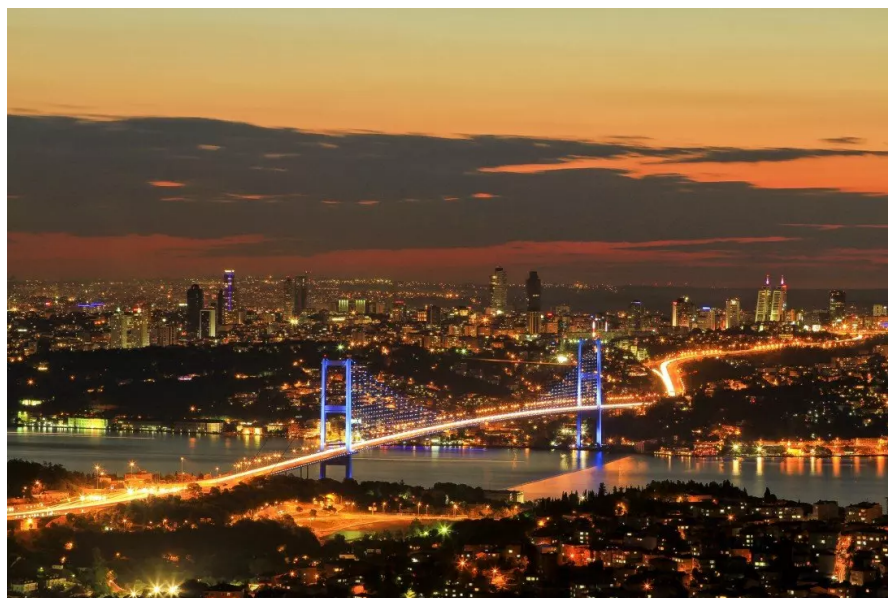


ICDS 2022 Meeting Guide

Koç University, Istanbul, Turkey - July 2-4/2022



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1. Registration

- Registration should be done via [ICDS website](#). Registration fees are shown below. Fee for the accompanying person is **150 \$**.
- Prices include registration to the meeting and one year of ICDS membership (Students:\$35; Academic: \$75; Professional:\$125)
- Registration includes attendance to all the sessions at the conference, coffee breaks, lunch and welcome reception.
- No lodging is included in this registration fee. All lodging must be planned by the attendee.
- Cancellation: Refund of registration will be 50% by **April 15, 2022** and no refund afterwards
- Gala dinner will be organized. Fee for the dinner is 50 \$ per person.

Abstracts:

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REGISTRATION FEES (in USD)	Registration + ICDS Membership			
	ALL COUNTRIES		TURKEY	
	Before April 31, 2022	May 1, 2022 and later	Before April 31, 2022	May 1, 2022 and later
Student/Post Doc	175	275	65	175
Academic	285	385	150	285
Non-Academic	385	485	285	385

2. Arriving to Istanbul (IST)

- There are two major airports in Istanbul. For easier access to the meeting area, it is strongly recommended to use [Istanbul New Airport](#) (IST/LTFM) for arrivals. Istanbul Airport is located northwest of the city in the Arnavutköy district. The distance from Istanbul Airport to the center of Istanbul is 54 kilometers. By car, it takes 60 minutes to get to the meeting avenue from Istanbul airport. There are 3 main options for transportation to Sarıyer region.

- a) Taxi: The approximate [taxi fare](#) from Istanbul Airport to Koc University will be around **135-165 ₺** depending on the route and traffic conditions and would take around 60 minutes. Most taxi cars accept credit cards, but it is better to ask before traveling.
- b) HAVAİST-5 bus to 4. Levent: **(35 ₺ /takes 90min)**. Can be paid by credit card, cash or Istanbul Kart
- c) İETT public bus H-8 to Hacıosman: **(7 ₺/ takes 100-120 min)**. Can only be used with an Istanbul Kart.

