

Practical information

Mutalig 4th WG meeting in Izmir-Turkey

“Final status of WG activities within the MuTaLig COST Action”



Meeting Venue:

Ege University, Faculty of Pharmacy, 1st Floor, Conference Hall, 35100-Bornova-Izmir-TURKEY



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TRAVEL TO İZMİR

Izmir has one airport (Adnan Menderes International Airport – ADB) very well connected with Europe by both direct or connected flights. (<http://www.adnanmenderesairport.com/en-EN/>).

Adnan Menderes International airport is located 20km far from city center. You can easily get to the city center by subway, shuttle or taxi. You can get more info at link below

<http://www.adnanmenderesairport.com/en-EN/to-from-the-airport/airport-transportation>

TRAVEL FROM ADB AIRPORT TO HOTELS in ALSANCAK OR MEETING VENUE.

1-SUBWAY:

'Havaalanı' İzban station is located just in front of **Domestic Terminal** at Adnan Menderes Airport. The distance between the Domestic and International Terminals at Izmir Adnan Menderes Airport is around 20 minutes on foot. When you get your baggage, go out from airport and walk until you see the **"domestic terminal"** label. Than across the street and follow the labels for "İzban subway" .

Travel from airport to Alsancak by subway:

Go to 'Havaalanı' İzban station, which is located just in front of the airport. Take İzban trains to Aliağa or Menemen direction and get off at '**Alsancak**' Station. The travel takes approximately 30 minutes.

Travel from airport to Çankaya by subway:

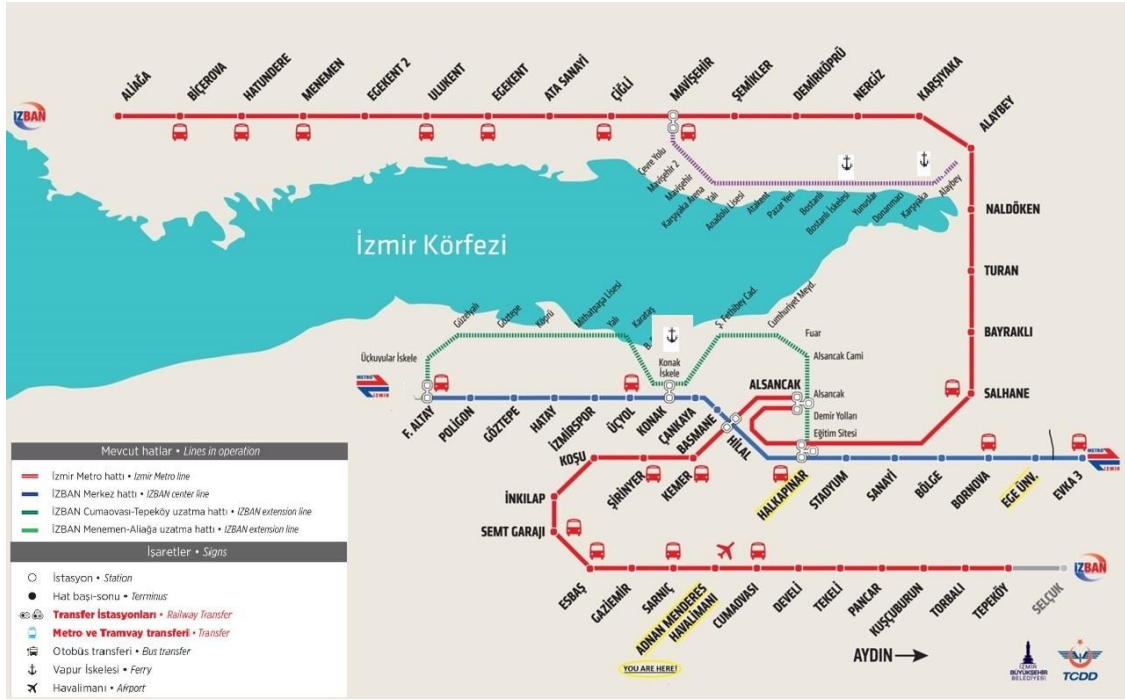
Go to 'Havaalanı' İzban station, which is located just in front of the airport. Take İzban trains to Aliağa or Menemen direction and get off at 'Hilal' Station. Transfer to metro at "**Hilal**" station. Take the metro to F. Altay (Fahrettin Altay) direction. Get off at the "**Çankaya**" station. The travel takes approximately 30 minutes.

