



Participant Guide



TURKISH-GERMAN POLITICAL AND CULTURAL SUMMIT

IstKon Student Exchange



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1. The Vision

The IstKon – Student Exchange is a unique programme, organized by students – for students.

We, students from Konstanz and Istanbul, have a vision, which comes through this „Turkish – German Political and Cultural Summit“ alive:

- The vision of exchanging ideas and experiences across our country borders, across political and cultural differences and across students from our both universities
- The vision to meet people from a different political and cultural background to understand each other and to overcome prejudice and stereotypes
- The vision to start working together for a better future of our societies and our world!

We are here together to fill this vision with our ideas and actions – All together we can make a difference!

2. The Organizers

IstKon is only possible because of the work of around 30 students from the Marmara University of Istanbul and the University of Konstanz.

Mainly students of the International Relations Club of Marmara University and of the Student Body of Politics and Public Administration of University of Konstanz committed their time, energy and knowledge in the planning and implementation of this project.

No one of us has ever organized an event in this size and with these many difficulties – thus we are amazingly happy to see that everything worked out very well and that no one of us did stop believing in IstKon – even if there were situations we had to face serious crises and problems.

The Core Organizers from both Universities want to thank every single person who participated in the comprehensive and time-consuming planning and implementation. It is amazing how we combined all our energies from every single person who worked on this project to make this project come alive!

- **THANK YOU SO MUCH! – you’ve done an AMAZING job!**

3. The IstKon Programme

We are happy to present you the final version of our comprehensive political and cultural programme, which we have been working on for the last months. We hope that we found a good mix between academical workshops with interesting guests and cultural and fun activities. We additionally hope that you can participate in most of our activities since we think it is important to a strong group cohesiveness this week. A group which does not exclude anyone and is open and tolerant.

We have six academical workshops, our student presentations, a guest presentation and a panel discussion as part of our academical programme during the week.

Furthermore, we will enjoy evening activities like a nice dinner in a very good restaurant on Sunday, a BBQ evening, a Club night, a Cultural and Culinary Evening, a visit of a mosque for Iftar and a big Farewell Party, which are all totally free for the participants thanks to our many sponsors.

3.1. Head of the Day (HoD)

The so-called *Head of the Day* is the person who will lead us through the day. This person will announce the parts of the programme and, if necessary, inform you about changes of the schedule time, the meeting points or anything else which is connected to the programme. You can find the name of these *Head of the Day* in the programme overview and on top of the detailed schedules.

The Head of the day is also the first person to contact in case of any questions regarding the day he oversees.

If you are late or you cannot join the activities of the day due to unexpected reasons – please contact the Head of the Day. This is important for us, so that we know that no one is missing or lost.

3.2. Pre-Day Briefing

Every evening at around 20:00, you will get the so called Pre-Day Briefing for the programme of the next day from the Head of the next day.

In this Pre-Day Briefing, you will find the updated version of the schedule (there might be some small changes from the schedule announced here!), all meeting points and times and further important information about the next day's programme activities.

We will upload them in our big IstKon Participants Facebook group.

Please make sure you read the Pre-day Briefing every day to get informed about possible changes in our schedule!

3.3. Overview

IstKon Student Exchange 16th to 25th of June

Official Schedule:

Time	Friday 16.06.17	Saturday 17.06.17	Sunday 18.06.17	Monday 19.06.17	Tuesday 20.06.17	Wednesday 21.06.17	Thursday 22.06.17	Friday 23.06.17	Saturday 24.06.17	Sunday 25.06.17
Head of the Day	Jonas	Jonas	Markus	Johannes	Jonas	Markus	Jonas	Johannes	Johannes	Johannes
Morning 09:00am - 11:45pm		Free Day together with your Buddies (Enjoying Time at the Lake & Town)	10:00: The big Meet & Greet (Uni)	8:45: Official Welcome & Breakfast in the "Wolkenstein saal" (Wessenberg -strasse 41)	09:00: Guided City Tour (mp: "Historische Abend Uhr")	Free time	Many Activities to choose from	Thematic Block "Turkish and German Foreign Policy" (Uni)	Thematic Block "Islamic Policy of AKP" (Uni)	10:00: Farewell and Departure from Konstanz
Noon 11:45am - 01:30pm		Voluntary Offer: Going together to the Lake to "Hörnle"	Lunch	Thematic Block "Secularism: Pluralism vs Laicism"	Free Time	12:00: Excursion to Meersburg (mp: At the Ferrystation Meersburg)	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	
Afternoon 01:30pm – 05:00pm	Briefing of German Participants		Presentation : Introduction into German and Turkish Politics (Uni)	Lunch and Presentation by Prof. Donnay: "Using Social Media to Study Public Discontent"	Thematic Block "Human Rights in Turkey and the EU" (Uni)	Excursion to Meersburg	Thematic Block "Pluralism" (Uni)	Thematic Block "Refugees" (Uni)	Concluding Session / Evaluation (Uni)	
Evening 05.00pm – 08.00pm	Drive to Konstanz	Evaluation & Free Time	Evaluation & Free Time	Evaluation & Free Time	Evaluation & Free Time	Evaluation & Free Time	Evaluation & Dinner in University	Evaluation & Free Time	Free Time	
Night from 8pm onwards	Arrival	Pub Crawl (Pubs in Konstanz)	Dinner together (Constanzer Wirtshaus)	Clubnight (Berry's)	BBQ Dinner (Bismarkturm)	20:30: Breaking the Fast in the Mosque of Konstanz (mp: "Bike Bridge")	Panel Discussion "Germany as an Immigration Country" (Uni; R611)	Culinary and Cultural Evening (mp: "Café Mondial" Zum Husenstein 12)	21:00: Farewell Party (Orange X)	

