

Republic of Turkey approves the Strategy and Action Plan for the Software Industry (2017-2019)

The High Planning Council announced its approval of Strategy and Action Plan (The Plan) of 19 December 2016 for the Software Industry on the 5 January 2017 session of the Council of Ministers.

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Recognizing the significance of integrating elements that constitute information society into economic and social parameters of community, the Plan envisages fulfilment of general goals, those including firstly to; sustainable development of software industry and economy.

Specifically, the Plan aims to create a subsidiary legal and technical infrastructure in the field of software which is also supported by competent human resources. In this vein, the Plan ultimately targets to build an internationally competitive software sector in Turkey with participation of domestic and non-domestic actors.

More importantly, among four goals that the Plan states, making necessary legal and administrative regulations holds a vital position. In detail, strategies include but not limited to making necessary amendments to the Law No: 4726 on Public Procurement in order to provide incentives to Turkish software companies, preparing technical norms of reference for public procurement, and identifying legal loopholes and shortfalls in cybercrime along with tackling them.

After all, in the following two pages, it is rightly anticipated that the Plan will give rise to a promising project to legal atmosphere that circles public procurement, critical means of cybercrime along with other relevant areas of law.

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