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## SUMMARY

Living in Istanbul, Alper Yesiltas is a lawyer & mediator who has a LLM degree at University of Reading (Reading, United Kingdom) on International Commercial Law with Information Technology Law and Commerce. In recent years, he has intensified his work on domestic and international arbitration, mediation and other ADR mechanisms. He has been working as a Case Counsel at the Istanbul Chamber of Commerce Arbitration and Mediation Center (ITOTAM) since 2023.

He has also been in arts (especially photography and digital arts) for a long time. His works are featured worldwide on books, albums, newspapers, televisions, magazines, websites, showcased in exhibitions and were awarded in several contests.

This CV reflects both his professional and educational experience, as well as his experience in artistic endeavors.

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## PERSONAL INFO

Family Name: Yesiltas  
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Date of Birth: 06/04/1983  
Place of Birth: Istanbul/Turkiye  
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Nationality: Turkish

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

### “Case Counsel”

#### **Istanbul Chamber of Commerce Arbitration and Mediation Center (ITOTAM)**

**03/02/2023 – Current Istanbul , Türkiye**

- Managing arbitration and mediation proceedings in accordance with the ITOTAM Rules on Arbitration, Mediation and MED-ARB Rules and related Regulations.
- Conducting all the Secretariat services of ITOTAM Arbitration and Mediation Units.
- Carrying out the duties and tasks granted pursuant to the ITOTAM Rules on Arbitration, Mediation and MED-ARB Rules and related Regulations.
- Conducting national/international projects, cooperation agreements in the field of arbitration, mediation and other ADR mechanism and represents ITOTAM before national and international institutions in the framework of both domestic and international arbitration, mediation and other ADR mechanisms.

### “Attorney At Law”

#### **Istanbul Chamber Of Commerce (ICOC) Legal Affairs Department**

**01/11/2020 – 03/02/2023 Istanbul , Türkiye**

- Following cases on behalf of ICOC.
- Following up legal procedures on behalf of ICOC at the public and private bodies.
- Responding to legal advice requests.
- Rendering consultancy services to the ICOC organs.
- Providing legal advice to ICOC’s departments in different aspects of law.
- Preparing and drafting agreements, examining contracts to which ICOC is a party.
- Following legal day-to-day matters arising in ICOC.
- Conducting research and prepare drafts for the development of the relevant legislation and technical database.
- Carrying out the ICOC Disciplinary Board investigations.

### “Attorney At Law”

#### **Istanbul Chamber Of Commerce (ICOC) Trade Registry Department**

**04/02/2013 – 01/11/2020 Istanbul , Türkiye**

- Following cases on behalf of ICOC Trade Registry Department.
- Coordinating with the Ministry of Trade of the Republic of Turkiye to develop national opinions in line with the needs and demands related to Trade Registry Practices.
- Legally reviewing Trade Registry practices and technical developments (such as MERSIS integration), and providing opinions and recommendations.
- Addressing the daily legal needs of the Trade Registry Department.

### “Mediator”

#### **Republic of Turkiye Ministry of Justice**

**01/01/2023 – Current, Turkiye**

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## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

### **LLM, International Commercial Law with Information Technology Law and Commerce**

University of Reading  
20/09/2020 – 19/09/2021  
Reading United Kingdom

### **Jean Monnet Scholar - 2020/2021 Academic Year**

Jean Monnet Scholarship Programme

### **Blockchain: Best Ally or Worst Enemy to Antitrust, IP & Data Protection?**

Utrecht University, Utrecht (Netherlands)  
8-12 July 2019, Credential ID E17  
Utrecht Netherlands

### **Summer School on Intellectual Property Law**

Academy of European Law (ERA), Trier (Germany)  
1-5 July 2019, Credential ID 219B06  
Trier Germany

### **Legal English and Terminology**

Istanbul (1st) Bar Association

### **LLB, Law**

Marmara University  
Istanbul Turkiye

### **Registered to Istanbul (1st) Bar Association**

21/07/2011 – Current

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## LANGUAGE SKILLS

### **Mother tongue(s)**

#### **Turkish**

Mother tongue

### **Other language(s)**

#### **English**

Listening: C2 - Proficient User  
Reading: C2 - Proficient User  
Spoken interaction: C2 - Proficient User  
Spoken production: C2 - Proficient User  
Writing: C2 - Proficient User

