



**29<sup>th</sup> UMEMPS CONGRESS**  
**UNION of MIDDLE EASTERN and**  
**MEDITERRANEAN PEDIATRIC SOCIETIES**

*UNION DES SOCIETES DE PEDIATRIE DU*  
*MOYEN-ORIENT ET DE LA MEDITERRANEE*

*29. UMEMPS KONGRESİ*  
*ORTADOĞU VE AKDENİZ ÜLKELERİ*  
*PEDİATRİ DERNEKLERİ BİRLİĞİ*

**September 14<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> 2005**

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## TIMETABLE OF SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

14 <sup>th</sup> September 2005, Wednesday		15 <sup>th</sup> September 2005, Thursday	
14:00 - 19:30	Registration	09:00 - 10:00	Main Hall
18:00 - 19:30	Welcome Address	<i>PROF. DR. IHSAN DOGRAMACI LECTURE</i>	
19:30 - 21:00	Welcome Reception	Child survival, health and development	
10:00 - 11:00		10:00 - 11:00	Main Hall      Hall 2
		<i>INTENSIVE CARE</i>	<i>ALLERGY</i>
		Septic shock	Asthma
11:00 - 11:15		11:00 - 11:15	Coffee Break
11:15 - 12:30		11:15 - 12:30	Main Hall      Hall 2
		<i>NEONATOLOGY</i>	<i>ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH</i>
		Perinatal mortality	Environmental effects
12:30 - 13:30		12:30 - 13:30	Abdi İbrahim Satellite Symposium
14:00 - 15:00		13:30 - 14:30	White Satellite Symposium
		14:00 - 15:00	Main Hall
		<i>GENETIC DISEASES</i>	
		Genetic diagnosis	
15:00 - 15:15		15:30 - 15:45	Coffee Break
15:15 - 16:30		15:45 - 17:00	Main Hall      Hall 2
		<i>CARDIOLOGY</i>	<i>EAR NOSE THROAT</i>
		Future of the pediatric cardiology	Upper respiratory tract infections
16:30 - 17:30		17:30 - 18:00	Poster Discussion

## TIMETABLE OF SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

16 <sup>th</sup> September 2005, Friday		17 <sup>th</sup> September 2005, Saturday	
09:00 - 10:00	Main Hall	09:00 - 10:00	Hall 3
<i>INFECTIOUS DISEASES</i>	<i>NOVARTIS SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM</i>	<i>NEONATAL SCREENING</i>	
Rational drug use in children	Atopic dermatitis in children	Neonatal screening problem	
09:00 - 10:00	Hall 3		
<i>ICC</i>			
10:00 - 11:00	Main Hall      Hall 2	10:00 - 11:00	Main Hall      Hall 2
<i>NUTRITION</i>	<i>ONCOLOGY &amp; HEMATOLOGY</i>	<i>GASTROENTEROLOGY</i>	<i>SURGERY &amp; ORTHOPEDICS</i>
Childhood obesity	Pediatrics tumors and acute leukemia		
10:00 - 11:00	Hall 3		
<i>ICC</i>			
11:00 - 11:15	Coffee Break	11:00 - 11:15	Coffee Break
11:15 - 12:30	Main Hall      Hall 2	11:15 - 12:30	Main Hall
<i>NEPHROLOGY</i>	<i>INFECTIOUS DISEASES</i>	<i>CHILD HEALTH IN EMERGENCY SITUATION</i>	
Urinary tract infections	Childhood tuberculosis	Child health in war and earthquake	
12:30 - 13:30	Ali Raif Satellite Symposium (Main Hall)	12:30 - 14:00	Poster Discussion
13:30 - 14:30	Bebelac Satellite Symposium (Main Hall)		
14:30 - 15:30	Main Hall	14:30 - 15:30	Main Hall
<i>NEUROLOGY</i>		<i>GROWTH RETARDATION</i>	
		Clinical approach and new treatment modalities	
15:30 - 15:45	Coffee Break	15:30 - 15:45	Coffee Break
15:45 - 17:30	Hall 2	15:45 - 17:00	Main Hall
<i>FAMILIAL MEDITERRANEAN FEVER (FMF)</i>		<i>FREE ORAL PRESENTATIONS</i>	
Spectrum of FMF			
17:00 - 18:00	Poster Discussion	17:00	Closing Ceremony
20:30	Gala Dinner		

## Message From President,

It is a great pleasure for me to invite you to the 29th UMEMPS (Union of Middle Eastern and Mediterranean Pediatric Societies) Congress on September 14-17, 2005. The congress will take place at the Hilton Hotel Convention & Exhibition Center in the enchanting city of Istanbul. This congress will be in conjunction with the 49th Turkish National Pediatric Society Meeting.



We have an exceptional scientific program of high standards and the opportunity to exchange thoughts, experience and scientific information in the field of pediatrics. We are confident that this congress will appeal to the wide range of interests of our members and guests.

