

TOURISM BULLETIN

ASSOCIATION OF TURKISH TRAVEL AGENCIES WEEKLY TOURISM BULLETIN

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TOURISM PROFESSIONALS COME TOGETHER AT THE 2ND TOURISM CONGRESS IN ANTALYA

In order to shed light on the future of tourism, analyze the changes in the travel industry all over the world and increase our solidarity, we come together again at the 2nd TÜRSAB Tourism Congress to be held in Antalya between 16-18 February 2024.

In addition to conferences, panels and academic sessions, we will evaluate the latest developments in our profession together at our congress, where there will be opportunities to meet among members, meet with suppliers and learn about the tourism potentialities of the regions. For TÜRSAB members and employees, congress registration is free of charge and they will only pay transportation, accommodation or daily use fees.

Location: Royal Seginius Hotel, Lara/Antalya
Date: February 16-18, 2024

For detailed information; <https://www.tursab.org.tr/announcements/announcement-on-the-2nd-tursab-tourism-congress>

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TÜRSAB HONORARY PRESIDENT TALHA ÇAMAŞ: TÜRSAB CANNOT AND SHOULD NOT BE DIVIDED

M. Talha Çamaş, Honorary President of TÜRSAB, wrote a letter containing his thoughts on the draft law to replace Law No. 1618, his notes from the meeting organized by the Ministry and his suggestions for new regulations.

You can access the full letter via the link below:
<https://www.tursab.org.tr/uyurlar/tursab-onursul-baskanimiz-talha-camasin-kamuoyuna-mektubu>



TURKEY-QATAR BUSINESS FORUM, ORGANIZED IN COOPERATION WITH TOBB AND DEİK, WAS HELD AT DEİK HEADQUARTERS

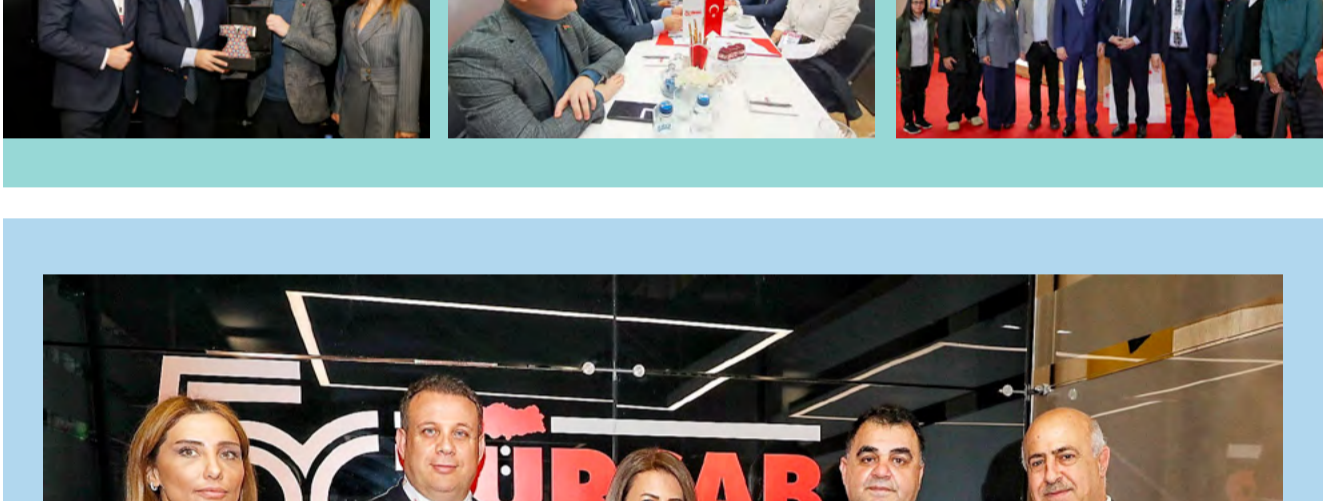
Turkey-Qatar Business Forum, organized in cooperation with TOBB and DEİK, was held on February 8, 2024 at DEİK Headquarters. Our President of the Board of Directors and DEİK Board Member Firuz Bağlıkaya attended the meeting, which was opened by Mr. Şekib Avdağlı, President of Istanbul Chamber of Commerce and Vice President of TOBB, Mr. Başar Anadol, President of DEİK/Turkey-Qatar Business Council and Mr. Mohamed Ahmed Al Obaidly, Board Member of Qatar Chamber of Commerce. Developments in the energy, digital technologies, construction and contracting, food and agriculture, health, mining, automotive, transportation and logistics sectors were discussed at the business forum held within the scope of the 1st meeting of the Turkey-Qatar Joint Economic and Trade Commission (JETCO).



PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FIRUZ B. BAĞLIKAYA PARTICIPATED IN TURKEY-KYRGYZSTAN ROUND TABLE MEETING

Mr. Firuz B. Bağlıkaya, President of the Board of Directors, attended the Turkey-Kyrgyzstan Round Table Meeting held in Ankara on Friday, February 9, 2024, within the scope of the 11th Term Meeting of the Turkish-Kyrgyz Inter-governmental Joint Economic Commission (JEC) organized by the Turkish Union of Chambers and Commodity Exchanges of Turkey (DEİK) and hosted by Mr. Rifat Hıscarıkloğlu, President of the Union of Chambers and Commodity Exchanges of Turkey, and co-chaired by Mr. Cevdet Yılmaz, Vice President of the Republic of Turkey and Mr. Aklybek Japarov, Chairman of the Council of Ministers of Kyrgyzstan.

At the meeting held with the participation of Minister of Economy and Trade of Kyrgyzstan Danilar Amangoldiev, Deputy Minister of Trade Mustafa Tuzucu, President of Foreign Economic Relations Board (DEİK) Nail Olpak, Turkey Kyrgyzstan Business Council Presidents Aydın Mistaçoğlu and Temirlan Sarykybek Uulu, Kyrgyzstan Ambassador to Ankara Ruslan Kazakbaev and representatives of the business world, business and investment opportunities between the two countries were evaluated and agreements were signed between the companies.



