

Breaking News from Türkiye

Back-to-Back Fires Reveal a National Child Protection Failure

A 16-year-old's death in a Tuzla factory fire sharpened claims that the **government's weak labor protections endanger children**, despite official attempts to deflect responsibility. Hours later, a Pendik fire that killed three children deepened accusations of **systemic state negligence**.



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16 YOUNG FRIENDS ARE STILL IN DETENTION



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No Court Decision Can Extinguish the Fire Your Negligence Ignited

The court found that the Grand Kartal hotel owners and officials acted with "probable intent" in ignoring the deadly fire risks. At the same time, critics say the real culprit is a **collapsed regulatory system**. Many argue that only severe punishment can begin to answer for the **78 lives lost — 36 of them were children**.

The Quake is over, but Justice Crumbles Under the 11th Judicial Package

The government's 11th Judicial Package proposal could free defendants in deadly building-collapse cases, while critics warn it excludes key quake-related offenses and further **weakens accountability**.

Justice Stops Where Power Begins: Erdoğan Quietly Acquitted

President Erdoğan was quietly acquitted in the long-running Akbiil corruption case, reinforcing widespread fears that Türkiye's justice system shields those in power rather than holding them accountable.



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Children Abused – Government Neglected

The harassment of a parliament intern shows **how children can be harmed and silenced within state institutions**, fueling claims of government negligence and a corrupt protective system.

Detentions Continue While Justice Stalls

Journalist **Enver Aysever** was **arrested** over YouTube comments labeled "incitement," a move his lawyer says distorts legitimate criticism.

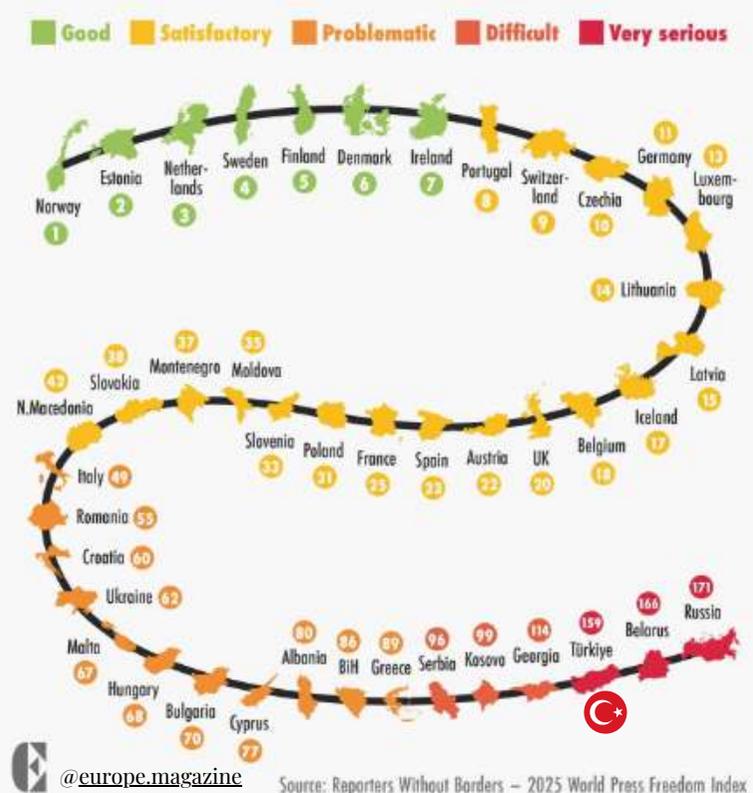
Crackdown Deepens as Independent Media Fight to Survive in Türkiye

With **authoritarianism rising in Türkiye** and **most media under government control**, **independent journalism faces censorship, lawsuits, violence, and severe financial pressure** — a reality reflected in Türkiye's drop to 159th out of 180 countries in the 2025 Press Freedom Index.

Across **all indicators** — political, economic, legal, social, and security — **scores worsened from 2024 to 2025**, underscoring an environment in which **critical reporting persists despite escalating risks**.

Press freedom in Europe

Global ranking and situation of press freedom, 2025



Join Our Panel with Hacer Foggo!

Join our Democracy Watch panel on **December 14, 2025**, with **Hacer Foggo**, a long-time **activist and civil society advocate**, for a discussion on "**deep poverty**" and the **chronic, intergenerational deprivation** that pushes people far beyond ordinary poverty and locks them out of basic rights, services, and political participation. The discussion will be livestreamed on our YouTube channel at 12:00 PM EST.

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14 Aralık 2025 Pazar

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