The congress will bring together all Mediterranean Pediatric Societies and more than 500 participants will join our congress.

Another striking aspect of this congress is its location: Istanbul is one of the most beautiful and magnificent cities of the world, a meeting point of two continents, a jewel adorning the two banks of the Bosphorus. The capital of three glorious empires Roman, Byzantine and Ottoman. People of different religion lived and are still living together in peace and tolerance. Istanbul is a living history an open air museum, with its ancient city walls, magnificent mosques, churches, wonderful palaces, old towers and bridges the Golden Horn and Grand Bazaar and two modern bridges that link Europe and Asia.

We look forward to welcoming participants from far and wide to the exciting city of Istanbul on September 2005.

**Enver Hasanoğlu M. D.**  
President of the Congress

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## TOURS

### EPHESUS & PERGAMON: 12 - 14 September 2005 or 19 - 21 September 2005

Departure time	: 06:30
SGL room price	: 435.-USD
Per person in DBL room	: 350.-USD
Airfare (approximately)	: 185.-USD



Rates includes accommodation on half board basis in a 4 star hotel, all airport transfers, transportation by deluxe coaches, English speaking professional guide, lunches and admission fees mentioned in the program, service charge and VAT.

#### Day 1

Early flight to Izmir and drive to Selçuk for visits the ancient city of Ephesus. Lunch will be taken at a local restaurant. Dinner and overnight in Kusadasi.

#### Day 2

Departure for Izmir. After a short visit of the ancient Smyrna and the City proceed to the ancient city of Pergamon. Visiting the temple of Athena, Temple of Trajanus, Agora, Library - Altar of Zeus and Asklepeidon, which is the world's oldest and first Medical treatment center. Lunch will be served at a local restaurant in Pergamon. Dinner and overnight in Kusadasi.

#### Day 3

Return flight to Istanbul from Izmir in the morning.

### ANKARA & CAPPADOCIA: 12 - 14 September 2005 or 19 - 21 September 2005

SGL room price	: 515.-USD
Per person in DBL room	: 420.-USD
Airfare (approximately)	: 185.-USD



Rates includes accommodation on half board basis in a 4 star hotel, all airport transfers, transportation by deluxe coaches, English speaking professional guide, lunches and admission fees mentioned in the program, service charge and VAT.

#### Day 1

Early flight to Ankara - the capital of Turkey. Visit to Anatolian Civilizations Museum and the Musoleum of Atatürk, the founder of the Republic of Turkey. Lunch will be taken at a local restaurant in Ankara. After the lunch proceed to Cappadocia. Dinner and overnight in Cappadocia.

#### Day 2

Departure for the open-air museum of Göreme, Rock Chapels and Monasteries, Zelve Valley, the natural Citadels of Uçhisar and Urgüp and finally the underground city of Kaymaklı. Lunch will be served in a local restaurant. Dinner and overnight in Cappadocia.

#### Day 3

Transfer to the airport of Kayseri or Ankara for the flight to Istanbul.

## TOURS

### **BAZAARS: 15th – 16th – 17th September 2005**

The tour will be operated minimum for 20 persons.

Departure time : 14:00  
Return time : 17:00  
Per person : 20.-USD + VAT



Shopping opportunity in ancient famous Grand Bazaar. In addition to its historical importance, it's a bazaar that will tempt even the non-shoppers with its rich collection of precious handmade carpets, jeweler, leather and souvenirs.

### **ISTANBUL BY NIGHT: 15th – 16th September 2005**

The tour will be operated minimum for 20 persons.

Departure time : 19:30  
Return time : 23:30  
Per person : 50.-USD + VAT



Drive through the illuminated streets of Istanbul and stop in an exclusive nightclub to taste the joy of the famous Turkish cuisine while the spectacular Oriental Show will be performed by well-known belly dancers, folk groups from various regions of Anatolia and Turkish singers.

### **TROY: 15th – 16th – 17th September 2005**

The tour will be operated minimum for 30 persons.

Departure time : 06:30  
Return time : 23:00  
Per person : 95.-USD + VAT



Early start to the ancient city of Troy, famous with the legendary Trojan horse from the times of beautiful Helen, The Queen of Sparta, and Paris the Trojan Prince. Lunch will be served at a local restaurant at Çanakkale, cross the Dardanelle by ferry and visit the Gallipolis, famous battle-field of Anzacs, during World War I. Return to Istanbul late evening.

### **EPHESUS (Daily Trip): 15th – 16th – 17th September 2005**

Departure time : 06:30  
Return time : 19:30  
Per person : 215.-USD + VAT  
Airfare (approximately) : 185.-USD



Early flight to Izmir and drive to Selçuk for visiting the ancient city of Ephesus, formerly the capital of Ionia in Asia Minor. Lunch will be served at a local restaurant. Return to Istanbul by evening flight from Izmir.

## SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

### **14<sup>th</sup> September 2005, Wednesday**

14:00 – 19:30 Registration  
Hilton Convention Center  
18:00 – 19:30 Welcome Address  
19:30 – 21:00 *Welcome Reception*

### **15<sup>th</sup> September 2005, Thursday**

09:00 – 10:00 **PROF. DR. IHSAN DOGRAMACI LECTURE (Main Hall)**  
**Chairpersons:** Adenike Grange (IPA), Theodore Thomaidis (Greece)  
Child survival, health and development, *Jane Schaller (USA)*

10:00 – 11:00 **INTENSIVE CARE (Main Hall)**  
**Chairpersons :** Nedret Uzel (Turkey), Ayfer Gür Güven (Turkey)  
Pathophysiology of septic shock, *Joseph Haddad (Lebanon)*  
Septic shock: New treatment modalities, *Hülya Bayır (USA)*

10:00 – 11:00 **ALLERGY (Hall 2)**  
**Chairpersons:** Moulay S. Afif (Morocco), Ülker Öneş (Turkey)  
The new treatment modalities in asthma, *Dejan Dokic (Macedonia)*

11:00 – 11:15 Coffee Break

11:15 – 12:30 **NEONATOLOGY (Main Hall)**  
**Chairpersons:** Paul Haddad (Lebanon), Yıldız Atalay (Turkey)  
Perinatal mortality in UMEMPS countries  
Syria, *Munzer S. El - Haddadin (Syria)*  
Libya, *İbrahim Al - Zubaidi (Libya)*  
Lebanon, *Robert Sacy (Lebanon)*  
Egypt, *Gamal Samy Aly (Egypt)*  
Turkey, *Saadet Arsan (Turkey)*

11:15 – 12:30 **ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH (Hall 2)**  
**Chairpersons:** Vjekoslav Krzelej (Croatia), Ufuk Beyazova (Turkey)  
Strategy to reduce the global burden of disease due to air pollution in children, *Dieter Schwela (Italy)*  
Environmental threats to children: Should pediatricians take action now?  
*Maria Solomou (Cyprus)*  
Environmental effects on child health, *A. Murat Tuncer (Turkey)*

12:30 – 13:30 **ABDI İBRAHİM SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM (Main Hall)**

13:30 – 14:30 **WHITE SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM (Main Hall)**

14:30 – 15:30 **GENETIC DISEASES (Main Hall)**

**Chairpersons:** Damien Bonnet (France), Ibrahim Erkul (Turkey)

Genetics of congenital heart diseases, *Damien Bonnet (France)*  
Challenges in prenatal diagnosis, *Derya Erçal (Turkey)*

15:30 – 15:45 Coffee Break

15:45 – 17:00 **CARDIOLOGY (Main Hall)**

**Chairpersons:** Jean Kachaner (France), Türkan Ertuğrul (Turkey)

Future of pediatric heart transplantation, *Jean Kachaner (France)*  
Children at risk of atherosclerosis, *Vjekoslav Krzelej (Croatia)*

17:00 – 17:30 **EAR NOSE THROAT (ENT) (Hall 2)**

**Chairpersons:** Raymond Kamel (Lebanon), Baha Taneli (Turkey)

Recent advances in the treatment of upper respiratory tract infections:

Medical approach, *Raymond Kamel (Lebanon)*  
Surgical approach, *Umut Akyol (Turkey)*  
Surveillance of influenza in Greece, *Andreas Constantopoulos (Greece)*

17:30 – 18:00 Poster Discussion

**Chairpersons:** Agop Çıtak, Dinçer Yıldızdaş

#### 16<sup>th</sup> September 2005, Friday

09:00 – 10:00 **INFECTIOUS DISEASES (Main Hall)**

**Chairpersons:** Andreas Constantopoulos (Greece), Ibrahim Ildırım (Turkey)

Rational drug use in children, *Oğuz Güç (Turkey)*

09:00 – 10:00 **NOVARTIS SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM**

**Chairperson:** Seval Güneşer Kendirli (Turkey)

New therapeutic approaches in atopic dermatitis, *Teri A. Kahn (USA)*

10:00 – 11:00 **NUTRITION (Hall 3)**

**Chairpersons:** Ali Attia Al-Matti (Jordan), Peyami Cinaz (Turkey)

Genetics of obesity, *Ergül Tunçbilek (Turkey)*  
Future of the childhood obesity, *Atilla Büyükgöbüz (Turkey)*  
Obesity-based diseases: Prevention and treatment in childhood, *Manuel Moya (Spain)*

## TOURS

### BYZANTINE RELICS (Half Day Without Lunch): 15<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> September 2005

The tour will be operated minimum for 20 persons.

Departure time : 09:00 & 14:00  
Return time : 12:30 & 17:30  
Per person : 25.-USD + VAT



### Hagia Sophia

Ancient basilica, built by Constantine the Great in the 4<sup>th</sup> century and reconstructed by Justinian in the 6<sup>th</sup> century, is one of the world's architectural marvels.

