

令和7年3月吉日

「Focus Business Türkiye」は、トルコ貿易省が毎月発行するトルコの投資・貿易・ビジネス全般をまとめたビジネスレポートです。

Focus Business Türkiye 2025年2月号概要

- ・2 月輸出額、208 億ドルに
- ・トルコ経済、OECD 加盟国の中で最速の成長率を記録
- ・アジアインフラ投資銀行と50億ドルの融資契約を締結
- ・マレーシアと貿易・防衛・エネルギー分野で戦略的パートナーシップを深化
- ・インドネシアと貿易、防衛、その他の主要分野で 13 の協定に調印
- ・パキスタンと二国間関係強化のため 24 の協力協定に調印
- ・トルコと北マケドニアとの関係は強固:エルドアン大統領
- 世界の金需要、2024年には過去最高の4,974トンに
- ・トルコ、IAIA 理事国に再選、世界の海洋における役割を強化
- ・防衛産業輸出で世界第 11 位に エルドアン大統領
- ・世界的な LNG ブームは欧州、トルコ、アジアに恩恵 IEA 総裁
- ・トルコとイラクの政府高官、水インフラ協力の発展に向けて会談
- ・3月以降トルコナショナルパビリオンとして出展する海外展示会一覧



REPUBLIC OF TÜRKİYE MINISTRY OF TRADE

FOCUS BUSINESS TÜRKİYE

Contents:

Türkiye's February Exports Reach \$20.8 Billion

Turkish Economy Shares Top pot in Fastest Growth Among OECD Nations

Türkiye, Asian Bank Ink \$58/Financing Deal

ürkiye, Malaysia Deepen/Strategic Partnership in Trade, Defense, Energy

Türkiye and Indonesia Sign 13 Agreements in Trade, Defense And Other Key Sectors

Türkiye Pakistan Sign 24 Cooperation Agreements to Strengthen Bilateral Ties

Türkiye's relations with North Macedonia rock solid: President Erdogan

Gobal Gold Demand Hits Record 4,974 Tons in 2024

Türkiye Re-Elected to IAIA Council, Strengthening Global Maritime Role

Türkiye Ranks 11th Globally in Defence Industry Exports — Erdogan

Global LNG Boom to Benefit Europe, Türkiye, Asia: IEA Chief

Turkish, Iraqi Officials Meet to Develop Water Infrastructure Cooperation

Events- Trade Fairs

Send Us/Jour Inquiry

REPUBLIC OF TÜRKİYE, MIKYISTRY OF TRADE, DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF EXPORTS

NEWS

Türkiye's February Exports Reach \$20.8 Billion

In the ranking of sectors with the highest exports, the automotive industry maintained its leadership in February with \$3 billion. It was followed by chemicals at \$2.5 billion and ready-to-wear and apparel at \$1.36 billion.



Türkiye's exports in February totalled \$20.8 billion, bringing the two-month cumulative exports to \$41.9 billion and the 12-month rolling exports to \$262.7 billion. This corresponds to a 2.1% increase in two-month exports and a 1.5% rise in annual exports. It is estimated that service exports in February will be around \$9 billion.

From a sectoral perspective, the automotive industry retained its leadership with \$3 billion in exports, followed by chemicals at \$2.5 billion, ready-to-wear and apparel at \$1.36 billion, electrical and electronics at \$1.3 billion, and steel at \$1.2 billion. Although not among the top five, the jewelry, defense and aerospace industries made significant contributions to our exports last month. Jewelry exports soared by 381% to \$862 million, while defense and aerospace exports surged by 134% to \$434 million.

February's leading export destinations were Germany, the United States, the United Kingdom, Italy, and Iraq. It was highlighted that exports to 44 countries were increased by over 50% and to 77 countries by more than 10%. In total, exports to 104 countries expanded, achieving record monthly export figures for Jordan, Portugal, and Malaysia.

For the source of news, please visit TiM website.

Turkish Economy Shares Top Spot in Fastest Growth Among OECD Nations

Turkish, Spanish economies grew 3.2% in 2024, as of latest data, and Indonesia tops G20 with 5.03% growth, but India's data set for release expected to boast highest growth



Türkiye shared the top spot with Spain in the fastest-growing economies last year among countries in the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) whose data have been released. Türkiye and Spain's growth rate reached 3.2% in 2024, followed by the US with 2.8%, Lithuania with 2.7%, and Norway with 2.1%. Meanwhile, Austria's economy shrank 1% and Germany's contracted 0.2%, as of the latest growth data from OECD countries.

Among the G20 nations, Indonesia had the fastest-growing economy with 5.03% growth in 2024, followed by China with 5% and Russia with 4.1%. Türkiye and Spain shared the same spot among the G20 at fourth place, but India's growth rate set to be announced is ahead of those two countries. India's economy is estimated to grow 6.4% in 2024, which would place the country at the top of the G20, with Türkiye and Spain remaining among the top five.

For the source of information, please visit <u>AA</u> website.

Türkiye, Asian Bank Ink \$5B Financing Deal

Ankara and the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank establish their first multi-year framework as part of the deal.



Türkiye's Treasury and Finance Ministry and the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) have signed a major deal to strengthen their cooperation. The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), signed and formalised AIIB's commitment to provide about \$5 billion in financing for public projects in Türkiye over the next three years (2025-2027).

