

INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

ICTP-METU School and Workshop on Ocean Climate Modelling: Physical and Biogeochemical Dynamics of Semi-Enclosed Seas

Middle East Technical University (METU),
Cultural and Congress Center, Ankara, Turkey
28 September - 1 October, 2015

ICTP-ODTÜ Okyanus İklim Modellemesi Okul ve İşliđi Yarı-Kapalı Denizlerin Fiziksel ve Biyojeokimyasal Dinamikleri

Orta Dođu Teknik Üniversitesi (ODTÜ),
Kültür ve Kongre Merkezi, Ankara
28 Eylül - 1 Ekim, 2015

MEETING VENUE

Middle East Technical University (METU), Ankara, Turkey
Cultural and Congress Center (CCC), Halls C and D, 28 Sep – 01 Oct 2015



METU Cultural and Congress Center



METU Cultural and Congress Center, aerial view



Hall C, METU Cultural and Congress Center



Hall D, METU Cultural and Congress Center



Inside the CCC

See campus map section for location of the CCC.

GUESTHOUSES

Guesthouses are for faculty and students of the University and used by them. For the Ocean Climate Modeling School, a limited number of spaces have been reserved for the lecturers and supported students, while those who could support themselves are urged to find other lodging at their convenience.

Guesthouse 1: METU Guesthouse

(Misafirhane / Konukevi)

<http://stm.metu.edu.tr/misafirhane-hakkinda>

<http://stm.metu.edu.tr/misafirhane-resimleri>

Phone : +90 312 210 28 90 / +90 312 210 28 91 / +90 312 210 28 92

Fax : +90 312 210 1105

Guesthouse 2: Aysel Sabuncu Guesthouse

(Aysel Sabuncu Yaşam Merkezi)

<http://stm.metu.edu.tr/ayse-sabuncu-yasam-merkezi>

<http://stm.metu.edu.tr/asym-resimleri>

Phone: +90 312 210 6560 / +90 312 210 6558

Fax: +90 312 210 1105

HOTELS

Preferred hotels are Bilkent Hotel and Tunalı Hotel below, for convenience in transport, and relatively cheaper deals we may hope to get.

Bilkent Hotel

<http://www.bilkentotel.com.tr/index.php/en/anasayfa>

Hotel Tunalı

http://hoteltunali.com.tr/index_en.php

other hotels you should consider, for your own arrangement of transport:

