

# INFORMATION BOOKLET

## Expert Group Meeting on Islamic Banking and Finance Statistics SESRIC Headquarters, Ankara – Turkey, 25-26 March 2014

### Address of the Venue:

SESRIC, Kudüs Caddesi, No: 9, Diplomatik Site, 06450, Oran, Ankara

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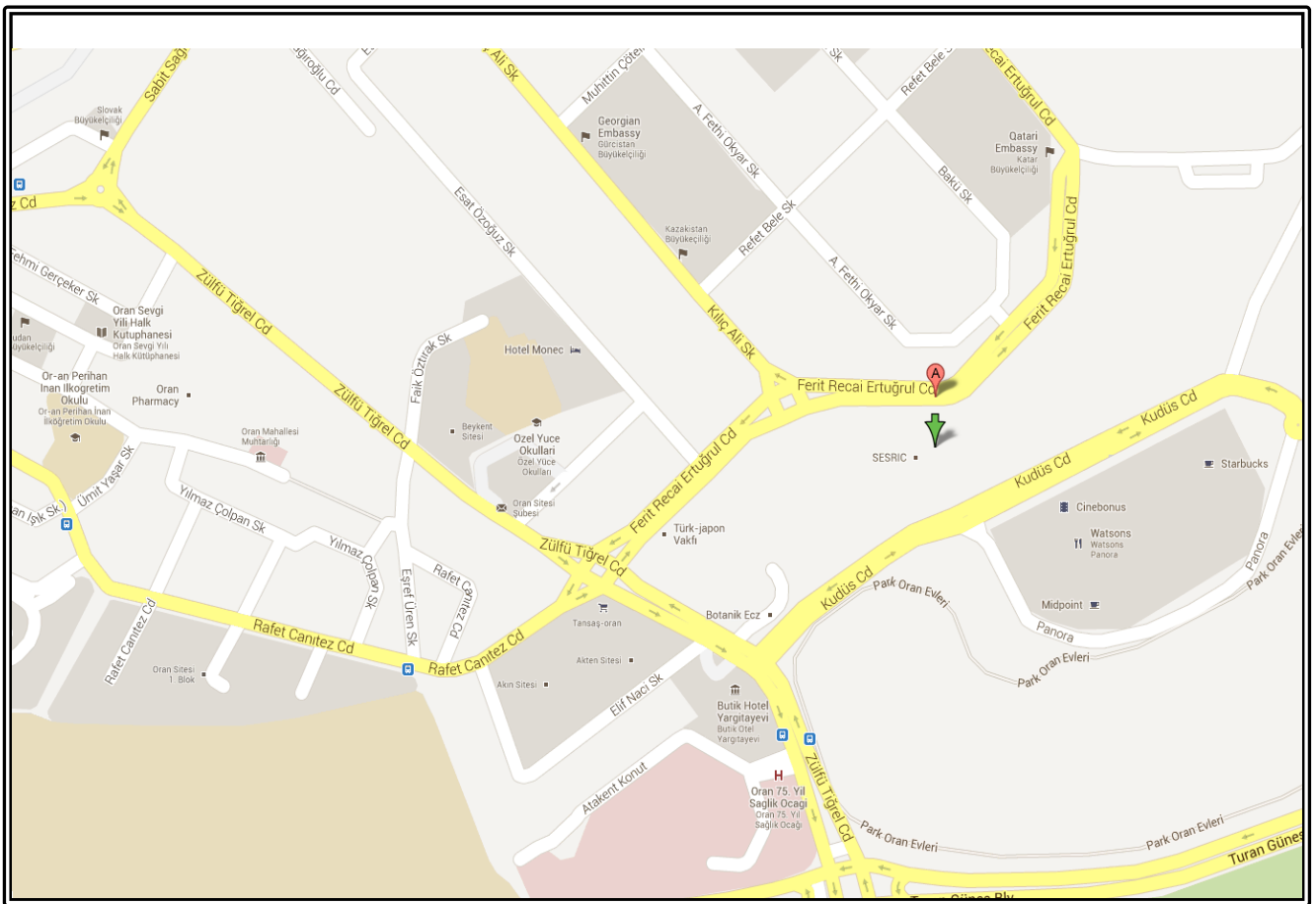
Web: <http://www.sesric.org>

<http://www.oicstatcom.org>

### Geolocation:

Latitude = 39.84866995478495 North, Longitude = 32.830670177936554 East

Please visit <http://goo.gl/maps/WZK8g> to see the detailed address of the venue.



**Registration and badges:** Registration of participants will take place at SESRIC. The identification badges should be worn by all participants throughout the meeting. You will be guided by staff at the information desk to the conference room.

**Visa Requirements:** Please check on <http://www.mfa.gov.tr/visa-information-for-foreigners.en.mfa> if any visa is required for the passport type you hold.

**Transportation Means from the Ankara Esenboga International Airport:** Participants should make their own transportation arrangements from Esenboga International Airport (ESB) to their respective hotels. Please visit the following page for more information on airport transportation:

<http://www.esenbogaairport.com/en-EN/Transportation/Pages/AirportTrasnportation.aspx>

Private shuttle firm Secure Drive also offers affordable shared transportation from the ESB.

Please visit <http://www.securedrivetravel.com.tr/Reservation.aspx> to book your place.