The deal marks the first time Türkiye and AIIB have set up a multi-year framework for cooperation, the finance ministry said in a statement. The funding will support projects in areas such as energy, transportation, the real sector, export financing, and water management, all of which focus on sustainable and green development. Additionally, AIIB plans to provide another \$5 billion in funding for private-sector projects in the future. This will help diversify financial resources for businesses and support infrastructure projects across Türkiye.

The finance ministry said that Türkiye's strong partnerships with international development banks make the country a preferred partner for global development projects. By the end of 2024, Türkiye's active portfolio with these banks reached \$35 billion, reflecting trust in the country's economic plans.

For the source of information, please visit <u>TRT World</u> website.

Türkiye, Malaysia Deepen Strategic Partnership in Trade, Defense, Energy

Ankara, Kuala Lumpur reaffirm commitment to global justice, Palestine during Turkish President Erdogan's official visit to Asian country



Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan's two-day official visit to Malaysia marked a significant step in strengthening bilateral relations, with leaders of both countries reaffirming their commitment to deepening cooperation across various fields, including trade, defense, energy, and global diplomacy.

Erdogan paid an official visit to Malaysia, at the invitation of Malaysian Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim, according to a joint statement issued by the two countries.

Diplomatic, economic ties

Marking over six decades of relations, Türkiye and Malaysia reaffirmed their 2022 Comprehensive Strategic Partnership, according to the statement. It also added that the leaders announced a high-level strategic council and the inaugural joint commission meeting to guide cooperation.

Economically, they emphasized balanced trade and welcomed the 2024 expansion of the Malaysia-Türkiye Free Trade Agreement to include services, investment, and e-commerce. To boost private-sector collaboration, they agreed to establish a joint business council between the National Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Malaysia and the Turkish Foreign Economic Relations Board.

Defense and security cooperation

The leaders reaffirmed their commitment to strengthening defense ties, emphasizing the government-to-government procurement mechanism established last year. The partnership focuses on joint development, production, and technology transfer to enhance strategic capabilities. On security, both sides pledged to bolster counterterrorism efforts and expand cybersecurity cooperation, reaffirming their commitment to the need for robust cyber defense measures.

Energy, environmental cooperation

Erdogan and Ibrahim emphasized the importance of energy security, agreeing to expand cooperation in hydrocarbons and renewable energy projects. They also pledged to collaborate on critical raw minerals essential for clean energy development. Additionally, both countries committed to advancing Zero Waste practices, focusing on waste management, recycling, and circular economy strategies to promote sustainability.

Support for Palestine and global justice

Erdogan and Ibrahim reaffirmed their support for Palestine's full membership in the UN, calling it "vital for a just and lasting solution" to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

Both leaders reiterated their commitment to a two-state solution based on pre-1967 borders, with East Jerusalem as Palestine's capital. They urged the international community to uphold international law and facilitate meaningful dialogue for peace in the region.

Commitment to multilateral cooperation

Ankara and Kuala Lumpur pledged to strengthen their collaboration in multilateral platforms, including the UN, the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), and the Developing Eight (D-8). The leaders underscored the need for joint efforts to combat Islamophobia, disinformation, xenophobia, racism, and hate speech, urging the international community to take decisive actions. They also reaffirmed their commitment to the OIC principles, highlighting the importance of collective action in addressing challenges facing the Muslim world.

Collaboration in education, tourism, space technology

Türkiye and Malaysia aim to deepen cooperation in higher education, including scholarships, student exchanges, and the establishment of a joint committee on higher education. They also explored opportunities for collaboration in secondary education and research.

In the tourism sector, both leaders encouraged greater engagement, with Malaysia inviting Turkish travelers to participate in the Visit Malaysia 2026 initiative. They also committed to enhancing civil aviation cooperation to facilitate increased travel and cultural exchange.

Marking the potential in space science and technology, both countries reaffirmed their collaboration on the Malaysia-Türkiye Joint Remote Sensing Micro Satellite Development Program, aimed at advancing space capabilities in both nations.

Humanitarian, disaster management cooperation

Underlining the importance of disaster preparedness, both nations signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Disaster and Emergency Management. The agreement covers technical training, expert exchanges, and joint humanitarian aid efforts.

Warm hospitality, future engagements

President Erdogan appreciated Prime Minister Ibrahim and the Malaysian government for their warm hospitality. In turn, Erdogan invited Ibrahim to pay an official visit to Türkiye, with the date to be determined through diplomatic channels.

This visit reaffirmed the enduring and growing partnership between Ankara and Kuala Lumpur, setting the stage for expanded cooperation in multiple domains that will benefit both nations and the wider region.

For the source of information, please visit AA website.

Türkiye And Indonesia Sign 13 Agreements in Trade, Defense And Other Key Sectors

Signing ceremony witnessed by Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, Indonesian counterpart Prabowo Subianto in Bogor



Turkiye and Indonesia signed 13 joint agreements in a range of areas including trade, defense and media. Following a meeting of the High Level Strategic Cooperation Council and a joint press conference by Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan and his Indonesian counterpart Prabowo Subianto in Bogor, a signing ceremony was held.

