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Modern, Habitable city
Wealthy Cultural Accumulation
Elazığ, is one of the most favorable cities for development and improvement as being the central location in the Eastern Anatolia Region. In 1970s, Elazığ was one of the seven potential metropolitan provinces which is identified by State Planning Organization of Turkey. There are many advantages of Elazığ as listed below:

- Natural Beauties
- Rich historical background
- Underground resources
- Abundant water resources
- Fertile soil structure
- Having feeding areas
- Being a logistic center
- Intersection area between east and west
- Firat University
- Skilled man power
- Developed industrial sites
- Airport

Elazığ is a transit route between East and West, and South and North of Turkey. The route of Ankara-Kayseri-Malatya is the key route for Elazığ to be connected to the west. The route goes to Iran from Elazığ. The North route of Elazığ goes to Black Sea and the South route of Elazığ goes to Southeastern Anatolia over Diyarbakir. State roads of Elazığ-Malatya and Elazığ-Bingol are divided highways.
Elazığ, having our country’s second and third largest dams named Keban and Karakaya which is established on “The Euphrates and The Murat rivers, attracts attention as a region rich in water resources. These dam lakes and Hazar Lake, has great importance especially in terms of agriculture, aquaculture and tourism. Golan geothermal resources is an important mineral resources, and has an important potential of health tourism.

Many provincial representatives and regional directorates of central organisation of Turkey are in Elazığ. Some of these are:

• 16. Regional Directorate of Land Registry and Cadastre
• 9. Regional Directorate of State Water Works
• Regional Directorate of State Procurement Office
• Regional Directorate of the Ministry of Labour and Social Security
• Regional Directorate of Forestry
• Regional Directorate of Meteorology
• 8. Regional Directorate of State Highways

According to CNBC-E Business Magazine 2008, Elazığ is the 10. livable city of Turkey over 81 cities.
Elazığ was established at the foot of the historical Harput Castle, in Eastern Anatolia. Altitude of the city is 1067 meters. According to the available historical sources, the oldest inhabitants of Harput is Hurrians in BC 2000. After Hurrians, Hittites got the control of the region. After BC 1000, Urartus got the control for a long time.

The historical names of Elazığ are; Mamuratul Aziz, Elaziz and Elazık which means food depot.
According to General Directorate of Mineral Research and Exploration and Firat University Department of Geology, Elazığ is a rich city in terms of minerals, having: gold, silver, copper, lead, zinc, iron, chromium, manganese, limestone, marble (granite, travertine) calcite, silica sand and quartzite, gypsum and decorative building stone, brick clay, industrial clay, pumice, molybdenum, tungsten, charcoal, hot springs, mineral water, fluorite, pyrite and pyrite chalcosine. The most valuable and important minerals of Elazığ is chrome and marble. There is the biggest ferrochrome plant of Turkey in Elazığ containing 22 chrome quarries, and there are 25 marble factories in Elazığ containing 100 marble quarries. “Elazığ Cherry” Marble is the most important type of marble. Its reserve is detected only in Elazığ.
## ELAZIĞ MINERAL DEPOSITS

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**SOURCE:** MTA, 2010
That is why, this kind of marble is exported from here all over the world. Besides Elazığ Cherry, travertine, beige and onyx, granit types of marbles are the other important types, detected in Elazığ. 90% of these marbles are exported as blocks to Iraq, China, USA and European countries. This is an area of high potential for investors in terms of processing of the marble. One of the other important mineral in Elazığ is lead-zinc in Keşan. The reserve of this mineral resource is 86,800 tons appeared, 48,000 tons probable and 1,000,000 tons possible reserves. Occurrence of iron is detected in Baskil and Keşan province. There is 126,270 tons appeared reserve of iron in Baskil, and 23,798 tons appeared reserve of iron in Keşan.
Trout farming is carried out not only in rivers but also lakes and dams with cage fishing technique. Elazığ expressed a clear difference with its techniques of trout farming: Modern trellis systems, automatic feeding equipment, the first achieved publican system, cage farming in inland waters. More recently, the leading firms in fish farming, applied to the Provincial Directorate of Agriculture for trout farming in Elazığ. In this sense, there is a big potential for investors in Elazığ in terms of trout processing, packaging and exporting.

