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POLITICAL STABILITY in Turkey

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Summary and Evaluation

The Political Stability Index (PSI) increased in March; from 36.811 to 37.549. Except for the decline in the “**Basic Legitimacy and Decisiveness of Governance Norms**” sub-sector index, there is an increase in all sub-sectors more or less.

The sub sector index, “**Basic Legitimacy and Decisiveness of Governance Norms**”, decreased seriously. The main reason for the decrease was that: Turkey suspended the Khashoggi trial and moved it to Saudi Arabia. There were also important positive developments in the sub-sector. Turkey has decided to implement the rights granted to it in the Montreux Convention. Seeing the threat of war, Turkish Foreign Minister Çavuşoğlu said: "We warned all riparian and non-riparian countries not to let warships go through the straits". Turkey has refused to participate in Western sanctions against Russia. Election law changes and falling electoral threshold are under precautionary monitoring.

The sub sector index, “**Parliament Support and Structure**”, increased very little. The solution technique to the country's issues is the enactment; its mechanic is the parliament. Legislation on many contentious issues is on positive monitoring. The People's Alliance (*Cumhur İttifakı*) and the Parliament as a whole were functional in the right position on the Montreux Convention and the Ukraine conflict.

The sub sector index, “**Government Forming and Operation**”, went up remarkably. The main reasons for the increase were those: Closing the Straits in the Ukraine crisis, applying Montreux definitively, refusal to participate in sanctions against Russia, establishing Russia-Ukraine talks and making concrete-material progress from these talks. On the other hand, the 66th Government is under heavy pressure to run many public goods and services such as credit, electricity, grain-pulses-oil, air transportation, etc., due to increasing foreign exchange and supply issues. Geo-political and Ukraine crisis aside, the 66th Government's Treasury-Finance, Interior, Ministry of Food-Agriculture-Forest, Trade and Health Ministries continue to give negative signals.



The sub sector index, “**Political Efficiency and Governance**”, increased slightly. The main reasons for the increase was those: The foreign policy followed by the country and the functionality and value it produces despite some risks. Even though the message order is still slow and there is a slight increase in the quality of the regulation, the heavy erroneous functioning in the use of state procedures and facilities has become systematic.

The sub sector index, “**Relations with Institutions**”, increased very little. The main reasons for the increase were those: It was about implementing Montreux and closing the Straits, rejecting sanctions against Russia, but also supporting Ukraine as much as possible against Russia. Ukraine would either fall or partially disintegrate. This is the current geopolitics, there is no need for warfare in the name of the false friendship of NATO and the USA, of course, and it would be unthinkable not to be billed for those who try to snatch Turkey from Syria. The bill was Ukrainian. Turkey was at an equal distance between Ukraine and Russia, and in favour of Russia but at a balanced distance between Russia and the West. This was also the requirement of inter-institutional architecture, and also the State Mind. Additionally, the frequency of decision making by the judiciary contrary to the expectations of the 66th Government continues to increase.

The sub sector index, “**Relations with Foreign Political Actors**”, went up seriously. In the Russia-Ukraine crisis, the eye and sincere prayer of the globe is on Turkey. The same cannot be said for the Anglo-Saxons. With the Montreux application and rejecting the Russian sanctions, Turkey is on the way to Safe Turkey as before. Many EU member presidents and Israel-Herzog were in Turkey.

The sub sector index, “**Bureaucratic Capacity and Full Usage**”, went up remarkably. The main reasons for the rise were those: Turkey displayed a “purely diplomatic bureaucratic” performance for the first time in many years. For the first time in a long time, the Turkish Foreign Ministry performed a diplomatic function rather than a military diplomatic function, reminding the "Safe Turkey" pattern. The financial and monetary bureaucracy continues to decline.



The sub sector index, “**Political Violence**”, increased very little. Despite the Covid-19 losses, the operation in the fight against the PKK was supportive of the sub-sector. In March, the mines in the Black Sea were recorded as a "new" security breach parameter.