Mp = meeting point

3.4. Friday 16.06.17 – Arrival Day (Jonas)

Time	Programme	Location	Comment
13:30 - 15:00	Last Meeting of Konstanz group	Uni Room D522	
15:00 - 20:00	Last Preparations - Preparing the house for the guests etc.	Host	
18:40	Arrival of the Turkish group in Zürich - Logistic team will pick you up	Zürich Airport	
19:30 - 20:30	Drive to Konstanz		
~ 20:30	Arrival in Konstanz - Hosts and buddies pick up the guests at Zähringer Platz - We will inform you about the ex- act pick up time through Face- book when we know the arriving time of the Istanbul group	Zähringer platz (Feu- erwache)	The arrival time might be later if there is a lot of traf- fic
21:00 – open end	Evening together with Host	Host	

3.5. Saturday 17.06.17 – Host / Buddy Day (Jonas)

Time	Programme	Location	Comments
9:00 – 10:00	Breakfast with Host	Host	
10:00 – 13:00	Getting to know Konstanz Free time with Host / Buddy	Konstanz	
13:00 – 17:00	Free Time // Relaxing at the Lake - If you want to relax at the lake you can join us there - You can take a bath or just enjoy the rest at the lake - There is a free Reggea Festival (“Reggea in my garden” where you could also go after the relaxing time)	„Hörnle“ Stadtgarten	The location and time will be posted in our group on Saturday
17:00 – 20:00	Free Time with Hosts / Buddies Dinner with Host / Buddy / in town	Konstanz	If some hosts / buddies are busy with something else or not available – please give your guest into the care of another host / buddy
20:30 – open end	Pub Crawl in Konstanz - If you want to get to know some traditional Konstanz Pubs we suggest you to join our pub crawl - Also non-alcoholic drinks are served - Good chance to chat and get to know each other	To be announced	We will have mixed groups so you can get to know more people

3.6. Sunday 18.06.17 – Getting to know each other (Markus)

Time	Programme	Location	Comments
9:00 – 10:00	Breakfast with Host	Host	
9:45 – 12:00	Getting to know each other <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Short introduction to the programme by the organizers - Getting to know each other activities 	Uni	Meeting point 9:45 Uni Foyer
12:00 – 13:30	Lunch	Uni	
13:30 – 15:00	Getting to know the topics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentations of Istanbul group - Presentations of Konstanz group 	Uni	
15:00– 15:30	Coffee Break	Uni	
15:30 – 17:00	Team Game	Area around the Uni	
17:00 – 20:00	Free Time	Host	
20:00 – Open end	Dinner in Konstanzer Wirtshaus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dinner together from 21:30 (because of Ramadan) 	Konstanzer Wirtshaus	