According to TurkStat 2008, TRB1 region supplies 8.9% of trout produce of Turkey of which 76% is supplied by Elazığ.
Elazığ has an appropriate climate and soil structure for fruit growing. In Elazığ, grape, strawberries, apricot, figs, peaches, cherries, plums and almonds are grown, moreover, grape comes forward.

**VITICULTURE**

In Elazığ, totally 128,900 tons grapes are cultivated. 77,000 tons of them are grown for eating, 51,000 tons for wine, and 900 tons for raisin.

**According to farmer registration system, the number of registered grape producers is 7,977 in Elazığ.**

There are many kinds of grapes in Elazığ. “Ağın Beyazı” is appropriate and famous for eating, and “Öküzgözü” is famous for wine, which has a registration of geographical indication from Turkish Patent Institute.
In terms of health investment, Elazığ has an important place in Turkey. In Elazığ, the number of hospital beds per 100,000 people is 608, which is more than 2 times of Turkey average, 262.

According to a research about health sector development in 2003 by SPO, Elazığ is the 12th most developed province in Turkey. Research hospital in the medical school at Firat University, is one of the major hospitals in the region serving the region and out of the region.

In Elazığ, total number of physicians, dentist and other health personnel increased by 15.4%, 26.15%, and 13.64% respectively accordingly between the years 2002-2006.
Elazığ has potential opportunities with private hospitals, and “Health Campus” in terms of health sector. In the near future, the province will be a health center not only in the region but also in the world. Because of that, the province is looking forward to be invested for health and related sectors.
Blue Pupillary Of The East

Hazar Lake
Elazığ, is one of the important historic center of the region with Harput Castle and historical settlements, ranging from BC 900. At the same time, the natural beauty of the province increases the province’s tourism potential.

Harput Castle (Milk Castle): It is reported that during the construction milk and egg white are used for the mortar because of the drought. It is believed to have been made during Urartu period. The castle has quite an imposing image with its dominant position to the Elazığ plain. There are many historical items around the castle.

Virgin Mary Church: The church is in the rear side of the Harput Castle. It is one of the oldest Syrian church in the world. One wall of the church is composed of rocks, and there are roads to the Castle inside the church.

In 2010, 68,553 domestic tourists, 1,276 foreign tourists has visited Elazığ.
Great Mosque: The mosque is the oldest building in Harput and the surrounding area. It was made in 12th century by Artuks. The two-door structure, fused with Irano-Anatolian Seljuk plans and features, is a significant monument. The tilt of the minaret has moved up to the present day.

Buzluk Cave: The cave is located in the Northeast of the Harput Castle. Because of its geomorphological structure, there are stalactites and stalagmites in summer, on the contrary, it has a warm indoor environment in winter.

Arap Baba Tomb: There is unspoilt lifeless body of Arab Baba inside the tomb. It is built by Seljuk Ruler III. Gıyaseddin Keyhusrev. Its architecture contains many elements of the Seljuks.
Turkey is the homeland of the best quality reverse tulips that grow naturally in the world. Arıcak, one of the places in our country that the reverse tulips are grown is, a district of Elazığ. It is known as Aricak Tulip, Crying Bride, Weeping Tulip, Karbala, King Crown, King Anemones, Highland Bell, and Galore Tulip. There are several species of Reverse tulip in the world. A few of them belong to our country (endemic), which grows in Arıcak. Reverse tulip generally blooms in March and April. It is not possible to get flower out of these months, in our country.

