



**Metropolis-MiReKoc  
Academic Forum  
&  
International Steering Committee Meeting  
Koç University, Sarıyer, ISTANBUL**

**Sadberk Koç Meeting Room  
March 18-20, 2013**

**Academic Forum: Migration and Demographic Change: Causes and Consequences**

The connection between migration and demography is complex where there are different causes and consequences at play. On the one hand, mostly in the global South, we observe relatively high population growth rates, coupled with prolonged life expectancy, which bring about considerable demographic variations between regions and consequent differences in labor supply. On the other hand, in the wealthy countries of the global North, declining fertility rates and ageing populations are already turning into important policy issues as well as causes of demand in different sectors of the labor market. Thus, while we can speak about migration pressure in many countries due to the presence of countless youngsters, there is also an immigration pressure in advanced economies due to the greying of the population and population decline. What do these demographic changes mean for these two different contexts, i.e., the sending and the receiving areas?

It is also within this context that the migration-demography nexus is hotly debated in the case of EU-Turkey relationship. Thus, the Forum intends to elaborate this debate as well, where it aims to highlight contradictory views on the subject: on the one hand, Turkey's potential accession to the EU and the consequential free movement of labour has been suggested as a possible remedy for the ageing and declining European population; on the other hand, while the movement of Turkish workers could help boost the working age population of the EU, it has been viewed as a factor, which would create a burden for the already stretched welfare states of the Union. Hence, the Forum aims to tackle with these issues with presentations from both the global South and the North, and from Turkey and the EU.

## PROGRAM

**Monday March 18**

**Academic Forum**

**Migration and Demographic Change:  
Causes and Consequences**

09:00-09:30

Registration

09:30-10:00

Welcoming Remarks

10:00-12:00

**Panel I: Demography-Migration Nexus**

**Ahmet İçduygu**, Koç University

**Howard Duncan**, Carleton University

**Jon Simmons**, UK Home Office Science

**Peter Schatzer**, IOM

Moderator: **Jan Rath**, University of Amsterdam

Lunch

13:30-15:30

**Panel II: Demography-Migration Nexus: Case of Turkey**

**Ahmet Sinan Türkyılmaz**, Hacettepe University

**Ayhan Kaya**, Bilgi University

**Bernd Geiss**, Former Head, Commission for Migration, Refugees and Integration, Germany

**Refik Erzan**, Boğaziçi University

Moderator: **Deniz Sert**, Koç University

Coffee Break

16:00-18:00

**Panel III: Demography-Migration Nexus: Country Cases**

**Marco Lombardi**, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

**Maria Lucinda Fonseca**, University of Lisbon

**Meera Sethi**, IOM-Ankara

**Pieter Bevelander**, Malmö University

Moderator: **Howard Duncan**, Carleton University

Dinner: Alimento Restaurant

There will be a shuttle service available from the campus to the restaurant, then from the restaurant to the hotel. For more information on the restaurant, please visit: <http://www.alimento.com.tr/index.php>

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| <b>Tuesday March 19</b> | <b>Metropolis International Steering Committee Meeting</b> |
| 09:00-11:00             | ISC Meeting  |
| Coffee Break            |  |
| 11:30-13:30             | ISC Meeting  |
| Lunch                   |  |
| 14:30-16:30             | ISC Meeting  |
| Coffee Break            |  |
| 17:00-19:00             | ISC Meeting  |

Dinner: Kaşibeyaz Yeniköy

There will be a shuttle service available from the campus to the restaurant, then from the restaurant to the hotel. For more information on the restaurant, please visit:

<http://www.kasibeyaz.com.tr/bosphorus/>

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| <b>Wednesday March 20</b> | <b>Cultural Activity</b>                                   |
| 09:00-11:00               | ISC Meeting  |
| Coffee Break              |  |
| 11:30-13:30               | ISC Meeting  |
| Lunch                     |  |
| 14:30-18:30               | Tour of the Old City: Migrants of the Historical Peninsula |

Dinner: Please see suggested restaurants next page.



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## Suggested Restaurants

### *Hamdi Restaurant*

A favourite Istanbul haunt since 1970, Hamdi has phenomenal views overlooking the Golden Horn and Galata that are matched by great food, professional service and a bustling atmosphere. Try the *haydari* (yoghurt with roasted eggplant and garlic), the *içli köfte* (meatballs rolled in *bulgur*) and the *patlıcanlı kebab* (lamb kebab with eggplant) and you'll see what we mean. Any place this good is always going to be busy, so make sure you book, and don't forget to request a rooftop table with a view (outside if the weather is hot). If you get there early (around 6pm), you might be able to score one of these without booking. Enter through the ground-floor baklava shop.

Read more: <http://www.lonelyplanet.com/turkey/istanbul/restaurants/kebab/hamdi-et-lokantasi#ixzz2HTCuAJPP>

### *Khorasani*

When considering *ocakbaşı*, the word stylish doesn't often come to mind. Succulent, yes. Smoky, sometimes. But stylish? Hmm. The owners of this new place off Divan Yolu are aiming to challenge preconceptions with Khorasani, and it seems to be working for their predominantly tourist clientele. Here, the meat plays second fiddle to the surrounds, which are extremely attractive. The chef hails from Antakya, and the kebab style is that of southeastern Anatolia, meaning that a few spicy dishes adorn the menu. A welcome addition to the Sultanahmet eating scene.