Travel from airport to Ege University by subway:

Go to 'Havalimanı(Airport)' İzban station which is located just in front of the airport. Take İzban trains to Aliağa or Menemen direction and get off at '**Hilal**' Station. Transfer to the metro at Hilal station to Evka-3 direction. Get off at "**Ege Üniversitesi**" station. The travel takes approximately 45 minutes.

Travel from Bornova or Ege University to airport by subway:

Take the metro to F.Altay (Fahrettin Altay) direction. Get off at the "**Halkapınar**" station. Transfer to İzban at Halkapınar station. Take İzban trains to Menderes or Cumaovası direction and get off at '**Havalimanı (Airport)**' Station. The travel takes approximately 50 minutes.



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You can get “İzmirim” electronic card and fill it as much as you need or get “Bilet35”, which is a single-use paper ticket for public transportation. If you will use public transportation more than 3 times, it is better to buy a ‘İzmirim Card’ and top up the card as many times as you want. You can use the same cards in railway (Metro and İZBAN), public busses or ferries. İZBAN costs 1-1.5 euro depending on the station you stop while metro costs 60 cents. You can use public transportation free of charge for 90 minutes after your first travel. You can use the same cards in railway (Metro and İZBAN), public busses or ferries.

Cards and tickets are available at Airport stations of the local train line during the office hours (07.00 - 22.45)!!!; you may also use the charging machines placed in each station to get a card and top up with Turkish Liras.

When you get off the İZBAN train at any station you can use orange ‘Artı-Para’ machines to get back 4 Turkish Lira to your İzmirim card. İZBAN trains are available at 5.37 to 23.59 o’clock approximately every 20 min. After İZBAN you can switch to metro to go to other parts of the city center. Metro is available between 5.37 to 23.59 o’clock in approximately every 5 min.

Please visit the link (<https://www.izmir.bel.tr/en/transportation-guide/494/2150>) to find out more about all these cards.

Check Eshot (official transportation system in İzmir) website (<https://www.eshot.gov.tr/en/Home>) for the lines and prices or download İZUM - İzmir Ulaşım Merkezi application to your phone (<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.tk.ibb.izmirtrafik&gl=TR>).

Important note: Please convert Euro to Turkish lira at airport since Euro is not acceptable in metro-izban

2-HAVAS SHUTTLE. There are several Havas shuttles waiting just outside the airport to go to different part of the city. If you are staying in hotels in Alsancak it is easy to go just take the Havaş shuttle to Alsancak, it stops just close by hotels. Shuttles are available from 8.30 to 19.30 in every 30 minutes and then every hour till 1.30 and also available at 3.30). It is around 2 euro. You can pay in the bus.

You can see the details at this link:

(<http://www.havas.net/en/OurServices/BusServicesAndCarParkingFacilities/ServicePoints/Pages/Izmir.aspx>)

Shuttle Route: Adnan Menderes Airport, Gaziemir, Karabağlar, Yeşildere, Kahramanlar, Basmahane, Çankaya, **Alsancak Efes Hotel**, Altınyol, Bayraklı overpass, Karşıyaka, Bostanlı, Mavişehir

