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Istanbul: The Isis Press, 2023  
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9789789754281  
\$ 32.00 / PB  
375gm.

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The Makings of a Missionary Diplomat: the correspondences of Henry Otis Dwight, 1867–1884 / (Ed.) Brandon D. Johnson  
Istanbul: The Isis Press, 2023  
520p.  
Includes Index.  
9789754286984  
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820gm.

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### Economics

Handbook for Foreign Entrepreneurs on Turkey Investment Strategies / Dr. Kutlay Telli  
Istanbul: Legal Publishing, 2023  
80p.  
Includes Bibliography  
9786258200546  
\$ 26.00 / PB  
100gm.

Turkey has been an attractive country for long-term foreign investors over the years. It is widely accepted that the agile private sector, youth population, as well as low start-up costs pave the pivotal role in supporting new investment projects in Turkey. Besides, the geographical location of Turkey is an additional compound providing an effective access to Europe, the Middle East, Russia and Central Asia. The present research seeks to explore the entrepreneurial ecosystem of Turkey. In responding to numerous core questions asked by investors, the present study will shed light on core legal and business requirements of a wide variety of models such as establishment of a company or franchising system. Consequently, this book is designed as a full-fledged business guidance for key investment advisers including foreign entrepreneurs, investors, researchers, policymakers and related thought leaders.

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### Law

A Critical Approach and Recommendations on Force Majeure in Tax Law and its Legal Consequences / Prof. Dr. Esra Ekmekci, Prof. Dr. Gulsen Gunes, Prof. Dr. Mahmut Kasikci, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Gamze Gumuskaya  
Istanbul: Onikilevha Publishing, 2023  
xii, 116p.  
Includes Bibliography  
9786254324574  
Tax Law Research Series-2  
\$ 30.00 / PB  
170gm.

In this book, it is aimed to examine the concept of force majeure in terms of tax law. In this regard, the concept of force majeure in the process of taxation and in the process of tax proceedings is analysed through a critical perspective. Moreover, the concepts of contingency and difficult status within the Tax Procedure Law no. 213 and their uncertain and non-systematic addressing in the aforementioned law are discussed. These concepts are also examined in terms of tax enforcement law and with respect to customs tax law and some suggestions are brought forward.

In this context, some of the main issues analysed are as follows:

- The Concept of Disaster Law,
  - The Concepts of Contingency and Difficult Status,
  - Characteristics of Force Majeure,
  - Case of Force Majeure in Tax Law,
  - Burden of Proving Force Majeure,
  - The Legal Consequences of Force Majeure,
- Regulations in Turkish Tax Law and International Tax Law Peculiar to Coronavirus Pandemic,
- Force Majeure in Tax Proceedings Law and its Legal Consequences
  - Force Majeure in The Field of Customs Duty and its Legal Consequences
  - Force Majeure with regard to Tax Criminal Law.
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### *Philosophy*

The Oneness Of Being in Ibn 'Arabī and Plotinus / Rasoul Rahbari Ghazani  
Istanbul: Eskiye Publications, 2022  
120p.  
Includes Appendix, References, Index,  
9786257673624  
\$ 25.00 / PB  
145gm.

Lately, there has been a great demand for comparative studies in philosophy. In this regard, Rasoul RAHBARI GHAZANI's work is a very important contribution to this field and a critical attempt to overcome the Eurocentrism of philosophy. Comparing the views of Ibn 'Arabi, who has been very influential in Islamic thought, and the views of Plotinus in Western philosophy will be a source for fruitful discussions in both traditions.

Prof. Dr. Recep ALPYAĞIL  
Philosophy of Religion, İstanbul University

Rasoul RAHBARI GHAZANI's book is a very welcome addition to the English-speaking literature on Ibn 'Arabi. It combines the rigor of philosophical analysis with an insider's familiarity with Islamic mysticism and knowledge of its Neoplatonic dimensions. Focusing on Plotinus's Enneads and Ibn 'Arabi's Seals of Wisdom he succeeds in offering a thorough and complete analysis of the doctrine of Oneness of Being. A very positive point is RAH-BARI GHAZANI's grasp of the English language bibliography on both Ibn

Arabi' and Plotinus, but also his expertise in examining Arabic and Persian sources in the original languages. A highly recommended book, very useful for advanced students, scholars, and anyone seriously interested in the great Sufi master.

Assoc. Prof. Chryssi SIDIROPOULOU

Philosophy, Boğaziçi University

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### *Science*

Islamic Astronomy and Copernicus / Prof. Dr. F. Jamil Ragep

Ankara: Turkish Academy of Sciences, 2022

xvi, 380p.

Includes Appendix, Bibliography. Index

9786258352023

\$ 55.00 / HB

1000gm.

Bringing together fifteen articles that have been published by F. Jamil Ragep over the last four decades, this volume offers fresh insights and a deeper understanding of how Islamic astronomical and scientific traditions influenced the emergence of the Copernican heliocentric system. These articles not only provide new technical and content based evidence regarding the Islamic background to Copernicus, but also highlight the importance of studying scientific and historical contexts in which Islamic astronomy could find its way into medieval and early modern European intellectual and cultural settings. Raising new questions and contributing solid research through the examination of various Islamic, Latin, and Greek scientific texts, Ragep's articles will be useful for anyone interested in engaging in the study of the Islamic- Copernicus connection from a broader multicultural perspective.

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### *Sociology*

European Islamophobia Report 2019 / (Eds.) Enes Bayrakli, Farid Hafez

Ankara: SETA Publications, 2020

826p.

9786257040525

\$ 75.00 / PB

1485gm.

By gathering 35 local scholars, experts and civil society activists specialized in racism and human rights, the fifth edition of the European Islamophobia Report addresses a still timely and politically important issue. All 32 country reports included in this book follow a unique structure that is convenient, first, for comparing countries and, second, for selected readings on a particular topic such as politics, employment, or education with regard to Islamophobia across Europe.

The present report investigates in detail the underlying dynamics that directly or indirectly support the rise of anti-Muslim racism in Europe. This extends from Islamophobic statements spread in national media to laws and policies that restrain the fundamental rights of European Muslim citizens and threaten the whole of society. As a result, the European Islamophobia Report 2019 discusses the impact of anti-Muslim racism on human rights, multiculturalism, and the state of law in Europe.

This fifth edition of our report highlights how European societies are progressively overwhelmed by the Islamophobic discourse of the "Great Replacement" and other far-right conspiracy theories. The 32 country reports demonstrate how governments and mainstream media participate in reproducing such discourses that put the fundamental rights of millions of European citizens in jeopardy and how one can counteract these

developments. This compendium of useful insights and data aims to provide European policy-makers, institutions, and NGOs with recommendations on how to tackle anti-Muslim racism in Europe seriously.

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