

3rd Net4Brain Annual Meeting

June 1–3, 2026

Travel & Accommodation Information

VENUE INFORMATION

Research Center for Anatolian Civilizations (ANAMED)

İstanbul Caddesi No: 181, Merkez Han

34433 Beyoğlu, İstanbul, Türkiye

Map: google.com/maps?q=ANAMED+Koç+University+Research+Center+for+Anatolian+Civilizations

GETTING TO ISTANBUL

International Airport: Istanbul Airport (IST)

Distance from Airport to ANAMED: Approximately 40 km

TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS FROM AIRPORT TO ANAMED

1. Metro

Description: Most budget-friendly and traffic-free option

Travel Time: Approximately 60–90 minutes.

Route: Take the M11 metro line from the Istanbul Airport to Gayrettepe station. Transfer to the M2 (Yenikapı - Haciosman) metro line. Exit at the Taksim station. ANAMED is approximately a 10-minute walk from Taksim Square.

1	M11	İstanbul Airport Board M11. No changes needed until Gayrettepe	40–60 min
		<i>Continue on M11 › direction city centre</i>	
2	TRANSFER	Gayrettepe Exit M11 → follow signs to M2 platform (Yenikapı – Haciosman)	Change here
		<i>Board M2 › direction Haciosman</i>	
3	M2	Taksim Exit here. Head south across Taksim Square	15–20 min
		<i>On foot › approx. 10 minutes south of Taksim Square</i>	
4	DEST.	ANAMED Koç University Research Center for Anatolian Civilizations	~10 min walk

PRACTICAL NOTES



Istanbul railway Network



Taksim → ANAMED walk

İstanbulkart

A contactless card required for all metro journeys. Available at the airport arrival hall and at platform ticket machines.

Luggage

Traffic-independent and timetabled. Avoid peak hours with heavy bags: 07:30 – 09:30 and 17:00 – 19:00.

2. HAVAIST Bus Service

Description: Recommended for comfort and convenience

Travel Time: Approximately 60 minutes (traffic-dependent)

Route: Use HAVAIST direct bus service (HVIST-16) from the İstanbul airport to Taksim Square. Buses operate frequently throughout the day.

Tickets: Available online at www.hava.ist or at airport counters.

3. Taxi

Description: Fastest option, but traffic-dependent

Travel Time: 45-60 minutes (varies with traffic)

Cost: Approximately 2.000 TL

Availability: Available 24/7 at the airport. Direct the driver to ANAMED, İstanbul Caddesi No: 181, Beyoğlu

4. Private Transfer Service

Description: Luxury option with maximum comfort

Requirement: Advance reservation through travel agencies or online platforms necessary.

- Your hotel (recommended)
- Online platforms such as Uber or BiTaksi
- Airport transfer providers at İstanbul Airport

IN-CITY TRANSPORTATION

Istanbul offers metro, tram, bus, and taxi services. ANAMED is centrally located in Beyoğlu, making all recommended hotels easily accessible by public transport or on foot.

Alternative Route for Alternative Hotel Choices

If you prefer a hotel outside our recommendations, Şişhane station on the M2 metro line is the closest metro stop to ANAMED:

Distance: Approximately 200 meters (3-minute walk)

Route: Take the M2 metro (Yenikapı - Hacıosman line) and exit at Şişhane station. Use the İstanbul Caddesi exit.

Advantage: Shorter walking distance than Taksim station and away from heavy traffic areas.

ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

We have arranged special rates with the following hotels. Please contact them directly for reservations and current pricing.

OPTION 1: Richmond Istanbul Hotel

Distance to ANAMED: 3-minute walk

Website: www.richmondhotels.com.tr

Contact: cigdem.tonguc@richmondhotels.com.tr

OPTION 2: The Marmara Pera Hotel

Distance to ANAMED: 3-minute walk

Website: www.themarmarahotels.com

Contact: hsabaz@themarmarahotels.com

OPTION 3: The Marmara Taksim Hotel

Distance to ANAMED: Approximately 15-minute walk

Website: www.themarmarahotels.com

Contact: fekmekci@themarmarahotels.com

OPTION 4: Divan Istanbul Hotel

Distance to ANAMED: Approximately 22-minute walk or 12 minutes by car

Website: www.divan.com.tr

Contact: ceren.gunes@divan.com.tr

OPTION 5: Grand Haliç Hotel

Distance to ANAMED: Approximately 11-minute walk

Website: www.grandhalic.com

Contact: mervealtay@grandhalic.com

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Visa Requirements

Participants should verify visa requirements for Türkiye based on their nationality. For current visa information, please visit the Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs website (<https://www.mfa.gov.tr/visa-information-for-foreigners.en.mfa?>) or contact your nearest Turkish Embassy.