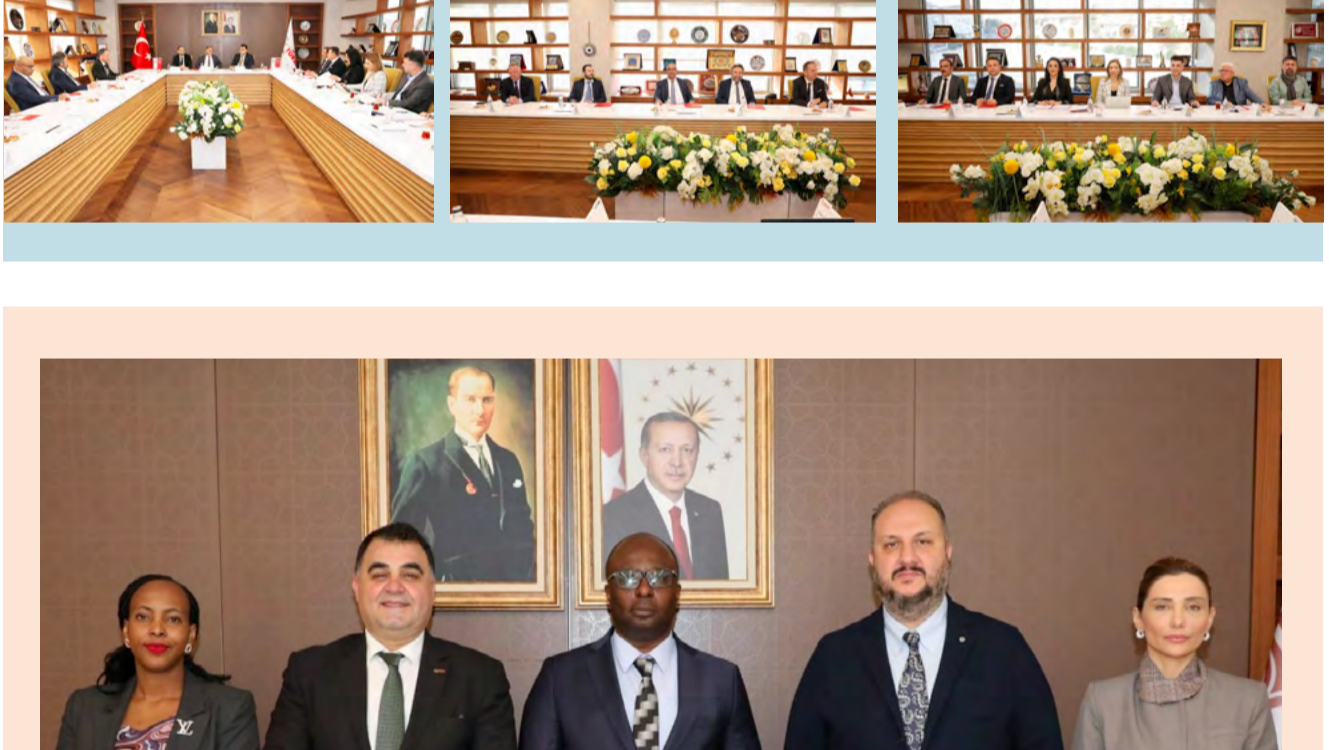
TÜRSAB COMMITTEE HELD MEETINGS AT THE 27TH EMITT FAIR

EMITT, organized for the 27th time this year, opened its doors on Tuesday, February 6. TÜRSAB Committee consisting of TÜRSAB Vice Presidents, Board Members, RRB and Specialization Presidents and travel agency representatives welcomed visitors at the stand at the fair. Istanbul Governor Mr. Davut Gül visited the TÜRSAB stand.

The committee then met and held meetings with the Indonesian Delegation consisting of leading tour operators of Indonesia (TÜRSAB) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to strengthen cooperation and promote solidarity with Palestine at the 27th EMITT Fair. The Association of Turkish Travel Agencies (TÜRSAB) participated in the 27th EMITT Fair with a large committee. TÜRSAB stand attracted great interest from visitors at the fair, which hosted many local and foreign participants. Within the scope of the fair, the TÜRSAB committee hosted delegations from Indonesia, Belarus, Pakistan, Bulgaria and Maldives and held an important meeting in order to show its support for Palestine, which has been living under occupation for years, to encourage solidarity with Palestine and to strengthen its ties.

During the meetings with the Palestinian Delegation, which included Rana Abusaba, Undersecretary of the Embassy of Palestine and Majed Ishaq, General Manager of the Marketing Department of the Palestinian Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities, two separate Goodwill Agreements (MoU) were signed with the Palestinian Tourist and Travel Agencies Association and the Holy Land Tour Operators Association.

The delegations emphasized that they aim to provide stronger cooperation between the two countries with the signed agreement. In addition, the TÜRSAB Committee expressed their great sorrow over the massacres in Palestine, which have been going on for decades and have reached the level of genocide since October 7, and stated that they have always stood by the Palestinian people together with the Republic of Turkey. Expressing once again that they hope that the human tragedy in the Palestinian territories will end as soon as possible and justice will be established in the region, the TÜRSAB Committee noted that if peace is achieved, they sincerely want to cooperate with Palestine in the field of tourism, which will strengthen their cultural ties.

