

Press Release

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“3rd Istanbul International Arbitration Congress” SEVEN HILLS, SEVEN MUSEUMS, ARBITRATION CENTER ISTANBUL

Turkish German Lawyers Association (TDAV) hosted the Third Istanbul International Arbitration Congress on Sep 29, 2017 at Sakıp Sabancı Museum; the Congress, traditionalised by TDAV, was organized this year under the slogan “Seven Hills, Seven Museums, Arbitration Centre Istanbul” with subject of “Focus on Collision and Investment Arbitration”.



*1st Session Speakers Okan Demirkan, Serdar Paksoy and Friedrich Rosenfeld
Chair Ahmed Pekin making his opening speech*

Honourable academicians and attorneys participated in the Congress from Turkey and abroad.

The event commenced with welcome speech of RAin. Av. Handan İlhan –President of TDAV. The event was held in two different sessions. At the first session the topic was the inter- relationship between the courts and arbitration, collision between the common law and civil law in international arbitration. Subsequent to opening speech of session Chair Av. Ahmed Pekin, speakers RA Dr. Friedrich Rosenfeld, Av. Serdar

Paksoy and Av. Okan Demirkan made presentations about development of Turkish legal system within last ten years in order to recognition of foreign arbitral awards and current stage of arbitration in Turkish legal practice. Furthermore, interim reliefs in support of arbitration proceedings and the problems faced against enforcement of the arbitral awards before the court were discussed. It was indicated that state courts regarded especially arbitrability issue more favorably and Turkey has eventually become a more arbitration friendly country.



2nd Session Speakers Ufuk Yalçın, Handan İlhan, Johannes Willheim and Session Chair Moritz Keller

The second session was conducted interactively on a discussion base, focusing on strategic investment treaty consideration- valuation and quantum in investment arbitration, international and local stage of Turkey, was held with the speakers' Rain Av. Handan İlhan, RA Dr. Johannes P. Willheim and Av. Ufuk Yalçın and with audience's active participation while participants shared their practical observations based on their own experiences. Jurists discussed procedure strategies that can be pursued by attorneys on the basis of model arbitration cases, chair RA Dr. Moritz Keller built up. Methods used to calculate damages and criterias due to select a convenient method were explained based on current arbitration practice and lost profits incurred in the state- foreign investor arbitration and damages resulting from the expropriation in contravention of the law were brought to the table.



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Participants

At the end of the Congress, participants attended the cocktail held at Seed, , accompanied by the magnificent Bosphorus view of Sakıp Sabancı Museum and . later on had dinner, where they found opportunity to be closely acquainted and to have a great conversation with their colleagues till the late hours.



Networking cocktail at the Bosphorus before dinner

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