

# 9<sup>th</sup> METU INTERNATIONAL STAFF TRAINING WEEK

**Digital Bridges in International Education: Advancing Erasmus+ through Digitalization and Erasmus Without Papers-Blended Intensive Program (BIP)**  
**June 16-20, 2025**

**16**  
**JUNE**  
MONDAY  
**Day 1**

**09:30-10:00 Registration / Welcome Coffee**

**10:00-10:30 Opening Remarks: Introduction to METU and International Cooperation Office (ICO)** *Burcu Akpınar, METU ICO Coordinator*

**10:30-11:00 Key Note Speech: How Digitalization Transforms Higher Education and Mobility Programs**  
*Prof. Dr. Ömer Delialioğlu, Erasmus+ Institutional Coordinator, Advisor to the President*

**11:00-12:00 The Role and Introduction of Digital Tools in Erasmus+ Procedures (Online Session)**  
*Representatives of European Commission and/or Turkish National Agency (tbc.)*

**12:00-13:30 Lunch Break** (at participants own expense & please check the orientation booklet to see some alternative places)

**13:30-15:30 Campus Tour and Visit to METU Research Centers: METU Technopark, METU Center for Wind Energy Research, METU Science and Technology Museum)**  
*Dr. İbrahim Yorgun, METU ICO International Membership Coordinator*

**15:30-17:00 Banking Procedures (only) for Erasmus+ ICM (KA171) participants**

**19:00 Welcome Dinner** (hosted by METU ICO) at **Dafne Restaurant** (please see the last page)

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**09:30-10:45 PANEL:**

**Digital Bridges: METU's Digital Innovations in Mobility as Türkiye's EWP Champion**  
**Moderator:** (tbc.)

**Panelists:**

1. Outbound Mobility Solutions, *by Nur Seda Temur, International Cooperations Office*
2. Inbound Mobility Solutions, *by Cansu Bolgul, International Cooperations Office*
3. Digital Framework and Toolkits of METU, *Computer Centre (tbc.)*
4. Introduction to METU's Academic and Asset Management Systems (VARISIS, AVESIS etc.), *Institutional Development and Planning Office (tbc.)*

**17**  
**May**  
TUESDAY  
**Day 2**

**10:45-11:15** Coffee Break

**11:15-12:15** ROUND-TABLE WORKSHOP:

**Digital Pathways in Global Mobility: Challenges, Solutions and Shared Insights**

**12:15-13:30** Lunch Break (at participants own expense)

**13:30-14:30** **Smart Moves: Exploring the Role of AI in Global Mobility and Internationalization**

*METU Department of Computer Education and Instructional Technology (tbc.)*

**14:30-15:00** **Introduction of METU Distance Education Application and Research Center (UZEM) & Continuing Education Center (SEM)**

*UZEM & SEM representatives (tbc.)*

**15:00-15:15** Coffee Break

**15:15-16:30** **Digital** Poster Session Presented by the Participant Universities & Networking Event (*speed networking & introduction event in which each institution will present their university via digital poster in 3 minutes*)

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**18-19**  
**JUNE**

WEDNESDAY  
THURSDAY

**Day 3-4**

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**20**  
**JUNE**

FRIDAY

**Day 5**

**09:30-11:00** **Closing Remarks & Digital Feedback Session**

**11:00-11:15** Delivery of Participation Certificates

**11:15** End of the Program for Erasmus+ KA131 and self-funded participants

**11:15-12:30** Banking Procedures (only) for Erasmus+ ICM (KA171) participants

**12:30** End of the Program for Erasmus+ ICM (KA171) participants

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- No participation fee is required for the METU Staff Week 2025
- **DAFNE RESTAURANT ADDRESS** Aziziye Mahallesi, Andrea Karlov Caddesi, Karyağdı Sokak, No:20, Çankaya/ANKARA, <http://dafne.com.tr/>

**LOCATION:**

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**RESTAURANT'S LOCATION**



**STAFF WEEK ORIENTATION BOOKLET (will be updated soon)**



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