Read more: <http://www.lonelyplanet.com/turkey/istanbul/restaurants/kebab/khorasani#ixzz2HTGTz26>

### *Develi*

Develi is located at Samatya, in the shadow of Theodosius' Great Wall. The succulent kebabs here come in many guises and often reflect the season – the *keme kebabı* (truffle kebab) is only served for a few weeks each year, for instance. Prices here are extremely reasonable for the quality of food that is on offer and the service is exemplary – request a table on the roof terrace, which has great sea views. To get here from Sultanahmet, catch a taxi along Kennedy Caddesi (approximately 10 TL) or take the train from Cankurtaran Station (get off at Kocamustafapaşa Station). You'll find Develi inland from the station on a plaza filled with parked cars.

Read more: <http://www.lonelyplanet.com/turkey/istanbul/restaurants/kebab-shwarma/develi#ixzz2HTik7b50>

### *Karaköy Lokantası*

Many travellers will have heard of the famous Pandeli restaurant in the Spice Bazaar, which is known for its gorgeous tiled interior, high prices and – alas – uninspiring food. This family-run *lokanta* across the Galata Bridge in Karaköy has an attractive tiled interior that references Pandeli's, but there the similarity ends. The food here is tasty and inexpensive, and the service is both friendly and efficient. The place functions as a *lokanta* during the day, but at night it morphs into a *meyhane*, with slightly higher prices.

Read more: <http://www.lonelyplanet.com/turkey/istanbul/restaurants/anatolian/karakoy-lokantasi#ixzz2HTK1xvBo>

### *Hacı Abdullah*

Just contemplating the sensational *imam bayıldı* ('the imam fainted') at Hacı Abdullah's makes our tastebuds go into overdrive. This Istanbul institution (it was established in 1888) is one of the best *lokantas* in the city and is one of the essential gastronomic stops you should make when in town. You'll find all the traditional favourites, as well as a wide selection of desserts, including home-bottled fruit compote and a delicious *künefe* (shredded wheat pastry with pistachios, honey and sugar). The elegant surrounds feature bottle upon bottle of pickled vegetables and comfortable banquet seating. No alcohol is served.

Read more: <http://www.lonelyplanet.com/turkey/istanbul/restaurants/anatolian/haci-abdullah#ixzz2HTFVHyIx>

## LOGISTICS

### Accommodation

Rooms are reserved for the participants at Fuat Paşa Yalısı with special rates for Koç University.

Rooms with Street/Atrium View Single Room: 70 Euro, Double Room: 100 Euro (VAT is included)

Rooms with Sea View Single Room: 100 Euro, Double Room: 150 Euro (VAT is included)

The hotel is thought to be built in late 18<sup>th</sup> century. It was used as a house by Keçecizade Fuat Pasha, Sultan Abdülaziz II's grand vizier, for a long time. The building was continued to be used as a house for some more time until it was restored in 1930s to become a hotel.

For more information and reservations, please visit: <http://www.fuatpasa.com.tr/default.asp>

Please mention Koç University during your reservation to receive special rates.

### To/From the Airport

#### *Hotel Transfer*

Fuat Paşa Hotel has transfer services available:

One Way Transfer from Atatürk Airport Fee: 45 Euro

One Way Transfer from Sabiha Gökçen Airport Fee: 55 Euro

#### *By car or taxi*

Taxi from the Atatürk Airport should not cost more than 45 Euro and trip takes almost 60 minutes, which might take more than an hour during rush hour traffic (17:00 – 20:00). Taxi from Sabiha Gökçen Airport should not cost more than 55 Euro and trip takes almost 90 minutes, which might take more than an hour during rush hour traffic (17:00 – 20:00). Please make sure the taximeter is turned on.

#### *By the subway*

You can also take the airport shuttles to Levent or Taksim, which are called Havataş, then take the subway to Haciosman Station and then take a bus or taxi to the hotel; the cost of the taxi should not cost more than 10 Euro, and the total should not cost more than 25 Euro. Again, please make sure that the taximeter is turned on.

### Meeting Venue

The meetings are taking place at Koç University Sarıyer Campus, located in Sarıyer, a neighbourhood on the European side of the city closer to the northern shores of the Black Sea.

The address is: Koç University  
Rumeli Feneri Yolu 34450  
Sarıyer Istanbul

Meetings will take place in the **Sadberk Koç Meeting Room**, on the -2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of the Student Center.

There is a small supermarket, a bank, a hairdresser, a dry-cleaner as well as a post office in the campus.

For further information on the campus life, please visit: <http://ku.edu.tr/en>

### To/From Meeting Hall/Hotel

There will be a shuttle service available from your hotel to the meeting hall every morning at 8:30 am.

### Currency

The currency of Turkey is Turkish Lira (₺). Despite fluctuations in the rates, the rates are approximately 1 USD ≈ 1.7 TL, 1 EURO ≈ 2.3 TL.

**Sightseeing**

For first time visitors to Istanbul, the Old City, where important historical monuments such as St. Sophia, the Blue Mosque, Grand Bazaar, and the Basilica are located, is a *must* see. Afternoon of March 20 Wednesday is scheduled for some sightseeing as well as visiting migrant neighborhoods.

For those who would like to do some shopping, there is a rather new shopping mall called İstinye Park close to your hotel where you can find high end and local brands as well as an extensive selection of restaurants and cafes. The concierge of your hotel can help with arranging a taxi.

For further information about things to do in Istanbul, you can visit: <http://www.timeout.com/istanbul/>

**Further notes**

In case of emergency, or for any other information, please do not hesitate to contact Dr. Deniz Sert at her +90 535 256 0709, or Deniz Karıcı at +90 532 205 0935.

We hope you would have a pleasant time in Istanbul!



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