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## SELECT CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

### Swiss Arbitration Istanbul Event

25/02/2025 Istanbul

- The event was organized by Swiss Arbitration Association (ASA).
- The event covered enlightening topics like "Arbitrating under the Swiss Rules of International Arbitration" and "In-House Lawyer's Perspective on Arbitration".
- Atty. Alper Yesiltas attended the event representing ITOTAM, alongside ITOTAM Secretary General Atty. Senem Bahcekapili Vincenzi, Atty. Bugrahan Helvaci and ITOTAM Arbitration Court Member Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ebru Sensoz Malkoc.

### "Egypt & Türkiye: Arbitration and Mediation Services for Commercial Disputes" Webinar

12/02/2025 (Online)

- The "Egypt & Türkiye: Arbitration and Mediation Services for Commercial Disputes" webinar was held on Wednesday, February 12, 2025, in collaboration with the Istanbul Chamber of Commerce Arbitration and Mediation Center (ITOTAM) and the Consulate General of the Arab Republic of Egypt in Istanbul.
- The webinar was chaired by Atty. Alper Yesiltas, Case Counsel at ITOTAM.

### "Basic Arbitration Training" Organized in Collaboration with ITOTAM and Istanbul Commerce University Law Society

27/11/2024 - 28/11/2024 Istanbul

- The training program was organized in collaboration with the Istanbul Commerce University Law Society and ITOTAM.
- Atty. Alper Yesiltas attended the training program representing ITOTAM, alongside Atty. Bugrahan Helvaci and the President of the ITOTAM Arbitration Court, Prof. Dr. Hakan Pekcanitez.
- In the training program, Atty. Alper Yesiltas (Case Counsel, ITOTAM) made a presentation and covered the topics of 'Arbitral Procedure in Arbitration,' 'Selection and Challenge of Arbitrators in Arbitration,' and 'Multi-Party Arbitration.'

### Another Brick In The Wall: What Can Users Expect From BRICS Arbitral Institutions And Their Joint Forces?

15/11/2024 Dubai

- The event was held on the 5th day of Dubai Arbitration Week (DAW) 2024.
- The event was organized by Brevia Law Offices (UAE / Russia).
- The event was a get-together of prominent arbitration centres from BRICS countries and their users.
- A live discussion compared the institutions' approaches, explored their cooperation, and discussed how users can benefit from it.
- Atty. Alper Yesiltas attended the event representing ITOTAM, alongside ITOTAM Secretary General Atty. Senem Bahcekapili Vincenzi.

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## **Navig-AI-ting Arbitration: The Future of Dispute Resolution**

**14/11/2024 Dubai**

- The event was held on the 4th day of Dubai Arbitration Week (DAW) 2024.
- The event was organized by Jus Mundi & Meysan Partners.
- The event was a pivotal discussion on the future of Arbitration.
- An esteemed panel of local legal professionals and experts dissected the current state of arbitration in the region, exploring new technologies and emerging trends.
- Atty. Alper Yesiltas attended the event representing ITOTAM, alongside ITOTAM Secretary General Atty. Senem Bahcekapili Vincenzi.

## **The Art of Efficiency: Strategies for Enhancing Arbitration Procedures and Optimal Dispute Resolution**

**14/11/2024 Dubai**

- The event was held on the 4th day of Dubai Arbitration Week (DAW) 2024.
- The event was organized by Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIARB).
- The event explored the intersection of efficiency and strategy in arbitration procedures, provided a comprehensive guide to enhancing dispute resolution processes.
- It delved into the art of streamlining arbitration, offering practical strategies and best practices to optimize outcomes.
- Atty. Alper Yesiltas attended the event representing ITOTAM, alongside ITOTAM Secretary General Atty. Senem Bahcekapili Vincenzi.

