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Interaction Between Politics And Business: Recent Business History Of Turkey In The Globalization Period

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This paper studies the gift relationship between the state and the business enterprises from a political perspective with a special focus on the globalization period. Given the intense and changing dynamics between the state forces and the business enterprises or organizations, we believe that a more accurate analysis of the Turkish business history should place political dynamics into the core of the analysis. That's what we try to achieve in this paper.

After dividing the globalization period into sub-episodes, we show that politics and business are interlinked with a changing pattern over time, where we observe a structural transformation in the government-business ecosystem, especially after 2001. Within this context, the evolution of Anatolian Tigers and the associated business organizations over time provide important information about the changing business dynamics in Turkey.

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