The sub sector index, “**Economic Stability Factors**”, increased. It can be said that inflation and foreign trade deficit are obvious, how do the factors of economic stability increase? It is true. Within the scope of SII, these are already immanent. Ascension is relative to circumstances. Private sector energy, airport operation and other investments, and external loans were recorded positively. The airport operating foreign currency loan supports the heavily distorted balance of the public sector. The Covid-HES code has been removed, and VAT reductions are cautiously under positive monitoring.

The Political Stability Index increased in March. Country stability is supported by foreign policy functional positioning, without clarification of core-central values or escape from geo-political positioning. Our country has not been turned into a front or a route in the war by the government.

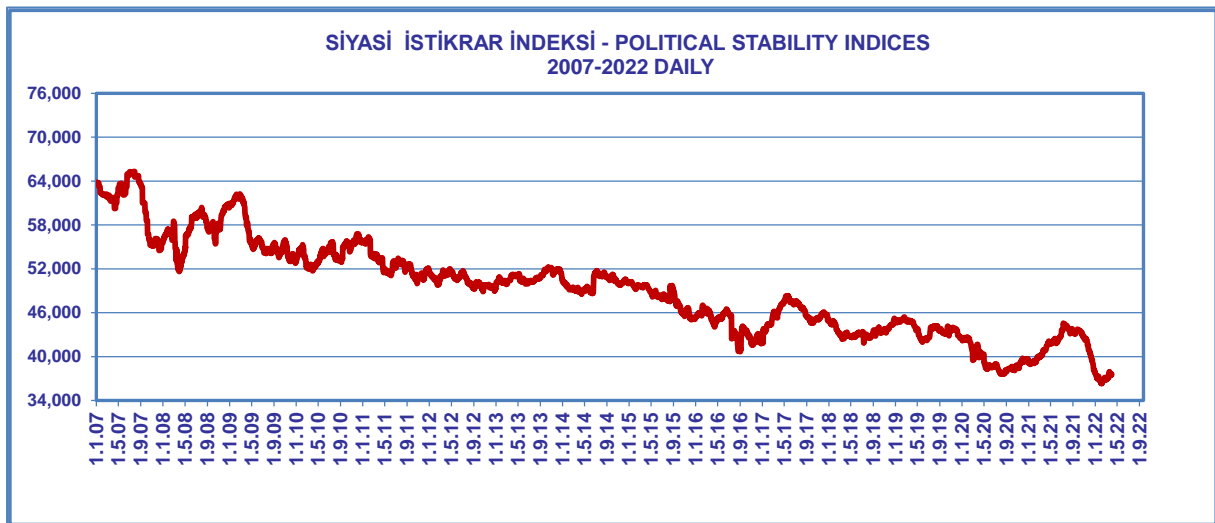


Sub-Sector Developments

	28.02.22	31.03.22	% Değişim / Difference
Siyasi İstikrar İndeksi (Sİİ) / Political Stability Index (PSI)	36.811	37.549	2,00
Temel Meşruiyet ve Yönetim Normları / Basic Legitimacy And Governance Norms	4.464	4.299	-3,70
Parlamento Desteği ve Yapısı / Parliament Support and Structure	11.594	11.615	0,18
Hükümet Kurulum ve İşleyişi / Government Forming and Operation	825	1.020	23,64
Siyasa Uygulama ve Yönetişim / Political Efficiency and Governance	5.040	5.102	1,23
Kurumlarla İlişkiler / Relations with Institutions	3.247	3.276	0,89
Dış Politik Aktörlerle İlişkiler / Relations with Foreign Political Actors	2.018	2.431	20,47
Bürokratik Kapasite ve Tam Kullanımı / Bureaucratic Capacity and Full Usage	1.764	1.827	3,57
Siyasi Şiddet / Political Violence	3.724	3.736	0,32
Ekonomik İstikrar Faktörleri / Economical Stability Factors	4.135	4.244	2,64

Data

In these evaluations, including surveys and reports, **1.689** news articles (from **2.705** to **4.393**) and **330** economic data were analysed. Record rate of news/data is **2,2%**.



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Note: The main report contains 71 pages.



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