

*From January 2019 to March 2019*

**District 2452**

**Club 88148**

**Merit Park Hotel**

**2nd & 4th Saturday**

**2 pm for 2.30 pm**

### Upcoming Events

- April 2019

**Music Night  
Bus Trip to South  
Cyprus**

- May 2019

**Beach Cleaning**

- June 2019

**İzmir Trip  
Handover Ceremony**

**LOVELY FELLOWSHIP EVENT** - This was organised by our club at Villagio Templos in Zeytinlik.



Rotary Fellowships consist of members who share a common interest in recreational activities, sports, hobbies, or professions. These groups help expand skills, foster vocational development, and enhance the Rotary experience by exploring interests while developing connections around the world.

Funny times with our rotarian friends



Time for  
Raffle Prizes

As Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan, we attend Cyprus Membership Seminar on 23rd February 2019 at Chateau Status on Buffer Zone Nicosia.



The Rotary movement first began on 23rd February 1905, when a young lawyer, Paul Harris organized the first Rotary Club "in fellowship and friendship" with three clients and local businessmen. Harris soon realized that Rotary needed a greater purpose. This year Rotary International celebrated its 114th anniversary and as Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan, we attended this ceremony to celebrate. During the ceremony three of our members were awarded with the Paul Harris Fellow award: Rotarian Behiye Müftüzade, Past President Gültaş Özsan and Aybars Kutluba it was a great honour for our Club to be recognised for its members achievements. Pelin Kutluba was also pinned at the ceremony and she has now become our newest member of Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan.



Our newest member, Pelin Kutluba



Our club members whom awarded with Paul Harris Fellow award





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Merit International is delighted to sponsor  
Alsancak Municipality in order to help raise funds to construct  
a playground and playing field at Büyükler Elementary School.

We would be honoured to see you at the opening  
of our 2nd Art Exhibition by artist Zekai YEŞİLADALI,  
which will be opened by the honourable  
TRNC President Mr. Mustafa Akıncı

Hanzade Özbaş  
Chairwoman of Merit International Hotels & Resorts

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019  
Cocktail 6pm  
MERİT ROYAL HOTEL LOBBY FLOOR

As Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan, we attend 2nd Art Exhibition by the artist Zekai Yesiladali at Merit Royal & Premium Hotel



Rotary Club of İzmir Varyant came and visited us.



Our TREE PLANTING Project



Since the beginning of life, trees have provided us with two of life's essentials, food and oxygen. As we evolved, they provided additional necessities such as shelter, medicine, and tools. Today, their value continues to increase and more benefits of trees are being discovered as their role expands to satisfy the needs created by our modern lifestyles. Also trees contribute to their environment by providing oxygen, improving air quality, climate, conserving water, preserving soil, and supporting wildlife. During the process of photosynthesis, trees take in carbon dioxide and produce the oxygen that we breathe. From those reason as a club we decide to organise this project in 2018 as part of our strategic planning for the next five years. Today we are planting 8 Pepper, 8 Fire, 8 Jacaranda and 8 Australian Mulberry tree. On that date we have rotarians from our sister club RC Varyant from İzmir, Turkey and also rotarian friend Işın Yaltıraklı come and join our ceremony. We would like to thank our main sponsor Merit International Group, General Manager of Merit Groups Aybars Kutluba, Alsancak Municipality Chair Fırat Atasır, Vice Chair Zehra Şekeroğlu, PP Gültaç Özsan, Pelin Kutluba and Rotarian friends Ayten and Ben Benoit for all contributions to organise this ceremony.





Our **LATE BRUNCH** after Tree Planting Ceremony with our rotarian friends and RC İzmir Varyant





Our guest speaker  
Dr. Nilufer Rahmeoglu Ramiz

### About Project;

Cyprus is the third largest Mediterranean island with 300,000 Turkish Cypriot and 700,000 Greek Cypriot residents. Due to its political context, Northern Cyprus (home to Turkish Cypriots) has been relatively isolated from the rest of Europe for > 40 years. Consequently, there is a complete absence of population-level health data from this emerging region in Europe, and it is excluded from all health- statistics reported for Cyprus. COHERE Initiative is an on-going population-based, cross-sectional study targeting 10% of all women aged 18-55 (N=8000) living in Northern Cyprus. We aim to establish a women's health cohort to collect vital health and morbidity data, and investigate factors affecting women's health and care seeking patterns in the region.

### Main objectives of the project;

- Understand distribution and prevalence rates of gynaecological conditions and associated symptomatology, and auto-immune, inflammatory, metabolic and pain comorbidity profiles.
- Investigate effect of reproductive and lifestyle factors on women's health.
- Map the geospatial distribution of identified conditions and investigate correlation with demographic and life-style factors.
- Investigate the genetic architecture of the population to understanding of disease-causing genetic risk factors in the region.





