

LANDNET 2015 Conference in Ankara

4-8 October 2015

Crowne Plaza Ankara Hotel, Turkey

About LANDNET

LANDNET was founded in 2009 in Budapest as a prior of United Nation of FAO with an aim of improve agricultural functions of Central and Eastern European Countries. This year LANDNET Conference will be held in Ankara Turkey. The purpose of this Conference is sharing the experiences of countries about land consolidation and land banking system.

Arrival to the Airport

There will be shuttles arranged according to the participants' flight hours whose flight tickets were purchased through the Organization Secretariat "Time Zone Travel & Organization" between the airport and conference hotel. For the participants who did not purchase their flight tickets through the Organization Secretariat please contact with Mr. Ali Enver Arslan (ali@timezone.com.tr) if you would like to use the shuttles. The details are given below:

4th October 2015	7th October 2015	8th October 2015
Esenboğa Airport-Crowne Plaza	Crowne Plaza-Esenboğa Airport	Crowne Plaza-Esenboğa Airport
Shuttle Hours	Shuttle Hours	Shuttle Hours
03:25	08:30	12:30
13:15	13:30	13:30
14:50	19:00	19:00
15:50		
16:50		
21:55		

If these hours are not suitable for you, you will have several options to come to the conference venue, Crowne Plaza Ankara Hotel. You can come by shuttles waiting at the airport, or either by taxi.

The shuttles belong to **BelkoAir** wait just in front of the passenger exit door. Shuttles are provided by the municipality and their bus line is 442. When you use the shuttle whose line is 442 you have to get off the bus either at Kızılay or AŞTİ station. If you choose to get off at Kızılay, you can go to the hotel by taking the metro. You should take the Kızılay - Batıkent line and get off the train at the Akköprü Station. The hotel is within walking distance. If you choose to get off the shuttle at AŞTİ station, you should take the Ankaray and Dikimevi direction. You should get off the train at Kızılay and without going out from the station you should switch with the Kızılay - Batıkent metro line. You can find the transportation lines of the city below.



If you take a taxi, the taxi trip will take 25-30 minutes and it will cost approximately 70-80 Turkish Liras.

BELKOAIR BUS ROUTE	
To the Airport	From the Airport
AŞTİ (Bus Terminal) Arrival Floor	Man Kavşağı (Man Junction)
Kızılay Gama İş Merkezi (Kızılay Gama Business Center)	Ülker
Tren Garı (Railroad Terminal - Arena Stadium in front of the Gate F)	Saray
AKM (Atatürk Cultural Centre) 19 May Stadium Gate B)	Pursaklar
Esenboğa Airport – Domestic & International Arrivals – Last Station	Haskoy Fruko
	Aydınlıkevler
	Fatih Köprüsü
	Ankamall
	Gazi Hastanesi (Gazi Hospital)
	AŞTİ (Bus Terminal)
	Kızılay
	Opera
	Tren Garı (Railroad Terminal) - Last Station