The reverse tulips, grown in Turkey, has a high potential for export, because it is used in some countries’ parks and gardens. Having attractive colors, early blooming, easily growing increases the potential of exportation.
Unique Natural Beauties

Hazar Baba Mountain and Nature Walking
Hazar Baba Ski Resort: Hazar Baba Ski Resort, located on Hazar Baba Mountain, has 19 lift and food and beverage facilities. The ski-run with the view of Hazar and Keber Dam Lake, has more attractive view than other ski-resorts.

Keban Dam: Keban Dam, the largest artificial lake of Turkey, not only generates electricity but also has fish farms. Here the region is very attractive for investments on trout farming, because of which Elazığ is escalating to the 1st rank in Turkey. Recent years, it has been attractive to eat fish in a unique view for domestic tourists.

Thermal Tourism: Golan Thermal, in Karakocan District of Elazığ, and Pertek Thermal, 25 km. away from Elazığ, are ready to welcome guests.

Hazar Lake: Hazar Lake is a registered as a wetland natural lake, containing many endemic plants and lives. There are many beaches and recreational areas, and many facilities near the lake of which length is 22 km. The existence of sunken city which is registered as a conservation area, is very attractive for the diving facilities. “2011 World Offshore Championship” has been organized in Keban Dam Lake. Also every year, “Hazar Water Sports Festival” is organized. One of the other important activity organized every year is “International Hazar Poetry Evenings”. The region is very attractive for investors when considered with Hazar Baba Ski Resort.

Besides, Elazığ Archeology and Ethnography Museum, the Aga Mosque, Esediye (the Lion) Mosque, Alacali Masjid, Hoca Hasan Bath, and Cimsit Bath are the other touristic values of Elazığ.
Elazığ is the most developed city in the region and 36th most developed city in Turkey in terms of socio-economic development.

- Elazığ, having 550,667 population and 5.7% population growth rate, is a developing city.
- Young population is 20% of total population
- The first city of the region with the 71% urbanization rate
- 34% employment rate, unemployment rate is close to the average of Turkey.

Elazığ is ranked 27th among 81 cities of Turkey according to the study of "inter-provincial competitiveness index 2009-2010" by "International Competitiveness Research Institution" and "Deloitte Turkey". Elazığ has the highest "Accessibility" and "Human Capital and Life Quality" indexes.

The city’s:

- Crop production value is 436 million
- Livestock value is 291 million
- Animal product’s value is 284 million
- Total land is 915,000 ha. 30% of the land is agricultural land, 50% is meadow and pasture, 15% of the land is forest and heath
- 52% of the agricultural land is irrigated land, 40% of the agricultural land is irrigable land
- 121 greenhouse
- The first in the region in terms of breeding culture race cattle
- 76% of trout farming of the region
- Gıda ve tekstil ağırlıklı biri
- 1049 firms in Small Industrial Sites, and 122 firms in Industrial Zone specialized in Textile, Marble and Food sectors
- The most important sectors are: Marble, Furniture, Forestproducts, Food, and Mining.
SECTORAL INFORMATION

The number of businesses:
- Mining: 19
- Manufacturing: 1894
- Construction: 240
- Hotel, cafes, restaurants: 1112
- Transportation, storage, and communication: 1578
- Real Estate: 548
- Sectors having most enterprises: Food&Beverage, Mineral Products Manufacturing, Textile
- Sectors having least enterprises: Leather Products, Medical Instruments, Coal and Oil, Office Supply Products
- Most of the enterprises are SMEs, having 1-9 employee
- Businesses having more than 50 employees is 3% of the total market
- There is a need of Paper and Metal Products Manufacturing firms, and Textile firms.
In a study commissioned by the governor’s office suggested that some sectors may gain advantages with clustering facilities in Elazığ. The study shows that Marble and Fisheries sectors are the leading sectors in Elazığ. In addition, poultry, health and tourism, and IT sector after the technopark, are the other important sectors for the city.
Infrastructure of the city is very appropriate for new investments. Small Industrial Sites, Industrial Zones, transportation because of its geographical location, health and social infrastructure, Firat University, Firat Development Agency, Technopark etc. are the important infrastructural elements for new investments.

