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		Long	Short
International	Foreign Currency	BBB-	A-3
	Local Currency	BBB-	A-3
	Outlook	Stable	Stable
	Issue Rating	Stable	Stable
National	Issue Rating	n.a	n.a
	National Rating	A+(Trk)	A-1(Trk)
	Outlook	Stable	Stable
	Issue Rating	A+(Trk)	A-1(Trk)
Sponsor Support		2	-
Stand Alone		B	-

Sector: Investment Holding
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Gedik Yatırım Holding A.Ş. (the Holding) was established in 1998 under the name Gedik Yatırım Ortaklığı A.Ş. and transformed into an investment holding company in 2014. The Holding primarily focuses on private equity investments in innovative companies with the aim of capturing a competitive and technological edge and benefiting from these companies’ sound growth and profitability prospects. Currently, the majority of the Holding’s investment portfolio, 98%, are comprised Gedik Yatırım Menkul Değerler A.Ş. and Gedik Girişim Sermayesi Yatırım Ortaklığı A.Ş. as of FYE2017.

The Holding’s investee companies have a sound track record in Turkey’s capital market ecosystem and the Holding consolidates its presence in the Turkish capital markets through its strategic investments. The Holding’s largest equity investment, Gedik Yatırım Menkul Değerler A.Ş., enjoys the leading position among non-bank owned intermediary institutions in terms of customer numbers, branch network, and equity trading volumes. Gedik Portföy And Marbaş Menkul Değerler A.Ş. are incorporated under Gedik Yatırım Menkul Değerler A.Ş. and has sound track record as intermediary companies. Gedik Girişim, a private equity investor chiefly invests in the initial phase of ventures.

As an investment holding company, Gedik Yatırım Holding has no operations of its own but is exposed to sectors via equity participation in investee companies. The primary exposure of the Holding is quoted investee companies and its profit figures reflects the appreciation of investment portfolio. The Holding’s listed investments are easier to liquidate to redeem debt or finance new acquisitions and credit quality of the investee companies are considered sound, given the high-investment grade, ‘AA(Trk)’ of the Gedik Yatırım Menkul Değerler A.Ş.. On the other hand, asset concentration is regarded as a rating constraint, given the wide exposure to the performance of investee companies and to a single sector. The Holding’s funding profile was principally based on its paid-in capital and retention of profits, which recently diversified through bond issuance. The Holding’s limited organizational base has put a cap on the operational expenses. High investment grade of the holding additionally captures the Holding’s business risk which reflects its strategic focus & industry exposures, risk management, competitive advantages, country risks, and its hands-on board members with extensive experience and competence in the investment business.

No separate rating report has been compiled as the resources obtained from the bond issue will be carried in the Holding’s balance sheet and has been subject to analysis in the corporate credit rating report. The planned bond issue carries no difference in comparison to the Company’s other liabilities with respect to its legal standing and collateralisation. As such, the notations outlined in the corporate credit rating report also reflect the issue rating but do not cover any structured finance instruments. Issue ratings are assigned for both outstanding and prospective debt instruments and incorporate assessments until their maturities.

The Holding’s utmost shareholder is Mr. Erhan Topaç has long-experience in capital markets. Additionally, listed investee companies’ have significant track record in the market with wide organizational base and operations. In this context, the willingness to supply liquidity and equity within their financial capability when financial needs arise in the short or long-term perspective as well as providing operational support to the Holding are considered high. The Sponsor Support note of the Holding has been determined as **(2)**. The high-investment grade of the Gedik Yatırım Menkul Değerler A.Ş., quoted investee companies which provide high liquidity, moderate leverage, solid capitalization, prudent risk management and skilled and experienced Board demonstrate that the Holding has reached a certain level of self-sufficiency capacity. In this regard, Stand-Alone rating has been determined as **(B)**.

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