

Turkish Competition Authority Publishes Preliminary Findings on E-Marketplace Sector

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On 7 May 2021, the Turkish Competition Board made public certain preliminary findings ("**Report**") from its e-marketplace sector inquiry, commenced 11 June 2020 ("**Inquiry**"), by publishing same on the Turkish Competition Authority's ("**TCA**") website.

The Inquiry was intended to, in the interest of general consumer and merchant protection, identify anti-competitive practices within the e-marketplace sector. In light of the Inquiry findings, the Report, *inter alia*, recommends implementing certain ameliorative measures. To that end, the Report contains the following recommendations:

- strengthen applicable secondary legislation
- implement a code of conduct applicable to e-marketplace platforms in order to eliminate current imbalances in bargaining power between merchant and e-marketplace platform operator
- promulgate standards for e-marketplace conduct of gatekeeper enterprises

Public comments on the Report may be submitted to the TCA until 9 June 2021, via its website.

The Report and accompanying announcement are available in Turkish at this [link](#)

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