Turkish Foreign Minister Hakan Fidan and his Indonesian counterpart Sugiono signed an agreement on cooperation in health and medical sciences between Türkiye and Indonesia. A memorandum of understanding on energy and natural resources was signed by Turkish Energy and Natural Resources Minister Alparslan Bayraktar and Indonesian Energy and Mineral Resources Minister Bahlil Lahadalia.

A letter of intent on promotion and facilitation of investments between the two governments was signed by Mehmet Fatih Kacir, Türkiye's industry and technology minister, and Rosan Perkasa Roeslani, Indonesia's investment and raw material processing minister. Kacir and Indonesian Industry Minister Agus Gumiwang Kartasasmita also signed a memorandum of understanding on the establishment of a joint committee on industrial cooperation between the ministries of the two countries.

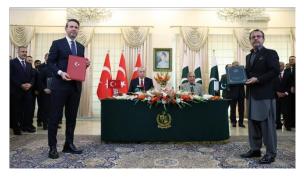
An MoU on agricultural cooperation was signed by Turkish Agriculture and Forestry Minister Ibrahim Yumakli and Indonesian Agriculture Minister Andi Amran Sulaiman.

Turkish Trade Minister Omer Bolat and his Indonesian counterpart Budi Santoso signed a memorandum on enhancing cooperation in trade between the two ministries. A memorandum of understanding on cooperation in higher education between the Council of Higher Education of Türkiye and the Higher Education, Science and Technology Ministry of Indonesia was inked by President of the Council of Higher Education Prof. Erol Ozvar and Indonesian Higher Education, Science and Technology Minister Satryo Soemantri Brodjonegoro. Head of Türkiye's Presidency of Religious Affairs Ali Erbas and Indonesian Religious Affairs Minister Nasaruddin Umar signed a memorandum of understanding on cooperation in religious services and religious education between the Presidency of Religious Affairs and the Religious Affairs Ministry of Indonesia. Haluk Gorgun, the head of Türkiye's Defense Industries Secretariat, and Sjafrie Shamsuddin, Indonesia's defense minister, signed a defense industry cooperation agreement between the two departments.

For the source of information, please visit *AA* website.

Türkiye, Pakistan Sign 24 Cooperation Agreements to Strengthen Bilateral Ties

Visiting President Erdogan, Pakistani Prime Minister Sharif sign agreements covering defense, energy, trade, and technology



In a significant step to bolster bilateral ties, Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan and Pakistani Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif signed 24 cooperation agreements across various sectors following the seventh meeting of the High-Level Strategic Cooperation Council in Islamabad. The meeting took place after a one-on-one discussion between the two leaders at the prime minister's office.

The highlight of the discussions was the signing of a joint declaration, titled "Deepening, Diversifying, and Institutionalizing the Strategic Partnership," which outlines a renewed commitment to strengthen relations between Türkiye and Pakistan. This declaration serves as the foundation for 24 detailed cooperation agreements covering defense, energy, trade, agriculture, technology, and several other fields.

Defense cooperation

Key defense agreements include the Protocol on the Exchange of Military and Civilian Personnel for Social and Cultural Purposes, Memorandum of Understanding on Air Force Electronic Warfare Cooperation, and the Protocol on Training and Cooperation in Military Health. These agreements were signed by Turkish National Defense Minister Yasar Guler and Pakistani Defense Minister Khawaja M. Asif.

Energy and mining

In the energy sector, Turkish Energy and Natural Resources Minister Alparslan Bayraktar and Pakistani Energy Minister Sardar Awais Ahmed Khan Leghari signed three significant documents: the Protocol on the Amendment of the Agreement on Cooperation in the Field of Hydrocarbons, Memorandum of

Understanding on Cooperation in Energy Transition, and Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation in Mining.

Trade and industry

Trade relations were strengthened through a joint declaration on the Development of the Goods Trade Agreement and the Memorandum of Understanding on the Digitalization of the Approval of Certificates of Origin, signed by Trade Minister Omer Bolat and Pakistani Trade Minister Jam Kamal Khan. In addition, a Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation in the Field of Industrial Property was also signed by Minister Bolat and Khan.

Agriculture and water cooperation

Agricultural collaboration was furthered with the signing of the Agreement on Cooperation in the Field of Water and the Agreement on Cooperation in Seed Production, which was signed by Turkish Agriculture and Forestry Minister Ibrahim Yumakli and Pakistan's National Food Security and Research Minister Rana Tanveer Hussain.

Technological advancements

On the technology front, Industry and Technology Minister Mehmet Fatih Kacir and Pakistani Science and Technology Minister Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui signed two key agreements: the Memorandum of Understanding on the Establishment of Legal Metrology Infrastructure and an agreement between TÜBİTAK and Pakistan National Textile University for the Development of the Pakistan-Türkiye Textile Technology Center.

Finance and banking

Financial cooperation was advanced with a Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation between the Central Bank of the Republic of Türkiye and the State Bank of Pakistan, signed by Turkish Foreign Minister Hakan Fidan and Pakistan's Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb.