## **Anti Sanctions Arbitration Protocol (ASAP) – Reinforcing Access to Justice in the Era of Economic Sanctions**

**14/11/2024 Dubai**

- The event was held on the 4th day of Dubai Arbitration Week (DAW) 2024.
- The event was organized by Russian Arbitration Association and Mansors Law Firm.
- The event provided information regarding the new mechanism that ensures access to international arbitration, taking into account the hurdles caused by sanctions.
- Atty. Alper Yesiltas attended the event representing ITOTAM, alongside ITOTAM Secretary General Atty. Senem Bahcekapili Vincenzi.

## **The Present and Future of Annulment in Investment Treaty Arbitration**

**13/11/2024 Dubai**

- The event was held on the 3rd day of Dubai Arbitration Week (DAW) 2024.
- The event was organized by Baker Botts.
- The event presented preliminary findings from world-first comparative study of ICSID and non-ICSID annulment proceedings and a debate on future reform of the annulment system.
- Atty. Alper Yesiltas attended the event representing ITOTAM, alongside ITOTAM Secretary General Atty. Senem Bahcekapili Vincenzi.

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## **Arbitrating Disputes Arising from Investments in Africa 13/11/2024 Dubai**

- The event was held on the 3rd day of Dubai Arbitration Week (DAW) 2024.
- The event was organized by M&CO Legal.
- The event covered the key factors influencing the choice of arbitration seats and institutions for resolving investment disputes.
- Atty. Alper Yesiltas attended the event representing ITOTAM, alongside ITOTAM Secretary General Atty. Senem Bahcekapili Vincenzi.

## **Arbitration in a Changing World: The Influence of Geopolitical Developments on International Disputes 13/11/2024 Dubai**

- The event was held on the 3rd day of Dubai Arbitration Week (DAW) 2024.
- The event was organized by Control Risks.
- The event delved into how current geopolitical events are shaping legal disputes and arbitration practices globally.
- Atty. Alper Yesiltas attended the event representing ITOTAM, alongside ITOTAM Secretary General Atty. Senem Bahcekapili Vincenzi.

## **Dubai Arbitration Week (DAW) 2024 11/11/2024 - 15/11/2024 Dubai**

- ITOTAM participated in Dubai Arbitration Week (DAW) 2024 as a guest arbitration institution.
- The event was organized by Dubai International Arbitration Center (DIAC) along with several law firms and companies as supporters.
- Atty. Alper Yesiltas attended the event representing ITOTAM, alongside ITOTAM Secretary General Atty. Senem Bahcekapili Vincenzi.

## **Youth Leadership & Business Forum 30/10/2024 Istanbul**

- The Istanbul Chamber of Commerce Arbitration and Mediation Center (ITOTAM) was invited and participated as a guest of honor at the Youth Leadership & Business Forum event organized in Istanbul this year by the New York-based Global Business Symposium.
- Representing ITOTAM, Atty. Alper Yesiltas provided attendees from various countries with insights into ITOTAM's international arbitration and mediation services.

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## **Istanbul Arbitration Week (ISTAW) 2024 30/09/2024 – 04/10/2024 Istanbul**

- ITOTAM participated in Istanbul Arbitration Week (ISTAW) 2024 as a platinum sponsor.
- The event was organized by Energy Disputes Arbitration Center (EDAC).
- Atty. Alper Yesiltas attended the event representing ITOTAM, alongside ITOTAM Secretary General Atty. Senem Bahcekapili Vincenzi, Atty. Bugrahan Helvacı and ITOTAM Arbitration Court Member Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ebru Sensoz Malkoc.
- On the 3rd day of the event, representing ITOTAM, Atty. Alper Yesiltas gave a speech on accessing expert witnesses in arbitration proceedings during the panel titled 'Finding the Best Expert and the Turkish Perspective.'

## **Finding the Best Expert to Win and Turkish Perspective 02/10/2024 Istanbul**

- On the third day of Istanbul Arbitration Week, representing ITOTAM, Atty Alper Yesiltas delivered a speech in the panel titled "Finding the Best Expert to Win and Turkish Perspective."
- The panel discussed the challenges in accessing experts in arbitration proceedings, highlighting ITOTAM's valuable experiences, including its use of the expertise from the Istanbul Chamber of Commerce's Sectoral Committees and its collaborations with foreign arbitration centers.

