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Expertise

Yalçın Umut Talay has been with the firm since 2014 and became a managing associate in 2023. His practice is focused on corporate and M&A, contracts, data protection and privacy and technology, media and telecommunication.

Actively engaged in multinational companies' merger and acquisitions in Turkey, Umut provides consultancy services and assist the clients in relation to negotiations for share purchase deals, shareholders' agreements, asset transfers and technology transfers. In this respect, he also conducts feasibility studies and due diligence processes in details for the management of those companies. He is also well experienced in various types of contracts subject to regulations, including but not limited to distributorship agreements, license agreements, tender agreements, consumer agreements, agency agreements. With regard to his studies in corporate and

M&A transactions, Umut has a special focus on technology, telecom and media sectors. He also advises consultancy to automotive and industrial enterprises and has a detailed knowledge and experience from regulatory and practical perspectives in relation to environmental law, industrial law and operational permit/licenses.

Umut provides legal services to our clients in relation to all aspects of personal data protection legislation. He advises multinational companies for privacy issues including but not limited to implementation of compliance projects and data breaches. He represents multinational companies before the Personal Data Protection Authority. He holds Certified Information Privacy Professional Europe (CIPP/E) designation from the International Association of Privacy Professionals

Umut also intensively works in relation to telecommunication and internet law, electronic communication services, media law and over-the-top services. He represents various multinational companies and their Turkish affiliates in these sectors before various administrative authorities including but not limited to Information and Communication Technologies Authority, Radio and Television Supreme Council and Advertisement Board.

Areas of Expertise

Corporate and M&A

Data Protection and Privacy

Technology, Media and Telecom

Publications

Processing of Special Categories of Personal Data

Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Mar 04, 2025

Cross-Border Transfer of Personal Data

Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Mar 04, 2025

Data Controllers’ Registry (VERBIS)

Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Mar 04, 2025

Cookies

Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Mar 04, 2025

Data Breach and Its Consequences

Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Mar 04, 2025

Judicial Review of Board Decisions

Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Mar 04, 2025

Protection of Personal Data In Türkiye – General Approach

Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Mar 04, 2025

Data Residency in Turkey for 2025

OneTrust Data Guidance, Co-Author, Feb 21, 2025

Guidelines on Cross-Border Transfer of Personal Data Published

Legalink Newsletter, Co-Author, Jan 08, 2025

AI Regulations In Türkiye: Developments And Implications

Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Nov 15, 2024

Crypto Asset Regulations Came Into Force

Legalink Newsletter, Co-Author, Oct 25, 2024

Legislative Developments for Artificial Intelligence in Türkiye

Legalink European Monthly Newsletters, Co-Author, Sep 20, 2024

Data Controllers and Processors’ Turn to Take Actions Now!

Legalink Newsletter, Co-Author, Jul 11, 2024

A New Era in Turkish Personal Data Protection Legislation

Gün + Partners, Co-Author, Jun 10, 2024

Speaking Engagements

[Artificial Intelligence in the Medical Device Sector, Association of Research Based Medical Technologies Manufacturers, Webinar, Speaker 19.03.2025](#)

“Transfer of Data Abroad”, “Binding Company Rules, Commitments”, “The Concept of Registration and Contact Person”, Özyeğin University Lifelong Learning Academy Turkish Personal Data Protection Law, Basic Training Course, Trainer, 03.09.2022

Digital Privacy and Data Privacy, Gray Zone, Speaker, 20.01.2021

Digital Privacy and Data Privacy, Gray Zone - Roundtable Meeting 3, Speaker, 17.01.2021

Current Developments in the Light of the Final Board Decisions, Gün + Partners Webinar, Speaker, 21.05.2020

Current Developments on Data Protection within the Scope of COVID-19, Gün + Partners Webinar, Speaker, 22.04.2020

Education

2014, Faculty of Law, TOBB University of Economics and Technology, Ankara LL.B.

2009, İstiklal Makzume Anatolian High School, Iskenderun

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