Cultural and media cooperation

Cultural ties were also reinforced, with Turkish Communications Director Fahrettin Altun and Pakistan's Minister of Information and Broadcasting Ataullah Tarar signing two key agreements: the Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation in Public Relations and Communication and the Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation in Media and Communication. Additionally, Fidan and Tarar signed a Joint Production Agreement on Audiovisual Services and a Cultural Cooperation Agreement.

Health and defense industries

Minister Fidan and Minister Hussain also signed a Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation in the Fields of Health and Pharmacy. On defense industry cooperation, President of the Turkish Presidency of Defense Industries Haluk Gorgun and Pakistan's Minister of Defense Production Khawaja Asif signed a Memorandum of Understanding between the Presidency of Defense Industries and the Ministry of Defense Production of Pakistan.

Aerospace and maritime cooperation

A Memorandum of Understanding between Turkish Aerospace Industries (TUSAS) and Pakistan Maritime Research and Development Institute (NRDI) was signed by TUSAS General Manager Mehmet Demiroglu and NRDI General Manager Javed Iqbal, enhancing aerospace and maritime research collaboration between the two nations.

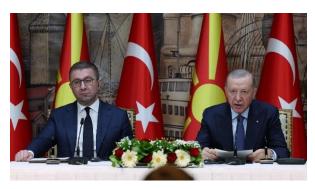
Additional agreements

Further fostering bilateral trade relations, two additional memorandums of understanding were signed related to the Türkiye-Pakistan Business Forum, marking an important step in promoting private sector engagement between the two countries.

For the source of information, please visit *AA* website.

Türkiye's relations with North Macedonia rock solid: President Erdogan

Turkish president announces plans to visit Skopje for first meeting of newly established High-Level Cooperation Council between two nations



Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan said Türkiye and North Macedonia, both NATO allies, have developed a strong relationship over the past 30 years, "as strong as the Stone Bridge in Skopje." "Today, we continue our efforts with the belief that the Balkans should be a region for cooperation and development, not competition," he said at a joint press conference with North Macedonian Prime Minister Hristijan Mickoski in Istanbul.

The Stone Bridge across the Vardar River in Skopje was built by Ottoman Sultan Mehmed the Conqueror. Erdogan highlighted the importance of strengthening bilateral ties. The two leaders also signed a joint political declaration establishing the High-Level Cooperation Council between their countries. The Turkish president expressed his intention to visit Skopje for the first meeting of the newly established body.

Erdogan said their discussions focused on deepening commercial and economic relations, adding that Turkish companies are successfully operating in sectors such as banking, healthcare, education, tourism, and renewable energy in North Macedonia, with investments nearing \$2 billion. The Turkish president also emphasized efforts to double trade volume, which reached nearly \$1 billion last year, in the first phase. He said that updating the free trade agreement would further support these goals.

The two leaders also discussed military relations and defense industry projects, with Erdogan recalling that Türkiye was one of the first countries to recognize North Macedonia's independence in 1991. Erdogan acknowledged the significant role of the Turkish community in North Macedonia in strengthening ties between the two countries.

For the source of information, please visit AA website.

SECTORS

Global Gold Demand Hits Record 4,974 Tons in 2024

Record-breaking gold prices combined with high demand pushed total value of demand to all-time high of \$382B, latest report shows



Global gold demand hit a record high of 4,974 tons in 2024, driven by strong central bank purchases and growing investment interest, according to the World Gold Council's latest report released. This surge, coupled with record gold prices, resulted in the total value of demand soaring to an all-time high of \$382 billion, the Gold Demand Trends report said.

Central banks played a pivotal role, purchasing more than 1,000 tons of gold for the third consecutive year. In 2024, central banks purchases totaled at 1,045 tons, with the fourth quarter's figure alone accounting for 333 tons. Investment demand also posted a remarkable year-on-year growth of 25% to 1,180 tons, the highest level in four years led by a resurgence in gold exchange-traded funds (ETFs). Meanwhile, demand for gold bars and coins remained stable at 1,186 tons, reflecting sustained interest among retail investors. However, the jewelry sector faced challenges, with annual demand declining by 11% to 1,877 tons as record-high gold prices dampened consumer interest, particularly in China, where demand fell 24% at an annualized pace. Indian jewelry demand showed resilience, recording only a 2% decline despite the high-price environment.

Demand in the technology sector grew by 7% from the prior year to 326 tons, supported by increased use of gold in artificial intelligence (AI) applications and electronics. Total gold supply rose by 1% compared to 2023, reaching a record 4,794 tons, thanks to increased mine production and recycling activities. Central banks maintained their dominance in the market, particularly in the first and the fourth quarters, while a revival in Western investor interest fueled significant ETF inflows in the latter half of the year.

For the source of information, please visit AA website.

Türkiye Re-Elected to IAIA Council, Strengthening Global Maritime Role

Transport and Infrastructure Minister Abdulkadir Uraloglu reaffirms Türkiye's commitment to advancing maritime technologies and maintaining its leadership in global maritime affairs.



Türkiye has secured its place once again in the International Organization for Marine Aids to Navigation (IALA) Council, reaffirming its influence in global maritime policies. The re-election took place during the IALA General Assembly.

Turkish Transport and Infrastructure Minister Abdulkadir Uraloglu emphasised that Türkiye will continue shaping global maritime policies through advancements in traffic safety, technological infrastructure, and international cooperation. "Türkiye has been an uninterrupted member of the IALA Council since 2006. Our re-election highlights the importance we place on navigational safety and the trust in our expertise," Uraloglu stated.