About İstanbul

İstanbul is Türkiye's largest city and a major cultural hub. Beyoğlu, where ANAMED is located, is renowned for its historic streets, restaurants, cafes, and cultural institutions. The area is vibrant and pedestrian-friendly, with numerous attractions near your accommodation.

ANAMED

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01 — İSTIKLAL AVENUE, BEYOĞLU



An aerial view of İstiklal Avenue with the ANAMED building prominently visible along the bustling pedestrian thoroughfare of Beyoğlu.

02 — ANAMED ROOFTOP TERRACE



The rooftop terrace of ANAMED offers a sweeping panorama of İstanbul's historic skyline, with the spire of the nearby church framed against an open sky.

03 — BEYOĞLU AT NIGHT



By night, the Gothic spire of the adjacent church is dramatically illuminated, casting warm golden light across the surrounding rooftops of Beyoğlu.

04 — ANAMED BUILDING FAÇADE



The neoclassical façade of the ANAMED building faces İstiklal Avenue, its ornate balconies and arched entrance marking it as a distinguished cultural landmark.

05 — MERKEZHAN 181, İSTIKLAL AVENUE



Street-level view of the ANAMED entrance at Merkezhan 181, İstiklal Avenue — the historic building serves as the home of Koç University's Research Center for Anatolian Civilizations. © 2025 Google

NEIGHBOURHOOD MAP



Walking distance from Taksim Metro Station (~8 min) and Şişhane Metro Station (~5 min). ANAMED is located at Merkezhan, İstiklal Caddesi 181, Beyoğlu.

HOW TO REACH ANAMED

Koç University, Research Center for Anatolian Civilizations
İstiklal Cad. No: 181, Beyoğlu / İstanbul

ANAMED is located on **İstiklal Caddesi (İstiklal Avenue)** in Beyoğlu, within walking distance of two metro stations.

ŞİŞHANE METRO STATION
M2 Line (Yenikapı–Hacıosman)

Exit: Halil Ağa (İstiklal Caddesi)
Approx. 5 min walk (350 m)

Follow İstiklal Caddesi straight ahead.