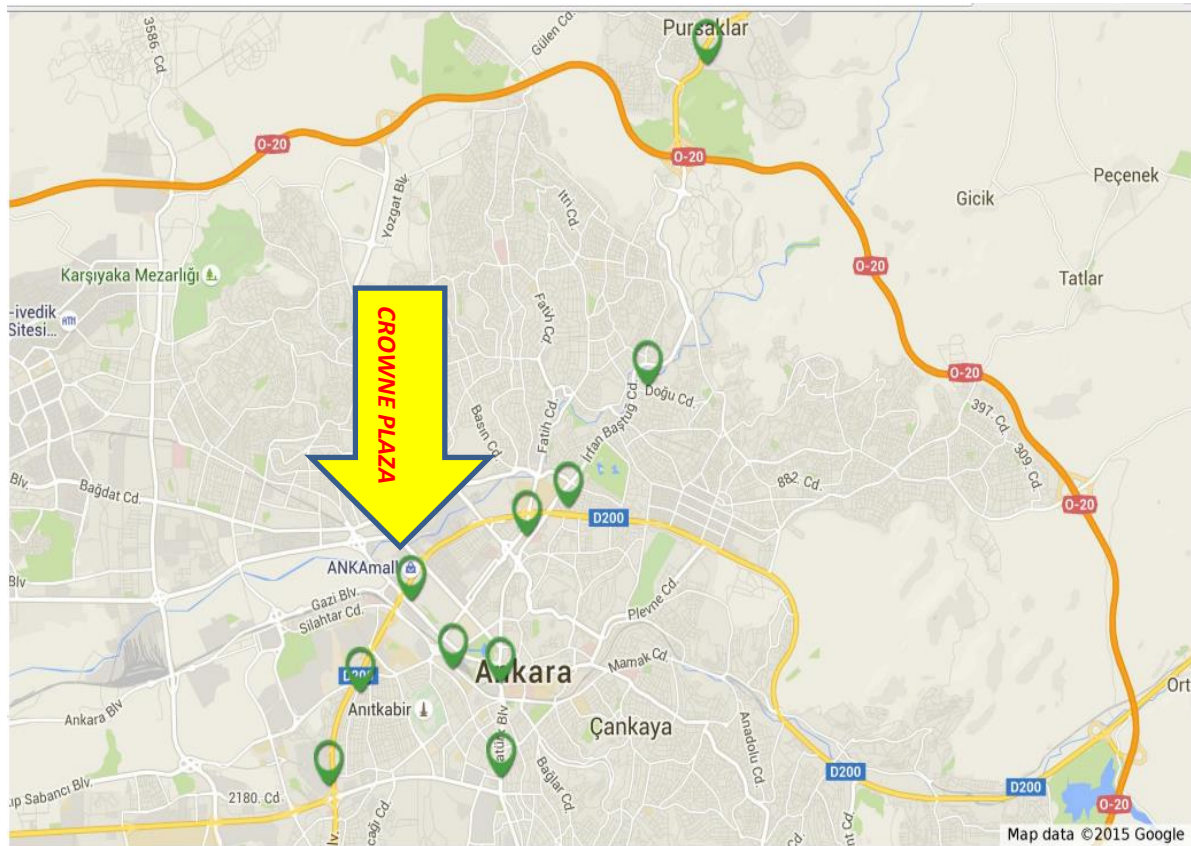
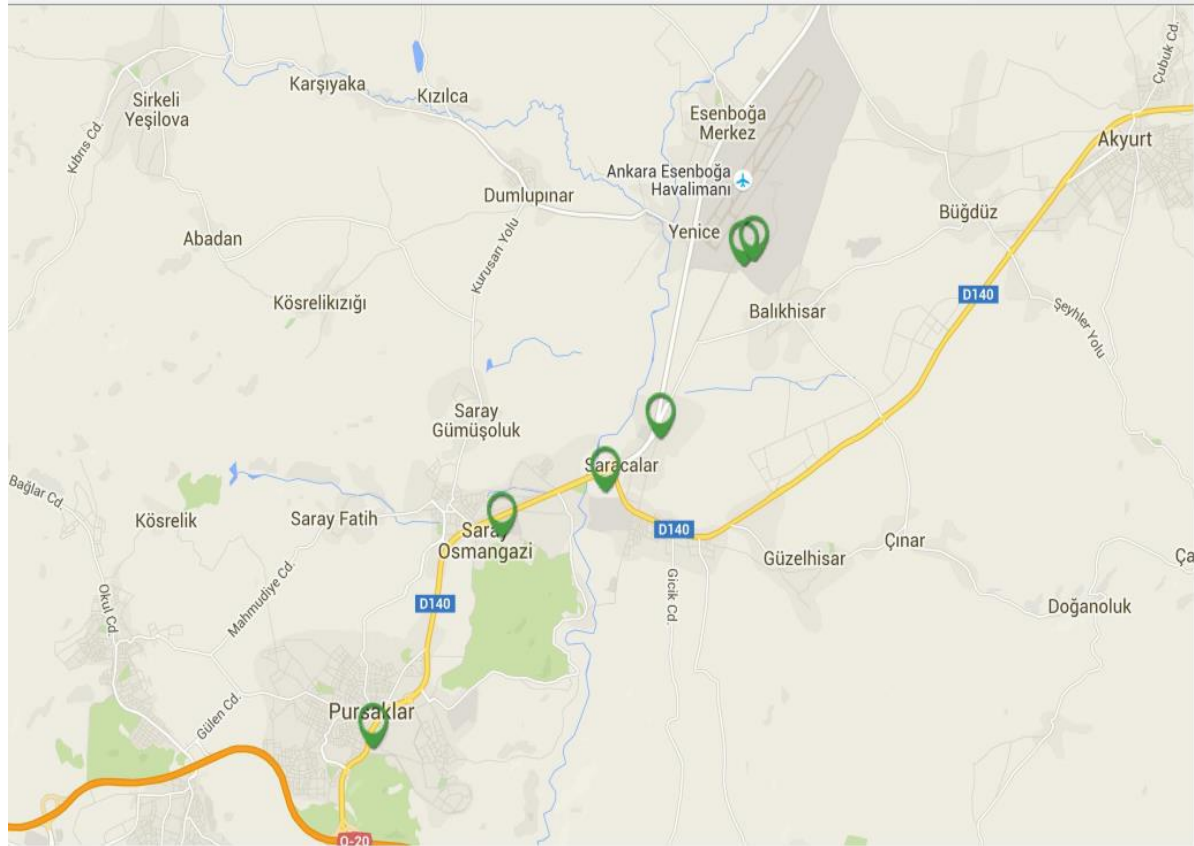
* Ankamall is the station from the airport in order to arrive to the conference hotel Crowne Plaza Ankara Hotel.