As a founding member of IALA since 1958, Türkiye has played a key role in the organisation. The country led the Vessel Traffic Services (VTS) Committee from 2014 to 2018, hosted an IALA Council meeting in 2012, and organised a VTS meeting and symposium back-to-back. Additionally, in 2019, Türkiye hosted the 3rd Preparatory Diplomatic Conference in Istanbul, contributing to the development of international maritime policies.

Uraloglu reaffirmed Türkiye's commitment to advancing maritime technologies and maintaining its leadership in global maritime affairs. "We will continue to shape global policies with the experience and technologies we have developed in the maritime sector, further strengthening Türkiye's leadership with our ongoing projects," he added.

For the source of information, please visit TRT World website.

Türkiye Ranks 11th Globally in Defence Industry Exports — Erdogan

Country is 'a world leader in uncrewed aerial vehicle production,' Recep Tayyip Erdogan said



Türkiye is a world leader in drones production and ranks 11th globally in defence industry exports, Turkish president has said. Speaking in the capital Ankara, Erdogan said: "Türkiye is a world leader in uncrewed aerial vehicle production and ranks 11th globally in defence industry exports."

The country is on the verge of a great transformation and exciting economic breakthrough, he said, adding that "developments in our region will facilitate this process." Erdogan said the government had prepared a reform program for the "Century of Türkiye," which he described as "comprehensive", that will "enhance our country's growth potential and productivity."

For the source of news, please visit AA website.

Global LNG Boom to Benefit Europe, Türkiye, Asia: IEA Chief

'Massive LNG supply surge will soon lower gas prices,' says head of Paris-based energy watchdog



New liquefied natural gas (LNG) capacities set to come online next year will provide significant advantages for gas-importing nations, including European countries, Türkiye, India, and Japan, according to the head of the International Energy Agency (IEA).

The surge in global LNG supply, expected to begin in 2026 and continue over the following three years, will bring positive developments for Europe, IEA chief Fatih Birol told press following discussions in Brussels, where he met with Belgium's King Philippe, European Council President Antonio Costa, and NATO Secretary-General Mark Rutte.

Highlighting that several LNG projects launched six to seven years ago in the US and Qatar are nearing completion, Birol stated: "A massive wave of LNG supply will soon hit the markets, which will help lower gas prices". This shift is particularly significant for gas-importing nations such as Europe and Türkiye, as the market transitions from being seller-dominated to favoring buyers, thereby strengthening the bargaining position of importing countries, he explained. "This is good news for Europe, Türkiye, India, and Japan," Birol noted.

According to IEA data, global LNG supply grew by about 2% last year, marking the slowest increase in four years at just 10 billion cubic meters (bcm). However, LNG production is expected to rise by 6% this year, adding another 30 bcm, driven by several major projects coming online in North America. Meanwhile, alongside Qatar's expansion projects, LNG liquefaction plants that have reached a final investment decision or are under construction are expected to add over 270 bcm per year of export capacity by 2030.

'High gas prices in Europe triggering crisis'

Birol noted that natural gas prices in Europe have remained high, particularly due to cold weather conditions, and emphasized that the continent has yet to resolve its gas supply challenges. Since the start of the Russia-Ukraine war in Febrary 2022, EU nations aggressively worked to reduce their reliance on Russian energy supplies, leading to a sharp increase in LNG imports. This surge pushed gas and LNG prices to record highs, particularly in the European market. "Energy prices in Europe are significantly higher compared to major economic powers like the US, China, and India," Birol added. "On average, natural gas prices in Europe are five times higher than in the US, while electricity prices are four times those in China," he said.

Noting that exports are the backbone of the European economy, Birol highlighted that the EU remains the world's largest exporting economy, surpassing both the US and China. However, the high cost of energy is eroding Europe's competitive edge in global trade, he warned. "As a result, the European economy, particularly its industrial sector, is facing a serious crisis." "If a solution is not found, Europe's economy could face significant turbulence, leading to severe employment challenges," he said. He stressed that one of Europe's biggest economic challenges today is finding a way to restore its industrial sector to pre-war conditions without major disruptions.

Largest nuclear expansion in three decades

Birol also noted that nuclear power has become a major global focus, alongside energy security and clean energy transitions. "With growing concerns over energy security, we are witnessing a strong nuclear revival," he said. "Over 60 nuclear power plants are currently under construction worldwide, marking the largest expansion in the sector in 30 years," he stated. The IEA chief added that nuclear power generation is expected to reach an all-time high this year. During his discussions with Belgian government officials, Birol addressed the country's evolving stance on nuclear energy. He pointed out that Belgium, which had initially planned to phase out its nuclear plants before the Russia-Ukraine war, is now considering building new ones. He also highlighted that small modular reactors could emerge as a key innovation in nuclear energy starting in 2030.

