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**STUDY VISIT 2019**

 **DIGITALISATION**

France & the Netherlands – 28-31 January 2019

**CALL FOR CANDIDATES**

**The Turkey-EU Business Dialogue (TEBD) project**

The **Turkey-EU Business Dialogue** (TEBD) is a project co-funded by the European Union under its IPA II programme with Turkey. TEBD is managed by [EUROCHAMBRES](http://www.eurochambres.eu/), through a grant contract with [CFCU](http://www.cfcu.gov.tr/), in close cooperation with [TOBB](http://www.tobb.org.tr/), as the end beneficiary institution of the project. The TEBD activities are implemented through the European and Turkish Chambers of Commerce and Industry.

The overall objective of the project is to strengthen mutual knowledge and understanding between Turkish Chambers and their counterparts in the EU, thus promoting the integration of EU and Turkish business communities and ensuring a stronger awareness of the opportunities and challenges of a potential future Turkey’s accession to the EU in both Turkey and the EU.

The TEBD project wants to promote a constructive private sector dialogue between the EU and Turkey that will lead to positive and lasting results for both sides.

**The TEBD Study Visit**

In the framework of the TEBD project, four **Study Visits** are organised for Turkish Chamber executives in the EU; and four visits are organised for EU Chamber executives in Turkey.

These Study Visits aim at:

* offering the possibility to learn ‘on site’ from other Chambers in Europe;
* enhancing the understanding and knowledge on Turkey within the EU Chamber network and business community, and vice versa;
* increasing the institutional capacity of Turkish Chambers on a specific topic;
* offering an opportunity for networking and dialogue.

**Organisation of the Study Visit**

The TEBD Study Visit on DIGITALISATION will be organised for Turkish Chamber executives, **from 28th to 31rst January 2019.** The Study Visit will last four days and will take place in **France** (Paris) and the **Netherlands** (Amsterdam/Rotterdam)[[1]](#footnote-1).

The overall objective of the Study Visit is to allow Turkish Chambers’ representatives to obtain a better understanding of the role of Chambers of Commerce & Industry in the digital revolution, learn from best practices, discover innovative digital services. The Study Visit will include training sessions and site visits linked to the specific topic of DIGITALISATION.

You will also have the opportunity to promote the Turkish market and its opportunities, to present the main areas for future cooperation as well as to promote your own region and the organization you represent.

Every participant will receive a detailed program of the Study Visit once the selection process has been completed.

**Participation requirements**

You can participate in the TEBD Study Visit if:

* you are a full-time Chamber employee, for at least one year;
* you have a good understanding of English;
* you have a specific interest or responsibility in digital services, in your Chamber
* you wish to acquire and apply sound knowledge on the proposed topic;

Up to **12 Turkish Chamber executives** can participate in the TEBD Study Visit.

**Financial information**

All travel (economy class flight tickets, train and/or bus tickets) and full accommodation expenses, (hotel and meals) will be borne by the TEBD project. The TEBD team, with support of the local support organisation, will manage the entire process.

Personal expenses will be at your own expense.

**How to apply?**

If you are interested in participating in the TEBD Study Visit on DIGITALISATION, please submit your application form by email to tebd@eurochambres.eu by **19 December 2018, 4.00pm Brussels time**, at the latest.

Participants will be selected by the TEBD team and TOBB on the basis of their experience and motivation, as expressed in the application form.

Selected participants will be notified by 21 December, and receive an official confirmation letter.

Detailed information on the programme, flights and accommodation modalities will be provided by 10 January.

Participants will be required to travel from Turkey to Paris on Sunday 27 January, and return to Turkey from the Netherlands on Friday 1 February.

Note: given the short deadline, it is recommended to verify your visa status when applying.

**APPLICATION FORM**

Turkey-EU Business Dialogue (TEBD) – STUDY VISIT 2019

Topic: DIGITALISATION

France and the Netherlands – 28-31 January 2019

Deadline: December 19th, 2018

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| **Last Name** |  |
| **First Name** |  |
| **Position** |  |
| **Your Chamber** |  |
| **Address** |  |
| **Email** |  |
| **Direct Office Phone**  |  |
| **Mobile Phone** |  |

**Questions below will be used as a reference in the selection process.**

**The TEBD team may ask for additional information if required.**

**A. YOUR ORGANISATION**

Please describe briefly the main features of your Chamber: (i) Membership (ii) Internal structure and (iii) Main activities (max 15 lines)

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**B. YOUR BACKGROUND**

Please explain your personal background (short CV): studies, professional experience, role in the Chamber (max 10 lines).

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**C. YOUR MOTIVATION**

Please explain in detail why you wish to participate in the Study Visit and which benefits your participation in the visit will bring to your Chamber in the short and long run (max 15 lines).

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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Application form to be sent to tebd@eurochambres.eu

**MORE INFORMATION**

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1. Subject to selection of EU Local Organisers [↑](#footnote-ref-1)