### Hippodrome

The Ancient Hippodrome, the place where chariot races used to be held during the Byzantine Empire and the center of activities, celebrations in the honor of the Emperor, with three monuments; the Obelisk of Theodosius, the bronze Serpentine Column and the Column of Constantine.

### Grand Covered Bazaar

In 1461 Sultan Mehmet II built the first bazaar of wood, which, was reconstructed in 1894. In this labyrinth of streets and passages are more than 4,000 shops with each trade having its own area: The goldsmiths' street, the carpet sellers, Turkish arts and crafts, including leather goods, hand painted ceramic plates, hand-honed copperware, brassware and trays, water ewers, onyx-ware and meerschaum pipes.

### FULL DAY ISTANBUL CLASSIC: 17<sup>th</sup> September 2005

The tour will be operated minimum for 20 persons.

Departure time : 09:00  
Return time : 17:00  
Per person : 60.-USD + VAT



Combination of Ottoman & Byzantine Relics.  
Full day including lunch.

### BOSPHORUS CRUISE: 15<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> September 2005

Departure time : 09:30  
Return time : 13:00  
Per person : 25.-USD + VAT

After a short visit to the famous Egyptian Spice Bazaar, a cruise starts between two continents, Europe and Asia with an unforgettable panorama of the European style, marble palaces, ancient wooden villas and luxurious residences.

### TURKISH BATH: 15<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> September 2005

Departure time : 14:00  
Return time : 17:00  
Per person : 40.-USD + VAT



A wonderful experience in an authentic bath with a history of 400 years, which was used by the Sultan and his Harem, relaxation whilst receiving a massage on the heated marble platforms. It is an ideal way of ending a day.

## GENERAL INFORMATION on CONGRESS

### EXCHANGE

ATM can be found in even the smallest Turkish cities. Most ATM's accept international credit cards or bank cards. A strip of logos which indicates the cards accepted is displayed on the ATM's.

Banks will exchange foreign currency and traveler's cheques with your passport as a proof of identity. Exchange rates change daily and can be checked in the press.

Exchange offices "döviz bürosu" also offer a fast service and usually they do not charge commission and only change foreign cash currency. Passports are not generally required.

### CREDIT CARDS

All major credit cards are honored by the hotels, restaurants and shops. For the registration and hotel accommodation payments with only VISA and MASTER CARD are accepted. Restaurants and shops generally display signs indicating which cards are accepted.

### SHOPPING

Istanbul is a shopper's paradise for carpets, leather goods, gold bargains and fashion. The fascinating Covered Bazaar and Spice Market make this an irresistible location for eager shoppers, while the modern shopping malls make life easier for those on a tight schedule.

### TOURS

Symcon Tourism will operate special tours for participants and their spouses/partners before, during and after the congress, which will provide an opportunity to admire the beauty of Istanbul and other historical sites of Turkey.

**OTTOMAN RELICS (Half Day Without Lunch): 16th - 17th September 2005**

The tour will be operated minimum for 20 persons.

Departure time : 09:00 & 14:00  
Return time : 12:30 & 17:30  
Per person : 25.-USD + VAT



#### **The Blue Mosque**

Built in the 16th century during the reign of Sultan Ahmet I, is an imperial mosque with magnificent interior decoration of blue Iznik tiles and is unique in the Islamic World due to its six minarets.

#### **Topkapi Palace**

The great palace of the Ottoman Sultans from the 15th to the 19th century was the private residence of the Sultan, home of the Divan (the seat of the Supreme executive and judicial control of great empire). Today's museum is housing an exquisite collection of crystal, silver and Chinese porcelain, robes worn by the sultans and their families, the famous jewels of the Imperial Treasury, miniature paintings.

10:00 - 11:00

**ONCOLOGY & HEMATOLOGY (Hall 2)**

**Chairpersons:** Esat Yılgör (Turkey), Kenan Kocabay (Turkey)

Epidemiological aspects of pediatric tumors, *M. Tezer Kutluk (Turkey)*  
Acute leukemia in children in Albania, *Anila Godo (Albania)*

11:00 - 11:15

Coffee Break

11:15 - 12:30

**NEPHROLOGY (Main Hall)**

**Chairpersons:** Etienne Berard (France), Sevgi Mir (Turkey)

Urinary tract infections

New insights into pathogenesis, *Sevinç Emre (Turkey)*  
Current treatment modalities, *Harika Alpay (Turkey)*  
Surgical approach, *Erbuğ Keskin (Turkey)*  
Management of nocturnal enuresis, *Mahmoud Fathalla (Syria)*