Mariott Hotel

<http://jwmarriott-ankara.com/hotels/travel/ESBJW-jw-marriott-hotel-ankara/>

Capital Plaza Hotel

www.capitalplazaankara.com

Dafne Hotel

<http://www.dafnehotel.com/>

Aktif Metropolitan Hotel

www.metropolitanhotel.com.tr/

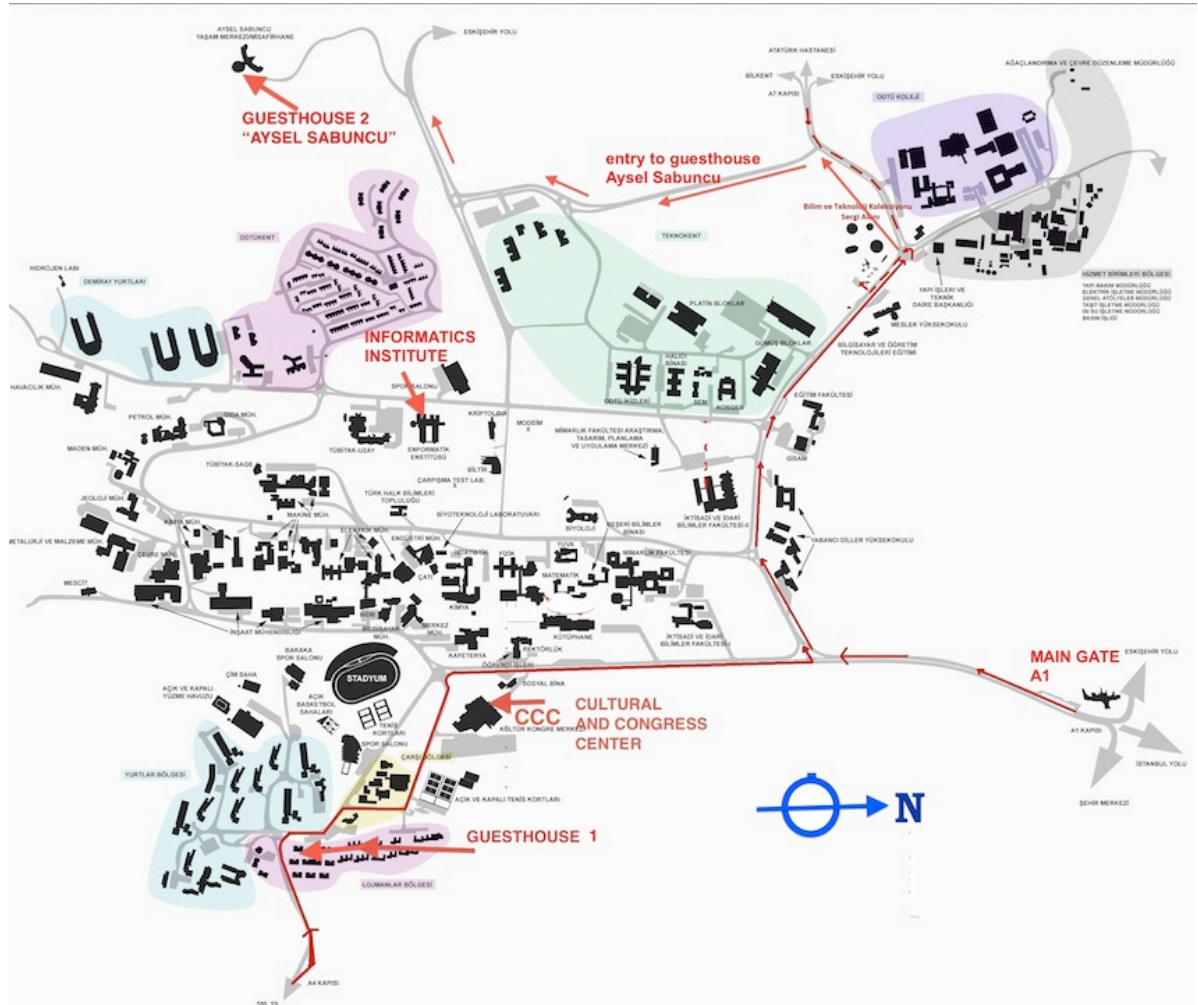
Ramada Plaza Hotel

www.ramadaplazaankara.com/

or visit:

<http://booking.com>, <http://hotels.com> etc.

METU CAMPUS



METU campus map

METU Interactive map

<http://map.metu.edu.tr>

FOOD AND DRINK, SHOPPING AT METU

Campus Life:

Food & Drink:

There are various small restaurants and eateries at the Shopping Center or "Çarşı" (near the Guesthouse). Cafes exist in various buildings serving soft drinks and sandwiches. A restaurant serves the METU Faculty (inside the CCC). The Faculty restaurant and the Student and Faculty Cafeteria (opposite the CCC) operate during the semester.

<http://www.metu.edu.tr/food-drink>

Banking and Post Office:

There are branches of six banks located around the Shopping Center within the METU Campus, with ATMs (Automatic Teller Machines) in front. The banks are open between 9.30-12.30 and 13.30-16.30.

Post Office is near the banks. Working hours for the post office is 08:30-12.00 and 13:30-17:00. Card phones are located in several areas on the METU Campus. The cards are available from the METU Post Office.

<http://www.metu.edu.tr/banking-post-office>

Shopping on Campus:

There are several suitable places for shopping on campus. The Shopping Center (near the Guesthouse) has many small shops including grocery market, drugstore, photography shop, stationery store, billiards room, boutique, bookstore and places for dining. A tailor, a shoemaker, a hairdresser's and a barber's shop are also available. Newspapers and magazines are to be found at the store at the entrance of the Cafeteria (opposite the CCC), at the buffet in front of the 3rd Dormitory and at the newspaper stand in the Shopping Center.

<http://www.metu.edu.tr/shopping>

Sports:

Outdoor and indoor pools, gymnasias, football stadium, football fields of various sizes, tennis courts, outdoor basketball and volleyball grounds, and a Sports Center (fitness, squash, sauna) and running tracks are some of the sports facilities for students and faculty subject to individual schedules.