## **Global Arbitration Review (GAR) Live Istanbul Event 27/06/2024 Istanbul**

- ITOTAM participated in the Global Arbitration Review (GAR) Live Istanbul event held in Ciragan Palace Kempinski.
- Atty. Alper Yesiltas attended the event representing ITOTAM, alongside ITOTAM Secretary General Atty. Senem Bahcekapili Vincenzi and Atty. Bugrahan Helvacı.
- The conference was interactive and brought together leading practitioners from across Turkiye and world to debate and analyze the latest major developments in arbitration.

## **"Arbitration Days" Organized in Collaboration with Istanbul Aydın University and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation Arbitration Center (OIC-AC) 23/05/2024 – 24/05/2024 Istanbul**

- ITOTAM participated as a supporting organization in the "Arbitration Days" event organized in collaboration with Istanbul Aydın University and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation Arbitration Center (OIC-AC).
- Atty. Alper Yesiltas attended the event representing ITOTAM, alongside ITOTAM Secretary General Atty. Senem Bahcekapili Vincenzi, Atty. Bugrahan Helvacı and ITOTAM Arbitration Court Member Prof. Dr. Ali Yesilirmak.
- In the event, many different legal issues related to arbitration were discussed and debated.

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**"1st Izmir Arbitration Day" Organized in Collaboration with Energy Disputes Arbitration Center (EDAC) and Izmir Chamber of Commerce  
10/05/2024 Izmir**

- ITOTAM participated as a supporting organization in the 1st Izmir Arbitration Day event, which was held with great attendance and success.
- Atty. Alper Yesiltas attended the event representing ITOTAM, alongside ITOTAM Secretary General Atty. Senem Bahcekapili Vincenzi and the President of the ITOTAM Arbitration Court, Prof. Dr. Hakan Pekcanitez.

**ITOTAM & PRIAC Joint Turkish – Czech International Arbitration Conference & Investment and Business Forum  
07/03/2024 – 08/03/2024 Istanbul**

- "ITOTAM & PRIAC Joint Turkish – Czech International Arbitration Conference & Investment and Business Forum" in Istanbul was a big success.
- In these two days, hot topics related to international commercial arbitration and investment arbitration deeply discussed.
- This event gathered arbitrators, practitioners, lawyers, academics, and experts, fostering not only insightful exchanges but also the creation of new friendships and business connections and set the stage for future collaborations between the Republic of Türkiye and the Czech Republic.
- The event was chaired by Atty. Alper Yeşiltas, Case Counsel at ITOTAM.

**The 18th International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) Turkiye Arbitration Day  
16/02/2024 Istanbul**

- The 18th ICC Turkiye Arbitration Day, organized with the cooperation of the Union of Chambers and Commodity Exchanges of Turkiye (TOBB), the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and the National Committee of ICC Turkiye, held on 16 February 2024 at Fairmont Quasar Istanbul.
- Atty. Alper Yesiltas attended the event representing ITOTAM, alongside ITOTAM Secretary General Atty. Senem Bahcekapili Vincenzi.

**Istanbul Arbitration Week (ISTAW) 2023  
02/10/2023 – 06/10/2023 Istanbul**

- ITOTAM participated in Istanbul Arbitration Week (ISTAW) 2023 as a silver sponsor.
- The event was organized by Energy Disputes Arbitration Center (EDAC).
- Atty. Alper Yesiltas attended the event representing ITOTAM, alongside ITOTAM Secretary General Atty. Senem Bahcekapili Vincenzi and Atty. Bugrahan Helvaci.



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## SELECT EXHIBITIONS

- 2023      "[Mobility Leaders](#)", May 16-18 2023, Verona, Italy (15 artworks total from the series "As If Nothing Happened" (5), "Thisness" (5) and "Young Age(d)" (5) digitally showcased on three flat screens on a dedicated wall)
- 2022-2023      "[Digital Serendipity](#)", Dec 7 2022 – April 19 2023, Akbank Sanat, Istanbul, Turkey (7 artworks from the series "As If Nothing Happened" physically exhibited)
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## SELECT TALKS & INTERVIEWS

