

EFFC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING PROGRAMME

ISTANBUL, TURKEY 28TH – 30TH SEPTEMBER 2023

WHY ISTANBUL?



Istanbul is a major city in Turkey that straddles Europe and Asia across the Bosphorus Strait. Its Old City reflects cultural influences of the many empires that once ruled here.

In the Sultanahmet district, the open-air, Romanera Hippodrome was for centuries the site of chariot races, and Egyptian obelisks also remain. The iconic Byzantine Hagia Sophia features a soaring 6th-century dome and rare Christian mosaics.

TRAVELING TO ISTANBUL



There is approximately an hour's drive from Istanbul Airport to the 5-star Point Hotel Barbaros, where the meetings will take place. Other transport links to the hotel are minimal, with a journey by train taking approximately 1hr50mins, including three changes and some walking.

EVENT PROGRAMME

THURSDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER

EFFC OFFICERS MEETING

- o **Time:** 09:00-12.00
- Location: Point Hotel Barbaros, Esentepe, Yıldız Posta Cd. No:29, 34394 Şişli/İstanbul



EFFC BUFFET LUNCH

o Time: 12.00-13.00

o Location: Point Hotel Barbaros , Esentepe, Yıldız Posta Cd. No:29, 34394 Şişli/İstanbul

*This lunch is open to Officers and full EFFC Members only.

EXECUTIVE MEETING AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - PART ONE (FOR CONTRACTOR MEMBERS ONLY*)

o **Timings:** 13.00-18:30

Location: Point Hotel Barbaros, Esentepe, Yıldız Posta Cd. No:29, 34394 Şişli/İstanbul
 *This meeting is open to full EFFC Members only and not Associate Members.

WELCOME DINNER

Timings: 19.30-22.00 (final timings TBC)

Location: Point Hotel Barbaros, Esentepe, Yıldız Posta Cd. No:29, 34394 Şişli/İstanbul

FRIDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER

EXECUTIVE MEETING AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - PART TWO*

Time: 08:30- 17:00

o Location: Point Hotel Barbaros , Esentepe, Yıldız Posta Cd. No:29, 34394 Şişli/İstanbul

o *This meeting is open to both EFFC Members and Associate Members.

PARTNERS TOUR

Time: 09.00- 14.00 (final timings TBC)

o **Cost: €**85

 Location: A guided tour of the Istanbul Modern Museum and Istanbul Museum of Painting and Sculpture, including lunch, and departing from Point Hotel Barbaros, Esentepe, Yıldız Posta Cd. No:29, 34394 Şişli/İstanbul.



Attendees will enjoy a guided visit to Turkey's first museum of modern and contemporary art, The Istanbul Modern Museum. The museum features art predominantly from Turkish artists, with works from the latter half of the 20th century.

After lunch, the group will move on to the Istanbul Museum of Painting and Sculpture to enjoy painting and sculpture from late Ottoman times through to modern times, including the work of Osman Hamdi Bey, the founder of Istanbul's first school of art.

BUFFET LUNCH (FOR EFFC MEMBERS AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS)

o Time: 12:00-13:00

o Location: Point Hotel Barbaros , Esentepe, Yıldız Posta Cd. No:29, 34394 Şişli/İstanbul

GALA DINNER, SPONSORED BY TEMEL MÜTEAHHITLERI DERNEĞI

Time: 19.30-23.00 (final timings TBC)



- Location: A luxury yacht, departing from Point Hotel Barbaros, Esentepe, Yıldız Posta Cd. No:29, 34394
 Şişli/İstanbul
- o All EFFC Members, Associate Members and partners are welcome to attend the Gala Dinner.

SATURDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER

SIGHTSEEING TOUR

- Time: 10.00- 16.00 (final timings TBC)
- o Cost: €125
- Location: A guided tour of the Blue Mosque, Hagia Sophie, Cistern, and Topkapi Palace departing from Point Hotel Barbaros, Esentepe, Yıldız Posta Cd. No:29, 34394 Şişli/İstanbul and including lunch.



Take in the top tourist spots of Istanbul with this guided tour. The tour will begin with a visit to the famous Blue Mosque (an Ottoman-era imperial mosque dating from 1609) before moving on to Hagia Sophie (a Byzantine mosque and major cultural and historical site built in 537 AD).

After lunch, attendees will visit the Basilica Cistern (the largest of several hundred ancient cisterns that lie beneath the city of Istanbul) before visiting the Topkapi Palace, a large museum and library which served as the administrative centre of the Ottoman empire and the main residence of its sultans.

ACCOMMODATION

We have a limited number of rooms reserved at the Point Hotel Barbaros – 5*, where the meetings will take place which can be booked via the booking form. Please note – these rooms have not been permanently reserved and any that are not secured by **Friday 14**th **July** will be released to the general public. These rooms are first come first served.

Hotel Name: Point Hotel Barbaros - 5*

Location: Esentepe, Yıldız Posta Cd. No:29, 34394 Şişli/İstanbul

Rates: €165-185 plus tax (Including breakfast)

Other Nearby Hotels

(Please note – these hotels have not been reserved).

1. Hotel Name: Hotel Swissôtel The Bosphorus – Istanbul – 5*

Location: Vişnezade, Acısu Sokaği No:19, 34357 Beşiktaş/İstanbul

Rates: €350-375 plus tax (Including breakfast)

2. Hotel Name: Le Meridien Istanbul Etiler – 5*

Location: Etiler, Cengiz Topel Cd. No: 39, 34337 Beşiktaş/İstanbul

Rates: €215-225 plus tax (Including breakfast)



3. Hotel Name: Fairmont Quasar İstanbul – 5*

Location: Mecidiyeköy, Büyükdere Cd. No:76, 34393 Şişli/İstanbul

Rates: €230-250 plus tax (Including breakfast)

4. Hotel Name: Hyatt Centric Levent Istanbul - 5*

Location: Levent, Büyükdere Cd. No:136, 34330 Beşiktaş/İstanbul, Türkiye

Rates: from €223 plus tax (Including breakfast)

5. Hotel Name: Divan İstanbul Hotel – 5*

Location: Asker Ocağı Caddesi 34367 No:1 Taksim Istanbul, Turkey

Rates: from €305 plus tax (Including breakfast)

WITH SPECIAL THANKS TO TMD:

