE FDI INFLOWS TO TÜRKİYE

(USD BILLION)



Source: CBRT

- Investment incentives as well as R&D support.
- Equal treatment to national and global investors guaranteed by law.
- 8 days to set up a company in Türkiye, while it takes an average of 8,5 days in OECD high-income countries.
- (Source: B-Ready 2025)

# HIGHLIGHTS

The fastest growing economy in Europe and one of the fastest growing economies in the world with an average annual GDP growth rate of 5.3% over the past 23 years.

(2003-2025, TurkStat)

## SOPHISTICATED CONSUMER BASE

A population of 86.1 million, half of which is under the age of 34.9.

(2025, TurkStat)

Largest youth population compared with the EU.

(2023, Eurostat)

Fixed and mobile broadband subscriptions in Türkiye reached 108.1 million in 2025

(2025, Information and Communications Technologies Authority)

## SKILLED AND DEDICATED LABOR FORCE

Around 36.8 million young, well-educated and motivated professionals.

(2025, Turkstat)

Around 850,000 students graduate annually from 208 universities.

(2025, CoHE)

# TÜRKİYE'S INFRASTRUCTURAL DEVELOPMENT

## USD 215 Billion

Total value of PPP contracts in Türkiye during the 1986-2024 period.

## 272

Total number of PPP projects completed in Türkiye during the 1986-2024 period.

## 27,797

Total number of hospital beds under PPP projects. 18 healthcare campuses have been completed with a total number of 27,797 bed capacity.

## 58

Number of airports in Türkiye increased from 26 in 2002 to 58 by 2024.

# Who we are

Investment and Finance Office is the official organization that:

- Promotes the investment environment of Türkiye and provides assistance to investors.
- Reports directly to the President of the Republic of Türkiye.


# How we help

- Multilingual (Turkish, English, German, French, Italian, Arabic, Spanish, Chinese, Japanese and Korean)
- One-Stop-Shop approach
- Result-oriented
- Private sector approach with full confidentiality
- Focusing on high-tech, value-added and employment generating investments.

# What we do

- Presenting investment opportunities to the investors and providing assistance during all the stages of their investments.
- Serving as the reference point for international investors and the point of contact for all institutions engaged in promoting and attracting investments at national, regional and local levels.
- Offering free-of-charge services including market information and analyses, site selection, B2B meetings, coordination with relevant governmental institutions, and facilitating legal procedures and applications such as establishing business operations, incentive applications, obtaining licenses and work permits.

## OUR GLOBAL LOCATIONS

-  USA
-  GERMANY
-  ITALY
-  SPAIN
-  NETHERLANDS
-  TÜRKİYE
-  S. ARABIA
-  UAE
-  QATAR
-  CHINA
-  S. KOREA
-  JAPAN
-  UK
-  SINGAPORE
-  MALAYSIA

## SECTORS

- Agrofood
- Automotive
- Chemicals
- Defense & Aerospace
- Energy
- Financial Investments & Startups
- ICT
- Infrastructure
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- Machinery
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- Financial Services
- Mining & Metals
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