

## **Ekspres Invest joins forces with Deniz Invest!**

**Providing services to foreign institutional investors, Ekspres Invest is now joining forces with Deniz Invest, which has the most widespread agency network in Turkey. The structural integration of Deniz Invest and Ekspres Invest will provide all local and foreign clients the opportunity to receive the required investment banking services at one stop.**

Operating under **DenizBank Financial Services Group** in the capital markets field, **Ekspres Invest** and **Deniz Invest** will continue to cater services under one single roof and the title of Deniz Invest from now on.

Having provided brokerage and research services to foreign institutional investors in particular since 2003, Ekspres Invest will offer the quality of service it has provided so far with its foreign brokerage activities and strong research team under Deniz Invest roof from now onwards. Thanks to this integration, local and international customers will be able to receive all investment banking services they need under one roof.

Speaking on the occasion, Deniz Invest Executive Board Member Mr. **Cafer Bakırhan** said, "With the organizational integration of our two valuable companies under our Financial Services Group, our local and foreign clients will be able to access the service quality, which they are already familiar with, through a stronger Deniz Invest. We are more than happy to be able to provide brokerage and corporate finance services to both local and foreign investors under the same roof".

Established in 1998 as a DenizBank subsidiary, Deniz Invest conducts brokerage and corporate finance activities within the framework of "financial supermarket" approach. Having the most widespread agency network of Turkey with more than 100 agencies, Deniz Invest realized a transaction volume of TL 56 Billion in share transactions and TL 33 Billion in derivatives transactions in 2013. Having successfully finalized 13 IPOs between the years of 2000-2013, Deniz Invest is a leader and pioneer in terms of number of individual investors and subscription amount in IPOs.

**About DenizBank**

*DenizBank was established in 1938 as a state economic enterprise aimed at funding of the developing Turkish maritime sector. In the early 1997, DenizBank was acquired by the Zorlu Holding in the form of banking license from the Privatization Administration and in October 2006, a leading European financial group, Dexia incorporated it to its structure. For 6 years, DenizBank operated in Dexia's main shareholding and since 28 September 2012, continues providing services under the umbrella of Russia's largest and well-rooted bank, Sberbank. DenizBank has become one of the remarkable banks of Turkey in a short period of time. DenizBank Financial Services Group was established in 2003 in order to create a "financial supermarket" accumulating various financial services under one roof. There are totally 685 branches within DenizBank Financial Services Group operating in 81 provinces of Turkey and abroad employing nearly 14 thousand people. DenizBank Financial Services Group consists of DenizBank, six domestic and three international financial subsidiaries, four domestic non-financial subsidiaries and a branch in Bahrain. Deniz Investment Securities, Express Investment Securities, DenizInvestment Trust, DenizPortfolio Management, DenizLeasing, DenizFactoring, Intertech, Deniz Kültür, Bantaş and Pupa are the group's domestic subsidiaries while Eurodeniz, DenizBank AG and DenizBank Moscow are its international subsidiaries.*

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