3.7. Monday 19.06.17- Official Opening Day (Johannes)

Time	Programme	Location	Comments
8:30 – 10:30	Official Opening Ceremony 8:30: Arrival 9:00 Speech of Rector of Uni Konstanz + other speeches 9:30 Breakfast together	Wolkensteinsaal In the center of the old town of Konstanz, opposite of the Münster	Please be there in time as our Rector cannot wait with his speech.
10:30 - 12:00	Workshop I.I: “Secularism: Pluralism vs Laicism”	Wolkensteinsaal	
12:00– 13:30	Coffee Break + Snacks	Wolkensteinsaal	
13:30 – 15:00	Workshop I.II: “Secularism: Pluralism vs Laicism”	Wolkensteinsaal	
15:00 – 15:30	Pizza Lunch	Wolkensteinsaal	
15:30 – 16:30	Presentation about Social Media in Germany and Turkey by Prof. Donnay	Wolkensteinsaal	
16:30 - 17:00	Reflection Time	Wolkensteinsaal	
17:00 – 21:00	Free Time	Host	
~ 20:00 – 22:30	Come Together // Pre-Party	Herosepark (Seerhein)	You can also just join our come together even if you don't want to go to the club.
22:30 – open end	Club Night in Berry's - Getting to know the Konstanz night life - FREE ENTRANCE and drinks for half of the price for all of us (with valid student ID)	Berry's (Industrial area)	Please bring your ID and students ID

3.8. Tuesday 20.06.17 - City Tour and Workshop Day (Jonas)

Time	Programme	Location	Comments
9:00 - 12:00	9:00: Guided City tour of Konstanz <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Learning about the buildings and history - Getting to know nice places - Enjoying some free time in the old town afterwards 	Historical harbour watch → next to the ticket office of the shipping companies	Please be there in time as our guide cannot wait with his tour!
Own bus transfer to Uni			
12:00 - 13:30	Lunch	Uni Dining Hall	
13:30 - 15:00	Workshop II.I: “Human Rights in Turkey and the EU”	Uni	
15:00- 15:30	Coffee break	Uni	
15:30 - 17:00	Workshop II.II: “Human Rights in Turkey and the EU”	Uni	
17:00 - 17:30	Reflection Time	Uni	
17:30 - 20:00	Free Time	Hosts	
20:00 – open end	Barbecue Evening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Food and Drinks are provided! 	Bismarckturnm With great view over Konstanz	Please bring your own dishes!

3.9. Wednesday 21.06.17 - Excursion Day (Markus)

Time	Programme	Location	Comments
9:00 - 12:00	Free Time	Hosts	
12:00 - 17:00	<p>Excursion to Meersburg on the other lake side</p> <p>Meeting Point at 12:00 At the ferry to Meersburg</p> <p>Free visiting time: from 12:30 - 14:30</p> <p>- Lunch in Meersburg (either you buy food there or you bring your lunch with you)</p> <p>Visit of Meersburg Castle at 15:00</p> <p>17:00 Ferry back to Konstanz</p>	Staad // Ferry	
17:00 - 20:00	Free Time	Hosts	You don't have to eat as we will get food in the mosque.
20:45- Open End	<p>Iftar - Fast-Breaking at a local Mosque</p> <p>20:45: Meeting at end of Bike Bridge at Herosépark - walking together to the mosque</p> <p>21:30 Iftar – fast breaking at the Mosque</p>	MP: end of Bike Bridge at Herosépark	<p>Dresscode: Modest clothing (socks are mandatory!)</p> <p>Women: scarf to cover hair</p>

3.10. Thursday 22.06.17 - Activities and Workshop day (Jonas)

Time	Programme	Location	Comments
9:00 – 11:30	Different Activities to choose <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Beach Volleyball</i> - <i>National Museum of Archaeology</i> - <i>Muenster of Konstanz (guided tour)</i> - <i>Swimming in the Lake of Constance</i> - <i>Football</i> 	Location and meeting points and times will be announced	
12:00 - 13:30	Lunch	Uni Dining Hall	
13:30 - 15:00	Workshop III.I: “Governance and Crisis of (Religious) Pluralism”	Uni	
15:00 - 15:30	Coffee Break	Uni	
15:30 - 17:00	Workshop III.II: “Governance and Crisis of (Religious) Pluralism”	Uni	
17:00 - 17:30	Reflection Time	Uni	
17:30 – 18:30	Dinner at University Dining Hall	Uni Dining Hall	
18:30 - 20:00	Panel debate „Germany as an Immigration Country – Challenges and Embarrassments in the Background of Turkish Integration history “ Speakers: - <i>Ministerialrat Dr. Andreas Wüst,</i> - <i>Prof. Dr. Claudia Diehl (Sociology)</i>	R611	
20:00 – open end	Free Evening		

3.11. Friday 23.06.17 - Workshop Day (Johannes)

Time	Programme	Location	Comments
9:00 - 10:30	Workshop IV.I: “Turkish and German Foreign Policy”	Uni	
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee Break	Uni	
11:00 - 12:30	Workshop IV.II: “Turkish and German Foreign Policy”	Uni	
12:30 - 13:30	Lunch	University Dining Hall	
13:30 - 15:00	Workshop V.I: “Turkish and European Refugee Policies”	Uni	
15:00 - 15:30	Coffee Break	Uni	
15:30 - 17:00	Workshop V.II: “Turkish and European Refugee Policies”	Uni	
17:00 - 17:30	Reflection Time	Uni	
17:30 – 20:00	Free Time	Hosts	
20:00 – open end	Cultural and Culinary Evening - German and Turkish Cuisine - Games	Café Mondial Zum Hussenstein 12	