According to Eastern Anatolia Project, and clustering studies; Industry, Services and agriculture are the main sectors to be invested.
Keban Dam Lake and İçme Village

Photographer: Bülent POLAT
## Inviting Investment Areas

### Agriculture
- Fisheries Sector
- Poultry Farming Sector
- Viticulture Sector
- Meat Products Sector
- Milk Products Sector
- Beekeeping Products Sector

### Industry
- Marble Sector
- Iron and Non-Ferrous Metals Sector
- Machinery Sector
- Furniture and Wood Sector
- Plastic and PVC Sector

### Services
- Health Sector
- Tourism Sector
FIRAT UNIVERSITY

Firat University, having a deep-rooted history, supports both cultural and industrial infrastructure. It is one of the strongest university in the region, with 26,000 students, 20 research centers and 1 technopark. In 2008, According to The Council of Higher Education, Firat University is ranked 18th, before Bilkent, Bosphorus University, among 114 universities in terms of the number of academic publications per faculty member in Turkey.

Additionally, Firat University is ranked 8th in “Technopreneurship Capital Support” program, provided by Ministry of Industry, among 74 domestic and foreign universities.
FACULTIES AND RESEARCH CENTERS

- Faculty of Education
- Faculty of Fisheries
- Faculty of Technical Education
- Faculty of Technology
- Faculty of Medicine
- Faculty of Science
- Humanitarian and Social Sciences Faculty
- Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences
- Faculty of Theology
- Faculty of Communication
- Faculty of Engineering
- Faculty of Veterinary Medicine

- History of Principles and Reforms of Atatürk Research and Application Center
- Computer Sciences Research and Application Center
- Biotechnology Research Center
- Applied Environmental Research Centre
- Experimental Research Center
- Language Education and Research Center
- Natural Hazards Research Center
- Eastern Anatolia Region Research and Application Center
- Euphrates Basin Research and Application Center
- Leprosy Research and Application Center
- Distance Education Centre
- Advanced Technology Research and Application Center
- Disabilities Research and Practice Center
- Cardiology Research and Application Center
- Keban Region Environmental Pollution Research and Application Center
- Middle East Studies Center
- Industry Cooperation Development Center
- Continuing Education Center
- Agriculture and Livestock Research Centre
- International Relations Office
Firat Technology Development Zone was founded in 2007 by the participation major actors in the city. Besides Firat University, the municipality, the chamber of commerce and nongovernmental organizations took part in the foundation process.

Firat Technopark aims to become a leading technology development zone where businesses introduce innovative high value products to the global market. Its main mission is providing a base for sustainable cooperation between the university and industries. It assumes a great role in increasing skilled labor and preventing brain drain.

Of the 15 firms that currently located in the tecnopark, 9 operate in information sector, 4 operate in industrial automation, 1 operates in biotechnology and 1 operates in material sector.

www.firatteknokent.com
Elazığ Chamber of Commerce always had an important role in the social and industrial life of the city in its history of 91 years. In 2003, the chamber moved to its new modern building. With renewed facilities, it serves in the best interest of its members and shareholders. Elazığ Chamber of Commerce operates with a focus on customer satisfaction. With its modern technological infrastructure, it is providing increasingly sophisticated services to businesses.

www.elazigtso.org.tr

Elazığ Chamber of Commerce helps its members to take place in the global market place through its quality services. It communicates the expectations of the businesses to government authorities. It accelerates the institutionalization process of businesses through education programs and consulting services.
Elazığ Chamber of Commerce is providing quality, efficient and fast services for the development and internationalization of its members. It contributes to Elazığ’s development, communicates the public’s expectations to local and national authorities. Elazığ Chamber of Commerce serves its members as a consultant to improve their potential.

394 corporations, 11 unlimited companies, 248 cooperatives, 3209 limited liability corporations and 2708 private companies take place in the chamber of commerce’s records.