11:15 - 12:30

**INFECTIOUS DISEASES (Hall 2)**

**Chairpersons:** Ahmad Sciadaty (Iran), Ahmad Younes (Egypt)

Evaluation of childhood tuberculosis in Tehran,  
*Mohamad Reza Bolorsaz (Iran)*

Evaluation of childhood tuberculosis in Mediterranean countries,  
*George Hage (Lebanon)*

12:30 - 13:30

**ALİ RAIF SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM (Main Hall)**

13:30 - 14:30

**BEBELAC SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM (Main Hall)**

14:30 - 15:30

**NEUROLOGY (Main Hall)**

**Chairpersons:** Mohamad Mikati (Lebanon), Erdal Gökçay (Turkey)

Neurodevelopmental outcome of very low birth weight neonates,  
*Helen Bouza (Greece)*

Genetic update in pediatric epilepsy, *Mohamad Mikati (Lebanon)*

15:30 - 15:45

Coffee Break

15:45 - 17:00

**FAMILIAL MEDITERRANEAN FEVER (FMF) (Hall 2)**

**Chairpersons:** Isabelle Touitou (France), Lale Sever (Turkey)

The spectrum of FMF mutations, *Isabelle Touitou (France)*  
Clinical spectrum of FMF, *Rezan Topaloğlu (Turkey)*

17:00 - 18:00

Poster Discussion

**Chairpersons:** Harika Alpay, Leyla Tümer

20:30

**Gala Dinner**

## 17<sup>th</sup> September 2005, Saturday

- 09:00 – 10:00 **NEONATAL SCREENING (Main Hall)**  
**Chairpersons:** Mohamed Al-Rufai (Bahrain), Murat Yurdakök (Turkey)  
Neonatal screening problems  
Novel genetic techniques in the diagnosis of genetic diseases in pediatrics  
*Pinar Özand (Saudi Arabia)*  
Metabolic screening problems in Turkey, *Mübecçel Demirkol (Turkey)*  
Endocrine screening problems in Turkey, *Alev Özön (Turkey)*
- 10:00 – 11:00 **GASTROENTEROLOGY (Main Hall)**  
**Chairpersons:** Jacques Schmitz (France), Raşit Yağcı (Turkey)  
Long-term complications of celiac disease, *Jacques Schmitz (France)*  
Microbial flora in inflammatory bowel disease, *Aziz Koleilat (Lebanon)*
- 10:00 – 11:00 **SURGERY & ORTHOPEDICS (Hall 2)**  
**Chairpersons:** Nuri Kale (Turkey), Cenk Büyükuñal (Turkey)  
Laparoscopic surgery in pediatric patients, *Gonca Topuzlu Tekant (Turkey)*  
The management of congenital hip luxation, *Haluk Yetkin (Turkey)*
- 11:00 – 11:15 Coffee Break
- 11:15 – 12:30 **CHILD HEALTH IN EMERGENCY SITUATION (Main Hall)**  
**Chairpersons:** Mostefa Keddari (Algeria), Özdemiñ İlter (Turkey)  
The effect of war and sanctions on the health of children in Iraq,  
*Luay Al-Nouri (Iraq)*  
Child health in earthquake, *Zafer Öztekin (Turkey)*
- 12:30 – 14:00 Poster Discussion  
**Chairpersons:** Saadet Arsan, Betül Acunaş
- 14:00 – 15:00 **GROWTH RETARDATION (Main Hall)**  
**Chairpersons:** Saayda Ben Becher (Tunisia), Olcay Neyzi (Turkey)  
Definition and clinical approach to growth retardation,  
*Abdullah Bereket (Turkey)*  
Growth retardation in Tunisia, *Saayda Ben Becher (Tunisia)*
- 15:00 – 15:15 Coffee Break
- 15:15 – 16:30 **FREE ORAL PRESENTATIONS (Hall 2)**  
**Chairpersons:** Borut Bratanic (Slovenia), Mehmet Vural (Turkey)
- 16:30 Closing Ceremony

## GENERAL INFORMATION on CONGRESS

### TIPPING

Tipping in Turkey is most of the times not included for services. In any case tipping is your prerogative, a reward for service.

### EATING OUT

Turkish Cuisine is one of the best in the world. You may find many restaurants which serve Turkish and international cuisine. Besides a lot of fast food facilities can easily be found. It is recommended to spend an evening at the Bosphorus shores to taste fresh fish with Turkish wine.

### CUSTOMS REGULATIONS

All personnel belongings may be imported freely into the country. Importation, use, and trade of narcotics are illegal. Duty free allowance is limited to 200 cigarettes and 500 cc alcohol.

### TRAVEL

Istanbul Ataturk Airport is located 45 km west of the city. There is a bus service in every 30 minutes from Airport to Taksim Square where the congress hotels are located. The travel time to Taksim Square is approximately 30 minutes. Tickets are sold in the bus. Individual taxi services are available. The taxi fares from airport to hotels are approximately 22. - YTL (app. 15. -USD)

### OFFICIAL AIR CARRIER

Turkish Airlines is the official carrier of the 29th UMEMPS Congress.

