



Guide for Participants

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The Republic of Turkey

Turkey (Turkish: Türkiye), officially the Republic of Turkey (Türkiye Cumhuriyeti), is a country in the WHO European Region, located mostly in Anatolia in western Asia and East Thrace in south-eastern Europe.

Turkey is the world's 37th largest country, with a total area, including lakes, of 783 562 km² (300 948 square miles). It is bounded by the Aegean Sea to the west, the Black Sea to the north and the Mediterranean Sea to the south. The Sea of Marmara, an inland sea, is located in the north-west of the country.

Ankara, historically known as Angora, is centrally located in Anatolia. It is the capital of Turkey and the country's second largest city after Istanbul, with a population of around 5 million.

Ankara is an important commercial and industrial city. It is the centre of the Turkish Government and houses all foreign embassies. It is an important crossroads of trade, strategically located at the centre of Turkey's highway and railway networks and serves as the marketing centre for the surrounding agricultural area.

Izmir is located in the western extremity of Anatolia and is the third most populous city in Turkey, with a population of 4 million. The ancient city was known as Smyrna.

Izmir hosts an international arts festival during June and July and the Izmir International Fair takes place at the beginning of September every year. Izmir is served by national and international flights through the Adnan Menderes International Airport and there is a modern metro line running from the south-west to the north-east of the city.

Çeşme, a coastal town, is the administrative centre of the Çeşme district in Turkey's western-most area, with two-thirds of the district population concentrated in the town. It is 85 km west of Izmir and is a popular holiday resort. The name Çeşme means fountain in Persian and possibly draws reference from the many Ottoman fountains found all over the town.

Turkey data

Population: 80 810 525 (2018)

Capital city: Ankara

Official language: Turkish

Currency: Turkish lira (TL or TRY)

Comprehensive information about Turkey is available on the following websites:

<http://www.goturkey.com/>

<http://www.tuik.gov.tr/>

Date and location

The WHO Summer School on Refugee and Migrant Health will start on Monday 15 July 2019 at 09:00 and will close on Friday 19 July 2019. The school will be held in Çeşme, Izmir, Turkey at the Altin Yunus Çeşme Hotel.

Address:

Altin Yunus Çeşme Resort ve Thermal Hotel

Altinyunus Mahallesi, 3215, Sokak No:38, 35948 Çeşme/İzmir, Turkey

Telephone: 444 35 00 / +90 (232) 723 12 50

website: <https://altinyunus.com.tr/>

Registration

Registration will open at 08:00 on Monday 15 July at the Altin Yunus Hotel. Badges and delegate packs will be at the registration desk. The registration desk will continue to be open from Tuesday 16 July to Friday 19 July from 08:30 every day.

Accommodation

The School takes place at Altin Yunus Hotel, where those participants who are provided with accommodation will be staying (14–19 July). Further information and prices for participants who wish to arrive earlier, leave later or who wish to add additional occupancy can be found on page 8.

Welcoming dinner

On Monday 15 July, there will be a welcoming dinner at the ancient city of Teos. Transportation will be provided to the dinner and back to the hotel Altin Yunus. The time of departure will be announced by the end of the day on Monday 15 July. We recommend non-heeled shoes.

Field trip

We are planning a field trip on Wednesday 17 July and would recommend that you bring sun cream and hat.

Working languages and documentation

The working language of the WHO Summer School on Refugee and Migrant Health is English. The official documentation of the session will be available in English. Simultaneous translation will be provided in Turkish.

Transport in Turkey

Transport will be available to all participants from Izmir airport to the hotel and back to the airport during 14–20 July 2019.

A meeting point will be designated with a WHO cardboard at both domestic and international arrival halls at the airport. This can be

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identified by a WHO logo. The timetable for the shuttle will be shared by mail in due course. Kindly note that if you are transiting in Istanbul, you would not take the domestic flight exit from Izmir airport but there are guides that direct to the international arrival for your checked-in luggage.

The hotel is about 85 km from the airport and the journey time by car is around 60 minutes.

All participants should check whether they require a visa for travel to Turkey by visiting the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (<http://www.mfa.gov.tr/visa-information-for-foreigners.en.mfa>).