Elazığ Chamber of Commerce organizes periodical seminars and education programs for its members. The chamber, which is one of the leading institutions of the city, informs NGOs, local authorities, entrepreneurs and other organizations about their rights and interests.
### Sector Analysis

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Elazığ Racecourse

Photographer: Oğuz TANYILDIZI
Elazığ has two organized industrial zones (OIZ). One of them is for animal products only, a unique example in Turkey. Food and marble are the dominant sectors in the other OIZ. Elazığ has a small industry site with 1049 workplaces employing 5000 people. In all OIZs, different incentives for businesses are available. An additional 221 hectare area will be open to new businesses in the future.
ADVANTAGES OF ELAZIĞ OIZ

- Presence of railway and motorway connections
- Presence of cheap land
- Proximity to Kekliktepe switchyard
- Abundance of underground water
- Hard ground against earthquake risk
- Proximity to the city center
- Proximity to the airport
Elazığ airport has the necessary infrastructure for international passenger and cargo flights. As of 2010, the airport has a traffic of 4200 flights and 470000 passengers. By 2012, new airport facilities are expected to be functioning and more than 1 million passengers will fly from or to Elazığ.
Elazığ

- İstanbul: 1212 km
- Ankara: 759 km
- Samsun: 666 km
- Trabzon: 496 km
- Antalya: 1045 km
- Mersin: 556 km
- Hatay: 477 km
- Cilvegözü: 490 km
- Gürbulak: 598 km
- Habur: 417 km
Elazığ is an advantageous city in terms of skilled workforce. Presence of different types of schools that meet the human resource needs of businesses is a big plus. Especially after 1980s, the number of craftsmen rapidly increased due to increasing investments in textile, furniture, marble, mining and plastic sectors. Marble craftsmen of Elazığ are in high demand in Turkey.
NGOs in different areas are in close relations in Elazığ. This raises hopes for the city’s development. Establishment of technology development center, organization of the first economics workshop for Elazığ, foundation of EU information center, efforts for the preservation of Hazar Lake are good examples of cooperation among Elazığ’s NGOs. Government authorities are always in support of these kind of initiatives taken by the civil society, contributing to the development of the city.
Elazığ has a dynamic social life with 8 libraries, 5 cinema halls, a theater, a museum and 437 NGOs. The city has various shopping centers, shops for local handcrafts and recreational facilities which improve the quality of life.
Nonexistence of housing problem in Elazığ enables new residents to find quality houses for cheap prices.
ACCOMMODATION

Akgün Elazığ Hotel

Hotel, ★★★★

Adres : Keban Yolu Hulusi Sayın Cad. Bahçelievler/ELAZIĞ
Tel No : +90 (424) 248 20 00 / 15 Hat
Fax No : +90(424) 248 20 19
E-mail : info@akgunelazighotel.com
Web : http://www.akgunelazighotel.com/

The Marathon Oteli

Hotel, ★★★★

Adres : Bosna Hersek Bulvarı No : 17 ELAZIĞ
Tel No : +90(424) 237 55 16-238 86 86
Fax No : +90(424) 237 55 42
E-mail : info@themarathonhotel.com
Web : http://www.themarathonhotel.com/

Tur-Pol Turistik Tesisleri

1. Class

Özelliği : Motel
Kategori : 1. Sınıf
Adres : Hacıbey Mevkii Güney Köyü
Sivrice/ELAZIĞ
Tel No : +90(424) 425 11 00-01-02-425 13 91-92
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Hotel, ★★

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Vision

Inspiring Turkey’s development efforts through the positive change we achieve in the region

Mission

Preparing and applying necessary plans, programs and tools with share holders in order to realize sustainable development of the region and activating local potential

Activities

- Preparation of TRB1 regional plan
- Supporting projects and activities that have a positive impact on regional development
- Monitoring and evaluating supported projects
- Promoting the region on national and international platforms, supporting investors in bureaucratic issues
- Developing synergy among public, private sectors and civil society organizations
- Improving the region’s capacity to produce projects
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