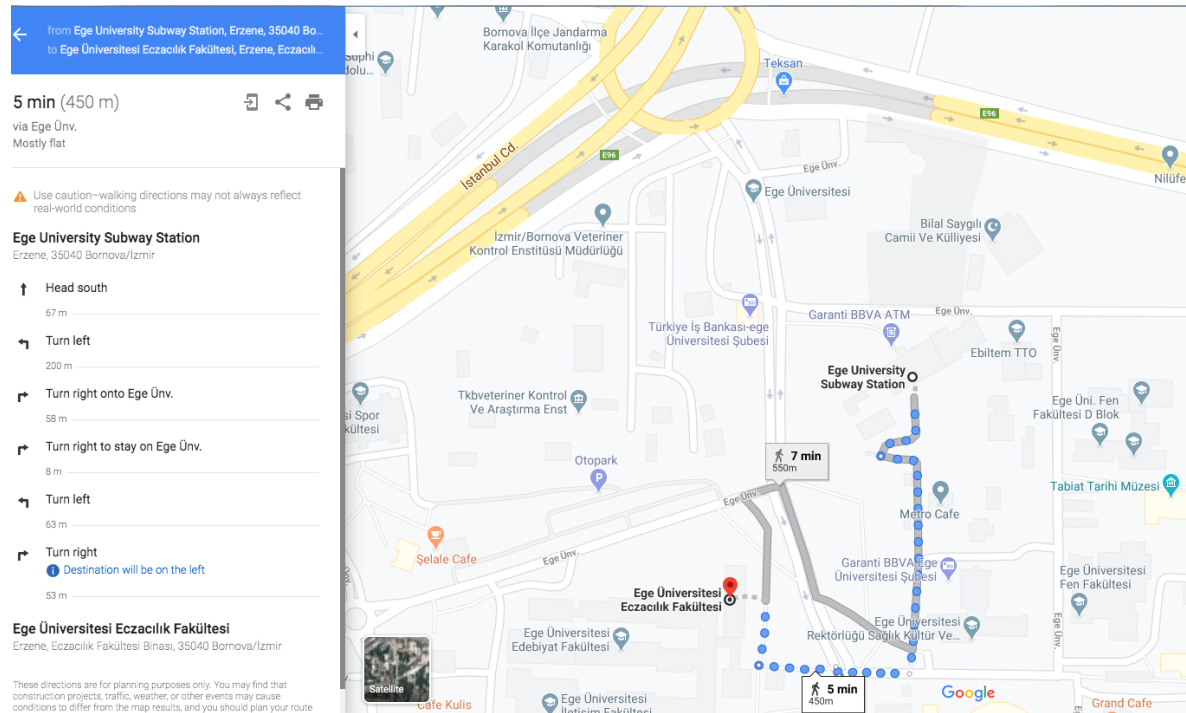
Alsancak Efes Hotel (Ephesus hotel) is also in Drop Off Points and Pick-up Points

3-TAXI: There are yellow taxis waiting outside the airport. From airport to Ege University is around 20 euro and to Alsancak is around 15 euro.

We recommend you to change euro at airport and have some Turkish currency since Euro is not accepted by most of the taxi drivers and at the shops.

MEETING VENUE

The meeting venue is Ege University, Faculty of Pharmacy, 1st Floor, Conference Hall, Bornova-Izmir



ACCOMMODATION

There are 3 recommended Hotels in Bornova and several in Alsancak. Bornova hotels are near by the meeting venue in walking distance.

Alsancak is the city center and living 24 hour area close to Egean sea. Çankaya and Konak are other city center districts in the same coastal line with Alsancak and 20-30 minutes of walking to

Alsancak located by the sea. Some of the Alsancak hotels are in 5-10 minutes walking distance to Çankaya where you can take metro to go to Ege University directly. If you will use public transportation, we recommend you to buy İzmir card and top up it at the Metro and İZBAN stations. (İZBAN trip costs 1 euro, metro costs 60 cents). Please note that İZBAN runs between 5:30 - 24:00 in every 20 minutes and metro runs between 5:30 – 24:00 in every 5-10 minutes. The metro runs once in every hour after midnight.

Apart from public transportation listed below, you can use taxi as well (around 5-10 euro). You don't need to call taxi, just raise your hand to stop a yellow taxi. Alsancak/Çankaya-Bornova is 15-20 minute distance but prefer metro it can be 30-40 minutes in rush hours.

Travel from Alsancak to Ege University:

Go to Alsancak İZBAN station, take İZBAN trains to Aliağa or Menemen direction, transfer Metro at the Halkapınar station. Take metro towards Evka-3 direction at the Halkapınar station, get off the Metro at Ege Üniversitesi station. The travel takes approximately 30-40 minutes.

Travel from Ege University to Alsancak:

Take metro towards F. Altay (Fahrettin Altay) direction, transfer to İZBAN at Halkapınar station. Take İZBAN towards Torbalı or Cumaovası direction and get off at the Alsancak station.

Travel from Çankaya to Ege University:

Take metro towards Evka-3 direction and get off at Ege Üniversitesi station. (The travel takes approximately 20-25 minutes.)