** You can take the Belkoair busses from the Bus Terminal (AŞTİ) and Kızılay-GAMA easily in order to go to the Esenboğa Airport.

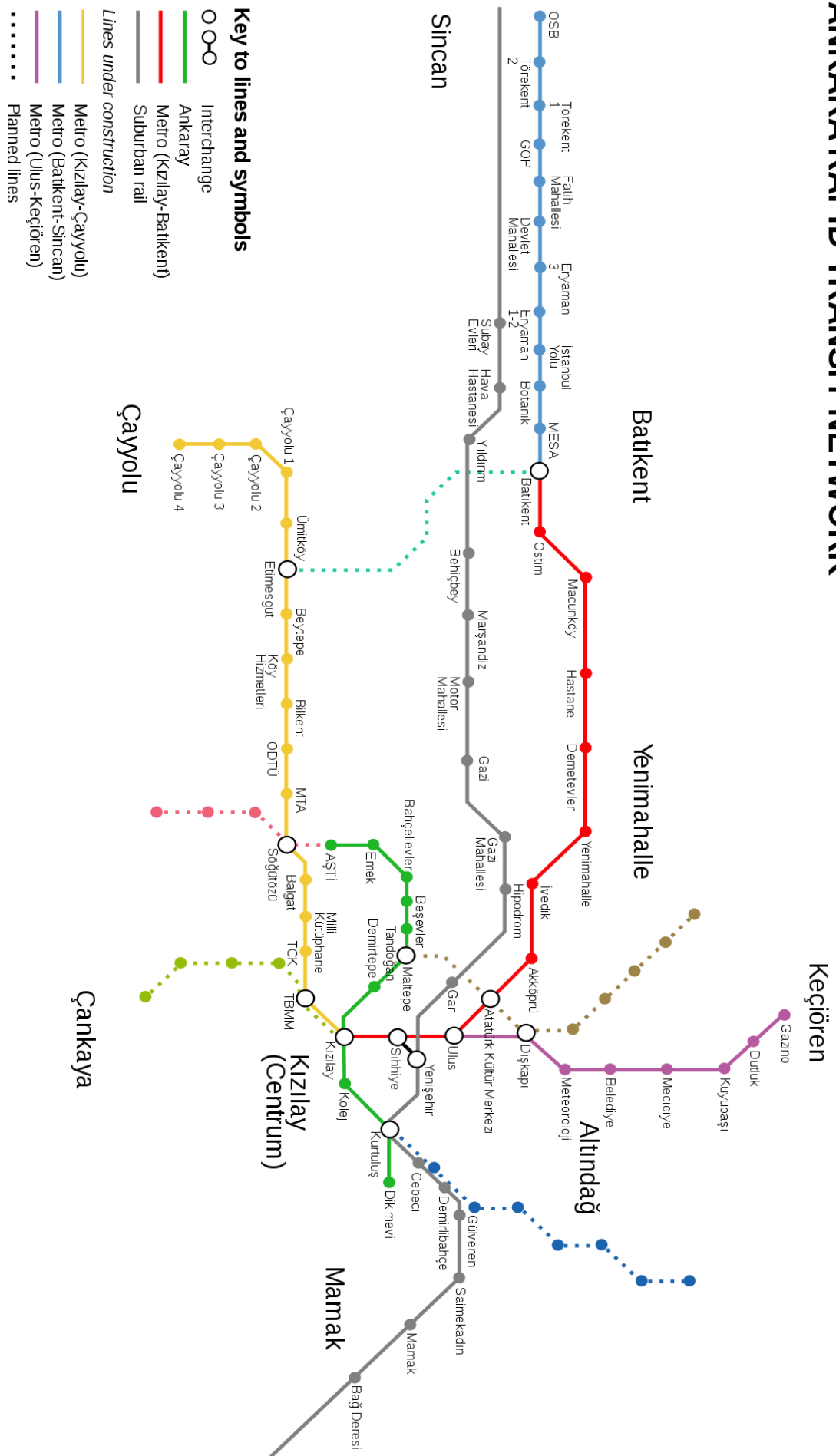
Belkoair Buses Headway; Our buses offer services every 30 minutes from 05:00 a.m to 00:00; and every 60 minutes from 00:00 to 05.00 a.m.

06:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.	14:00 p.m.	18:00 p.m.	22:00 p.m.	04:00 a.m.
06:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	14:30 p.m.	18:30 p.m.	22:30 p.m.	05:00 a.m.
07:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	15:00 p.m.	19:00 p.m.	23:00 p.m.	05:30 a.m.
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09:00 a.m.	13:00 p.m.	17:00 p.m.	21:00 p.m.	02:00 a.m.	
09:30 a.m.	13:30 p.m.	17:30 p.m.	21:30 p.m.	03:00 a.m.	

The map of the BelkoAir Shuttle Route and the station where the hotel is marked on the map.



ANKARA RAPID TRANSIT NETWORK



Exchange Offices

You can find exchange offices located in the Esenboğa Airport. The detailed map of the airport is also included at the end of the leaflet.

- Exchange Office (Artı Döviz A.Ş.)

Phone: +90 312 398 21 83 - 590 64 01

Fax: +90 312 398 21 84

We have a total of 3 exchange offices in the Terminal building of which 1 is placed on the International Terminal departing passenger floor and 2 are placed on of the International Terminal arriving passenger floor.

- Bank (Yapı ve Kredi Bankası A.Ş.)

Phone: +90 312 398 20 50

Fax: +90 312 458 49 07

It is located in the Terminal building at the arriving passenger meeting point by the left side of the main entrance door.

The current exchange rate is about;

1 € = 3,45 Turkish Lira

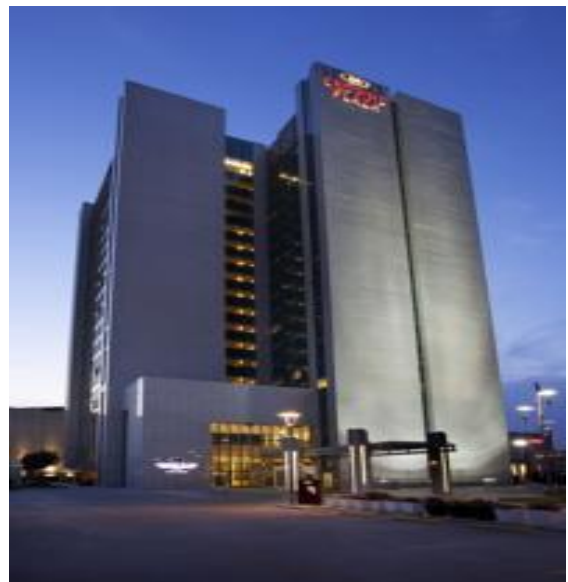
Some of the exchange offices in the city center are given below;

