



TBCCI NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2014

INTERVIEW WITH ILHAN İL CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD TRAVELEX TURKEY



We are very pleased to present the interview given by İlhan İl, Chairman of the Executive Board of Travelex Turkey, a new Patron member of TBCCI. İlhan Bey talked about his professional life, Travelex UK, Travelex Turkey, Foreign Exchange services, opportunities and challenges in the sector, plans for the future and the role of Business Associations, and gave a message to the business communities in the UK and Turkey. To read the interview, please click here.



TBCCI Networking Evening, hosted by <u>DWF LLP</u>, a Patron Member of TBCCI, was held on Tuesday, 11 November 2014 at DWF's offices in the landmark Walkie Talkie building in London. Representatives from the Turkish and British business communities got together at this event where HE Abdurrahman Bilgic the Turkish Ambassador to the UK, was the Guest of Honour speaker.







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TBCCI ANNUAL BALL, THE SAVOY LONDON 25 October 2014

TBCCI celebrated its 34th Anniversary with its Annual Ball on 25 October 2014 at The Savoy. The Guests of Honour, the Turkish Deputy Economy Minister Adnan Yıldırım and HE Abdurrahman Bilgic Turkish Ambassador to the UK, and the TBCCI Chairman Emma Edhem, CC pointed out in their addresses to the guests that the two countries had drawn closer in their economic ties and in other areas.























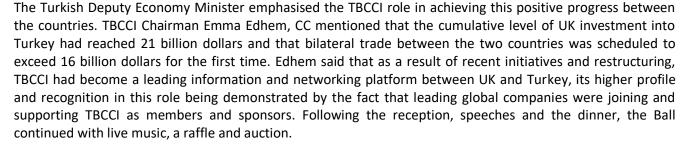
Turkish Deputy Economy Minister Adnan Yıldırım



TBCCI Chairman Emma Edhem, CC



Lancaster Room The Savoy



TBCCI MEMBERS MEETING WITH KADIGER Women Entrepreneurs Association of Turkey **21 November 2014**

TBCCI was delighted to meet with a delegation from Women Entrepreneurs' Association of Turkey in London on Friday, 21 November 2014. At the meeting the Women Entrepreneurs' Association of Turkey was introduced to TBCCI members and areas of co-operation between KADIGER and TBCCI and B2B possibilities were shared.













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TBCCI 2015 LONDON NETWORKING EVENTS

21 January 11 March 14 May 15 July 10 September 11 November 9 December London Networking Events will be held on Wednesdays every other

month. Venues & Guest of Honour Speakers will be announced in due

course.

TBCCI 2015 UK & TURKEY

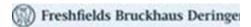
SECTORAL EVENTS

28 January	London	3rd Doing Business in Turkey
19 February	Istanbul	Networking Event
17 March	London	3rd Hi-Tech in Forum
31 March	London	2nd Turkey Medical Services-Travel
16 April	London	2nd Doing Business in the UK
7 May	London	5th Cross Border Legal Issues
28 May	Ankara	1st UK-Turkey Business Forum
11 June	Istanbul	3rd Doing Business in the UK
25 June	London	2nd Doing Business in Turkey
15 October	Istanbul	6th UK-Turkey Business Forum

Venues and speakers will be publicised in due course. In addition to these scheduled events, further TBCCI organised and partnered events will be publicised in 2015.



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TBCCI MEMBERS MEETING WITH MEVKA Mevlana Development Agency 2 December 2014



TBCCI is very pleased to announce a meeting with a delegation from the Mevlana Development Agency on Tuesday, 2 December 2014 in London. The agenda for the Meeting will include an introduction to the Agency, consideration of its institutional functions and the possibilities for co-operation with TBCCI, a video presentation of opportunities for investing in and trading with the Konya and Karaman regions of Turkey, and networking. This is a TBCCI-members-only event. For details, please contact info@etbcci.org.

HEALTH EXPO ISTANBUL 2014

10-13 December 2014

Venue: Istanbul Expo Center / CNR Expo

Host: Ministry of Health Turkey

Organiser: Association of Medical tourism Development, support and organisation services of Turkey

In Association with: Hospitality Health & Travel, a TBCCI Sustaining member

Event focus: Presentations & B2B – Medical-Hospital Products, Healthcare Informatics and Technologies, Laboratory Systems, Home Care Products & Medical Tourism Exhibition, Health & Pharmacy industries

Event & Registartion details: http://satud.org/healthexpo/ & http://cnrhealthexpo.com/

TBCCI: is supporting organisation of the event.

TBCCI Chairman, Emma Edhem CC, will be addressing the delegates on 'The Role of Chambers of Commerce in Medical Travel, Technologies and Expertise.

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NEW TBCCI MEMBERS

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UK TURKEY EXPORTS-IMPORTS January-September 2104

Turkey Exports to UK 7.5 billion US \$ (up 17.1%) UK Exports to Turkey 4.4 billion US \$ (down 2.7%)

In the first three quarters of 2014, the percentage of Turkish exports to the UK rose from 5.7% to 6.3% of the overall volume of Turkish exports compared to the same period last year. In the same period, the share of UK exports to Turkey grew from 2.4% to 2.5% of the overall volume of imports into Turkey.

NEWS ABOUT TURKISH ECONOMY

Turkey's tourism revenue in the first 9 months of 2014 has reached USD 26.6 billion, marking an all-time record for the period. the Association of Turkish Travel Agencies (TURSAB) forecasts 43 million tourists in 2015 and USD 36 billion revenue,

Turkey's exports reached a record level of USD 12.5 billion in October. According to Turkish Exporters Assembly, Turkey's total exports in the first 10 months of 2014 went up by 5.6%, while Turkey's exports to he UK rose by 17.1%) in the January-September period. Turkey expects to see its exports reaching USD 160.5 billion by the year end.

Foreign Direct Investments (FDI) into Turkey in the January-August period reached USD 8.6 billion, a rise of 9.8%, the manufacturing sector attracting the highest portion of FDI, followed by financial intermediation sector. 63% of the FDI originated from the EU.

Foreign investors established 2850 companies in Turkey in the first 8 months of 2014, making a total of 40,506 foreign owned or partnered companies in Turkey to.

Turkey has become the top agricultural producer of Europe and 7th in the world. In 2013, the gross value of Turkey's agricultural production reached USD 62 billion.

KEY UK TAX DEADLINES FOR TAX AGENTS DECEMBER 2014 & JANUARY 2015

30 December 2014:

Deadline for online submission of Self-Assessment tax returns for tax year ended 5 April 2014 for HMRC to collect tax through clients' PAYE codes, where they owe less than £3,000.

31 January 2015:

Deadline for online submission of Self Assessment tax returns for tax year ended 5 April 2014.

Deadline for paying Self Assessment 'balancing payments' for tax year ended 5 April 2014.

Deadline for first Self Assessment payment on account for tax year ended 5 April 2015.

UK EMPLOYMENT ALLOWANCE

Employers in the UK can reduce the amount of National Insurance contributions (NICs) they pay for their employees by up to £2,000. This is called the 'Employment Allowance'. Employment Allowance can be claimed from 6 April 2014. For details, see https://www.gov.uk/employment-allowance

With best wishes



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