

TBCCI ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. 27 NOVEMBER 2008

TBCCI Annual General Meeting will be held on 27 November 2008 at 6:00 pm at 2nd Floor Bury House, 33 Bury Street, London SW1Y 6AU. For information about the AGM, [click here](#).

INTERVIEW WITH MR GÜRSEL YALÇIN

Mr Gürsel Yalçin, Director of A.G.R (Sütçü) Food Suppliers Ltd based in London and a member of the TBCCI, gave an interview to the Chamber Newsletter. Mr Yalçin discussed the nature, history, benefits and varieties of 'yogurt'. To view the interview with Mr Yalçin, [click here](#).



FORTHCOMING TBCCI SEMINARS IN DECEMBER 2008

[Turkey & the UK; Cross Border Legal Issues](#), 04 December

[Transport-Logistics-Customs-Ports](#), 10 December

[Aspects of Technology](#), 16 December

[Buying Property In Turkey](#), 17 December

To register to these events or for more information, click on a seminar name or contact us at info@tbcci.org or call 0207 3210 999.

RECENT TBCCI SEMINARS AND PRESENTATIONS

Mr Mehmet Simsek, Minister of State for Economy Turkey

Mehmet Simsek, the Turkish State Minister for Economy, gave a speech on 21 October 2008 at a meeting hosted by the TBCCI in London where the Minister talked and answered questions about the Turkish economy the current financial and economic

climate.

Doing Business in Turkey seminars with UKTI

TBCCI participated in the 'Doing Business in Turkey' seminars for Trade Missions to Turkey organised by UK Trade & Invest.

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given at the seminars in Essex (29 Oct), Derby (10 Sep) and Durham (31 Oct).

Business Development Day seminar with Business Link in London

TBCCI and Business Link gave a seminar in London on 16 October about Assisting Turkish Businesses in London. [Click here](#) for the TBCCI presentations.

TBCCI at CNR 2008 Food Exhibition Istanbul

The TBCCI participated with a stand at the 16th International Food, Beverage, Food Ingredients and Food Processing Exhibition held at the CNR Expo centre between 5-8 November 2008.

UK-TURKEY TRADE DATA

In September 2008, export-import trade between the two countries declined by 4.1%. In the January-September nine months period, the cumulative increase over the same period last year became 9.5%.

UK-Turkey Trade Quarterly results (Value: million US\$)

IMPORT: UK imports from Turkey

Quarter	2008	2007	Change	Period
1st quarter	2,106.8	1,778.8	18.4%	Jan-Mar
2nd quarter	2,280.7	2,079.7	9.7%	Apr-Jun
3rd quarter	2,214.3	2,247.2	-1.5%	Jul-Sep
Total	6,601.8	6,105.7	9.5%	Jan-Sep

1+2+3	6,601.8	6,105.7	8.1%	Jan-Sep
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EXPORT: Exports from the UK to Turkey				
Quarter	2008	2007	Change	Period
1st quarter	1,527.4	1,278.3	19.5%	Jan-Mar
2nd quarter	1,573.9	1,437.3	9.5%	Apr-Jun
3rd quarter	1,309.2	1,238.6	5.7%	Jul-Sep
Total	4,410.5	3,954.2	11.5%	Jan-Sep
1+2+3				

TOTAL: Import + Export				
Quarter	2008	2007	Change	Period
1st quarter	3,634.3	3,057.0	18.9%	Jan-Mar
2nd quarter	3,854.7	3,517.0	9.6%	Apr-Jun
3rd quarter	3,523.6	3,485.9	1.1%	Jul-Sep
Total	11,012.6	10,059.9	9.5%	Jan-Sep
1+2+3				

Source: Turkish Statistical Institute TUIK

For more information about UK-Turkey export import data by month - year and by product categories, click on [UK Turkey Trade Statistics](#).

TRADE AND PARTNERSHIP ENQUIRIES

Members of the TBCCI can view recent and past Trade and Business Partnership enquiries and offers from the UK, Turkey and other countries made to TBCCI from the Members Zone of our website. Non-Members can view partnership enquiries made by Chamber members. All partnership enquiries are also periodically posted to Chamber members by

email.

Members and non-members can post their trade or partnership enquiries from the Business Partner Search and Trade Enquiries sections of our website or by email to info@tbcci.org

NEWS IN BRIEF

Turkey and IMF

Turkey's government may sign an economic agreement with the International Monetary Fund worth between \$20 billion and \$40 billion. Turkey says reforms enacted under previous fund support packages have made it more resistant to crisis.

European Bank for Reconstruction and Development's (EBRD)

The EBRD plans to invest up to US\$ 600 million in Turkey by 2010. Investments will contribute to the development of Turkey's private sector and reach out to areas away from the large metropolitan centres. [Click here](#) for details

Exxon, TPAO Black Sea investment up to \$450 mln

U.S. oil major Exxon Mobil and Turkey's state-owned petroleum firm TPAO signed an agreement to explore for oil in the sea, which lies to the north of Turkey to invest between \$400-450 million in the first stage of oil exploration in the Black Sea Drilling is expected to begin by the end of 2009 or the start of 2010 if oil is found in the Black Sea, where officials estimate the volume of reserves at 10 billion barrels.

Toyota and Turkey

Toyota, the Japanese automotive giant, has chosen Turkey as its base for the production of light commercial vehicles over candidate countries like like China, Japan and Russia.

EU Shipping Conference Certification

From 18th October 2008, the EU has ended the anti-trust immunity that has until then allowed shipping lines to organise themselves into "conferences". Consequently, from this date, the EU will not allow the issuance of certificates on EU routes in respect of the

vessel belonging to a "conference line". [Click here](#) for details.

Commodity Codes to classify goods for Export and Import.

Commodity codes are used to find import duties, taxes, tax rebates, reliefs, licences and special conditions such as prohibitions that may apply to particular goods. Businesses and individuals can use the electronic tariff on the [Business Link website](#) to classify their own goods.

NEWS FROM MEMBERS:

Sabiha Gökçen International Airport sponsor TBCCI December events

Beko sponsor the London Turkish Film Festival

NanoBoron LTD launched its products at a reception in London on 12 Nov

Pegasus Airlines sponsor TBCCI December events and the London Turkish Film Festival

Silverstone Publishing the Launch issue of Property and Living in Turkey Magazine is now out, with an official launch date in WH Smith's, Borders and other distribution sites on 1 December 2008.

TBCCI NEW MEMBERS

Concordia Consultancy Ltd.	Consultancy	UK
Redmint Communications	Marketing	UK
Global Airline Services (Holland) Ltd.	Air Freight/Cargo	UK
Strategy Finance London Ltd	Finance	UK
DKLM Solicitors LLP	Solicitors-Legal	UK
CVA Danismanlik ve Tic.Ltd.Sti	Consultancy	Turkey
Espe UK Ltd. (Omurteks)	Textile	Turkey
First Club Holiday Ltd.	Travel Agency	UK
Optima Financial Solutions Ltd.	Accountancy	UK

Click on a Member Link to view contacts and business profile.

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TBCCI members and non-members can advertise on our website, monthly newsletter and on the twice-monthly 'News From TBCCI' broadcasts with their Logo as a link to their website. If you wish to place an Advert logo on the TBCCI website, newsletter and 'News From TBCCI', visit our [Advertisement Page](#), or for Event Sponsorships, contact us at info@tbcci.org or 020 7321 0999.

Kind regards

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