Strengthening energy cooperation between Türkiye and Europe

Discussing Türkiye's energy strategy, Birol commended the country's efforts to diversify energy sources and expand its nuclear projects. "Türkiye now sources gas from multiple suppliers, including Turkmenistan, and has made significant progress in renewable energy, particularly in wind and solar power," he said. "Hopefully, Türkiye will take further steps in nuclear technology to broaden its energy portfolio," he added. Birol also emphasized the potential for deeper energy cooperation between Türkiye and Europe, which could yield substantial benefits. Pointing to Türkiye's expertise in turbine manufacturing, he noted, "I see strong potential for collaboration between Türkiye and Europe in this field". Türkiye also plays a crucial role in transporting gas from Azerbaijan, Turkmenistan, and other suppliers to European markets, enhancing Europe's energy diversity and security, he said.

For the source of news, please visit AA website.

Turkish, Iraqi Officials Meet to Develop Water Infrastructure Cooperation

"First meeting of Joint High Committee for development of cooperation with regards to Iraq's water infrastructure", says Turkish Foreign Ministry

Turkish and Iraqi officials have met in Baghdad to strengthen cooperation on Iraq's water infrastructure. "(Turkish) Deputy Minister Ambassador Berris Ekinci and Abdul Karim Al-Faisal, Chairman of the Prime Minister's Advisory Council of Iraq, co-chaired the First Meeting of the Joint High Committee for the development of cooperation with regards to Iraq's water infrastructure, in Baghdad," Türkiye's Foreign Ministry said.

Later, Ekinci met with Iraqi Water Resources Minister Aoun Diab Abdullah in Baghdad, according to the Ministry. During the meeting, they exchanged views on joint efforts and cooperation possibilities in the field of water, it added.

For the source of news, please visit TRT World website.

EVENTS

Turkish Companies From Various Sectors Will Participate in the Fairs Listed Below:

INTERNATIONAL FAIRS

FAIR	DA.	TE	SECTOR	PLACE
SOLAR SOLUTIONS INTERNATIONAL 2025	3/11/2025	3/13/2025	Energy, Energy Products, and Technologies	Amsterdam, Netherlands
FOODEX JAPAN 2025	3/11/2025	3/14/2025	Food and Food Technologies	Tokyo, Japan
AGROWORLD UZBEKISTAN 2025	3/11/2025	3/13/2025	Agriculture, Agricultural Technologies, Livestock	Tashkent, Uzbekistan
PROPACK AFRICA 2025	3/11/2025	3/14/2025	Packaging and Packaging Machinery	Johannesburg, South Africa
APLF LEATHER&MATERIALS 2025	3/12/2025	3/14/2025	Textile, Apparel, Ready- to-Wear, Leather, and Technologies	Hong Kong, China
SENA (SEAFOOD EXPO NORTH AMERICA) 2025	3/16/2025	3/18/2025	Food and Food Technologies	Boston, USA
25TH XIAMEN STONE FAIR 2025	3/16/2025	3/19/2025	Natural Stone and Flooring Materials	Xlamen, China
PROWEIN	3/16/2025	3/18/2025	Wine and Alcoholic Beverages	Düsseldorf, Germany
IFE 2025	3/17/2025	3/19/2025	Food and Food Technologies	London, United Kingdom
PHARMA WEST AFRICA 2025	3/18/2025	3/20/2025	Health, Optics, Medical, Technical Instruments, and Devices	Lagos, Nigeria
CHINA INTERNATIONAL FURNITURE FAIR (CIFF 2024)	3/18/2025	3/21/2025	Wood/Forest Products, Furniture, and Technologies	Guangzhou, China
COSMOPROF WORLDWIDE BOLOGNA 2025 (COSMO HAIR&NAIL&BEAUTY SALON)	3/20/2025	3/22/2025	Cosmetics	Bologna, Italy
MODERN BAKERY MOSKOW / CONFEX 2025	3/25/2025	3/28/2025	Food and Food Technologies	Moscow, Russla
FIGAN 2025	3/25/2025	3/28/2025	Agriculture, Livestock, and Farm Equipment	Zaragoza, Spaln

FAIR	DA	TE	SECTOR	PLACE
EXPOCOMER	3/25/2025	3/27/2025	General Trade	Panama City, Panama
ARCHITECTURAL BUILDING WEEK 2025	3/26/2025	3/29/2025	Construction/Building Products and Technologies	Sofla, Bulgarla
INTERZUM GUANGZHOU 2025	3/28/2025	3/31/2025	Wood/Forest Products, Furniture, and Technologies	Guangzhou, China
COSMO BEAUTY BARCELONA 2025	3/29/2025	3/31/2025	Personal Care Products, Perfume and Fragrances, Aesthetic Devices, Wellness Products, Spa Products, etc.	Barcelona, Spaln
HANNOVER MESSE 2025	3/31/2025	4/4/2025	Machinery, Mechanical, Electrical, and Electronic Devices	Hanover, Germany
30. MOSBUILD	4/1/2025	4/4/2025	Bullding/Construction Products and Technologies	Moscow, Russlan Federation
ELEKTRO 2025	4/1/2025	4/4/2025	Energy, Energy Products, and Technologles	Moscow, Russlan Federation
HEAT PUMP TECHNOLOGIES CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION 2025	4/2/2025	4/3/2025	Climate Control	Mllan, Italy
DJAZAGRO 2025- INTERNATIONAL PACKAGING, FOOD, FOOD TECHNOLOGIES, BAKERY, AGRICULTURE FAIR	4/7/2025	4/10/2025	Food, Food Technologies, Packaging, Agriculture	Alglers, Algeria
MIDDLE EAST ENERGY 2025	4/7/2025	4/9/2025	Energy, Energy Products, and Technologies	Dubal, UAE
FOODEX-FOOD&DRINK EXPO 2025	4/7/2025	4/9/2025	Food and Food Technologies	Birmingham, United Kingdom
BAUMA 2025	4/7/2025	4/13/2025	Construction, Building, and Mining Vehicles, Materials, and Machinery	Munich, Germany
QATAR BRIDAL & FASHION SHOW	4/8/2025	4/10/2025	Textlle, Apparel, Ready- to-Wear, Bridalwear	Doha, Qatar
SAUDI HOTEL & HOSPITALITY	4/8/2025	4/10/2025	Hotel, Cullnary, and Service Industry Equipment	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

