

## EDUCCON 2024 INFOPACK

**Flight information and airports** Before booking your travel arrangements, you can always write to us about the best option for comfortable travel.

**Istanbul – Kahramanmaraş:** There are daily domestic flights to Kahramanmaraş from Istanbul Airport. The prices are about 60-70 EUR for one way if you reserve earlier. There are two international airports in Istanbul, one of them is in European side and the other one is in Anatolian side, so be careful while planning your flight. We don't recommend but if you think to travel Kahramanmaraş by bus, it takes about 15 hours. Also to travel to bus station will be really hard in İstanbul.

**Ankara- Kahramanmaraş:** There are daily domestic flights to Kahramanmaraş from Ankara Airport. However direct flights from Ankara to Kahramanmaraş are available four days per week (Mon, Thu, Fri, Sat). The prices are about 21-95 EUR for one way if you reserve earlier. There is one international airport in Ankara. We also recommend travelling by bus, it takes about 9 hours.

### Sites for Flights:

(Istanbul to Kahramanmaraş): <https://www.turkishairlines.com/>

(Ankara to Kahramanmaraş): <https://ajet.com/>

### Sites for Bus Tickets:

<https://www.obilet.com/otobus-bileti/kahramanmaras>

<https://www.enuygun.com/otobus-bileti/>

**Accommodation:** Accommodation in Kahramanmaraş is comfortable and you can find quite affordable ones. Here are some hotels we can recommend, the event will take place in Kahramanmaraş Sütçü İmam University, so take the distance into consideration while planning.

<http://www.ramadaplazakahramanmaras.com/> (nearest hotel to university)

<http://www.grandvavotel.com/> (in the city center, small boutique hotel)

<https://akdeniz46.meb.k12.tr/tema/icerik.php?KATEGORINO=384354> ( the cheapest and nearest to university)

**Venue:** The meeting will take place at Kahramanmaraş Sütçü İmam University Technopark.

**Web site page:** <https://www.ksu.edu.tr/>

### Location:

<https://www.google.com/maps/dir/37.5917942,36.8573177/ksu/@37.5853829,36.8065669,13z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m9!4m8!1m1!4e1!1m5!1m1!1s0x152ddd0a3f4a6a67:0x524b2efc52349117!2m2!1d36.8193344!2d37.5858082>

### **Important information about Turkey**

**Health insurance** All participants are required to purchase health insurance individually.

**Our currency is called Turkish Lira (TL)** and the rates for the most common currencies are: 1€ = 37.00 TL

**Weather** Since Kahramanmaraş is in the South of Turkey, it is usually hot even in September. Bring your light clothes with you. Usually, the temperatures in September vary from 12°C to 30°C.

**Time zone in Turkey** - Central European Standard Time (GMT+3)

**People you can call whenever you want!**

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### **A few Turkish Words**

Turkish is pronounced as it is written so it is easy to say a few words.

**Hello=Merhaba**

**Goodbye: Güle güle**

**Welcome: Hoş geldin**

**How are you?= Nasılsın?**

### **A few facts about Kahramanmaraş**

Kahraman means "Hero" we took this name because the city saved itself. You should taste ice-cream, tarhana, eşkili çorba and eli böğünde in Kahramanmaraş (we have very delicious, unique food culture).

You should visit Covered Bazaar to buy traditional souvenirs (copper, wooden and leather gifts), visit castle and Abdulhamidhan Mosque.

Unfortunately, we had a huge earthquake on 6<sup>th</sup> February in 2023, so be kind to people many of whom have huge losses. Your support really matters.

**We hope you enjoy your time in Türkiye and Kahramanmaraş.**