

PRESS CLIPPINGS – WEEK #23 (05/16 – 06/23)

TURKEY

BUSINESSES

- Turkey's external assets total \$238.3B in April ([Hurriyet](#))
- Turkey sees 6,670 new company launches in May ([Hurriyet](#))
- E-commerce grows 38% last year ([Hurriyet](#))
- Foreign investors urged to invest in Turkey ([Hurriyet](#))
- 77% Rise in Iran's non-oil trade with Turkey ([Financial Tribune](#))

SECURITY

- U.S. aerospace manufacturer throws in towel on Turkey operations ([Ahval](#))
- Turkey to take delivery of Russian missile systems in July ([AP](#) and [Reuters](#))
- U.S. cannot unilaterally remove Turkey from F-35 program: Turkish defense official ([Reuters](#))
- U.S. and Turkey in close touch on S-400/F-35 dispute ([Reuters](#))

POLITICAL INSTABILITY

- ‘Those Seeing Kurds as “Easy to Deceive Simpletons” Have Always Been Mistaken’ ([Bianet](#))
- Sunday's election deals crushing blow to Erdoğan ([Ahval](#))
- Turkey launches new gas drillship amid tensions with Cyprus ([AP](#) and [Reuters](#))
- Khashoggi trial in Saudi 'violates international law' ([BBC](#))
- U.N. chief urges Russia, Turkey to stabilize Syria's Idlib 'without delay' ([Reuters](#))
- **Analysis:** Old Turkey and new Turkey ([Ahval](#))
- **Analysis:** Tensions with the West do Turkey no good ([Ahval](#))

GOVERNMENT

- ***Istanbul Election Rerun:***
 - Turkey’s unexpected new hope in fight for democracy ([The Guardian](#))
 - Blow for Turkey's power-hungry President Erdogan as his party loses Istanbul mayoral election ([Mail Online](#))
 - Opposition on İstanbul Elections: “One Man Rule Collapsed” ([Bianet](#))
 - Allegations of Violations in İstanbul Metropolitan Mayoral Election Rerun ([Bianet](#))
 - Istanbul mayor-elect greets tens of thousands ([AP](#))
- **Analysis:** Istanbul rerun puts Turkey’s changing media scene in the spotlight ([Ahval](#))

ECONOMY

- Central government gross debt stock at \$208B ([Hurriyet](#))
- Turkish Central Bank moves to back liquidity management ([Hurriyet](#))
- Turkish economy faces post-election turmoil as U.S., EU disputes rage ([Ahval](#))
- Trade ties with Turkey have great potential according to UK trade secretary ([Anadolu Agency](#))
- **Analysis:** Turkey on economic brink? ([Phnom Penh Post](#))
- **Analysis:** Can Turkey crawl back from the economic brink? ([France 24](#))
- **Analysis:** Is South Africa edging out Turkey as the big Emerging Market short? ([Reuters](#))

BUSINESSES

- Important Moroccan property portal expands its operations in the Maghreb region ([Zawya](#))
- Tunisia's foreign trade drops in volume ([Mena FM](#))
- Tunisia secures investment cooperation pacts with 3 countries ([Mena FM](#))
- Digital platform for investors launched in Tunisia ([Mena FM](#))
- Government aims to increase its level of self-sufficiency in grain production ([World Grain](#))
- China National Petroleum Corporation pushes Tunisia oil/gas exploration ([Manila Bulletin](#))
- EU launches project to support small social enterprises ([ANSA Med](#))
- Tunisia set for good harvest season despite fires ([The Arab Weekly](#))
- Analysis: "Made In Tunisia" textile boom ([La Presse](#))

SECURITY

- Tunisia demands probe as Israelis tour area where Fatah founder assassinated ([Middle East Monitor](#))
- Tunisian boat crisis reaches its third week ([Dhaka Tribune](#))
- Libyan Conflict Squeezes Southern Tunisia ([Asharq Al-Awsat](#))
- Strengthening security to increase oil production ([La Presse](#))

POLITICAL INSTABILITY

- Tunisia asylum seekers face tough challenges ([Aljazeera](#))
 - Tunisia approves law excluding presidential candidate leading in polls ([Defence Web](#))
 - Tunisia's elections are a test for the Arab Spring ([The African Report](#))
- **Analysis:** All eyes on a Tunisian vote to define its future ([Arab News](#))

GOVERNMENT

- Tunisia's parliament adopts law banning surging candidates from elections, sparks controversy ([The Arab Weekly](#))
- Tunisia signs cooperation deals with China, Turkey and Germany ([CGTN](#))
- North African countries doing the most work on SDGs on the continent ([Down To Earth](#))

ECONOMY

- Tunisia secures IMF loan tranche but debt concerns rise ([The Arab Weekly](#) and [Gulf Times](#))
 - Tunisia to be removed from money laundering blacklist in October ([Middle East Monitor](#))
 - India makes new foray in North African space sector through Tunisia ([The Economic Times](#))
 - Premier Chahed opens 2019 Tunisia Investment Forum ([ANSA Med](#))
 - Tunisia to join China-Africa initiative on economy ([Mena FM](#))
- **Analysis:** Why did Arab countries sink into debt? ([The Jordan Times](#))
- **Analysis:** Can the Tunisian economy be revived? ([The Arab Weekly](#))