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## THE 5th ISTANBUL CONFERENCE of ECONOMICS and FINANCE



Istanbul Conference of Economics and Finance has been organized every year since 2011, as an academic contribution to the Istanbul Finance Center Project which has started in 2009 as a governmental action plan.

The 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference (ICEF-2015) held in **Yıldız Technical University**, **Yıldız Auditorium**, Istanbul, **November 26-27**, **2015**, is jointly organized by the Istanbul Economics and Finance Association, Isık University, Galatasaray University, and Yildiz Technical University. This year's conference theme was "Istanbul as a Center of International Finance and Arbitration".

This year, conference has enjoyed the partnership of the distinguished academic publisher Elsevier. Herewith proceedings of the ICEF 2015 Conference is published online by Elsevier in its "Procedia Economics and Finance" publication, indexed in the ScienceDirect database.

We especially thank to invited speakers Professor Bedriye SARACOGLU from Mevlana University, Durmus YILMAZ, former governor for Central Bank of Turkish Republic, Professor Ziya AKINCI, Galatasaray University and the head of Istanbul International Arbitrage Center, Professor Deniz GOKCE from Bahçeşehir University and Associate Professor Selva DEMIRALP from Koc University. We only managed the publication of 50 selected articles within all submissions.

We are grateful to all the contribution in the conference. We would like to see academicians from all over the world in Istanbul for their valuable contribution to the next year's conference.

Best regards.

## Prof. Dr. Murat KARAGOZ

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