FAIR	DA	TE	SECTOR	PLACE
FHA FOOD&BEVERAGE 2025	4/8/2025	4/11/2025	Food and Food Technologles	Singapore, Singapore
WORLD FOOD POLAND 2025	4/8/2025	4/10/2025	Food and Food Technologies	Warsaw, Poland
ANUGA SELECT BRAZIL 2025	4/8/2025	4/10/2025	Food and Food Technologies	São Paulo, Brazll
CONSTRUMA 43. INTERNATIONAL BUILDING TRADE EXHIBITION	4/9/2025	4/13/2025	Bullding/Construction Products and Technologies	Budapest, Hungary
FIBO	4/10/2025	4/13/2025	Hunting Equipment, Firearms	Cologne, Germany
TEXTILE ASIA 2025	4/12/2025	4/14/2025	Textile, Apparel, Ready- to-Wear, Leather, and Technologies	Karachl, Paklstan
SAUDIFOOD MANUFACTURING	4/13/2025	4/15/2025	Food and Food Technologies	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
DUBAI WOODSHOW 2025- DUBAI INTERNATIONAL WOOD & WOODWORKING MACHINERY SHOW 2025	4/14/2025	4/16/2025	Furniture and Technologies	Dubal, UAE
DUBAI DERMA 2025 INTERNATIONAL DERMATOLOGY, SKIN HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE EXHIBITION	4/14/2025	4/16/2025	Dermatology, Skin Health, and Personal Care	Dubal, UAE
ANUGA SELECT JAPAN/ISM JAPAN 2025	4/15/2025	4/17/2025	Food and Food Technologies	Tokyo, Japan
TASHKENT INTERNATIONAL HEALTHCARE EXHIBITION (TIHE) 2025	4/15/2025	4/17/2025	Health, Optics, Medical, Technical Instruments, and Devices	Tashkent, Uzbekistan
BEAUTY UZBEKISTAN 2025	4/15/2025	4/17/2025	Chemical Industry and Technologies	Tashkent, Uzbekistan
137TH CANTON CHINA IMPORT AND EXPORT PRODUCTS FAIR PHASE 1	4/15/2025	4/19/2025	General Trade	Guangzhou, China

FAIR	DA	TE	SECTOR	PLACE
AGRICULTURAL WEEK FOR MECHANIZATION EQUIPMENT AND AGRICULTURAL AND ANIMAL PRODUCTION- FOOD INDUSTRIES AND PACKAGING EXPO	4/15/2025	4/20/2025	Food and Food Technologies, Agricultural Equipment	Baghdad, Iraq
FUNCTIONAL FABRIC FAIR SPRING 2025	4/15/2025	4/16/2025	Textile, Apparel, Ready- to-Wear, Leather, and Technologies	Portland, USA
NILLY FABRICATO 2025	4/18/2025	4/20/2025	Textlle, Apparel, Ready- to-Wear	Calro, Egypt
TEXSTYLE EXPO ALGERIA 2025	4/21/2025	4/23/2025	Textile, Apparel, Ready- to-Wear, Leather, and Technologies	Alglers, Algeria
SIAM 2025	4/21/2025	4/27/2025	Food and Food Technologies	Meknes, Morocco
AUTOMEC FEIRA	4/22/2025	4/26/2025	Automotive and Automotive Supply Industry	São Paulo, Brazil
EXPOMIN	4/22/2025	4/25/2025	Mining	Santlago, Chile
PREMIERE VISION MONTREAL 2025-1	4/22/2025	4/23/2025	Textile, Apparel, Ready- to-Wear, Leather, and Technologies	Montreal, Canada
137TH CANTON CHINA IMPORT AND EXPORT PRODUCTS FAIR PHASE 2	4/23/2025	4/27/2025	General Trade	Guangzhou, China
SEEBBE 2025	4/23/2025	4/26/2025	Bullding/Construction Products and Technologies	Belgrade, Serbla
AFRICA SOURCING AND FASHION WEEK (ASFW) 2025	4/24/2025	4/26/2025	Textile, Apparel, Ready- to-Wear, Leather, and Technologies	Nalrobl, Kenya
ANUGA SELECT CHINA 2025	4/24/2025	4/26/2025	Food and Food Technologies	Shenzhen, China
HIGHPOINT FURNITURE MARKET SPRING 2025	4/26/2025	4/30/2025	Wood/Forest Products, Furniture, and Technologies	High Point, USA
AUTOMECHANIKA RIYADH	4/28/2025	4/30/2025	Automotive and Automotive Supply Industry	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
28. LESHOW MOSKOVA INT'L WINTER FASHION TRADE SHOW	4/28/2025	4/30/2025	Textile, Apparel, Ready- to-Wear, Leather, and Technologies	Moscow, Russlan Federation