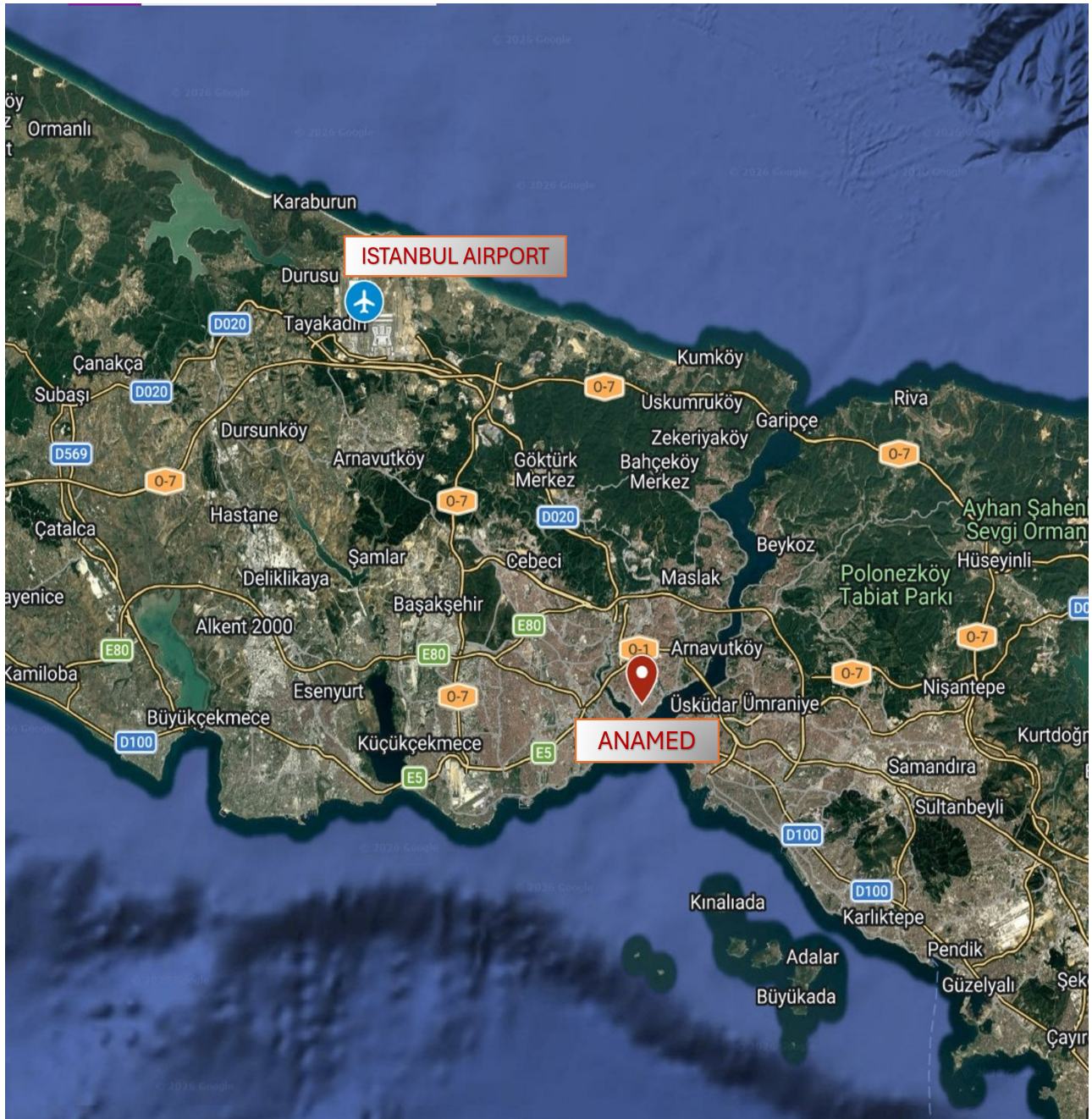
TAKSİM METRO STATION
M2 Line (Yenikapı–Hacıosman)

Approx. 10 min walk (600 m)

Follow İstiklal Caddesi downhill.



CITY OVERVIEW



ANAMED's central location in Beyoğlu, approximately 45–60 minutes from Istanbul Airport (IST) by public transport or taxi.

SOCIAL EVENTS



DAY 2 BOSPHORUS TOUR

WALKING ROUTE: ANAMED → KARAKÖY PIER



June 2, 2026
after 17:00



Approximate duration:
2–3 hours

INCLUSIONS



Boat tour on the Bosphorus



Light refreshments/snacks



Dinner



IMPORTANT NOTES



Times are approximate
and may vary slightly.



Comfortable walking shoes
are recommended.
































Bring your camera
and enjoy Istanbul!



DAY 3 Historic Peninsula Walk & Tram

From ANAMED to Sultanahmet

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ANAMED
 Koç University ANAMED **START**
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İstiklal Street
 Walk down the iconic avenue 10 min
700 m
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Galatasaray High School
 Historic landmark 5 min
350 m
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Galata Tower
 Panoramic city views 10 min
650 m
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Karaköy Waterfront
 Vibrant promenade 8 min
550 m
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Galata Bridge
 Walk across the bridge 7 min
500 m
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Spice Bazaar (Eminönü)
 Colorful market 5 min
350 m
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TRAM (T1 LINE)
 From Eminönü (Yeni Cami) to Sultanahmet ~7 min
(3 stops)
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Topkapı / Eminönü
 Tram Stop
- 

Sultanahmet
 Tram Stop – get off
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Basilica Cistern
 Ancient underground wonder 3 min
250 m
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Hagia Sophia
 Timeless masterpiece 2 min
200 m
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 Explore the area **END**

 Walking Route
  Tram (T1 Line)
 Mostly walkable with a short tram connection.