Travel from Ege University to Çankaya:

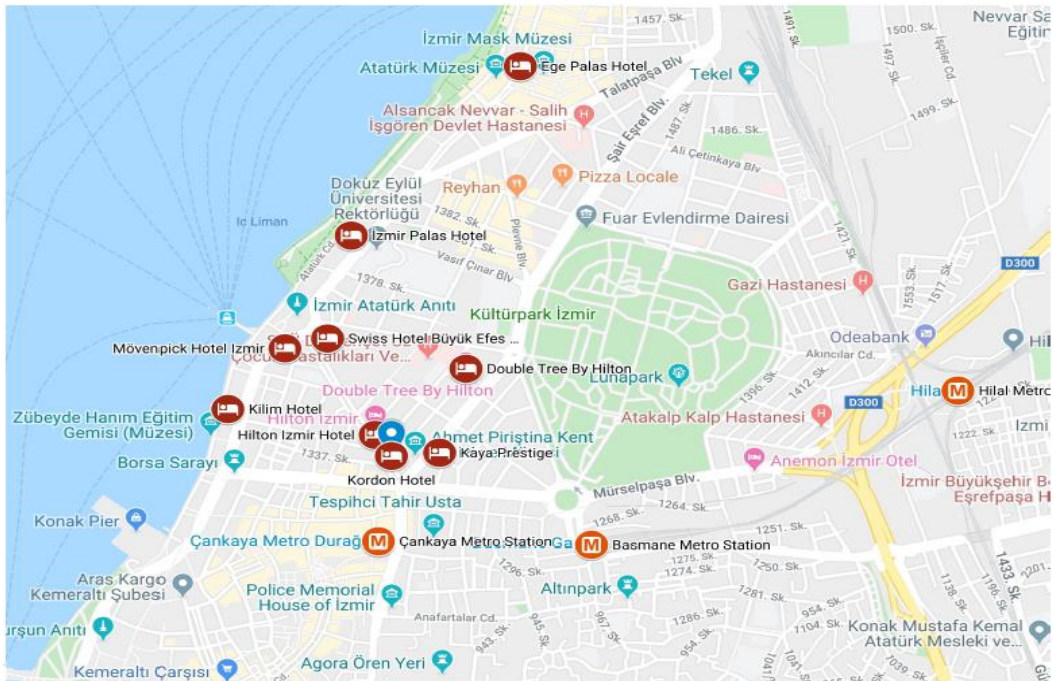
Take metro towards F. Altay (Fahrettin Altay) direction and get off at Çankaya station. The approximate prices are given below. You can find more options on internet such as trivago.com, booking or airbnb etc.

5 STAR HOTELS IN ALSANCAK

| Hotel (walking distance to Çankaya metro station) | Adress / Website | Price/night appr. Single/double |
|---|--|--|
| Swissotel Buyuk Efes Izmir (10 minutes) | Gaziosmanpasa Bulvari No 1, 35210 Alsancak/İzmir https://www.swissotel.com/hotels/izmir/ | 100 euro |
| Movenpick Hotel Izmir (10 minutes) | Kültür, Cumhuriyet Blv No:138, 35210 Konak/İzmir https://www.movenpick.com/en/europe/turkey/izmir/hotel-izmir/overview/ | 86 / 102 euro |
| Hilton izmir (5 minutes) | Gazi Osmanpaşa Bulv. No: 7 35210 İzmir http://eventsathilton.com/show/5e43e6eefb36832e0a2a1efb (Use this special link for mutalig participants for a better price) | 65/ 80 euro |
| Doubletree By Hilton Hotel Izmir - Alsancak (10 minutes) | İsmet Kaptan, 1373. Sk. No:5, 35210 Konak/İzmir https://doubletree3.hilton.com/en/hotels/turkey/doubletree-by-hilton-hotel-izmir-alsancak-IZMIADI/index.html | 60/ 70 euro |

4 STAR HOTELS IN ALSANCAK

| Hotel | Adress / Website | Price/night appr. Single/double |
|--|--|---------------------------------|
| Kilim Hotel (10 minutes walking to Çankaya metro or Alsancak İzban station) | Akdeniz, Atatürk Cd., 35210 Konak/İzmir. https://kilimotel.com.tr/en/anasayfa/ | 45/62 euro |
| Kordon Hotel (10 minutes walking to Çankaya metro station) | Akdeniz Caddesi No:2 Pasaport/ İZMİR. https://www.kordonotel.com.tr/en-gb/home | 70/ 80 euro |
| Ege Palas (10 minutes walking to Alsancak İzban station) | Alsancak, Cumhuriyet Blv No:210, 35220 Konak/İzmir. https://www.egepalas.com.tr/index.php?dl=en | 55 /75 euro |



