

**PROGRAMME OF THE  
16<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
OF  
THE SOCIETY OF MINING PROFESSORS/  
SOCIETÄT DER BERGBAUKUNDE**

**JUNE 11-16, 2004, ANKARA, TURKEY**

**Programme**

**June 10, 2005, Friday**

Arrival of Delegates

**June 11, 2005, Saturday**

**09:00-16:00** Mining Trip:  
Visit to Park Group's Underground Lignite Mine (longwall mining-one of the most productive underground coal mines in Europe), Thermal Power Plant, and Trona Mine (solution mining) at Cayirhan/Bey pazari, approximately 100 km. Northwest of Ankara.

**16:00-18:00** Tour of Bey pazari Town and its old houses

**18:00-20:00** Dinner at Bey pazari

**20:00- \_\_\_\_\_** Return to the hotel (Ankara)

**June 12, 2005, Sunday**

**09:00-09:20** Opening the Meeting  
Information by the president  
Report of the Secretary General

**09:20-10:40** Speeches on:

- Historical mining in Anatolia (Archeological view)
- Mining in Turkey
- Mining Education in Turkey

**10:40-11:00** Coffee break

**11:00-12:30** Business Meeting (Session 1)

**12:30-14:00** Lunch

**14:00-15:30** Business Meeting (Session 2)

**15:30-16:00** Coffee break

**16:00-17:30** Business Meeting (3)

**20:00- \_\_\_\_\_** Dinner and Entertainment

**June 13, 2005, Monday**

**09:30-11:00** Business Meeting (4)

**11:00-11:30** Coffee break

**11:30-12:30** Business Meeting (5)  
and closure

**12:30-14:00** Lunch

**14:30-17:30** Visit to Anatolian Civilizations Museum-Ankara which contains priceless artifacts belonging to the Paleolithic (\_\_\_\_- 8000 BC) and Neolithic eras as well as the Hatti, Hittite, Phrygian, Urartu and Roman civilizations.

**17:30- \_\_\_\_\_** Evening Free.

## **Accompanying Persons Program**

### **June 11, 2005, Saturday**

- 09:30-11:00** Visit to Anitkabir, the mausoleum of Mustafa Kemal Atatürk the Republic's founder, and its museum.
- 11:00 - \_\_\_\_\_** Departure to Beypazari Town approximately 100 km. Northwest of Ankara
- 12:30-13:30** Lunch
- 13:30-18:00** Toru of Beypazari and its surroundings: to see its historical houses, silver craftsmanship, kilim weaving, and some of authentic town life.
- 18:00 - \_\_\_\_\_** Dinner
- 20:00 - \_\_\_\_\_** Return to the hotel (Ankara)

### **June 12, 2005, Sunday**

- 09:30-16:30** Guided tour to archeological site of Gordian (the capital city of Phrygian Kingdom), the home of Gordian knot, where there is a huge tumulus of the Phrygian kings. Gordian Museum is also to be seen.

### **June 13, 2005, Monday**

- 09:30-12:30** Morning free
- 12:30 - \_\_\_\_\_** Join the delegates for the rest of the time

## **Excursion (3 days)**

**June 14-16, 2005**

### **First Day (June 14, 2005, Tuesday)**

- 08:30-12:30** Travel to Bogazkoy Historical National Park, 200 km. east of Ankara.
- 13:30-17:00** Visit to Hattusas (the capital city of Hittites), Yazilikaya (open air shrine of the Hittite Empire), and Alacahoyuk where inhabited four civilizations, namely: chalcolithic (copper, 4000-3000 BC), Old Bronze, Hittite and Phrygian.
- 17:00-20:30** Travel to Cappadocia region.
- 20:30 - \_\_\_\_\_** Stay in the rock hotel and dinner.

### **Second Day (June 15, Wednesday)**

- 09:00 - 20:00** A whole day tour of Cappadocia region and Goreme National Park. To see world-famous fascinating rock formations, one of the world's most surreal and picturesque landscapes; Byzantine churches, chapels carved in rocks whose walls decorated with religious paintings which reflect the history of religious art in that period; villages with houses carved into the rocks, still reflecting traditional life and agricultural practices; wine yards, wine production factory and earthenware pottery manufacturing; and to watch the sunset.
- 20:00 - \_\_\_\_\_** Dinner and entertainment (Turkish night) at the hotel

### **Third Day (June 16, Thursday)**

- 09:00 - \_\_\_\_\_** Leave the hotel to Ankara
- 09:30 - 11:30** Visit Derinkuyu Underground City. This city is one of the underground cities built as a defence and hiding site during the period of the spreading of Christianity. It was built by excavating the soft rocks underground to a depth of 8-10 storeys, with interesting ventilation systems, and sealing off systems from inside by large round slabs like millstones, so as to block entry by invaders.
- 11:00 - 14:00** Visit to Ihlara Valley (Canyon). The valley with 14 km length had formed by the Melendiz Creek flowing through the volcanic rocks in the area. The depth of the valley occasionally extends to 100-150 meters. There are numerous shelters, burial grounds and churches carved into the rocky walls and surface of the valley. Some of these shelters and churches are connected to each other with tunnels in a similar manner to the underground cities.

*14:00 - 14:30*

Visit Agzikara Inn one of the best-preserved and most impressive Seljuk Caravansaries in Anatolia, constructed between 1231-1239 CE.

*14:30 - 17:00*

Leave Cappodocia Region for Ankara. See the Salt Lake (Tuz Golu) on the way back.

*17:00 - \_\_\_\_\_*

End of the tour.