METU Radio and TV:

<http://www.radyoodtu.com.tr>

<http://www.odtutv.metu.edu.tr>

PRINTING

For any printing needs TeknoART is ready to help at the METU ÇARŞI:
Phone +90 312 210 1446 / +90 312 210 1390.

TELEPHONE INFORMATION

Put country code +90 for Turkey and area code 312 for Ankara in front of 7-digit Ankara phone numbers



METU 'tree of science' at entrance gate A1



METU view looking north

GETTING TO METU CAMPUS

The Ankara Esenboğa Airport terminal complex is at 33 km distance to the city center. If you prefer taking a taxi, the cost of getting from the airport to METU area is about 40.-Euros. Taxis are always available in the airport and the journey takes about 40 minutes. All of the taxis are yellow and have meters.

BelKo Air Buses:

<http://www.belkoair.com/>

BelKo Air Buses of the Ankara Municipality serve for the transfer to / from the airport to the **Main inter-city bus terminal AŞTİ** and then to **Kızılay**. The 40 minutes bus trip costs 15 TL (about 5 EUR). From the **Main inter-city bus terminal AŞTİ**, one can take a metered taxi (~10 EUR) to the METU campus guesthouses, or to the hotels. (There is also the option to take metro from AŞTİ to the METU main gate, but then to reach from there to the guesthouse may be problem, unless you ask for a lift of some sort).

Taxi:

Taxis can be expensive but are available anytime at the airport.

Airport Shuttle Services:

There are airport shuttle services (shared minibus) that will take you to your destination from the airport and on return, if you care to reserve ahead, or consult following links:

<http://www.transfer444.com/?gclid=CKSf7u-g2sUCFTGWtAodUVOAJw>

<http://www.onshuttle.com/?gclid=CLbszZWh2sUCFa3MtAodO2sAUA>

<http://www.shuttledirect.com/en/airport/ESB>

<http://www.airportshuttles.com/ankara.php>

<http://www.expedia.com/things-to-do/shared-shuttle-ankara-airport-esb.a217374.activity-details>

City buses:

<http://www.esenbogaaairport.com/tr-TR/Ulasim/pages/havalimaninaulasim.aspx>

There are summaries in the following slides:

Transportation from Esenboga Airport -2:

Taxi

One can also take a metered taxi and it would cost about 100, 120, 130 TL (about 35, 40, 45 Euro) from Esenboga airport to Tunali Hotel, METU and Bilkent Hotel respectively. Service is available 24 hours a day from the areas set aside for taxis outside the airport terminal buildings. Night rate is from midnight till 06:00 am. The fare is %50 more expensive than day tariff.



Public Bus

Bus Line 442 runs from the airport to the Intercity Bus Terminal (ASTI) and Kızılay (City Center). Departures are every 20 minutes from outside of the Arrivals area between 06:40 and 23:00. You will need to buy a bus ticket from a ticket kiosk prior to getting on the bus. The bus fare to the city center is 8 TL (About 3 Euro).



Reaching METU destinations



1	A1 KAPISI	GATE A1	1
2	A4 KAPISI	GATE A4	2
3	A7 KAPISI	GATE A7	3
4	BILKENT YOLU	BILKENT ROAD	4
5	AYSEL SABUNCU YAŞAM MERKEZİ	AYSEL SABUNCU GUEST HOUSE	5
6	MİSAFİR HANE	GUEST HOUSE	6
7	KÜLTÜR KONGRE MERKEZİ	CULTURAL AND CONVENTION CENTER	7
8	REKTÖRLÜK	PRESIDENT'S OFFICE	8
9	ENFORMATİK ENSTİTÜSÜ	INFORMATICS INSTITUTE	9

METU google maps and overlays (see details below)

Either taking the taxi from the airport or finally taking the taxi from AŞTİ after the bus trip, getting to the METU campus, guesthouse or Bilkent Hotel, follow either the blue or red paths in the above and following maps, according to where you are going.

If you are going to other hotels, they are not in this map, look at the earlier Ankara map.

If you are going to the METU campus proper, then all taxis will know where you are going when you give them the address. This will take you along the road leading to Eskişehir from whence you take a turn into METU to follow the **red line** straight, past the rector's office and stadium and Çarşı – the shopping center, further explored in **details I**. Just say the hotel name or say “ODTÜ” or “Orta Doğu Teknik Üniversitesi” and that should be enough to get you there. Then if you are going to **METU guesthouse** say “ODTÜ Konukevi” or “Misafirhane” and that should take you there. In any case you will enter the University at gate A1 where they may check your ID, you can get information there about the exact location.