## Additional Information About İzmir Trip

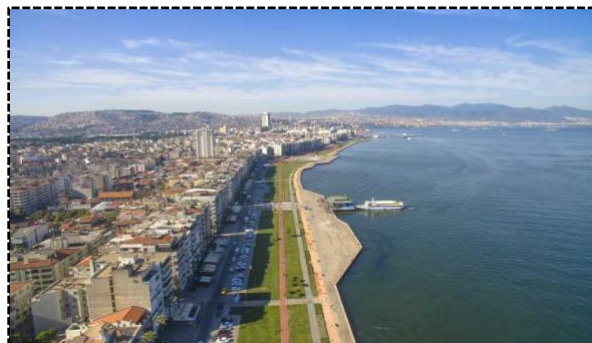


### 13 th June 2019 Thursday;

- 09.05 Arrival to İzmir airport
- 09.30 Movement to İzmir (with Havaş Bus)
- 10.30 Check-in for hotel room
- 11.00-15.00 Visiting Historical Kemeraltı Shopping Place (going on foot)  
\*\* Free Time \*\*
- 19.00 Meeting at hotel and visiting Deniz Restaurant for dinner (going on foot)  
Alternative (if you want to eat meat or kebab for dinner, we can go Tavacı Recep Usta Restaurant)

### 14 th June 2019 Friday;

- 08.00 Leaving from hotel after breakfast with bus
- 09.00-10.00 Visiting of car museum
- 11.00-12.00 Visiting of Virgin Mary Home
- 12.30-14.00 Antic Efes City
- 14.30 Free time at Şirince village
- 19.30 Meeting at hotel and visiting Meşhur Topçu Çöpşiş Restaurant for dinner (going on foot)



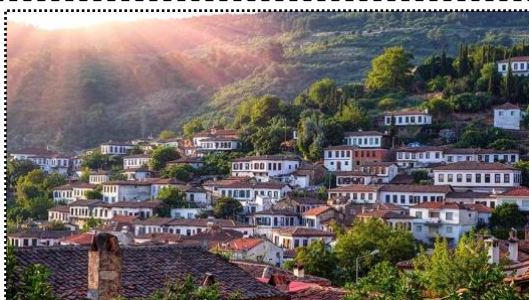
### 15 th June 2019 Saturday;

- 08.30 Leaving from hotel after breakfast with bus
- 09.30-12.30 Alaçatı Bazaar  
\*\* Free Time \*\*
- 13.00 -17.00 Çeşme (visiting of Marina – Castle- Bazaar)  
\*\* Free Time \*\*
- 18.00-19.00 Visiting of Urla Art Street
- 19.30 Diner at Urla Sea Side (Fish Restaurant)

### 16 th June 2019 Sunday;

- 08.30 Leaving from hotel without having breakfast
- 09.30-11.30 Buffet Breakfast at Sığacık Marina
- 11.30-13.30 Sığacık Authentic Castle Bazaar
- 14.00-15.30 Visiting of Teos Antic City and Museum
- 16.00 Visiting of Wine Factory, wine tasting and dinner

This is our hotel where we will stay at İzmir. (Kordon Çankaya Hotel)



### 17 th June 2019 Monday;

- 09.00 Leaving from hotel after breakfast on foot
- 09.30 Visiting of Arkas Art Museum
- 10.30 Visiting of Atatürk Museum
- 11.00 Movement to Karşıyaka with ferryboat then Mavişehir Mall with train

**\*\* Free Time \*\***

- 16.00 Same way to turn hotel
- 18.30 Leaving from hotel for Rotary meeting

(İzmir Varyant Rotary Club Members will take us with their cars. Dinner will be at Historical Elevator Building and District Governor will also attend the dinner.)



With its perfect climate, İzmir has a wonderful natural environment for agricultural products such as olives, figs, grapes and cotton. Various sea food, wines, local herbs, olive oil and the delicious cuisine make İzmir an attractive city also for gourmets.

### 18 th June 2019 Tuesday;

- Last day in İzmir. Free time until evening.
- 17.00 Movement to airport (with Havaş Bus)



### Historical Information About İzmir

Located in the west of Turkey and on the Aegean shores, İzmir, the pearl of the Aegean, is the third largest city in Turkey. With its 8.500 year history, fertile land, favorable climate, 629 km coastline, 300 sunny days a year, a sea that offers every shade of blue and the heritage left behind by the 32 civilizations it has been a home to, İzmir is ready for you to discover. İzmir owes its position as an economically and socially dynamic city to its location, climate and the fact that it has been a home to many different cultures and religions. Persians, Ancient Greeks, Assyrians, Romans, Byzantines and Ottomans are just a few of the dozens of different civilizations that the city has hosted throughout its long history.





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**Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan**

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