FAIR	DATE		SECTOR	PLACE
SIAL CANADA 2025	4/29/2025	5/1/2025	Food and Food Technologles	Toronto, Canada
COVERINGS 2025-THE GLOBAL TILESTONE EXPERIENCE	4/29/2025	5/2/2025	Precious Metals and Jewelry, Trade and Business English for Minerals, Metals, and Mining	Orlando, USA

For the source of Information, please visit Ministry of Trade website.

DOMESTIC FAIRS

FAIR	DATE		SECTOR	PLACE
MOTOBIKE ISTANBUL	3/12/2025	3/15/2025	Motorcycles, Bicycles, Accessories, Tuning, Services, Dealers	Istanbul
AYMOD INTERNATIONAL FOOTWEAR FASHION FAIR	3/19/2025	3/22/2025	Shoes, Bags, Belts, Wallets, Institutions, Agencies, and Magazines	Istanbul
MARBLE- 30TH INTERNATIONAL NATURAL STONE AND TECHNOLOGIES FAIR	4/9/2025	4/12/2025	Natural Stone and Technologies	Izmlr
17TH INTERNATIONAL SOLAREX ISTANBUL SOLAR ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGIES FAIR	4/10/2025	4/12/2025	Solar Thermal and PV Technologies	Istanbul
IJS- ISTANBUL JEWELRY SHOW: 57TH ISTANBUL INTERNATIONAL JEWELRY, GOLD, SILVER, PRECIOUS STONES, AND TECHNOLOGIES FAIR	4/16/2025	4/19/2025	Jewelry, Gold, Silver, Preclous Stones, Technologies, and Related Sub-Industries	Istanbul

FAIR	DATE		SECTOR	PLACE
47TH YAPI FAIR- TÜRKİYEBUILD ISTANBUL 2025	4/16/2025	4/19/2025	Building, Construction Materials, and Technologies Fair	Istanbul
MOBILEFEST- AGORA, EURASIA TECHNOLOGY WEEK	4/17/2025	4/19/2025	Telecommunications, Cybersecurity, Fintech, Artificial Intelligence, Mobile Devices, and Smart Technologies	Istanbul
EXPOMED EURASIA- 32ND INTERNATIONAL ISTANBUL MEDICAL ANALYSIS, DIAGNOSIS, TREATMENT, PREVENTION, REHABILITATION, LABORATORY, PRODUCTS, DEVICES, SYSTEMS, TECHNOLOGIES, EQUIPMENT, AND HOSPITALS FAIR (SPECIAL SECTION: OTC PRODUCTS, HERBAL MEDICINES, FOOD SUPPLEMENTS, PERSONAL CARE, DERMOCOSMETICS, NATURAL AND ORGANIC PRODUCTS)	4/24/2025	4/26/2025	Medical Devices, Systems, Technologies, Products, Equipment, Consumables, Orthopedic Products, Healthcare Services, Laboratory, Analysis, Diagnosis, Hospital Equipment	Istanbul
VIV SELECT TÜRKİYE 2025- INTERNATIONAL POULTRY AND TECHNOLOGIES SPECIALIZED FAIR	4/24/2025	4/26/2025	Poultry Equipment, Feed and Machinery, Animal Feeds	Istanbul
PETROLEUM ISTANBUL- 17TH INTERNATIONAL PETROLEUM, LPG, LUBRICANTS, EQUIPMENT, AND TECHNOLOGIES FAIR	4/24/2025	4/26/2025	Petroleum, LPG, Lubricants, Station Markets, Vehicle Washing Equipment, and Technologies	Istanbul

FAIR	DATE		SECTOR	PLACE
GAS & POWER NETWORK- 6TH ELECTRICITY, NATURAL GAS, ENERGY STORAGE, ALTERNATIVE ENERGY EQUIPMENT, AND TECHNOLOGIES FAIR	4/24/2025	4/26/2025	Electricity, Natural Gas, Renewable Energy, Electric Vehicles, Charging Equipment, and Technologies	Istanbul
AYSAF INTERNATIONAL FOOTWEAR SUB-INDUSTRY FAIR 2025	4/29/2025	5/2/2025	Footwear Components, Leather, Accessories, Machinery, and Technologies	Istanbul

For the source of Information, please visit Ministry of Trade website.

SEND US YOUR INQUIRY

For your inquiries about Turkish exports,

please contact << <u>ihrticari@trade.gov.tr</u>>> by indicating the Harmonized System (HS) Code of the product/sector of your interest.

Warning: This bulletin is prepared by Republic of Türkiye Ministry of Trade Directorate General of Exports only for Information purposes, by making use of public resources which are assumed to be reliable. Ministry of Trade does not accept the liability of harms and losses that may result from the utilization of information included in this bulletin.