The participants can benefit from reduced fares on Turkish Airlines direct flights to and from Istanbul providing that application to Turkish Airlines Offices is made together with the confirmation form of the Congress.

Provided concessions will be as follows:

50% reduction on Business and Economy Classes published fares.

10% reduction on Special Excursion, Apex and similar rates

10% reduction on Special Published Turkish Airline's fares.

Reduction is valid only on Turkish Airline Flights, a week before and after the Congress and tickets are to be issued by the Turkish Airlines Offices.

### MEETING UPON ARRIVAL & TRANSFERS

There will be a special Information Desk at the Ataturk International Airport after the customs area. This will be operative on 13 and 14 September 2005.

The Ataturk International Airport is approximately 35 kilometers away from the Congress Venue and the respective hotels.

Transfer service between airport and hotels is not included in the Congress Registration Fees. This service will be provided to those who applied and paid for it.

Yellow taxis with meters are available from the airport.

## GENERAL INFORMATION on CONGRESS

### LETTERS OF INVITATION

The Local Organizing Committee can send letters of invitation to those who require it for visa or other necessary procedures. However this letter aims to assist participants for their attendance to the Congress and does not imply any commitment for the organizers to provide financial support. Please get in touch with the Organizing Secretariat as early as possible, if you need an invitation letter.

### CLIMATE

Enjoying the end of the summer days with an average temperature of 20 – 25°C. For more details and information please visit  
<http://www.meteor.gov.tr/english/forecastmaster.htm>  
<http://www.wunderground.com/global/TU.html>

### WHAT TO WEAR

Light dresses should be selected and a sweater for evening breeze.

### TIME

Turkish is 2 hours ahead of Greenwich Meantime (GMT + 2)

### ELECTRICITY

The standard voltage in Turkey is 220 Volts with a frequency of 50 HERTZ. European standard plugs with two round pins are being used.

### DINING

The Turkish Cuisine is said to be one of the best in the world. Istanbul has many alternatives to offer from Chinese to Mexican and of course traditional Turkish Cuisine. Choose from modern and elegant restaurants or a smaller ones filled with local color and flavor.

### COMMUNICATIONS

Turkey has a highly sophisticated communication system. In addition to the usual postal and telephone services, GSM telephones can be used on the Turkish Telecom – Turkcell, Telsim and Avea networks, which have international roaming agreements with nearly all countries in the world.

### CURRENCY

The monetary unit is the Turkish Lira. Since beginning of 2005, another monetary unit called Yeni (New) Turkish Lira (YTL) became valid. Both units will be in use during the Congress.

Turkish Lira consists of bank notes of 250.000; 500.000; 1.000.000; 5.000.000; 10.000.000 and 20.000.000. Smaller denominations come in coins of 50.000; 100.000 and 250.000.

The six zeros was removed from the Turkish Lira to form the New (Yeni) Turkish Lira. The new 1 YTL will be equal to 1.000.000 (Old) Turkish Liras and 100 Kuruş will be equal to 1 YTL

