

## Turkey Completes Appointments to Data Protection Board

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Turkey has taken further steps towards the Data Protection Board ("**Board**") being operational, with the appointment of the final two members to the nine-person panel: Murat Karakaya and Hasan Aydın. Further developments (such as the establishment of the Data Controller Registry, or requirement to register to such Register) and secondary legislation are expected in the near future for Turkey's data protection regime, now that the Board can commence operations (more).

The Data Protection Law numbered 6698 ("**Law**") required a Data Protection Board to be established by 7 October 2016. However, there have been delays in establishing the Board and implementing the Law.

The first five members of the Board were appointed via decision number 1129 from the Turkish Grand National Assembly on 5 October 2016 (more).

Two further members were appointed by the President via decisions number 2016/103 and 2016/104, published in Official Gazette number 29920 on 16 December 2016.

With this latest development, the Council of Ministers appointed the final two Board members via decision numbered 2016/9597, published in the Official Gazette number 29934 on 30 December 2016.

Please see this [link](#) for the full text of the latest appointment decisions (only available in Turkish).

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