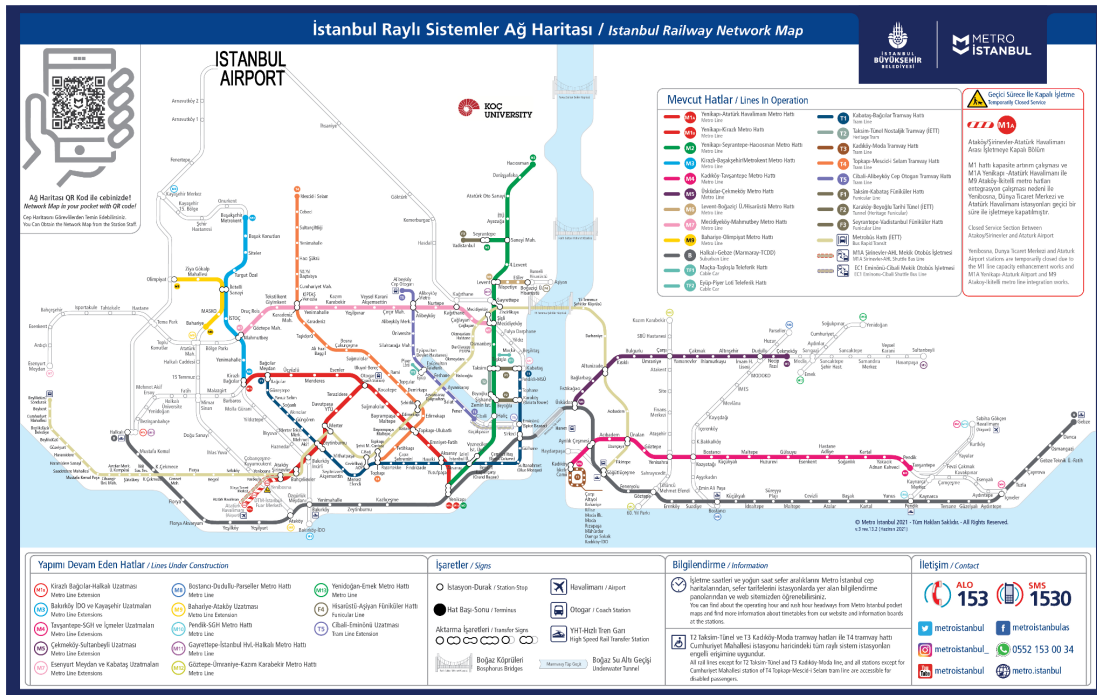
- [Sabiha Gokcen Airport](#) (SAW/LTFJ) is located on the Asian side of Istanbul It takes around 90-120 minutes to get to the meeting avenue by car from SAW. Similarly, taxi might be the easiest way to get to Sarıyer region, however, it would be cost **180-200 ₺**. HAVABUS can be used to Taksim or Levent, then bus/metro can be used to get to your hotel.

3. Public transportation in Istanbul:

-Istanbul has one of the best public transportation networks in the world. There are several options to reach any location for 24 hours, and Taxi is a convenient option compared to large metropolitans in the world and other cities in Turkey. However, for most transportation modes, traffic is a big problem especially in the morning and in the afternoon.

-To use public transportation other than taxi, first, you have to purchase the smart transit card of Istanbul called “**Istanbul Kart**”. Which is available on most large stations (airport, bus, metro)
The plain card costs **6 ₺**. Load at least **40-50 ₺** into your card. For **all public transit modes** (except taxi, HAVAIST and minibüs), you'll use the card by tapping it to the readers.

-There is a large [bus](#), [ferry](#) and [metro network](#) in Istanbul.



4. Recommended hotels

While it is highly recommended to reside around Sarıyer region, there are only a few hotels (eg. [Fuat Paşa](#), [Hilton hotel](#)) in the region. Also, [hotels](#) on the route of M-2 metro line are also recommended due to heavy traffic in the city center especially in the morning and in the afternoon.

PS: consider the [time it would take to travel meeting venue from your hotel](#)

5. Meeting Venue: Koç Üniversitesi

[Koç University](#) is located on Sarıyer-Rumelifeneri Road, it's 10 minutes drive from Sarıyer. Meeting will be held in **Sevgi Gönül Cultural Center (SGKM)** within campus as shown below.

The closest metro station to Koç University is **Haciosman** on the **M2 (green) line** that passes through Taksim. From Haciosman station there are several options to reach the campus:

Taxi: It is the easiest way to get to Koç University from most locations. From Haciosman to Koç University main campus, it would cost around **60 ₺ and 20 minutes**.

IETT public bus: [154](#) is the only bus line which is allowed to get into the campus. Would cost **5₺ and 40 minutes**. (Istanbul Kart is required)

Minibus: Minibus is a small private bus. They do not offer a strict timetable however it is much more frequent than public bus, would cost around **5 ₺ and 1 hour** from Haciosman (Only Cash). Attendants who are residing in the [minibus route](#) might use minibus to get to the campus.

Shuttle: Shuttle service from Haciosman bus stop is organized by Koç University. Timetable will be announced.



6. Information about Istanbul

Istanbul is a major city in Turkey that straddles Europe and Asia across the Bosphorus Strait. Its Old City reflects cultural influences of the many empires that once ruled here. With its ~20 million population it is the largest city in Turkey. There is a lot to [discover](#) and experience in Istanbul. However, given its size and time limitation, only major [destinations](#) might be visited in a few days. Due to the remote location of Koç University and tight schedule of ICDS meeting, it is highly recommended to plan your trips before or after the meeting days.

If you are interested in tours before or after the meeting, or other activities, we have contacted a travel agent. Setur has agreed to guide our guests before/during/after the meeting. Here is their contact information:

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website: <https://www.setur.com.tr/>

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Ms. Asuman Candir will help with specific questions, but the generic email above is going to be sufficient. It is best for people to communicate via email, rather than going through the website themselves.