New TL (YTL) denominations

Banknotes 1; 5; 10; 20; 50 and 100 YTL

Coins (Kuruş) 1; 5; 10; 25; 50 New Kuruş and 1 New Lira

## REGISTRATION

### Important Dates

Deadline for early registration: 1st June 2005

Deadline for abstract submission: 17th July 2005

Deadline for online / faxed / mailed registrations: 1st September 2005

### Registration Procedures

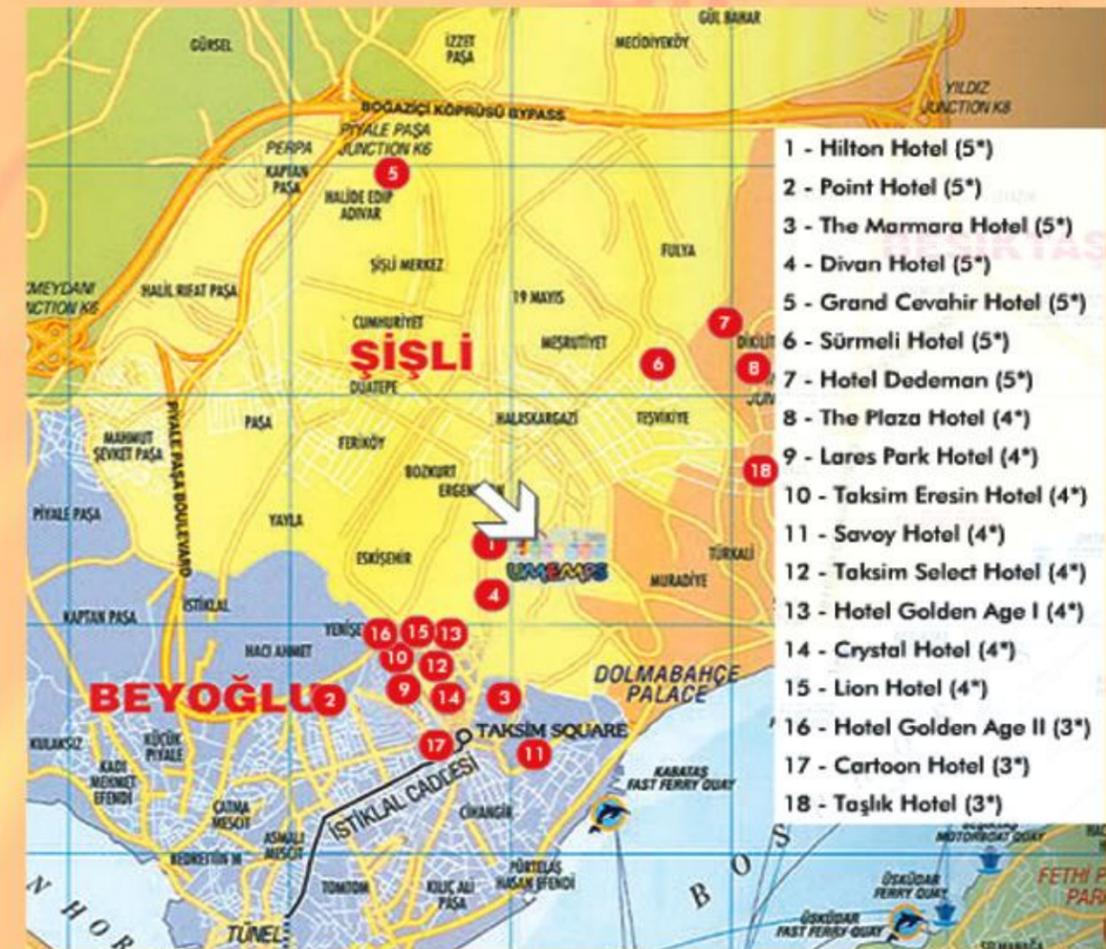
Participation to 29. UMEMPS Congress is open to anyone actively involved in pediatric and the related fields.

Online registration is available on the congress web site. Otherwise please use the enclosed form for the registration. A photocopy of the empty form will also be accepted as an original form or additional forms can be obtained from the Organization Secretariat (SymCon).

Congress registration, accommodation bookings, private city tours, private transportations will only be made when requests are accompanied with the appropriate payment.

Each participant is required to fill in a separate form.

Registration Forms should be mailed or faxed to Organization Secretariat (SymCon).



## Registration Fees

### 1- Registration & Accommodation Package

The registration package is made for those participants who prefer to avail themselves from many services mentioned below under one fee

Hilton Hotel (5*)	SGL room DBL supplement	1.050 \$ 360 \$
Point Hotel (5*)	SGL room DBL supplement	1.010 \$ 420 \$
The Marmara Hotel (5*)	SGL room DBL supplement	930 \$ 360 \$
Divan Hotel (5*)	SGL room DBL supplement	930 \$ 360 \$
Grand Cevahir Hotel (5*)	SGL room DBL supplement	850 \$ 360 \$
Sürmeli Hotel (5*)	SGL room DBL supplement	700 \$ 360 \$
Hotel Dedeman (5*)	SGL room DBL supplement	690 \$ 360 \$
The Plaza Hotel (4*)	SGL room DBL supplement	795 \$ 340 \$
Lares Park Hotel (4*)	SGL room DBL supplement	715 \$ 320 \$
Taksim Eresin Hotel (4*)	SGL room DBL supplement	695 \$ 360 \$
Savoy Hotel (4*)	SGL room DBL supplement	575 \$ 320 \$
Taksim Select Hotel (4*)	SGL room DBL supplement	555 \$ 320 \$
Hotel Golden Age I (4*)	SGL room DBL supplement	555 \$ 340 \$
Crystal Hotel (4*)	SGL room DBL supplement	555 \$ 340 \$
Lion Hotel (4*)	SGL room DBL supplement	555 \$ 340 \$
Hotel Golden Age II (3*)	SGL room DBL supplement	495 \$ 320 \$
Cartoon Hotel (3*)	SGL room DBL supplement	475 \$ 300 \$
Taşlık Hotel (3*)	SGL room DBL supplement	459 \$ 308 \$

- 18% VAT is not included in the package rates  
Any change in the VAT will be reflected to the fees given

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### Organization Secretariat

SymCon Tourism is the professional congress organizer assisting the Turkish Pediatrics Society. For congress registration, sponsorship, accommodation, social program, excursions and/or any kind of information on the congress please contact the Organization Secretariat



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### INSURANCE

Registration fees do not include insurance of any kind. It is recommended that insurance should be arranged by participants and exhibitors on an individual basis.

### SPONSORSHIP

Sponsorship is one of the most pivotal factors contributing to the success of a congress. Sponsoring companies have the privilege of promoting their services directly to participants in personal contacts.

