

CONSTITUTIONAL LAW

Constitution is the fundamental legal text which establishes the relationship between the government and its citizens through a system of law. All other codes and regulations gain their legalization from the provisions of constitution.

Even though most countries have a constitution, not all countries around the world have a written constitution. For example, the United Kingdom does not have one specific constitutional document. Furthermore, the length and form of constitution vary dramatically. While the United States Constitution includes 27 Article, the Turkish Constitution has 177 Articles.

These show that mere length of articles, total number of provisions or even the presence or absence of constitution cannot express the importance given to the constitutional provisions. Rather, the content of constitutional provisions and general legal understanding of superior and binding legal text must be examined in order to understand the state's constitutional strength and protections provided to the citizens.

- Do you think that a constitution is a living entity, which must be amended time to time, or that original version of a constitution must be conserved for preserving the state's national interest?
- Do you believe that a written constitution is necessary for the protection of freedoms and rights of citizens?