



SPECOM²⁰¹⁹

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Conference Venue



- SPECOM 2019 will be held at the Bogazici University campus, perched on a hill by the Bosphorus and with a commanding view of the whole city. Public parks and entertainment areas in Bebek, Rumelihisarı, Arnavutköy and Ortaköy are within walking distance to the university.
- Robert College was founded in Istanbul, Türkiye, by Dr. Cyrus Hamlin, an educator, inventor, technician, architect and builder, and Mr. Christopher Rheinlander Robert, a well-known philanthropist and a wealthy merchant from New York. The College was to open its doors to students of all races, nationalities and religions without any discrimination.
- The campus was built at the stone quarry area that had been used by Fatih Sultan Mehmet when he built his mighty fortress, Rumelihisarı, on the European shore of the Bosphorus in 1453. On September 16, 1863, it opened its doors to students with Dr. Cyrus Hamlin as its first President. The campus was passed on to the Turkish government, and on September 10, 1971, Bogazici University was officially established on what had been the Robert College campus for over one hundred years.



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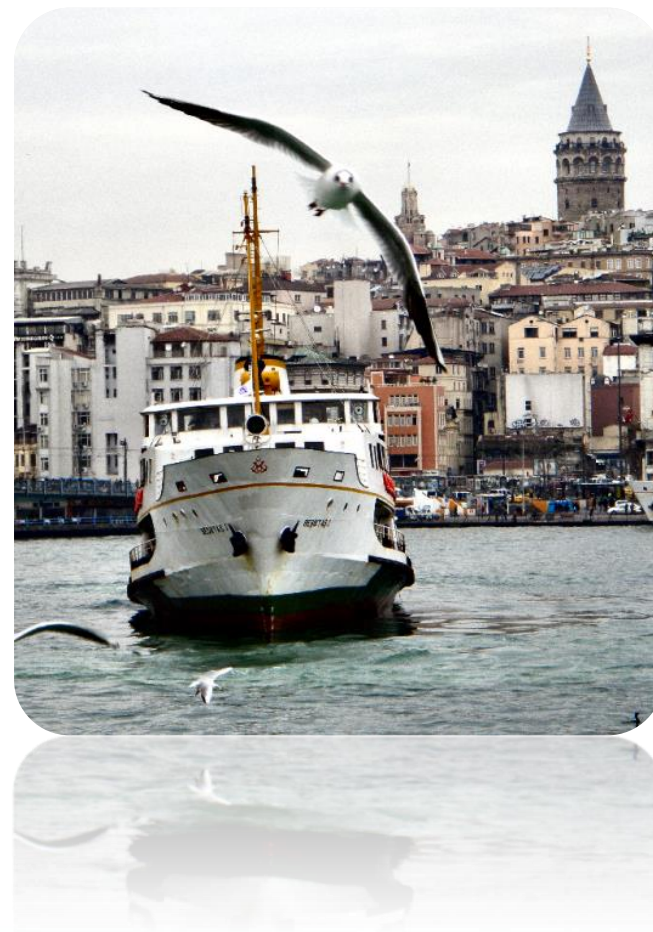
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Program

- First day (20 Aug) for registrations
- Main conference three days (21 Aug Wed – 23 Aug Friday)
- Social events (24-25 Aug)



Topics

- All SPECOM'18 topics are retained
- New topic introduced:
 - Deep learning for sound and speech processing

Nice weather

August in Istanbul is influenced by Interior Mediterranean climate. When you travel to Istanbul in August you can expect: every now and then rain, uncommonly thunderstorm and expect bathed in sunlight weather.

Note to heat waves! Throughout the August you can expect the heat wave with tropical weather and average temperature above 33°C. Hot weather can be dangerous for life. extreme high Look at the UV Index, which is (11) in August and you should take all precautions: Wear SPF 30+ 'sunscreen', a long-sleeved shirt and trousers, protective goggles, and hat. Avoid the sun within three hours of solar noon! Usually first week is the hottest in August. , but remember that there may occur Rain and Thunderstorm.

Istanbul in August experiences hot and sunny days with slightly cloudy sky. Typically temperature fluctuates around 30°C and wind is gentle breeze.