Bearing this in mind, local organizing committee, has organized the alternative stated events in this context. Additional privileges will be granted for the interested companies in accord with the type of sponsorship they are interested.

For further information on the available sponsorship positions please contact the Organization Secretariat.

### EXHIBITION

The Meeting Hall section A at the first floor of the Hilton Convention Center will be used as the exhibition hall. Since coffee breaks will be stationed at the same area, exhibitors will have a potential of being visited by maximum number of participants.

For further information on the available booth positions please contact the Organization Secretariat.

### BADGES

Only those participants who have completed their registration procedures and made the respective payments are entitled to participate at the Congress.

Each participant will be provided with a name badge and invitations for every social activity to take place during the Congress. All participants are requested to wear their name badges throughout the Congress. Only badge holders will be admitted to the Congress site, meeting rooms, sessions and related social events. Participants are kindly requested to bring along their invitations with them for the social activities.

### 3) Bank Draft

All the bank drafts/cheques should be made payable to SymCon Tourism. The drafts or certified cheques should first be photocopied and the copies faxed to the Organization Secretariat. Originals must be sent by registered airmail. Please note that the Organization Secretariat takes no responsibility for cheque lost in the mail.

### Important

Personal or company cheques will not be honoured

### Cancellations and Refunds

All cancellations should be made in written and addressed to the Organization Secretariat

- Till 1st July 2005 50% of the registration fee will be refunded
- After 2nd July 2005 No refunds

All refunds will be processed after the Congress.

### Registration Desks

The registration desks will be open on 14th September 2005 Wednesday and will be in service till 17th September 2005 Saturday between 08:00 and 19:00 hours.

During the registration in Istanbul all participants will receive their Congress Materials.

## ACCOMMODATION

You can reach all necessary informations on the hotels from the website.  
[www.istanbul-umemps2005.org](http://www.istanbul-umemps2005.org)

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29th UMEMPS Congress and 49th National Pediatric Congress will be held at Hilton Hotel Convention Center between 14 – 17 September 2005. More than 500 participants are expected from all over the world for UMEMPS Congress and 1000 participants for the national congress. The main meetings will take place at the upper meeting hall. The parallel sessions and the exhibition hall will take place at the lower meeting halls. During the parallel sessions there will be English, Turkish and French simultaneous translation.

Coffee breaks and lunches will be served at the foyers of the meeting halls and at the exhibition hall.

Limited number of rooms is allocated at the congress hotels for foreign attendees. Booking will be on a first come first serve basis.

Organizing Committee hope that all companies will participate in the congress either as a sponsor, exhibitor or delegate.

### CONGRESS VENUE

In the heart of the city, situated in beautiful gardens overlooking the Bosphorus, near to central Taksim Square, next to the Lutfi Kirdar Convention & Exhibition Center and exclusive shopping area, Nisantasi.

Cumhuriyet Caddesi, Harbiye-Istanbul, TR 80200

Phone : +90 212 315 60 00

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Web : [www.hilton.com](http://www.hilton.com)

### The package covers

- 4 night accommodation in bed & breakfast basis
- Congress registration fee
- Admission to sessions
- 3 lunches (15-16-17 September 2005)
- Coffee breaks
- Congress materials
- Welcome reception
- Gala dinner
- Satellite symposiums
- Transfer airport / congress hotel / airport
- Shuttle service congress hotel / congress center / congress hotel
- Half day city tour

### Double supplement fees cover

- Double room supplement
- Welcome cocktail
- Gala dinner
- Transfer airport / congress hotel / airport
- Shuttle service congress hotel / congress center / congress hotel
- Half day city tour

### 2- Registration Fee

For those participants who prefer to pay only registration fee;

Early registration fee 350 \$  
(Before 1st June 2005)

Late registration fee 400 \$  
(After 1st June 2005)

On-site registration fee 450 \$

- 18% VAT is not included in the above fees

### Registration fees cover

- Admission to sessions
- 3 Lunches (15-16-17 September 2005)
- Coffee breaks
- Congress materials
- Welcome cocktail
- Gala dinner
- Satellite symposiums

### Payment

The registration forms will only be taken into consideration if accompanied with the respective payment.

Payments are to be made in US\$. To benefit from early registration fees please make sure that the payment is received by the Organization Secretariat before 1st June 2005.

### Methods of payment

#### 1) Credit Card

Only VISA and MASTER CARD are accepted. The card number, expiry date and CVC code should be stated in the appropriate space on the registration form.

#### 2) Bank Transfer

All the bank transfers should be made to SymCon Tourism  
Finansbank Altunizade Branch  
Account number 12102917  
Altunizade, Istanbul / TURKEY  
Swift No.: FNNBTRISALT

The bank transfers should be exclusive of all bank charges. Please indicate the name(s) of the participant(s) on each transfer