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**BASWG Circular Letter 01/2016**

**29 February 2016**

**Subject** : Announcement of the BASWG13.

**Ref.** : Report of the MBSHC19.

Dear Colleagues,

1. I am pleased to announce that the 13<sup>th</sup> meeting of the BASWG will take place in Naval Museum, **İstanbul/Turkey** on **3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> of May 2016** in accordance with the decision MBSHC19-02 in ref.
2. It is kindly requested from the members to provide the BASWG Secretariat ([egunsay@shodb.gov.tr](mailto:egunsay@shodb.gov.tr) and [bgurses@shodb.gov.tr](mailto:bgurses@shodb.gov.tr)) with the list of participants, the national reports, submission papers and the proposals for the Agenda no later than **15 March 2016**. Logistics information is given in **Annex-A**. The provisional agenda and the program of the meeting will be circulated in due course.

Yours sincerely,

Erhan GEZGİN  
Captain PhD  
Director, TN-ONHO (Chairman, BASWG)

**Annex-A** (Logistics information)

## **LOGISTICS INFORMATION** **BASWG-13, 03-04 May 2016, İstanbul**

### **BASWG Venue**

The BASWG-13 meeting will be held on 3rd and 4th of May 2016 in the Naval Museum (Deniz Müzesi), Sinanpaşa, 34353, Beşiktaş/İstanbul.

### **Contact details**

The primary point of contact for logistical, visa and accommodation assistance is LCDR. Eşref GÜNSAY, Head of ENC Production, TN-ONHO, [egunsay@shodb.gov.tr](mailto:egunsay@shodb.gov.tr)  
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### **Visa requirements**

Depending on your nationality, the purpose and duration of your visit, you may require a visa to visit Turkey. We urge you to check visa requirements at your earliest convenience. If you require any assistance, or a letter of invitation, please liaise with contact officer.

### **General Information for İstanbul**

İstanbul is Turkey's largest city with a population approaching 14 million. For more information about İstanbul, please refer to the following website: [www.istanbulcityguide.com](http://www.istanbulcityguide.com)

May in İstanbul is generally sunny with temperatures ranging from an average low of 18 °C to average high of 23 °C.

### **Accommodation**

There are a number of hotel options available in Beşiktaş within close proximity to the Naval Museum (Please refer to [www.istanbulcityguide.com](http://www.istanbulcityguide.com) for the hotel options). Special accommodation rates at the Beşiktaş Hotel/Beşiktaş ([www.besiktasotel.com.tr](http://www.besiktasotel.com.tr)) have been negotiated for the duration of BASWG-13. The hotel is 5 min. walking distance to Naval Museum. The following options are available:

#### **BEŞİKTAŞ HOTEL SPECIAL RATES (2-5 May 2015)**

**Standard Single Room / BB : 120 TRY (approx. 37 EURO) per night per person**  
**Standard Double Room / BB : 180 TRY (approx. 55 EURO) per night per two persons**

- Breakfast and VAT included.
- Wi-Fi access in lobby and rooms is free of charge.
- Special rates are valid until 15 March 2015.
- Booking requests should be sent to [egunsay@shodb.gov.tr](mailto:egunsay@shodb.gov.tr)

#### **W HOTEL (2-5 May 2015)**

**Standard Single Room / BB : 600 TRY (approx. 190 EURO) per night per person**  
**Standard Double Room / BB : 700 TRY (approx. 220 EURO) per night per two persons**

### **Transportation**

There is an airport shuttle (Bus called Havatas) from Atatürk Airport to Taksim Square and from Taksim Square to Atatürk Airport in every 30 minutes ([www.havatas.com](http://www.havatas.com)). The price per person is 11 TL (approx. 3,5 EURO). Havatas buses are running from Atatürk Airport outside the Terminal and Taksim in front of Point Hotel (at opposite the Divan Hotel). Journey time is 40 minutes approximately, but it may vary according to the intensity of the traffic. From Taksim to Beşiktaş local transportation is available.

For all other local transportation (metro, bus, tram etc.) options please refer to [www.istanbul-ulasim.com.tr](http://www.istanbul-ulasim.com.tr)

Taxi from Atatürk Airport to Beşiktaş costs approx. 80 TL (approx. 25 EURO).

## Location Map