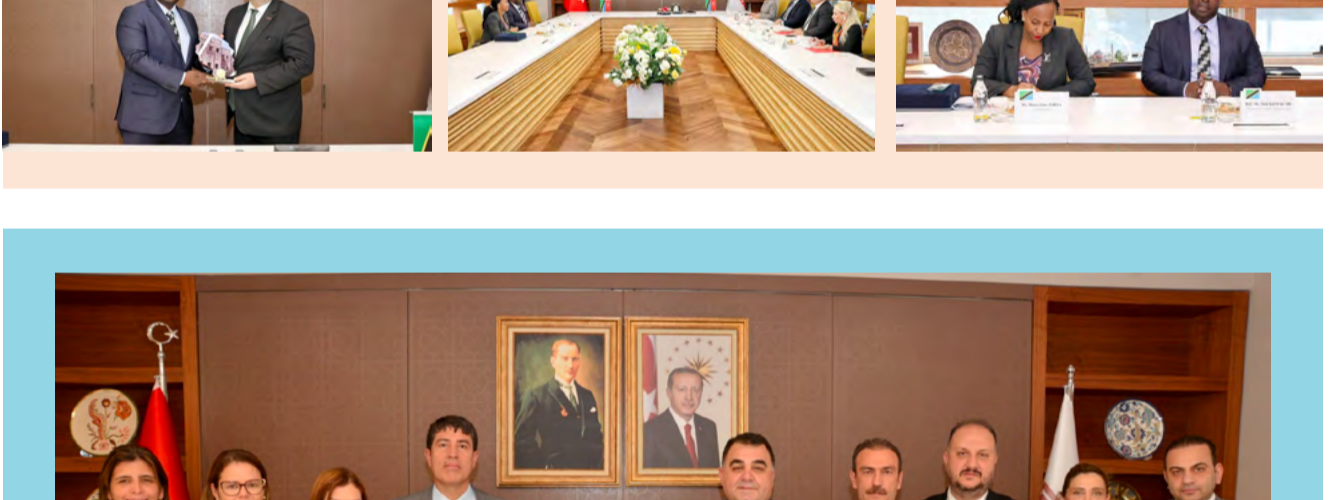


KITSAB DELEGATION AND TRNC TOURISM PROMOTION AND MARKETING DEPARTMENT DEPUTY DIRECTOR LATİF İNCE HELD A MEETING WITH OUR TÜRSAB COMMITTEE

KITSAB Delegation headed by KITSAB President Orhan Tolun and Vice President Oğuz Akançay and TRNC Deputy Prime Minister, Deputy Director of Tourism Promotion and Marketing Department of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture, Youth and Environment Latif Ince came to our Central Office and held a meeting with our TÜRSAB Committee.

Our Vice President Davut Günaydin, Board Members Talip Aldemir and Mehmet Akylı, Disciplinary Board Member Özgür İldr Öksüz, Gastronomy Tourism Specialization President Erdal Çeri, Culture Tourism Specialization President İlham Seyyale and Corporate Relations Group President Nergis Büyükkınacı took part in the meeting.

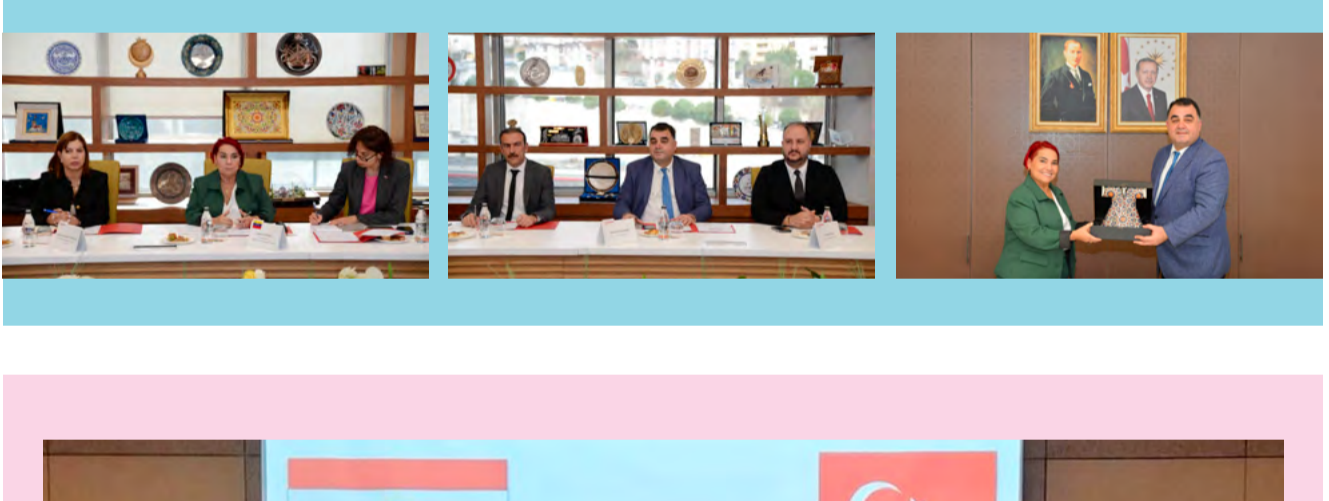
It was agreed to establish working groups and an incentive commission between TÜRSAB and KITSAB on culture, gastronomy, faith and memory tourism and to take steps to increase tourism movements between the two countries. We would like to thank Mr. İddi Seif Bakari and Ms. Diana John Mhina for their kind visit and the KITSAB delegation for their kind visit.



TANZANIA AMBASSADOR TO ANKARA İDDİ SEİF BAKARI AND HIS CHIEF SECRETARY DIANA JOHN MHINA VISITED OUR CENTRAL OFFICE

Tanzanian Ambassador to Ankara İddi Seif Bakari and his Chief Secretary Diana John Mhina visited our Central Office on Monday, February 5 and met with our TÜRSAB Committee.