CLOSE BY HOTELS IN BORNOVA

| Hotel | Adress / Website | Price/night appr. Single/double |
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| Hotel Anemon Ege Sağlık 4 star hotel in Ege University Campus, 15 minute walking to meeting place | Erzene, Ege Ün. Kampüsü, 35000 Bornova/İzmir. http://www.anemonhotels.com/en | 39/ 53 euro |
| Villa levante (A boutique hotel/concept hotel) e-mail: info@hotelvillalevante.com | Erzene Mah, 80. Sk. No:25/a, 35040 Bornova/İzmir. https://villa-levante.hotelrunner.com/bv3/search (Reservations in English) | 55 /70 euro |
| Ege University Guest house A 3 star modest Hotel, managed by Ege University preferably for the students. We have 30 single 10 double bed reservation for this hotel. | https://sksdb.ege.edu.tr/eng-4609/.html . If you would like to stay in this hotel please write an e-mail to mutalig.izmir@gmail.com . | 20/42 euro |










CURRENCY

We use Turkish Lira (TL). 1 Euro is around 6,84 TL (by February 2019). Euro is not used regularly in the city. We recommend you exchange currency at airport or in exchange offices or banks in the city.

SOCIAL EVENTS

| Date | Activities | Starting point | Hours | Price (cash at desk) |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------------|--------------|---|
| 5 th March Thursday | Gala dinner at Katina restaurant | Meeting venue | 18.30 -23.30 | 30 € |
| 6 th March Friday | Cocktail at Yesilova Hoyuk Neolithic Settlement 6500 BCE) | Meeting venue | 12.45-15.15 | Complimentary |
| 6 th March Friday | Izmir City Half-Day Tour | Yesilova Hoyuk | 15.15-18.30 | Complimentary |
| 7 th March Saturday | Ephesus, House Of Virgin Mary, Sirince Full-Day Tour | Meeting venue | 9.00-18.30 | 40 € (if there are around 10 participants) 30 euro (If there are 50 participants) |

TOURISTIC INFORMATION

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| <p>CLOCK TOWER</p>  | <p>Izmir Clock Tower is a historic clock tower located at the Konak Square in the Konak district of Izmir. The clock tower was designed by the Levantine French architect Raymond Charles Père and built in 1901 to commemorate the 25th anniversary of Abdülhamid II's accession to the throne (reigned 1876–1909). The clock itself was a gift from German Emperor Wilhelm II (reigned 1888–1918). It is decorated in an elaborate Ottoman architecture style.</p> |
| <p>HISTORICAL KEMERALTI BAZAAR</p>  | <p>The Historical Kemeraltı Bazaar is known as the largest open-air bazaar in the country. For all of the Republic Era the bazaar has been Izmir's capital area for trade and some of the historical inns stand as proof of this. Kemeraltı is the city's heart with the inns, the marble fountains, the historical mosques, the synagogues, the craftsmen who present their hand crafted goods which represent the city, the shopkeepers with desserts special to Izmir and shops for all needs.</p> |
| <p>HISTORICAL ELEVATOR</p>  | <p>This building, which also gave the district its name, was had built by a Jewish businessman named Nesim Levi. The elevator saves everyone from climbing the 155 steps between Mithat Paşa Street and Halil Rifat Paşa Street. The elevator tower consists of three floors. The elevator, which has remained intact to this day, is now electrically driven. It is one of the best places to view Izmir, and you will want to take photographs</p> |
| <p>AGORA OPEN AIR MUSEUM</p>  | <p>The Agora, which is one of the big agoras located in a city center with its three floor design, is one of a kind. The Agora, located in Namazgah (one of Izmir's older districts) is a multistorey structure built on arches and pillars in the Roman Era around a large quad with marble tiling. The word Agora means "marketplace". It was also a government place used for political meetings and people's courts. A statue group of Poseidon and Demeter, one of the most notable artifacts from the Agora, can be found in the History and Arts Museum.</p> |
| <p>EPHESUS</p>  | <p>Ephesus is known being the commercial, religious and the social center of Antiquity and the highlights of any visit in Turkey. Ephesus is probably the best combination of Greek, Roman and Byzantine civilisation. With the mythological stories and spectacular ruins, you will feel like you are in ancient Ephesus.</p> |
| <p>HOUSE OF VIRGIN MARY</p>  | <p>House of Virgin Mary is located on the top of the "Bulbul" mountain 9 km ahead of Ephesus, the shrine of Virgin Mary enjoys a marvelous atmosphere hidden in the green. It is the place where Mary may have spent her last days. Indeed, she may have come in the area together with Saint John, who spent several years in the area to spread Christianity. Mary preferred this remote place rather than living in crowded place.</p> |
| <p>SIRINCE</p>  | <p>Sirince is a pretty old Orthodox village, 12 km away from Ephesus. The village is a perfect synthesis of Turk-Greek culture as of the 1920's: after the Independence War, people exchange between Greek and Turks has occurred and all those typical Greek houses, though they kept their original outside characteristics, have received the local layout inside.</p> |