COŞKUN DÖVİZ	ÇANKAYA/ANKARA - ATATÜRK BULVARI 67 / 71 KIZILAY
BATI DÖVİZ	ÇANKAYA/ANKARA - TALAT PAŞA BULVARI NO:176 / B / CEBECİ
ERTAN DÖVİZ	ÇANKAYA/ANKARA - TUNALI HİLMİ CAD. NO:94 / A / KAVAKLIDERE
B. KAYA DÖVİZ	ÇANKAYA/ANKARA - TUNALI HİLMİ CAD. NO:89 D:2 / KAVAKLIDERE
B. KAYA DÖVİZ	ÇANKAYA/ANKARA - TALAT PAŞA BULVARI NO:175 / B / CEBECİ
İSKİT BORSA	ÇANKAYA/ANKARA - ATATÜRK BULVARI BÜYÜK ÇARŞI NO:67 D:105
DANIŞ DÖVİZ	ÇANKAYA/ANKARA - MEŞRUTİYET CAD. NO:3 D:25 / KIZILAY
TUNCA DÖVİZ	ÇANKAYA/ANKARA - CEYHUN ATIF KANSU CAD. NO: 89 / B
TATAROĞLU DÖVİZ	ÇANKAYA/ANKARA - KUMRULAR SOK. NO:6 / KIZILAY
SAKARYA DÖVİZ	ÇANKAYA/ANKARA - SAKARYA CAD. NO:6 / B / KIZILAY
KEBAN DÖVİZ	ÇANKAYA/ANKARA - AKŞABAT CAD. NO:70 / E
HALİS DÖVİZ VE ALTIN	ÇANKAYA/ANKARA - İZMİR CAD. NO:34 / A / KIZILAY
ÇANKAYA DÖVİZ	ÇANKAYA/ANKARA - SELANİK CAD. NO:50 / C / KIZILAY
BEYAZ DÖVİZ	NECATİBEY CAD. NO:4 / A / SİHHİYE
AYDINLAR DÖVİZ	ÇANKAYA CAD. NO:6 D:1 / ATA KULE
ANKA DÖVİZ	HOŞDERE CAD. NO:203 / A
ALTIN KEMER DÖVİZ	SAKARYA CAD. NO:13 / A / KIZILAY
ŞEREFLİKOÇHİSAR DÖVİZ - KUYUMCULUK	DİKMEN CAD. NO:236 / C / DİKMEN
SERHAT DÖVİZ	ÇANKAYA/ANKARA - 7. CAD. NO:9 / C

Conference Venue – Crowne Plaza Ankara Hotel

Crowne Plaza Ankara is Located at the heart of cross-roads which surrounds Ankara. Its Location allows you to reach embassies, business district, fair area, Congressium and ministries fairly. The hotel is only a few minutes away from the Arena Sport Complex and 19 Mayıs Stadium.

It is 30 minutes and 26 Km far from Esenboğa International Airport. Grab a taxi or jump on the metro at Akköprü station steps away and you'll reach the city's bustling bars and historic monuments like Anıtkabir (Atatürk's Mausoleum), Ankara Castle or Old City in minutes.



Step out your city hotel for just a step to Ankamall, the biggest Shopping mall of Ankara for endless shopping and the nearby industrial area with major business.

To make your stay more comfortable we provide free services such as internet and parking. You may also enjoy complimentary drinks like coffee, tea and water in your room. Also fresh air windows are available in all our rooms.

The extensive buffets at the hotel's Prime Restaurant are a feast for your eyes and your taste buds. Dine in style at Roof Restaurant, serving Mediterranean-inspired cuisine and Traditional Turkish Kebabs under mood lighting with breathtaking views over the city.

