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## OVERVIEW

Burak Eryigit is an associate in the Doha office of K&L Gates. He focuses his practice on international arbitration, dispute resolution, energy & infrastructure projects and construction matters, and also advises clients on general Qatar, English and Turkish law issues relating to international arbitration, dispute resolution, and energy & infrastructure projects.

## PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Throughout his professional career, Burak has obtained extensive legal experience in international arbitration, dispute resolution and energy & infrastructure projects, including representation of clients in arbitration and post-arbitration proceedings, as well as provision of legal advice for energy and infrastructure projects. Following his completion of an LL.M. in Comparative and International Dispute Resolution at Queen Mary University of London, he has worked as a visiting foreign lawyer and a foreign lawyer providing Turkish Law/Language assistance at two leading US/global law firms specializing in international arbitration, having previously worked as an associate for a highly-respected law firm in Turkey handling dispute resolution, litigation and international arbitration matters, as well as energy & infrastructure projects.

## ACHIEVEMENTS

- 2008 Spring / 2008 Fall / 2011 Fall / 2012 Spring: Honor Student at Bilkent University
- 2009 Spring / 2007 Fall: High Honor Student at Bilkent University
- 2006 – 2011: Prime Ministry General Directorate of Credit and Dormitories Agency Scholarship
- 2006: Turkey Is Bank Golden Youth Reward
- 2006: Ranked 1st in the University Entrance Exam in Turkey among over 1 million student

## EDUCATION

- LL.M., Queen Mary University of London, School of Law, 2016

- LL.B., Bilkent University, 2012

## ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Istanbul

## LANGUAGES

- English
- Turkish

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Somalia's Accession to the WTO, Africa Arbitration Blog, June 2018
- Development of Arbitration in Turkey, World Arbitration & Mediation Review, 2016/Vol. 10/1
- Developing Court Practice in Turkey Regarding Applications to Set Aside Arbitral Awards, American Review of International Arbitration, 2015/Vol. 26 No. 4, April 2016
- Energy Regulations and Markets Review: Turkey, 3rd and 4th ed., LBR, July 2014, June 2015
- Application of Public Policy Exception in Turkey, IBA Arbitration News, September 2015
- South East Europe Energy Handbook 2014 and 2015, Turkey, SEE Legal Group, 2014, 2015
- Turkey: How the courts are developing their approach to set-aside, GAR, 1 April 2015
- European Energy Handbook: Turkey, Herbert Smith Freehills, 2014, 2015
- "Executive Action and Voluntary Commitments Encourage U.S. Solar Development," (*coauthor*), *Environmental Policy Quarterly*, September 2014
- Turkey: Country of International Pipelines, IBA Oil and Gas Law, September 2014
- What has been happening in the Turkish renewable energy sector, IBA Power Law, June 2014
- "Understanding and Working with Revenue Streams: Key Issues in Negotiating and Drafting Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs)," (*coauthor*), *2010 Wind, Solar and Renewables Institute, University of Texas at Austin School of Law*, February 2010

## AREAS OF FOCUS

- Construction and Infrastructure
- International Arbitration

## REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Vote and Beyond: Voluntary works for this non-profit NGO, consisting of entirely independent young individuals, aiming to increase awareness for transparent and democratic voting system.
- Yenibirlider Dernegi (A New Leader Association): Legal advice to this non-profit and non-governmental organization, aiming to build a sustainable leadership ecosystem in Turkey.
- AKUT Search and Rescue Association: Voluntary works for this entirely voluntary and non-governmental organization for disaster search and rescue relief.
- Somalia's Accession to the WTO / MFTR Secretary and member of the negotiating team: Coordination of drafting of the Memorandum on Foreign Trade Regime by international law firms.
- A worldwide engineering and construction company: Legal advice on possible liabilities arising from a FIDIC-based EPC contract, executed for the construction of a suspension bridge within the scope of a PPP model.
- A leading global railway vehicle manufacturer: Legal assistance in connection with a tender by the Turkish State Railways for the establishment and operation of a manufacturing facility in Turkey, to manufacture high-speed trains.
- A global developer of large-scale solar energy projects: Legal advice in connection with Turkish solar energy legislation and sectorial developments.
- An Italian photovoltaic system manufacturer: Legal advice in relation to unlicensed energy generation from renewable energy resources in Turkey and application process.
- A Danish leading energy company: Legal assistance in relation to the incorporation of an energy trading subsidiary and obtaining the required licenses with respect to the contemplated energy trading activities.
- A multinational engineering and infrastructure company: Extensive legal advice on the regulatory and structuring aspects of one of Turkey's future nuclear power plants.
- International oil companies: Extensive legal advice to a number of IOCs in connection with a ground-breaking natural gas project.
- A transit pipeline project: Extensive legal advice to an IOC (a member of the consortium) in connection with the region's first transit pipeline project and the contemplated import and sale of natural gas.
- A Georgian company: Representation of a Georgian company, a subsidiary of international oil and gas company based in USA, in relation to the enforcement of an arbitral award rendered under the rules of American Arbitration Association in the US.
- A Central Asian State: Legal advice in relation to different heads of damages to the Ministry of Public Works of an Asian State in connection with an ICC arbitration arising from a FIDIC Red Book-based construction contract.

- A multi-part ICC Arbitration: Assisting the President of the arbitral tribunal in preparation of the final award in an arbitration arising from a set of shareholders and share purchase agreements regarding hydro-electric power plants.
- A gas price review arbitration: Assisting the arbitration team in preparation of the statement of claim.
- An LCIA arbitration involving a South-East European State: Assisting the President of the arbitral tribunal in preparation of the final award in arbitration arising from a shareholders agreement.
- A German company: Representation of a German logistics and warehousing solutions developer, in the enforcement of an ICC award.
- A global engineering and construction company: Advice in connection with a prospective multi-million dollars ICC arbitration, arising from a FIDIC Silver Book-based EPC contract.
- A major worldwide oil company: Advice to a worldwide oil company, in connection with a possible arbitration process arising from a share purchase agreement.
- A major multinational energy generation giant: Legal advice in connection with an ICC arbitration arising from an EPC contract related to a natural gas combined-cycle power plant.
- State telecommunication company of a South-East Asian State: Assisting the team in preparation of witness statements and for the hearing in an ad hoc arbitration arising from a shareholders agreement.
- An investor-State arbitration: Preparation of facts and Turkish law related sections of the statement of defence in an arbitration involving denial of justice claim.
- A global private equity fund: Preparation of corruption-related section of the statement of defence and the Redfern Schedule in an arbitration arising from a share purchase agreement.
- A European private equity fund: Representation of a major private equity fund in all stages of an ad hoc arbitration arising from a shareholders agreement, as well as in post arbitration proceedings.
- An unincorporated JV: Representation of joint venture members in an ICC arbitration involving delay, disruption and variation claims, concerning the construction of a stadium.
- A US-based medical device distributor: Extensive legal advice in connection with a possible AAA arbitration involving defective products related claims.
- An investment arbitration: Legal advice to the client on complex statute of limitations issues arising from a bilateral investment agreement and a free trade agreement with investment provisions, in connection with an expropriation claim.
- An MEP subcontractor: Representation of the client in an ICC arbitration concerning the construction of an Islamic cultural centre.
- A Qatari contractor: Representation of the client in an ICC arbitration arising from termination of the subcontract concerning a hotel project.

- A global design consultant: Representation of the client in an ICC arbitration against a multinational joint venture concerning a railway project.
- A real estate developer: Representation of the client in an ICC arbitration related to termination of development management agreement concerning the development of a major district.