Gala dinner on the Bosphorus



Social event: Trip to BURC Beach Campus



Istanbul Tours



ISTANBUL CLASSICS (Half Day Morning)

Tour of "Sultan Ahmet Center", the heart of the "Old City". Hagia Sophia, one of the greatest marvels of architecture, Blue Mosque, facing Hagia Sophia, famous with its blue İznik tiles and unique with 6 minarets, built in the name of Sultan Ahmet. Hippodrome, center of sportive events (chariot races, athletics) and political activities of the old city. Serpentine Column, Obelisk of Theodosius and German Fountain of Wilhelm II are the monuments decorating the Hippodrome.



OTTOMAN RELICS (Half Day Afternoon)

Topkapı Palace, residence of Ottoman Sultans exhibiting imperial treasury, sacred Islamic relics of Prophet Mohammed, kitchen, Chinese porcelain, weapons, calligraphy section etc. Live guide commentary is not allowed in special sections. (Harem is not included in the program) Rüstem Paşa Mosque, designed by the court architect Sinan for the Grand Vizier of Süleyman The Magnificent. A typical sample of Islamic architecture amidst the rows of shops near the Spice Bazaar, famed with its exquisite and colorful tiles set in floral and geometric designs.



PRINCES' ISLANDS (Full Day / Minimum 2 guests)

Cruise in the Marmara Sea to Princes' Islands by Maritime Lines boat. Stop at Büyükdada, the popular summer resort with pinewood scenery, once the pleasure island of Byzantine Princes.

Tour of the island by horse-drawn carriages before lunch at a fish restaurant.



BOSPHORUS SUNSET CRUISE (minimum 6 guests)

An enchanted evening cruise starts while you sip your welcome drink and enjoy the marvelous scenery as the sun sets on the Bosphorus. Chance to view and photograph the precious relics of three world dominating Empires: Roman, Byzantine and Ottoman.

The **Royal Dolmabahçe Palace**, the late residence of the Ottoman Sultans; Bosphorus and Fatih Sultan Mehmet Bridges connecting the two continents Asia and Europe.

Turkey Tours



GREEN BURSA

Departure by ferryboat via **Yalova**, enjoying the lovely countryside view.

Drive to Bursa, former Ottoman Capital and lunch of famous “Kebab of Alexander The Great”.

Climb to Uludağ (first stage), the legendary **Mount Olympus**, by **Teleferik (cable car)**, visit to **Ulucami (Grand Mosque)**, the **Green Mosque** and the **Green Mausoleum (from outside)**, the old **Silk Market** in the **Covered Bazaar**. Late evening return to **Istanbul** and transfer to hotels.



TROY & GALLIPOLI (Anzacs)

You can visit the ancient city of **Troy**, famous with the legendary **Trojan Horse** from the times of **Beautiful Helen**, the **Queen of Sparta** and **Paris**, the **Trojan Prince**.

Visit to **Gallipoli**, famous **battlefield**, **Anzac Cove**, **War Cemeteries** and the **Anzac Memorials** (**Lone Pine** - Australian Memorial, **Conk Bayırı** - New Zealand Memorial, **Hellespont** - English Memorial) of the naval battle (18 March 1915) during World War I.



CAPPADOCIA (Regular / Daily & 2-3-4 Days Tour)

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Rate: Please contact with organization secretariat.

You can walk through the “Fairy Chimneys” in **Devrent Valley**, **Paşabağ (Monks’) Valley**, practice **pottery production** with the ancient technique in **Avanos**. And you can visit to **Göreme**, **Pigeon Valley** and **Uçhisar**, the highest point in the region.

Kızılçukur (Red Valley) and the village of **Çavuşin** with rock-cut dwellings. Explore the rock formations in **Çatalkaya**. A fantastic overview of the fairy chimneys from **Esenstepe**. **Derinkuyu Underground City**, walk through the amazing **Ihlara Valley**. Lunch at **Belisırma**.



PAMUKKALE (Hierapolis)

Pamukkale (Cotton Castle), a beautiful and spectacular natural site near **Denizli**, unique in the world. Thermal spring waters have carved this fantastic formation of **stalactites**. Thermal waters have been used since Roman times for their therapeutic powers. Situated on the plateau are both the thermal center with its motels, thermal pools and ruins of the ancient city of **Hierapolis**. Monument on this side includes the ancient thermal baths which have been restored and converted into an archaeological museum.

Turkish Cuisine



Accessibility

Turkish airlines flies to 127 cities directly, and has 1180 connecting flights.



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