For banquets or conferences, let the Crowne Meetings tailor our 11 meeting rooms with daylights to your needs.



Meeting halls of Crowne Plaza Ankara Hotel

What is nearby?

Taxi	Metro	Distance	
Esenboğa International Airport	20'	-	27km
Bus Station(Aşti)	5'	15'	3km
Metro Station	-	-	50m
Atatürk Museum	6'	5'	4km
TBMM	7'	-	5km
Ministry Of Foreign Affairs	5'	-	3km
Kızılay-Bakanlıklar	10'	3'	8km
Ankamall Shopping Centre	-	-	50m
Anatolian Civilizations Museum	8'	-	3km
Ankara Ethnography Museum	5'	-	3km

Hotel Contact

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Meals

During the conference period, participants are going to be provided with breakfast for the days they stay at the hotel. Lunches are going to be for 2 days and on the day of field excursion, participants will receive lunch box for lunch. The dinner at the field excursion day is going to be in Eskişehir which is the city where Beyazaltın village in.

About the city of Ankara

Very familiar to most people as the capital of Turkey, Ankara is actually only the country's second-biggest city, being considerably smaller than Istanbul. However, Ankara is actually a very large and presentable Turkish city, constantly expanding and offering a rather sophisticated and modern character. Many wide streets are now lined with coffee shops and eateries, particularly around the energetic Kızılay area.

Various tourist hotspots present themselves around the city of Ankara and in particular, along the Ataturk Bulvarı, which serves as a prominent artery. The Ulus Meydanı, known simply as 'Ulus', is another important tourism hub in the city and this central square is close to a number of leading museums, while also offering a choice of accommodation and inexpensive restaurants. Nearby, the Ankara Tourist Information Office is easy to find and stands directly opposite the Maltepe Ankaray Train Station, on the Gazi Mustafa Kemal Bulvarı.

Ankara Tourist Information and Tourism: Top Sights

Although Ankara is somewhat overshadowed by the enormous Turkish city of Istanbul, but really does compete well in the way of quality tourist attractions. The city's Citadel walls are positively ancient and comprise a mixture of different architectural styles through the ages. Also of a great age and much visited are the Roman Baths of Ankara, which remain in a good state of repair, considering that they are more than 1,700 years old. The Ataturk Mausoleum is yet another major sight, while for families, the attractions within the Ataturk Forest Farm and Zoo and Aquapark Club Watercity comes highly recommended.



Atatürk's Mausoleum (Anıtkabir)

Head to the Old Town 'Ulus' area of Ankara to find the most historical landmarks and imposing mosques. These include both the Lion's Den Mosque (Aslanhane Camii) and the Yeni Mosque (Cenab Ahmet Pasa Camii), with the ancient Column of Julian (Queen of Sheba Monument) also standing within this part of the city. For the best views of Ankara, head to the Cankaya area and climb to the top of the Atakule Tower, where the panoramas are quite unbeatable. For something a little newer but just as impressive, take time out to pay a visit to the very beautiful Kocatepe Mosque which immediately became the city's biggest mosque when it was completed in the late 1980s.



Kocatepe Mosque

If you are planning to head outside of Ankara and looking for possible day trips, then you will be pleased to find endless appealing Turkish delights within easy reach of the city itself. Many will favour excursions to the historical town of Beypazarı or to the city of Antalya, which stands alongside the Mediterranean coastline and is almost overflowing with characterful mosques. For something very different and quite extraordinary, be sure to check out the unique, moon-like rock formations of Cappadocia. However, the allure of Istanbul is quite undeniable, although at around 350 km / 217 miles to the north-west, it is a little too far for a day trip and certainly deserves a longer excursion. Tourists able to visit Istanbul will no doubt be overwhelmed by its Grand Bazaar, where in excess of 6,000 different shops attract some 400,000 keen shoppers - each day.