For more information please check official website:

<http://www.visitizmir.org/en>


Yesilova Hoyuk Visitor Center-Neolithic settlement 6500 BCE

**YEŞİLOVA HÖYÜK
NEOLITHIC SETTLEMENT
6500 BCE**

8500 years ago, when mankind first settled here, this was an empty land. The city behind you, the highway passing by, the wall in front of you... There was nothing; nothing but raw nature, the fertile land, the streams and blue skies.



Yet the settlers were not that different. They had a social life, though not the same as ours. Like us they lived and worked together to make a community. Just beyond this wall, lay their village, their humble huts, their 'home'... It was so long ago and all is now deep beneath a changing land.

Before you cross to the other side, close your eyes briefly and think of nothing but the earth on which you stand, the air you breathe and the wind blowing around you. If you listen, you may hear their muted voices across thousands of years as they welcome you into their home.

Would you like a journey back in time for 8500 years, right here, in the center of Izmir?

If you are wondering how the first Aegeans lived, sheltered and what kind of difficulties they had to encounter, we would like to invite you to Yeşilova Höyük Visitor Center. At the visitor center, not only you will discover the first civilizations that lived in this city, you will also have glimpse of their daily lives intertwined with nature and observe archaeologists at work. In the visitor center which have excavation fields that are currently active, exhibition areas, conference room, activity center, archaeological research lab and education areas, you can spend a day with full of history and archaeology.





We invite you to be a witness to the mysterious world of archaeologists...

You can make an appointment for visiting the excavation fields accompanied by the experts and being firsthand witness to the archaeological remains that have been unearthed from thousands of years ago.

We haven't forgotten the kids!.

Kids can enter the exciting world of archaeology at the Archaeological Park that is designed for students between ages of 6-12. They will discover the history by doing an archaeological dig with using real trowels, hand shovels and brushes.





**Live like the first Aegeans...
Time Travel**

We invite you to wear clothes and ornaments of the Neolithic Age and change your name to one from nature. Now you are ready to time travel.

You can now join the daily life in the Neolithic village and make tools, ornaments from stones, pottery from clay, bake bread, plaster walls, cut grass and hunt animals. In other words, you can experience a perfectly ordinary day from 8500 years ago.



TRANSPORTATION





Private vehicle: Follow the 'Yasstepe Höyüğü' and 'Yeşilova Höyüğü' signs from the motorway.

Public transportation: Please take the bus no: 59 on the route between Bornova Metro-Kemer and gett off at the 'Yeşilova Höyüğü' stop.

* Please note that booking in advance is required for guided tours on archaeological excavation areas, experimental archaeological workshops and time travel activities. Please consult to information desk for available dates and minimum number of people required.

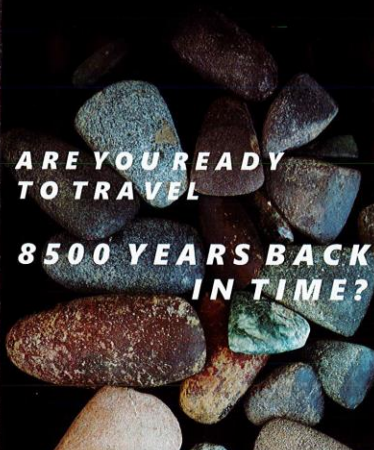
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YEŞİLOVA HÖYÜK
VISITOR CENTER

**ARE YOU READY
TO TRAVEL
8500 YEARS BACK
IN TIME?**



IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS TO KNOW IN TURKEY (24/24, 7 days)

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**IN CASE OF
EMERGENCY**