Details I



METU guesthouse for faculty and academics



If you are going to the Aysel Sabuncu Guesthouse however, you should be more careful to take the **blue line** in the above map and follow **details II** below. The blue line is actually from the Bilkent road, also entered from Eskişehir road, leading to gate A7 of METU, as this is the easiest way to reach the guesthouse, while most taxi drivers may not be aware and may be misled. (If you somehow find yourself on the METU campus red line, there is a second way, follow the left branch of the red line and follow on the yellow line to reach the Teknokent entry gate, turn left and after entry at the gate follow the blue line). In any case we will give e-mails and telephones below of **student helpers** who will contact you and lead you there if you need assistance.

Details II

In details (II) - how to reach Aysel Sabuncu Guesthouse
(for participants staying there):



Through Bilkent Road, METU/ODTU Gate A7 will be used for entrance. Then turn right and follow the Teknopark (Teknokent in Turkish) road. You will see TAI, Havelsan, Aselsan buildings on your left, then turn right and follow the road up to hill where Aysel Sabuncu Guest House is located.

For those people who are planning to arrive at the Aysel Sabuncu guesthouse, it would be a good idea to contact us by e-mail before they arrive, for any further details.

UPON ARRIVAL (UNOFFICIAL INFO - YET TO BE CONFIRMED)

Impromptu meeting program for Sunday, 27 September evening

Because different people arrive at different times it was impractical to announce an official meeting time and place on Sunday, 27 September evening.

As people arrive, we may gather by communicating with each other, and meet at Uptown Café, which is at the rear part of the Cultural and Congress Center (CCC), accessed by a rear door on the parking lot side of the building on Sunday.

Uptown Café: Telephone +90 312 210 41 66.

BUS-SERVICES (UNOFFICIAL INFO - YET TO BE CONFIRMED)

Bus Services from/to hotels/guesthouses to/from School Venue have yet be arranged by our request from the University.