**Foreign Exchange:** The medium of exchange is Turkish Lira (TL). The local banks and exchange offices in Ankara provide foreign currency exchange service. But it will be hard to exchange money during the meeting hours due to the meeting schedule. Hence, we strongly advise you to use foreign exchange facilities of the airport. The current exchange rates are approximately around:

<b>Exchange Rates</b> (as of 20 February 2014)	<b>USD/TL</b>	<b>EURO/TL</b>
	2.19	3.01

**Weather and Clothing:** Most of Turkey enjoys a pleasantly mild climate throughout March. The average weather conditions of Ankara in March are as following:

<b>Average Temp (°C)</b>	<b>Min. Temp. (°C)</b>	<b>Max. Temp. (°C)</b>
6.1	-19.2	26.4

**Electricity:** Turkey operates on 220 volts, 50 Hz, with round-prong European-style plugs that fit into recessed wall sockets /points.

**Accommodation:** SESRIC have a special conference rate with the following three hotels:

<b>Hotel</b>	<b>Distance from SESRIC</b>	<b>Special Rate (with limited availability)</b>
<b>Hotel Monec (* * * *, boutique)</b> Esat Ozoguz Sokak No:5 06450, Oran / Ankara <b>Phone:</b> +90 (312) 491 3030 <b>Fax:</b> +90 (312) 491 3733 <b>Web:</b> <a href="http://www.hotelmonec.com.tr/eng/">http://www.hotelmonec.com.tr/eng/</a> <b>Contact:</b> Mr. Baris Yavuz byavuz@hotelmonec.com.tr reservations@hotelmonec.com.tr info@hotelmonec.com.tr	400 metres <a href="http://goo.gl/kUi0gb">http://goo.gl/kUi0gb</a>	<b>Single Standard Room:</b> 70 USD + VAT (%8) (Breakfast & Internet included)
<b>Aktif Metropolitan Hotel (* * * * *)</b> Oguzlar Mahallesi, Mevlana Bulvarı (Konya Yolu), 1377. Sokak, No: 28, 06520, Balgat / Ankara <b>Phone:</b> +90 (312) 295 4545 <b>Fax:</b> +90 (312) 284 4242 <b>Web:</b> <a href="http://www.metropolitanhotel.com.tr/">http://www.metropolitanhotel.com.tr/</a> <b>Contact:</b> Ms. Sule Ozdil s.ozdil@metropolitanhotel.com.tr info@metropolitanhotel.com.tr	9 kilometres <a href="http://goo.gl/G6FWev">http://goo.gl/G6FWev</a>	<b>Single Standard Room:</b> 70 Euro + VAT (%8) (Breakfast & Internet included)
<b>Demora Hotel (* * * *)</b> Esat Caddesi, No: 51 06101, Kavaklıdere /Ankara <b>Phone:</b> +90 (312) 427 06 00 <b>Fax:</b> +90 (312) 417 06 13 <b>Web:</b> <a href="http://www.demorahotel.com.tr/en/">http://www.demorahotel.com.tr/en/</a> <b>Contact:</b> Mr. Deger Duru degerduru@demorahotel.com.tr info@demorahotel.com.tr	10 kilometres <a href="http://goo.gl/maps/IPP69">http://goo.gl/maps/IPP69</a>	<b>Single Standard Room:</b> 70 USD + VAT (%8) (Breakfast & Internet included)

It should be reminded that conference rates are only valid for a limited number of rooms. Participants are required to contact the hotel directly in advance **by providing full name, date and time of check-in and check-out, flight numbers and contact details.**

If the hotel does not reply you back or does not provide you the conference rate, please contact **Mr. Abdulhamit Ozturk at [aozturk@sesric.org](mailto:aozturk@sesric.org) or +90 (312) 468 6172 ext. 206**

For other hotel options in relative proximity to SESRIC, you can visit <http://goo.gl/maps/EYIBX> and check popular web sites such as [www.expedia.com](http://www.expedia.com), [www.hotels.com](http://www.hotels.com), [www.orbitz.com](http://www.orbitz.com)

#### **A Guide to Food in SESRIC Neighbourhood**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Adress</b>
Fırıncı Orhan	Cafe	Oran Mah. Kudüs Cad. No:1/C, 06450, ORAN (On the left handside of PANORA Shopping Mall)
Firenze Ristorante Pizzeria & Patisserie	Italian Restaurant	Oran Mh., Park Oran Evleri, 06450, ORAN (across SESRIC)
Günaydın Restaurant	Meat/Hamburgers/Döner	PANORA Shopping Mall, 2nd Floor
Kipa Extra	Supermarket with a small self-service cafe	PANORA Shopping Mall, Basement floor (-2)
Mado	Ice cream / Cafe	PANORA Shopping Mall, 2nd Floor
No:01	Traditional Turkish Kebabs	PANORA Shopping Mall, 2nd Floor
Starbucks	Cafe	PANORA Shopping Mall, Ground Floor
Sushico	Chinese, Japanese, Thai	PANORA Shopping Mall, Ground Floor
Timboo	Snacks / Cafe	PANORA Shopping Mall, Ground Floor
Uludağ	Traditional Turkish Kebabs	PANORA Shopping Mall, Ground Floor
Panora Foodcourt	Various fast food alternatives	PANORA Shopping Mall, 2nd Floor

#### **Visit Ankara**

A brochure including information about shopping areas, sightseeing and other hotels can be accessed via: <http://www.ankaraka.org.tr/en/publication.asp?id=36>

You can also find some essential information about Ankara on the official tourism portal of Turkey: <http://www.goturkey.com/en/city/detail/ankara>

#### **Emergency Numbers**

Ambulance: 112

Police: 155

Fire: 110