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YEDITEPE UNIVERSITY, ISTANBUL, TURKEY
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Istanbul

Top 6 places to visit in Istanbul:

**Hagia Sophia:** It started out as a Greek Eastern Orthodox basilica that was home to the Patriarch of Constantinople when it was built in 537. For almost six decades in the 12th century it was a Roman Catholic church. It became a mosque in 1453, remaining that way until 1931, when it was closed. It reopened as a museum in 1935. At one time, it was the largest cathedral in the world.

**Topkapi Palace:** At one time it was an official royal residence of the Ottoman Empire sultans and seat of Turkish government, but is now a museum that is considered the largest and oldest palace in the world. Visitors can get a glimpse of the harem’s quarters, where the government worked, a collection of old weapons used by the sultans, the palace kitchens with a huge porcelain collection, and the treasury with its collection of jewels and clocks.

**Basilica Cistern:** The Basilica Cistern has been providing Istanbul residents with water since the sixth century when it was ordered built by the Roman Emperor Justinian I. A visit leaves travelers raving about the technology the ancient Romans used to build this architectural wonder that was very advanced for its day.

**Grand Bazaar:** 5,000 shops make Grand Bazaar one of the largest indoor marketplaces in the world. Receiving more than a quarter-million visitors a day, the bazaar features such items as jewelry, carpets that may or may not fly, spices, antiques and hand-painted ceramics. The bazaar dates back to 1461 and today is home to two mosques, four fountains, two hammams or steam baths, and the Cevahir Bedesten, where the rarest and most valuable items have been found traditionally.

**Istanbul Archaeological Museum:** One of the most important museums in Turkey, the Istanbul Archaeological Museum is actually three museums: the Archaeological Museum, the Ancient Orient Museum and the Tiled Kiosk Museum. The three museums combined contain more than 1 million objects from civilizations around the world.

**Blue Mosque:** The Blue Mosque, built in the early 17th century, remains an active house of worship today. All visitors must remove their shoes and women must cover their hair. This is a small price to pay for seeing its priceless treasures that include 20,000 ceramic tiles in various tulip designs and 200 stained glass windows, all with intricate designs.

Discover more in Istanbul: thatbackpacker.com/2013/12/09/50-things-to-do-in-istanbul-turkey/
Our university was founded in 1996 by the Istanbul Education and Culture Foundation (ISTEK). In line with Atatürk’s principles and with the contribution of a pioneering and distinguished academic and administrative staff, Yeditepe University aims to educate students who are inquisitive, innovative, well-equipped with technological skills, well-versed in world culture, have a solid identity, and are equipped with all the qualifications required by the business world. With its up-to-date academic programs and training, Yeditepe University offers an education compatible with the expectations of the information age.

Yeditepe University carries out its academic activities via 13 faculties namely the Faculties of Dentistry, Pharmacy, Education, Arts and Sciences, Fine Arts, Law, Economics and Administrative Sciences, Communication, Engineering, Architecture, Health Sciences, Medicine and Commerce, entailing 64 undergraduate programs. The university also offers 86 MA and 41 PhD programs in the Graduate Schools of Atatürk’s Principles and History of Revolution, Educational Sciences, Science, Health Sciences, and Social Sciences.

Yeditepe University offers education on the “26 Ağustos” campus that is designed to meet the requirements of students for education, culture, art, sports and a spectrum of various needs. The 26 Ağustos campus is located on the Asian side of Istanbul with its own architecture on the skirts of the Kayıdağlı hill, with an area of 125 thousand square meters and a closed area of 223 thousand square meters.

Voted first among private universities in Turkey by Green Metric which is an international platform for sustainability and environmental awareness and determines the greenest universities in the world, Yeditepe University is the only university in Turkey that can produce its own energy with a solar energy system that is built on a roof in the campus.

The entrances to the buildings are through grand portals, some of which have a height of 22 meters. With their well-lit courtyards, these are modern structures with the typical features of Seljuk architecture. The surfaces of the buildings are covered with natural stone brought from Anatolia. To keep cool during the summer and warm during the winter, Ünye stone was used in the facades of the building, and polyurethane for the heat panels.

