

PROGRAM

The Role of Local Authorities in developing Trade in Our Cities

5 - 8 September 2014 Ankara, TURKEY

PARALLEL SESSION FOR YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING	
6 September 2014, Saturday	
14.00 – 14.45	Presentations of Youth Delegates on "The Protection of the Young People from Organized Crime and Drug Addiction"
14.45 – 15.00	Coffee Break
15.00 – 16.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preparation of Policy Recommendations and Speech on "The Protection of the Young People from Organized Crime and Drug" - Selection of Spokesperson for Closing Session of General Assembly

7 September 2014, Sunday	
SITE VISITS	
10.00 – 12.00	Anka Park Ulus Historical Town Center
12.30 – 14.00	Lunch
14.00 – 16.30	Community Center for All: Family Life Center Armada Shopping Mall
16.30 – 19.00	Free Time
19.00 – 19.15	Janissary Band Show
19.15 – 21.00	Farewell Dinner (Ala Restaurant) Northern Ankara Star Park
8 September 2014, Monday	
All Day	Check-Out & Departures of the Delegations

5 September 2014, Friday	
All Day	Arrivals of the Delegations & Check-in
19.30	Welcoming Reception
6 September 2014, Saturday	
GENERAL ASSEMBLY	
10.00 – 11.00	Opening Ceremony Welcoming Speeches - Mr. Melih Gökçek, Mayor of Ankara - Mr. Valeriu Ghiletschi, Chairperson of Committee on Social - Affairs, Health and Sustainable Development of PACE - Mr. Mevlut Cavusoglu, Minister of Foreign Affairs - Mr. Ahmet Davutoglu, Prime Minister of Turkey (TBC) - Family Photo
11.00 – 12.30	1st Session of General Assembly Session Moderator: Mr. Melih Gokcek Speakers: Mr. Valeriu Ghiletschi, Mr. Ramazan Kabasakal, Ms. Aiste Ramanauskaitė <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adoption of the Agenda - Presentation of Annual Report - Selection of Host City for 2014 Presidium Meeting - Remarks of PACE & Closing Remarks
12.30 – 14.00	Lunch
CONFERENCE ON "The Role of Local Authorities in Developing Trade in Our Cities" Presentations of Member Towns and Experts	
14.00 – 15.00	2nd Session Session Moderator: Prof. Dr. Mehmet Seyfettin Erol, Gazi University <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Assistant Prof. Dr. Sayim Türkman - Mr. Jürgen Schnitzmeier, Chief Executive of Mülheim & Business GmbH, - Ms. Maja Wagner & Ms. Beata Szadziul, City Councilors of Gdynia - Mrs. Barbara Akdeniz, City Councilor of Darmstadt - Prof. Dr. Mehmet Seyfettin Erol, Gazi University
14.45 – 15.00	Coffee Break
15.15 – 16.15	3rd Session Session Moderator: Prof. Dr. Mustafa ERAVCI, Yildirim Beyazit University <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mrs. Gertrud Maltz-Schwarzfischer, Deputy Mayor of Regensburg - Ms. Dorota Balukonis, Treasurer City of Slupsk & Mr. Andrey Wojtowicz, Chairman of the Board "Wodociagi Slupsk - Mr. Piotr Grzybowski, Head of the Department of European Funds and Development, Czestochowa - Mr. Igor Terekhov, Acting Mayor of Kharkov - Prof. Dr. Mustafa ERAVCI, Yildirim Beyazit University
16.15 – 16.30	Coffee Break
16.30 – 17.00	Closing Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Speech of Youth Delegation Spokesperson on the Policy Recommendations of Youth Committee - Adopting Ankara Resolution - Closing Remarks of the President of the Association
19.00 – 21.30	- Gala Dinner



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GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2014 & YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING
5-8 SEPTEMBER, ANKARA





ULUS HISTORICAL TOWN CENTER (ULUS TARİHİ KENT MERKEZİ)

Due to the high rate of immigration after Ankara being a capital, Ulus and its vicinity, which used to be a central place of residence, were neglected. As a result of that the spiritual, traditional and historical values have started to disappear. At the end of a long-term planning process, in 2010, an area of 120 hectares in Ulus district is declared as "Renovation Area" and then Ulus Historical Town Center Project has started from Hacı Bayram Veli Mosque and its surrounding which is adjacent to Temple of Augustus in Ulus, which was built between 1427 and 1428 by Hacı Bayram Veli. The square which consist of old and traditional Ankara Houses are being restored with original material of construction.

Following stages of Ulus Historical Town Center Restoration project will be visited;

- Hacıbayram Mosque
- Traditional Ankara Houses
- Augustus Temple Fortification
- Güvercin Street



ANKA PARK

The theme park of the city, which is under construction on 1.25 million square meters, consists of two parts, amusement park and the zoo. Monorail will be used for the connection between two parts. Anka Park is designed accordance to the climate conditions of Ankara as indoor and outdoor spaces.

Over a thousand toys including 7m height transformers and 14 Roller Coasters are located at this theme park which reaches up to 35m high with a rail length of 900 meters. 150 thousand trees will be planted. Almost 200 animal species will be found at Natural Park without fences.

It is expected that the Park will be one of the most visited attraction point of the whole region and 10 million people will visit per year.

KUŞÇAĞIZ COMMUNITY CENTER (KUŞÇAĞIZ AİLE YAŞAM MERKEZİ)

Community Centers are the places which are located at the central districts that the citizens can benefit from the various activities such as sports, cultural, social, and education. Target groups of the community centers are the people who have low income or in a disadvantageous position. Children, youth, women, disabled and elderly people are supported at these centers by increasing the knowledge, skill and education. Also cultural and art activities take place.

Kuscagiz Community Center will be visited which is the biggest community center of Turkey that offers entertainment, education, sportive, cultural and art activities.



NORTHERN ANKARA STAR PARK (ANKARA KUZEY YILDIZI)

Northern Ankara Entrance Urban Regeneration Project has aimed at realizing a spatial, economical and communal transformation. Through the implementation of the Project, nearly 6500 families who lived in the project area at the shanty settlements, have the opportunity to pass their lives in a more hygienic and modern environment, sufficient green zones as well as high standards of infrastructure, social and cultural services.

In this context the ninth giant recreational area of the city on 750 thousand square meters with an artificial lake is created at the region.

YOUTH PARK (GENÇLİK PARKI)

The Youth Park (Gençlik Parkı) is the first city park of Ankara and the Republic which is located at Ulus – Sıhhiye region on 107.000 m². Park is an important recreational area used every season, a place to meet. Night view of park and city attract citizens where water show with music and light are performed in summer.