- 2023      [Akbank Sanat Artist Talks](#), (Turkish, English Subtitled), Turkey, 20/01/2023  
[Artificial Intelligence Towards a New Intelligence](#), (English), Italy, 18/05/2023  
[TRT World Interview](#), (English), Turkey, 10/01/2023
- 2022      [DW Euromaxx Interview](#), (English), Germany, 17/10/2022
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## SELECT COMMISSIONED PROJECTS

- 2023      "[The Next 007](#)" (11 artworks) for Euronews Culture (France)  
"[Belgian Figures](#)" (5 artworks) for HLN Newspaper (Belgium)
- 2022      "[Young Age\(d\)](#)" series (12 artworks) for Zeit Magazin (Germany)  
"[Thisness](#)" series (17 artworks) for Daily Mail Newspaper (United Kingdom)

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## SELECT COMMISSIONED LITERATURE COVERS

- 2023     "[Life Among Giants](#)" a novel by Bill Roorbach, United States, 2023 (Kindle Edition), 2013 (*Paperback*)
- "[La Paz De Los Vencidos](#)" ("The Peace Of The Defeated") a novel by Jorge Eduardo Benavides, Spain, 2023 (Kindle Edition), 2014 (*Paperback*)
- 2021     "[Phi](#)" an album by Mike Vitale – United States, 2021
- "[Cierzo Lento](#)" ("Slow Wind") an album by Idoipe – Spain, 2021
- "[Cin Aynasi](#)" ("Cinema") a novel by Ercan Kesal, Turkey, 2021 (Audio Book), 2020 (E-Book), 2016 (*Paperback*)
- 2020     "[Gangrene, Traduit de l'arabe \(Syrie\) par Marguerite Gavillet Matar](#)" ("Gangrene, Translated from the Arabic (Syria) by Marguerite Gavillet Matar") a playwriting by Wadiaa Ferzly – France, 2020
- 2019     "[잊기 좋은 이름](#)" ("A Good Name To Forget") a prose collection by 김애란 산문 (Kim Ae-Ran) – South Korea, 2019 (Alternate Covers: [1](#), [2](#))
- 2018     "[Nella Vita Degli Altri](#)" ("In The Lives Of Others") a novel by Michele Bravi, Italy, 2018
- "[Tesaduf](#)" ("Coincidence") an EP by Serin Music, Turkey, 2018
- "[Der Mann Der Das Glück Bringt](#)" ("The Man Who Brings Happiness") a novel by Catalin Dorian Florescu, Germany, 2018 (Paperback Pocketbook), 2016 (*Hardcover*)
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## SELECT COMMISSIONED ARTIST - BRAND COLLABORATIONS

- 2019     Ford Turkiye, Photographer (July- December 2019)
- Samsung Turkiye, Photographer (May – November 2019)

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## SELECT PRESS FEATURES

- 2023      ["Meet the photographer using AI to cast the next James Bond"](#) – Euronews Culture, France, 12/06/2023
- ["AI meets art with these reimagined, legendary classic cars"](#) – Wired Middle East, UAE, 08/06/2023
- ["'Anything imaginable can be shown in reality': AI artist Alper Yesiltas on reimagining pop culture icons"](#) – Mashable Middle East, UAE, 18/04/2023
- ["Do YOU recognise these old aged celebrities? A-list stars reimagined as pensioners by incredible AI artist"](#) – Daily Mail, UK, 15/01/2023
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- 2022      ["American icons in the modern age: Artist transforms historical legends into contemporary figures in stunning images"](#) – Daily Mail, UK, 08/11/2022
- ["'As If Nothing Happened' - AI project shows what celebs would look like if they were still alive"](#) – Euronews Culture, France, 05/10/2022
- ["Photographer uses AI to imagine how deceased celebrities would look if they were alive today"](#) – Independent, UK, 03/10/2022
- ["Princess Diana with wrinkles and a bearded MJ: How a photographer used AI to bring dead celebrities to 'life'"](#) – Khaleej Times, UAE, 28/09/2022
- ["Princess Diana to Tupac, Artist Uses AI to Age Stars in Stunning Series"](#) – Newsweek, United States, 28/09/2022
- ["What would Princess Diana and Elvis Presley look like today?"](#) – South China Morning Post, Hong Kong, 27/09/2022