9th METU INTERNATIONAL STAFF TRAINING WEEK

*Digital Bridges in International Education: Advancing Erasmus+ through Digitalization and Erasmus Without Papers-Blended Intensive Program (BIP)*

*June 16-20, 2025*

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| 16JUNE **MONDAY** Day 1 | **09:30-10:00 Registration / Welcome Coffee**  **10:00-10:30 Opening Remarks: Introduction to METU and International Cooperation Office** (ICO) *Burcu Akpınar, METU ICO Coordinator*  **10:30-11:00** **Key Note Speech: How Digitalization Transforms Higher Education and Mobility Programs**  *Prof. Dr. Ömer Delialioğlu, Erasmus+ Institutional Coordinator, Advisor to the President*  **11:00-12:00 The Role and Introduction of Digital Tools in Erasmus+ Procedures** ***(Online Session)***  *Representatives of European Commission and/or Turkish National Agency (tbc.)*  **12:00-13:30** Lunch Break (at participants own expense & please check the orientation booklet to see some alternative places)  **13:30-15:30 Campus Tour and Visit to METU Research Centers*: METU Technopark, METU*** *Center for Wind Energy Research, METU Science and Technology Museum)*  *Dr. İbrahim Yorgun, METU ICO International Membership Coordinator*  **15:30-17:00 Banking Procedures (only) for Erasmus+ ICM (KA171) participants**  **19:00** Welcome Dinner (hosted by METU ICO) at **Dafne Restaurant** (please see the last page) |  |
| 17May **TUESDAY** Day 2 | **09:30-10:45 PANEL:**  **Digital Bridges: METU’s Digital Innovations in Mobility as Turkiye’s EWP Champion**  **Moderator:** *(tbc.)*  **Panelists:**   1. Outbound Mobility Solutions, *by Nur Seda Temur, International Cooperations Office* 2. Inbound Mobility Solutions, *by Cansu Bolgul, International Cooperations Office* 3. Digital Framework and Toolkits of METU, *Computer Centre (tbc.)* 4. Introduction to METU’s Academic and Asset Management Systems (VARSIS, AVESIS etc.), *Institutional Development and Planning Office (tbc.)*   **10:45-11:15** Coffee Break  **11:15-12:15 ROUND-TABLE WORKSHOP:**  **Digital Pathways in Global Mobility: Challenges, Solutions and Shared Insights**  **12:15-13:30** Lunch Break (at participants own expense)  **13:30-14:30** **Smart Moves: Exploring the Role of AI in Global Mobility and Internationalization**  *METU Department of Computer Education and Instructional Technology (tbc.)*  **14:30-15:00** **Introduction of METU Distance Education Application and Research Center (UZEM) & Continuing Education Center (SEM)**  *UZEM & SEM representatives (tbc.)*  **15:00-15:15** Coffee Break  **15:15-16:30 Digital Poster Session Presented by the Participant Universities & Networking Event** *(speed networking & introduction event in which each institution will present their university via digital poster in 3 minutes)* |  |
| **18-19**  **JUNE**  **WEDNESDAY**  **THURSDAY** Day 3-4 | **CAPPADOCIA TRIP** |  |
| 20JUNE **FRIDAY** Day 5 | **09:30-11:00 Closing Remarks & Digital Feedback Session**  **11:00-11:15** Delivery of Participation Certificates  **11:15** End of the Program for Erasmus+ KA131 and self-funded participants  **11:15-12:30** Banking Procedures (only) for Erasmus+ ICM (KA171) participants  **12:30** End of the Program for Erasmus+ ICM (KA171) participants |  |

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| * No participation fee is required for the METU Staff Week 2025 * Please be noted that this program is tentative and it is subject to change * **DAFNE RESTAURANT ADDRESS** Aziziye Mahallesi, Andrea Karlov Caddesi, Karyağdı Sokak, No:20, Çankaya/ANKARA, http://dafne.com.tr/   **LOCATION**:  <https://www.google.com/maps/place/Dafne+Restaurant/@39.894335,32.854256,15z/data=!4m6!3m5!1s0x14d34f7848e1691d:0x75a30d83a2a28ed1!8m2!3d39.8937421!4d32.8514662!16s%2Fg%2F1tcz0575?hl=tr>  **RESTAURANT’S LOCATION** **STAFF WEEK ORIENTATION BOOKLET (will be updated soon)** |



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