3.12. Saturday 24.06. – Final Day (Johannes)

Time	Programme	Location	Comments
9:00 - 10:30	Workshop VI.I: “Islamic Policy of AKP”	Uni	
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee Break		
11:00 - 12:30	Workshop VI.II: “Islamic Policy of AKP”	Uni	
12:30 - 13:30	Lunch (Vesper)	Uni	
13:30 - 15:00	Evaluation and Feedback	Uni	
15:00 - 15:30	Coffee Break	Uni	
15:30 - 17:00	The Future? Official Farewell	Uni	
17:00 - 21:00	Free Time - Packing of luggage - Dinner with hosts	Hosts	
21:00 - open end	Big farewell party! Let’s have a last great time together with a big farewell party only for us and our friends!	Orange X Oberlohnstraße 3	

3.13. Sunday 25.06. – Departure Day (Johannes)

Time	Programme	Location	Comments
09:00 - 10:00	Farewell from Hosts	Hosts	
10:00 - 10:30	Group Farewell + Departure from Konstanz	Zähringerplatz (Feuerwache)	
10:30 - 12:00	Drive to Zürich		
12:00 - 14:00	Check-in at Airport	Airport Zürich	
14:20	Departure from Zürich to Istanbul	Airport Zürich	

4. Emergency Contacts

During the conference, we have three main organizers, who you should consider contacting if you have any question/feedback/or bad feeling about anything. They will change the position of *Master of the Day* daily, but do not doubt to contact any of them!

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5. Social Media

As our world is getting more and more interconnected, we want to keep you updated as well. You won't miss any moment of the conference!

Our official Hashtag is **#IstKon** and it would be great if you use this in all your personal posts on Facebook, Instagram, ...



- On Facebook, we will keep you informed through our Facebook event "**IstKon Student Exchange**". Check out all the information about the dialogues, info-sessions, workshops, cultural nights, and many other activities. This will happen with the goal and strong belief of connecting the youth living in these countries during times of political and social controversy, that they face today.



- Our Instagram account will show you all the happy, funny, thoughtful, serious, and memorable moments of the best exchange ever.
Follow us on: **istkon.exchange**



- Our Snapchat account "**istkon**" will be catching the actual moods and special moments!



- On our YouTube channel "**istkon student exchange**" we will present you videos of the project.

6. Our Sponsors

IstKon is not only possible because of all the organizers but also because of all the sponsors who support this programme with money and as well with practical help.

We are lucky to have enough funds to almost fully finance the whole programme for all the participants!

We thus highly thank the following institutions for their support!

6.1. VEUK e.V. (Alumni Association of University of Konstanz)

The VEUK e.V supports IstKon not only with 5.000 € but also with a lot of practical help. As first and one of the biggest sponsors of our project, the whole organizing team wants to thank the VEUK e.V. and especially Mats Goch – our contact person -for the great support we enjoyed during our preparations. The VEUK e.V. is the Alumni association of the University of Konstanz and supports us within a project competition which we could win with our project IstKon.

**Verein der Ehemaligen
der Universität Konstanz e.V.**

6.2. Deutsch – Türkische Jugendbrücke

The “Deutsch – Türkische Jugendbrücke” is our second main sponsor with also 5.000€ of support for IstKon. This organization is promoting and supporting youth exchanges between young Turkish and German people. The whole organizing team wants to thank the Deutsch – Türkische Jugendbrücke for their big support.



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6.3. “Verfasste Studierendenschaft” / Student Representation Body of University of Konstanz

The “Student Representation Body of University of Konstanz” supports us with funds from their budget. For this support, the organizers want to thank them very much.



6.4. Studierendenwerk Seezeit

The “Seezeit” is the students social service provider in Konstanz which is running a lot of student dorms but also the University Cafeteria. We thank Seezeit for their support of IstKon – namely the sponsoring of 90 free meals in the Cafeteria which we will enjoy during our stay.



6.5. International Office - University of Konstanz

The International Office of the University of Konstanz supports our excursion to Meersburg and also helped us during our preparations very much. The organizers thank the International Office for this support.



6.6. Kreisparkasse Bodensee

The Kreisparkasse Bodensee, a local bank is also supporting IstKon with 100 € for what we thank them a lot.