At the meeting attended by our Vice President Davut Günaydin, Board Member Yıldırım Taş and Corporate Relations Group President Nergis Büyükkınacı, consultations were held on what can be done to increase tourism activities in Tanzania. We would like to thank Mr. İddi Seif Bakari and Ms. Diana John Mhina for their kind visit and wish the tourism relations between the two countries to continue to increase.

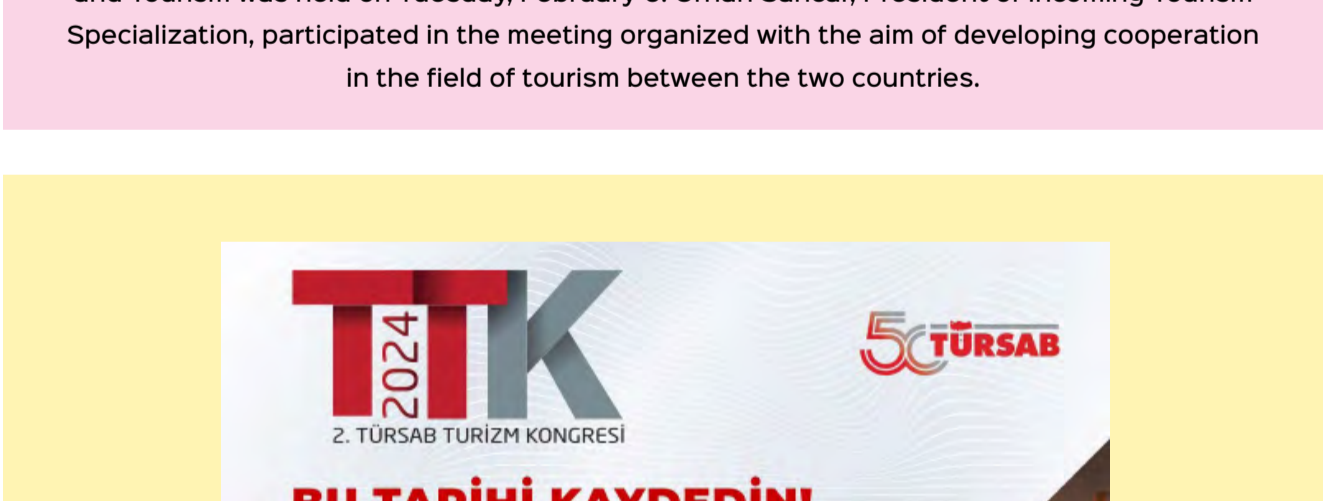


VENEZUELAN DELEGATION VISITED OUR CENTRAL OFFICE AND HELD A MEETING WITH OUR TÜRSAB COMMITTEE

On Thursday, February 8, 2024, the Venezuelan Delegation visited our Central Office and held a meeting with our TÜRSAB Committee.

The meeting was attended by our Vice President Davut Günaydin, Board Members Yıldırım Taş and Talip Aldemir and Corporate Relations Group President Nergis Büyükkınacı, as well as the Venezuelan delegation consisting of Antonio Jose Morillo Bermejo, Undersecretary of the Embassy of Venezuela, Leticia Gomez, Deputy Minister of International Tourism of Venezuela and President of Venetur, and Maria Milagro Arvelo, Venetur Incoming Tourism Manager.

At the meeting, it was agreed to organize a farm trip to Venezuela as it is a visa-free destination to increase a Venezuela Destination Promotion Event at TÜRSAB Central Office, and to continue cooperation with the equivalent association Venetur to increase tourism mobility between the two countries.



ORHAN SANCAR, PRESIDENT OF TÜRSAB INCOMING TOURISM SPECIALIZATION, ATTENDED TURKEY & TAJIKISTAN 3RD TOURISM MIXED COMMITTEE MEETING

Turkey & Tajikistan 3rd Tourism Mixed Committee Meeting hosted by the Ministry of Culture and Tourism was held on Tuesday, February 6. Orhan Sancar, President of Incoming Tourism Specialization, participated in the meeting organized with the aim of developing cooperation in the field of tourism between the two countries.