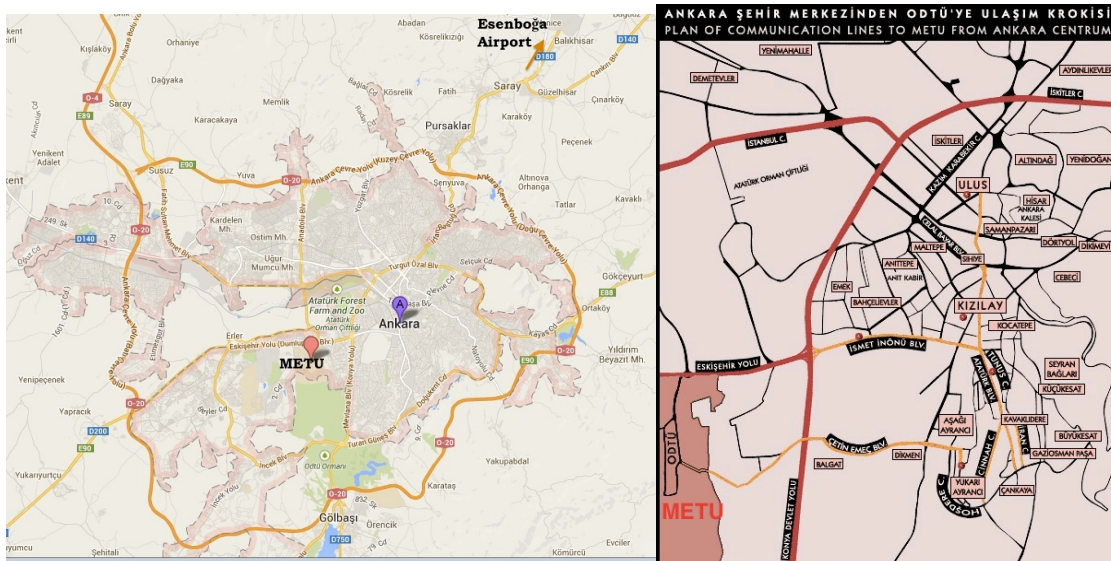
ANKARA CITY INFORMATION



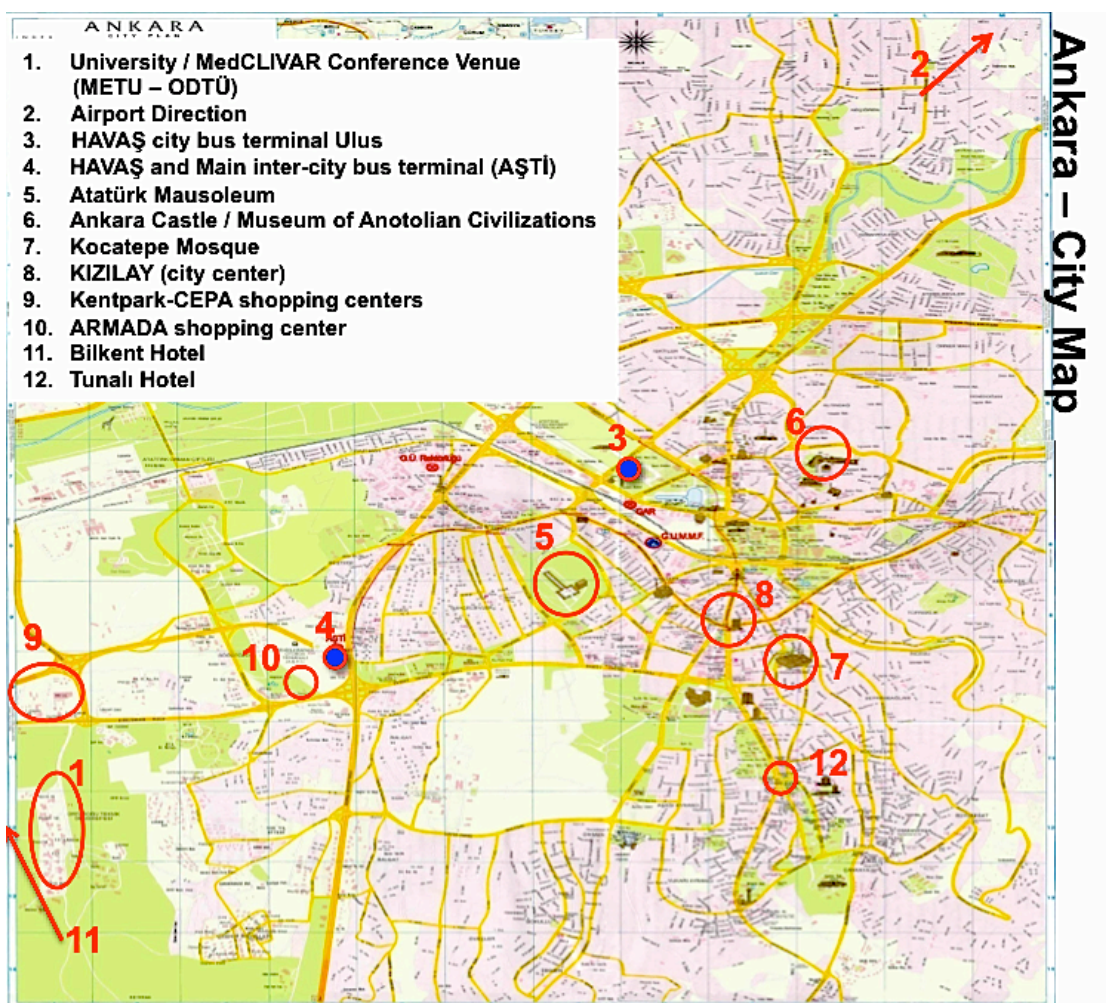
Castle of Ankara



Castle and city of Ankara - engraving by Pitton Tournefort (1711)



Ankara maps showing main centers and location of METU



Ankara map showing some locations of interest

Ankara City Transports

BUS and MINIBUS:

<http://map.ego.gov.tr:8080/ego/index.aspx>

Transportation in Ankara

Dolmuş:

Dolmuş is a special mini bus service in Turkey. This is a collective taxi, which follows specific routes. This is a very practical means of transportation and much cheaper than a taxi. The transportation between METU (ODTU) and city center is by means of **Dolmuş** and city bus. There is no time schedule for DOLMUS, the ride starts when it is full. It takes about 10-20 min. There are three routes from ODTU and the route of **Dolmuş** is written on the front window as shown in the picture. It takes about 15-20 minutes depending on traffic from university to city center.

