



# METU STAFF WEEK 2017

*Forging Ties, Building Bridges*

Day

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MAY 1, 2017

VENUE:

Cultural and  
Convention  
Center, Hall B

**12.30 – 13.30:** Registration

**13.30 – 13.45:** Welcome to METU

*Assist. Prof. Dr. Hale Işık Güler, Advisor to the President for International Cooperation, METU*

**13.45 – 14.15:** Introducing METU and activity program

**14.15 – 15.00:** Student cultural and sports clubs performances

**15.00 – 15.30:** Introduction of participants (ice breaking activity)

**15.30 – 17.00:** Campus tour

**19.30 – 21.30:** Welcome Dinner at Çadır Kebap (hosted by METU)

Day

2

MAY 2, 2017

VENUE:

Cultural and  
Convention  
Center, Hall B

**08.30 – 12.30:** Banking procedures for Erasmus+ ICM (KA107) participants

**13.00 – 13.30:** How METU International Cooperations Office operates

**13.30 – 14.00:** Orientation Program and Support Services for International students by ICO and ESN

**14.00 – 14.15:** Coffee break

**14.15 – 15.00:** Survival Tools for Incoming Students / 1: Seminar on Turkish Customs and Traditions

*Assist. Prof. Dr. Besim Can Zırh, Dept. of Sociology, METU, Turkey*

**15.00-16.30:** PANEL: Internationalization Strategies at Higher Education Institutions

*Moderator: Assist. Prof. Dr. Hale Işık Güler, Advisor to the President for International Cooperation, METU*

*Panelists:*

*-Dr. Gülizar Karahan Balya, International Cooperations Office Coordinator, METU, Turkey*

*-Dr. Siriluk Pichainarongk , Vice Dean for Administration, Kasetsart University, Thailand*

*-Assoc. Prof. Konstantinos Giakoumis, Ph.D., Deputy Rector & International Relations Office Academic Supervisor, University of New York Tirana, Albania*

*-Daniel Gomez, Associate Director for International Affairs, Universidad del Rosario, Colombia*

*-Mgr. Krystyna Różycka, Administrative Specialist for Foreign Students, International Cooperation/ Dean's Office, Warsaw University of Technology, Poland*

## Day 3

MAY 3, 2017

### VENUE:

Cultural and  
Convention  
Center, Hall B

**09.30 – 10.30:** How to submit a successful Erasmus+ mobility project

**10.30 – 11.15:** Survival Tools for Incoming Students / 2: Coping with “Culture Shock” and Psychological Counselling

*Gökçen Aydın, Center for Advancing Learning and Teaching, METU*

**11.15 – 11.30:** Coffee break

**11.30 – 12.30:** Erasmus+ ICM (KA107) Experience: Possible Improvements

**12.30 – 14.00:** Free time for lunch

**14.00 – 16.00:** Presentations by participating universities on internationalization and mobility

## Day 4

MAY 4, 2017

### VENUE:

Cultural and  
Convention  
Center, Hall A

**09.30 – 10.00:** Research at METU

*Dr. Ceren Aksoy Güleç, Research Coordination Office, METU*

*Esra Akgül, International Cooperations Office, International Initiatives and Project Development Coordinator, METU*

**10.00 – 11.15:** PANEL: 30<sup>th</sup> year of Erasmus: Impacts and Challenges

*Moderator: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Yaşar Kondakçı, Educational Administration and Planning Program, METU*

*Panelists:*

*-Ercan Laçın, Turkish National Agency*

*-Betül Bulut Şahin, European Mobility Coordinator, International Cooperations Office, METU, Turkey*

*-Ivana Vujkov, International Relations Office, University of Novi Sad, Serbia*

**11.15 – 11.30:** Coffee Break

**11.30 – 12.00:** Panel wrap-up

**12.00 – 13.00:** Free time for lunch

**13.00 – 13.45:** Visit to METU Technopark

*Selin Doğu, Director of Corporate Communications*

**14.00 – 14.30:** Visit to Tsunami Research Center

*Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ayşegül Askan Gündoğan, Department of Civil Engineering*

**14.30 – 19.00:** City Tour (Anıtkabir & Hamamönü)

## Day 5

MAY 5, 2017

### VENUE:

Cultural and  
Convention  
Center, Hall B

**9.00 – 10.30:** Banking procedures for Erasmus+ ICM (KA107) participants.

**10.30 – 11.30:** Feedbacks and closing of the staff week

**11.30 – 12.00:** Delivery of participation certificates

**13.30:** Departure for Cappadocia Trip

- No participation fee is required for the METU Staff Week 2017.
- This program is subject to changes.