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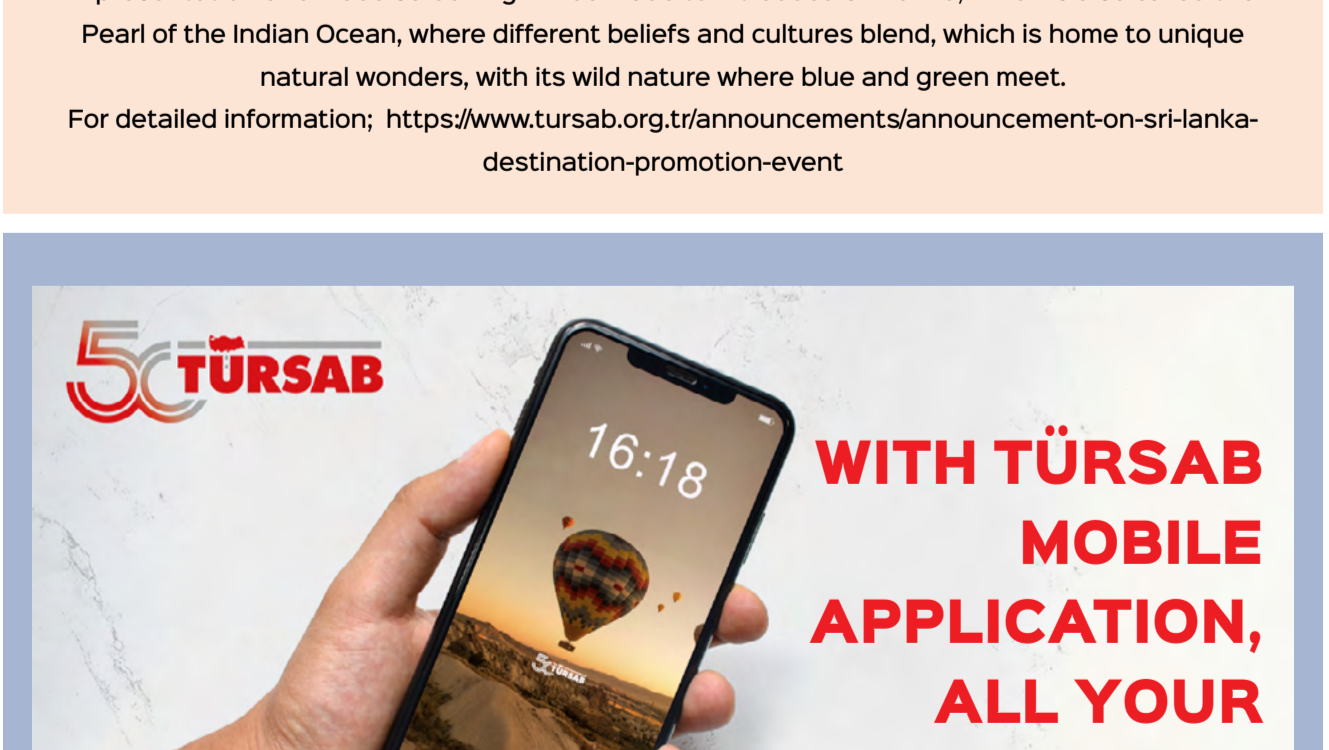
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2ND TÜRSAB TOURISM CONGRESS WILL HOST A WORKSHOP ON AIRLINE TICKET SALES AGENCIES

Under the coordination of our Airline Ticket Specialization Agency, a workshop will be organized to discuss the current problems and solution proposals of our sector. Within the 2nd TÜRSAB Tourism Congress, we aim to create an important database for our congress. The workshop will be held on the opening day of the 2nd TÜRSAB Tourism Congress on Friday, February 16, 2024 at 10:00 and the results will be discussed in panels.

For detailed information; <https://www.tursab.org.tr/announcements/announcement-on-airline-ticket-sales-agencies-workshop>



SRI LANKA DESTINATION PROMOTION EVENT TO BE HELD AT TÜRSAB CENTRAL OFFICE

On Wednesday, February 21, 2024, in cooperation with the Embassy of Sri Lanka and Jazeera Airways, Sri Lanka Destination Promotion Event will be held at TÜRSAB Central Office.

A presentation and video screening will be made to introduce Sri Lanka, which is also called the Pearl of the Indian Ocean, where different beliefs and cultures blend, which is home to unique natural wonders, with its wild nature where blue and green meet.

For detailed information; <https://www.tursab.org.tr/announcements/announcement-on-sri-lanka-destination-promotion-event>

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