

**Announcement of the Final Decision Regarding the Investigation about Istanbul
Customs Brokers' Association According to Article 49 of the Act no. 4054 on the
Protection of Competition**

As a result of the investigation whether Istanbul Customs Brokers' Association violated the Act no. 4054; considering all the evidence, information and documents collected, the report prepared, the written defense and the explanations made during the oral hearing, the Competition Board took the final decision numbered 19-22/352-158 in the meeting dated 20.06.2019. It was decided

1. Unanimously that Istanbul Customs Brokers' Association violated article 4 of the Act no. 4054 by means of taking a decision of association of undertakings, which includes a ban on making offers to competitors' customers and making advertisements, and determines sales conditions,
2. By majority of votes that according to the third paragraph of Article 16 of the Act no. 4054 and Article 5(1)(b), 5(2) and 5(3)(b) of the Regulation on Fines to Apply in cases of Agreements, Concerted Practices and Decisions Limiting Competition, and Abuse of Dominant Position, Istanbul Customs Brokers' Association shall be imposed administrative fines equivalent to 2%, by discretion, of the annual gross income accrued at the end of the financial year 2018 and determined by the Board.

Judicial review for the decision before Ankara Administrative Courts shall be possible within 60 days as of the notification of the reasoned decision.