Ethnography Museum Ankara

There are several very notable museums to be found within Ankara, offering a broad spectrum of information on a range of different topics, including the city's rich Ottoman history and even the founder of the Republic of Turkey himself, Mustafa Kemal Atatürk. The award-winning Museum of Anatolian Civilisations should certainly feature at the top of any sightseeing itinerary, along with the Ankara Ethnography Museum. Close to the Tandoğan Kapalı Çarşı shopping district, the vintage engines and trains displayed within the Open-Air Steam Locomotive Museum may also be of interest.



Museum of Anatolian Civilizations

More Ankara Information / Fast Facts and Orientation

- Country: Turkey / Republic of Turkey (Europe / West Asia)
- Location: Central Anatolia / Province of Ankara
- Status: capital city / provincial capital
- Area: approximately 971 square miles / 2,516 square kilometers
- Population: approximately 5 million
- Language: Turkish
- Currency: Turkish Lira (TR)
- Time zone: UTC + 2, summer UTC + 3
- Country dialing code: +90
- Telephone area code: 0312

Weather Forecast

Ankara has a typical continental climatic conditions and we share the estimated weather conditions between the conference dates.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
4th October Sunny	5th October Increasing cloudiness	6th October Sunshine	7th October Sunshine	8th October Sunshine
22° Lo 10°	22° Lo 10°	22° Lo 10°	22° Lo 9°	22° Lo 9°
Hist. Avg. N/A Lo N/A	Hist. Avg. N/A Lo N/A	Hist. Avg. N/A Lo N/A	Hist. Avg. N/A Lo N/A	Hist. Avg. N/A Lo N/A

Field Trip – Beyazaltın

About Beyazaltın

Beyazaltın village is in Eskisehir region around 200 km west of Ankara. The village takes its name from the famous sepiolite. Beyazaltın means in Turkish (white gold) and it is one of the famous names of sepiolite in Turkey. Turkey has the 70% of the sepiolite reserves of the world and Eskisehir has the largest share in Turkey's sepiolite reserves. Speolite is a first class element in the pipe, trinket and ornament production.



Some examples of speolite used in the pipe, trinket and ornament production

About the Project

A land consolidation project was implemented in the village during 2007-10. The main objectives of the project had been to: i) reduce land fragmentation, ii) renew irrigation system and increase area covered by irrigation and iii) construct new field and access roads in the project area. The project manager from GDAR presented the project and its outcome and the mission met with representatives of the local municipality and around 20 local farmers who had participated in the project. The project included around 1,000 parcels, which through the project were consolidated into 600 parcels. The average parcel size increased from 1.4 ha to 2.5 ha as a result of the project. Before the project, 500 ha were irrigated through open channels. After the project, 1,000 ha is irrigated through 18 new wells, a pumping system, pipelines and sprinklers. The system combines the collective and the individual as each farmer can water his fields by closing for the water to the other fields. This also allows the individual farmers to add fluid fertilizer to the water which should be more cost-effective than the normal use of fertilizers. It was explained that the costs of the new irrigation system had been around 500 EUR/ha.



Irrigation in Beyazaltın village, Eskişehir region, included in land consolidation project finished in 2009.

The average yield in wheat in the area has increased from 3,000 kg/ha to 7,000 kg/ha because of the project and all the participating farmers increased their income with more than 25%. The project (consolidation and irrigation in

combination) has allowed for more diversification of products in the area. Before the project, mainly wheat was produced.

Around 25% of the land in the project area is owned by absentee owners not living in the village and they rent out their land. The project approach was that each owner got land out of the consolidation process of the same value as he/she entered the process with. Thus, the participants were not offered the opportunity to sell land and buy additional land during the process. Despite of the legal framework that allows for compulsory implementation of land consolidation projects, the re-allotment plan was negotiated between the participants and all voluntary agreed to participate. During the re-allotment process some of the owners wanted to keep their parcels in their old position and this hampered to some degree the outcome of the project. Some of the farmers met by the mission today regretted that they had not consolidated further when they had the chance and the village may consider to apply for a new land consolidation project to consolidate further.

Access to Beyazaltın will be got by bus and hence, participants should inform Mr. Ali Enver Arslan (ali@timezone.com.tr) before 3 October 2015.

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