For more info and details please check our web site: http://www.yeditepe.edu.tr/en
The meeting venue and program
The meeting will be held in Yeditepe University, Istanbul/TURKEY.

28 April 2019 Sunday

09:00 - 09:30   Registration
09:30 - 10:00   Welcome and Opening Talk
10:00 - 10:50   Ehren Newman (Keynote Speaker)
                 "Tracking Neural Information Processing in the Brain and in the Dish"
10:50 - 11:00   Coffee Break (Poster presenters can hang their posters)
11:00 - 11:50   İtir Kaşıkçı
                 "Your Brain on Numbers: A Look from the Inside"
11:50 - 12:50   Lunch
12:50 - 13:40   Poster Session I
13:40 - 14:30   Colin Philips (Keynote Speaker)
14:30 - 15:20   Nazım Keven
                 "Events, Narratives and Memory"
15:20 - 15:30   Coffee Break (Poster presenters can hang their posters)
15:30 - 16:20   Tecumseh Fitch (Keynote Speaker)
                 “The Evolution of the Neural Basis of Language”
16:20 - 17:30   Poster Session II
Transportation

From Atatürk International Airport to Yeditepe University (42km.)

**Taxi:** Taxis are available around the clock and operate by the meter. The trip takes between 40 and 90 minutes, depending on traffic. It costs around 120 TL (15 Euro)

**Bus:** HAVATAS Company operates regular shuttle bus transportation at half-hour intervals from 06:00 till 24:00 hours. The trip to Taksim takes between 45 and 75 minutes, depending on traffic. Please visit the website of HAVATAS for shuttle timetable and fares: [http://havatas.com/](http://havatas.com/)

**Public bus transportation:** From Taksim to Yeditepe University Take bus 256.

**Best way:** Walk to Atatürk Airport Metro Station - Take M1A Yenikapı Metro - Ride to Yenikapı - Take MARMARAY Ayrılık Çeşmesi - Ride to Ayrılık Çeşmesi - Take M4 Tavşantepe Metro - Ride to Bostancı - Exit at 4 - Walk to bus station - Take 19, 19F, 14KS, 16F


From Sabiha Gökçen International Airport to Yeditepe University (24 km.)

**Taxi:** Taxis are available outside the terminal and operate by the meter. The trip takes between 30 and 60 minutes, depending on traffic. It costs around 100 TL (13 Euro)

**Bus:** HAVATAS Company services depart every half an hour from Sabiha Gökçen International Airport to Kadıköy

Please visit the website of HAVATAS for shuttle timetable and fares: [http://havatas.com/](http://havatas.com/)

**Public bus transportation:** From Kadıköy to Yeditepe University Take bus 19 or 19F.

**Best way:** Walk to Sabiha Gökçen Airport Bus Station - Take 16S Sabiha Gökçen/Uzunçayır Metro - Ride to Bostancı Köprüsü - Walk to bus station on the bridge - Take 19, 19F, 14KS, 16F

Accommodation options

The Marmara Pera  
(European Side)  
Meşrutiyet Cad. No:1  
Beyoğlu, İstanbul  
Taxi would cost 80TL (10 Euro).  
85 Euro for a night.  
2 people at the room for single price.  
8 Euro for breakfast.  
Hotel Website

Dedeman Bostancı Istanbul  
(Anatolian Side)  
Değirmen Yolu Cad. No:39B  
Ataşehir, İstanbul  
Taxi would cost 20TL (3 Euro).  
44 Euro for a night.  
2 people at the room for single price.  
11 Euro for breakfast.  
Hotel Website

Istanbul Marriott Hotel Asia  
(Anatolian Side)  
Kayışdağı Caddesi No:3  
Ataşehir, İstanbul  
Taxi would cost 20TL (3 Euro).  
109 Euro for a night.  
2 people at the room for single price.  
9 Euro for breakfast.  
Hotel Website

Yeditepe University Student Hotel  
(Dormitory)  
Kayışdağı Cd. 326A  
Ataşehir, İstanbul  
It is located inside the campus.  
50 TL (7 Euro) for a night.  
Single person in room 100 TL (13 Euro)  
Pay what you eat for breakfast.  
Dormitory Website