Citizens of some countries are eligible to apply for an electronic visa (e-visa). Applications for e-visas can be made at www.evisa.gov.tr. The use of the e-visa was introduced on 17 April 2013 as an alternative to the sticker/stamp visas that can be acquired at Turkey's border crossings.

Participants from countries that are not eligible for an e-visa should make their visa applications through their local Turkish Embassy or Consulate.

National passports valid for at least six months after the expiry date of the visa are required for all visa applications.

Meals

Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be served during the week.

Please note: all meals will be served as a buffet.

There will also be two healthy breaks (morning and afternoon) during these days.

Special dietary requirements should be communicated to the administration team by 30 June 2019. Please contact Ms Simona Melki (melkis@who.int) if you have any dietary requirements.

Currency

The currency unit is the Turkish lira (TL or TRY). On 14 June 2019, exchange rates according to the Turkish Central Bank (https://www.tcmb.gov.tr/kurlar/kurlar_tr.html) were US \$ 1 = 5.8932 TRY; €1 = 6.6436 TRY.

Foreign exchange services in banks and exchange offices are widely available in the city centre.

Climate and clothing

Izmir has a typical Mediterranean climate of hot, dry summers and mild, rainy winters. Rainfall levels are low throughout the summer and drought can occur between June and August.

At this time of the year, the climate is generally warm and rainy with an average daytime temperature of 24 °C.

Izmir averages	July
Temperature	23.6 °C
High temperature	29.1 °C
Minimum temperature	18.8 °C
Daily sunshine duration	10.0 hours
Number of rainy days	2.1

Average total monthly rainfall	21.3 (kg/m ²)
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For general information on the climate and up-to-date weather forecasts visit www.meteor.gov.tr or www.mgm.gov.tr

Please note: clothing is informal for all occasions.

Insurance

Participants should make their own arrangements with respect to health and travel insurance. WHO cannot accept liability for personal accidents or loss of or damage to the private property of participants and accompanying people, either during or indirectly arising from attendance at the Summer School on Refugee and Migrant Health 2019.

Personal security

Even though criminality is not high in Turkey, participants are advised to take precautions when moving around and to take care of their personal belongings.

Emergency numbers

Police: 155

Ambulance: 112

Fire emergency: 110

Online and social media

Participants are encouraged to engage in online Twitter conversation, using the hashtag #migrationhealthschool

Participants are also invited to contribute to the School's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/events/443219496245500/>

Photographs and video will be taken during key sessions of the Summer School on Refugee and Migrant Health 2019. Images and footage of participants and proceedings may, therefore, be posted online and on social media. A consent form will be provided on the first day of registration.

Contact

Participants in need of support or urgent assistance can contact Ms Simona Melki on WhatsApp at 0046 739 03 23 98, and Mr Cetin Dikmen at 0090 534 324 52 49.

Social programme

There are several ways of exploring Çeşme; below are a few examples of different options that the Hotel Altin Yunus can offer. Information regarding prices and availability of the following can be obtained from the hotel reception.

Day 1	Half day Çeşme tour: visit Alaçatı, Çeşme City, Cakabey Palace
Day 2	Urla market tour & vineyards (include museum tickets and wine tasting)
Day 3	Barbaro village tour and (Ildır) Erythrai archaeological ruins
Day 4	Izmir sightseeing and Old Bazaar shopping tour
Day 5	Boat tour (meal included)

Accommodation

Participants who wish to add additional nights to those provided (check in 14 July and check out 19 July) or to add occupancies for the room should arrange this themselves through the following email: ebru.osterhoff@altinyunus.com.tr.

The prices provided by the hotel for WHO participants are as follows (given in euros using the conversion rate 1€ = 6.6 TRY)

	Meeting participant		Partner/spouse		1 child, 0–6 years		2 children, 0–6 years		Child over 6 years	
	Meeting dates	Extension	Meeting dates	Extension	Meeting dates	Meeting dates	Meeting dates	Extension	Meeting dates	Extension
Bed and Breakfast sng room rates	N/A	102.3	N/A	34.1	0.0	0.0	N/A	34.1	N/A	34.1
Half-board sng room rates	N/A	112.1	N/A	43.9	0.0	0.0	N/A	39.0	N/A	39.0
Full-board sng room rates	N/A	128.8	42.9	N/A	0.0	0.0	43.0	N/A	43.0	N/A