







Gary Dale Cearley, Executive Director

I would like to invite you all to Istanbul!

We are delighted to be bringing you to what is not only Turkey's most populous city but also its cultural and financial hub. Straddling the Bosphorus, Istanbul is a place where Europe and Asia meet and where East and West truly come together. We are in not only one of the largest cities in Europe but also in the world.

In 2020 Istanbul will be approximately 2680 years old so it goes without saying that this city is loaded with history. There will be many things for you to do in your off time. The cuisine is tops and the Turks are world-famous for their hospitality. And shopping galore!

While there you will be able to witness a modern, progressive Turkey that is making economic inroads throughout Europe, Central Asia and the Middle East. We in the logistics industry recognize the hub that Turkey has become, linked by ocean, air and overland transport networks that extend their reach locally and worldwide. Most of these transport networks find Istanbul as their main hub.

We would like this week to briefly make Istanbul the freight forwarding capital of the world. We will all play a part in this. While you are exploring what Istanbul has to offer we want that you can find what your colleagues within AiO also have to offer. We know you will gain and grow from this experience. This week we trust you will make new relationships and deepen older ones.

You will be glad to see Istanbul and we will be glad to see you there!



#### **About Istanbul, Turkey.**

Welcome to Istanbul, the city of the past, the present and the future. Istanbul not only joins continents, it also joins cultures and people. Close your eyes and imagine yourself in a city; the mysticism of the East and the modernity of the West, the constant time travel between past and the future, the balance of the traditional and the contemporary. Istanbul is one of the most visited and important places in the world, a central hub connecting Asia and Europe, blending the past and the future, bringing together cultures and people from all over the world. Visit Istanbul and feel the harmony of the opposites.













#### **Preliminary Agenda:**

Date	Time	Activity
30 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	19:00 - 19:30	Registration
30 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	19:30 - 21:30	Welcome Address & Cocktail Reception.
31 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	9:30 - 10:00	Registration
31 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	10:00 - 11:00	One-to-one meetings (3)
31 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	11:00 - 11.30	Coffee Break
31 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	11:30 - 12.30	One-to-one meetings (3)
31 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	12:30 - 13:00	Group Photo
31 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	13:00 - 14:20	Lunch
31 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	14:20 - 15:40	One-to-one meetings (4)
31 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	15:40 - 16.00	Coffee Break
31 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	16:00 - 17:00	One-to-one meetings (3)
31 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	18:00 - 22:00	Banquet Dinner
1 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	9:30 - 10.50	One-to-one meetings (4)
1 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	10.50 - 11:10	Coffee Break
1 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	11:10 - 12.30	One-to-one meetings (4)
1 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	12:30 - 13.30	Lunch
1 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	13.30 onwards	<b>Optional Group Activities</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2020	9.30 - 11.10	One-to-one meetings (5)
2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2020	11:10 - 11.30	Coffee Break
2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2020	11:30 - 13.10	One-to-one meetings (5)
2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2020	13:10 - 14:20	Lunch
2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2020	14:20 - 15:40	One-to-one meetings (4)
2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2020	15:40 - 16.00	Coffee Break
2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2020	16:00 - 17:20	One-to-one meetings (4)
2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2020	17:30 - 20:00	Prize Draw and Conclusion of Event



#### **Costs:**

Attendee	<b>Normal Rate</b>	Early Bird Fast Pay Rate*	
1st Attendee	USD 1195.00	USD 995.00*	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Attendee	USD 1145.00	USD 945.00*	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Attendee	USD 1095.00	USD 895.00*	
Non-Member	USD 1195.00	USD 1095.00	
Spouse**	USD 395.00**	USD 395.00**	

<sup>\*</sup> Valid for those who register before 1st December, 2019 and make payment within 5 working days from their registration.

#### **Sponsorship**

Sponsorship packages at the AGM are a great way to maximize your exposure and benefit from attending. If you want to be remembered within the group, investing into sponsorship is a great way to market your company to the community.

There are options to suit all budgets! If this sounds interesting and you would like to discuss the sponsorship opportunities, please contact us at:

Sponsorship@AiOlogistics.net



<sup>\*\*</sup>Spouses are allowed to attend the evening social functions and spouse club activities only. They will not be allowed to enter the meeting venue or attend the one to one meetings.







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#### **ROOM RATES:**

#### **Deluxe Rooms**

Deluxe City / Sea View Single Room Euro 145
Deluxe City / Sea View Double Room Euro 155
Executive City / Sea View Single Room Euro 190
Executive City / Sea View Double Room Euro 200

#### Please be advised:

- Room rates are per room per night
- Room rates are inclusive of open buffet breakfast
- Rate is exclusive of 8% VAT.
- The rate is available until 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2020. Rooms MUST be booked BEFORE this date. After this date you will need to book with the hotel directly at their available rate at that time.







#### The Plus One Club



Being based in Istanbul, we know what a magical and fantastic location it is. Therefore we are sure there will be a number of our members who will want to bring their partners this year.

As such, we would like to arrange some group activities for your spouses to enjoy whilst the hard work and meetings go on.

The Plus One Club will include the following:

- The welcome cocktail (30<sup>th</sup> March)
- A private lunch for the plus one members (31th March)
- Spa Treatment (31st March)
- The banquet dinner (31th March)
- A private lunch for the plus one members (2<sup>nd</sup> April)
- Istanbul City Tour (2<sup>nd</sup> March)
- Closing Cocktail (2<sup>nd</sup> March)

We are currently finalizing the specifics of this program and will announce more information shortly.



<sup>\*</sup>Please note the plus one club only applies for registered spouses with the event. The cost is USD 395.00 per person.

<sup>\*</sup>Please also note that the spouses are not able to attend the one-to-one meetings.



#### The AiO AGM 2019 Recap – Bangkok, Thailand.

Last year's event was a huge success. Held in the Landmark Hotel, Bangkok, forwarders from all over the world came together to network and create new business opportunities!

Don't miss out this year!







More photos from the event!