ODTU (University) → KIZILAY (city center)
ODTU → ASTI (main bus station) → ULUS (old city center)
ODTU → AYRANCI



You pay the fee to the driver and one way is 2 TL

Bus:

There are two types of buses in Ankara servicing the whole the city. One is run by the municipality and these are called *Belediye Otobüsü*. These buses are either red or blue and dark blue striped. Since electronic tickets are required for traveling with these buses the ticket should be bought in advance. The second type of bus is privately run *Halk Otobüsü*, which are green or blue. Tickets are not welcome on these buses and only cash is accepted. However the price is the same. Only *Belediye Otobüsü* provide service between university and city. The numbers and the destination places are

132: METU to KIZILAY and ULUS
198: METU to KIZILAY
417: METU → ASTI (main bus station) → KECIOREN

Belediye otobüsü

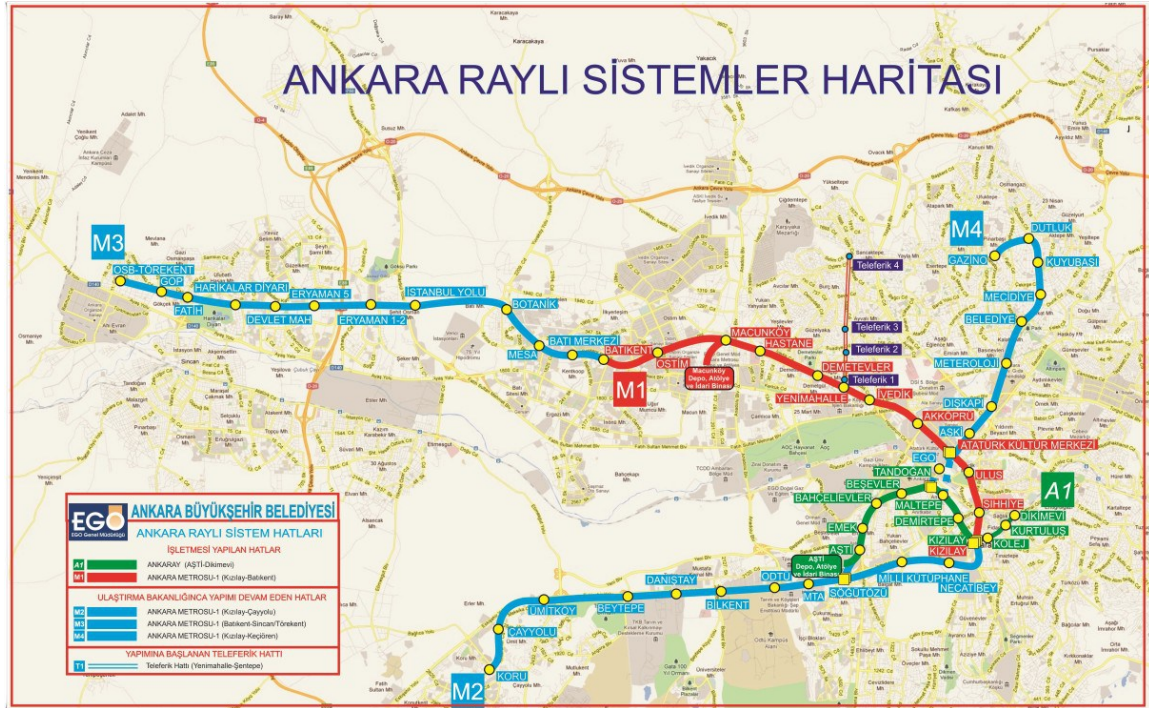


METRO - ANKARAY

There is presently some metro networks in Ankara (either called metro or “Ankaray”, but it is not yet widely connected.)

Sorry about the inconvenience of the Municipality of Ankara not providing a direct metro link from the Esenboğa Airport to the University. Perhaps this will be available in the future.

In any case if you would like to use the metro to go to other Ankara locations here is the metro map, with still a number of strategic connections missing. In fact, a new line is operational from the Middle East Technical University (METU) main gate to Kızılay and Kuru directions, that has been operational since last year. It connects to red and green lines at Kızılay.



Ankara Metro Map (present lines)



Branch of Ankara Metro Kızılay (M1) to M2 passing at the main gate of METU