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from the early Lydian period to late antiquity
(8th century B.C.-6th century A.D.).
An international symposium**

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Introduction

Dear Colleagues,

We thank you sincerely for your application and abstract and our apologies for the delay with our symposium documents. Attached you will find the program of our symposium, participation lists to our excursions, official invitation and abstract booklet in two separate mails. If you encounter any technical difficulties in viewing our documents, please feel free e-mail us at: elafli@yahoo.ca Please note that all the symposium documents were made online at *Academia* and *Researchgate* accounts of the symposium as well as symposium organizers. If you do not intend to participate and wish to be removed from our mailing list, please let us know by e-mail.

Please check all the documents carefully and let us know about your questions, critics, requests, feedbacks, corrections, suggestions and additions etc. If you find any error in our documents, would you please submit your corrections to us? Especially yellow marked positions are need to be checked and clarified by the participants. We could remove your personel data (phone number etc.) from the abstracts, if it makes a problem for yourself. Please let us know; thank you.

Turkish abstracts were translated by us into English. If you would like to make adjustments to your abstract to make it more cohesive with the themes and sessions of the symposium, we kindly ask you to check your own abstract and to send us your corrections and/or revisions by e-mail, so we can include them for their final publication.

As one of the member of our committee, your comments on all of the abstracts, such as their length, clearness and supported by the scientific data, are most welcome. In the regards of abstracts you could also advise any improvements or submit your corrections about their jargon, language, organization of material and conclusion.

The symposium committee kindly requests that you alert any persons within your research community who would be interested in participating at this symposium, either by forwarding this e-mail, or by printing our program and displaying it in your institution. You can also put our program as well as abstracts booklet on your websites.

Our Third Circular with more detailed information will be sent on 1. May 1. We will also update our program as well as abstract booklet two times, first in May 1 and second June 1, 2017, after your questions, critics, requests, feedbacks, corrections, suggestions and additions etc.; these will be sent again.

It is still possible to apply to the symposium with a paper or as an observer. Please send us your abstract as soon as possible so that we can consider it. You are also more than welcome to bring your accompanying persons (colleagues, spouse, partner, friends and parents) to our symposium in Izmir! Please inform us about your accompanying persons so that we can register them. Observers and accompanying persons in our symposium are listed on pp. 124-125 of the abstract booklet.

We send you an official invitation for your institution in the attachment. We advise you to print out all the symposium documents and bring them with you to Izmir. For further inquiries, the quickest way to reach to us is the telephone:

+90.539.577 07 33 or +90.232.412 87 21

Please feel free to call us any time.

Please note that symposium organization cannot unfortunately pay any of your expenses during the symposium (travel, accommodation, transportation, food, abstract booklet, museum entries etc.).

We are trying to obtain free dinners & cocktails to our participators. We need cooperation for finding possible sponsors, such as French, Italian or German Cultural Centers and Consulates in Izmir. Do you have any other ideas? Please share it with us...

We hope that you will be able to join us at the Dokuz Eylül University, and look forward to seeing you in Izmir very soon!

Arriving to Izmir: Flights

There are several low-cost flight companies (Pegasus, Sunexpress, Onur Air, Easyjet, Eurowings etc.) which operate direct flights to Izmir from several locations. Travellers may fly directly to Izmir. Many important airlines serve Izmir Adnan Menderes International Airport:

<<http://www.adnanmenderesairport.com/izmiren/index.php>>.

It is also possible to fly into Istanbul, located 300 miles (c. 500 km) from Izmir. The Atatürk Airport on European side and Sabiha Gökçen Airport on Asiatic side of Istanbul are larger and have more connections, therefore they are often less expensive.

<<http://www.ataturkairport.com/eng/index.php>>.

There are several buses connecting Istanbul to Izmir. The travel time is approximately 11 hours and costs c. 60 TL (c. 17 €). Car rental is available at both Izmir and Istanbul airports, but it is quite expensive.

Bus travel

Izmir is one of the major city with a large Turkish immigrant population from Balkan countries. Therefore, there are several bus companies operating bus lines between Bulgaria, Greece and Romania to Izmir. They are cheap, but uncomfortable. Their web sites are: Avar <<http://www.avaturizm.com/>>; Kamil Koç <<http://www.kamilkoc.com.tr>>, Metro <<https://www.metroturizm.com.tr/>>, Has <<http://www.hasturizm.com.tr>>, Nilüfer <<http://www.niluferturizm.com.tr>> and Ulusoy <<http://secure.ulusoy.com.tr/Ws/>>. You can also use them in your domestic transportation in Turkey. Ulusoy and Kamil Koç are the most comfortable ones.

Shuttle service from the airport to central Izmir

A shuttle service (Havaş) connects the airport with Izmir (**fig. 1**). Shuttle web site-schedules and fares:

<http://www.havas.net/en/otobus_izmir.asp>.

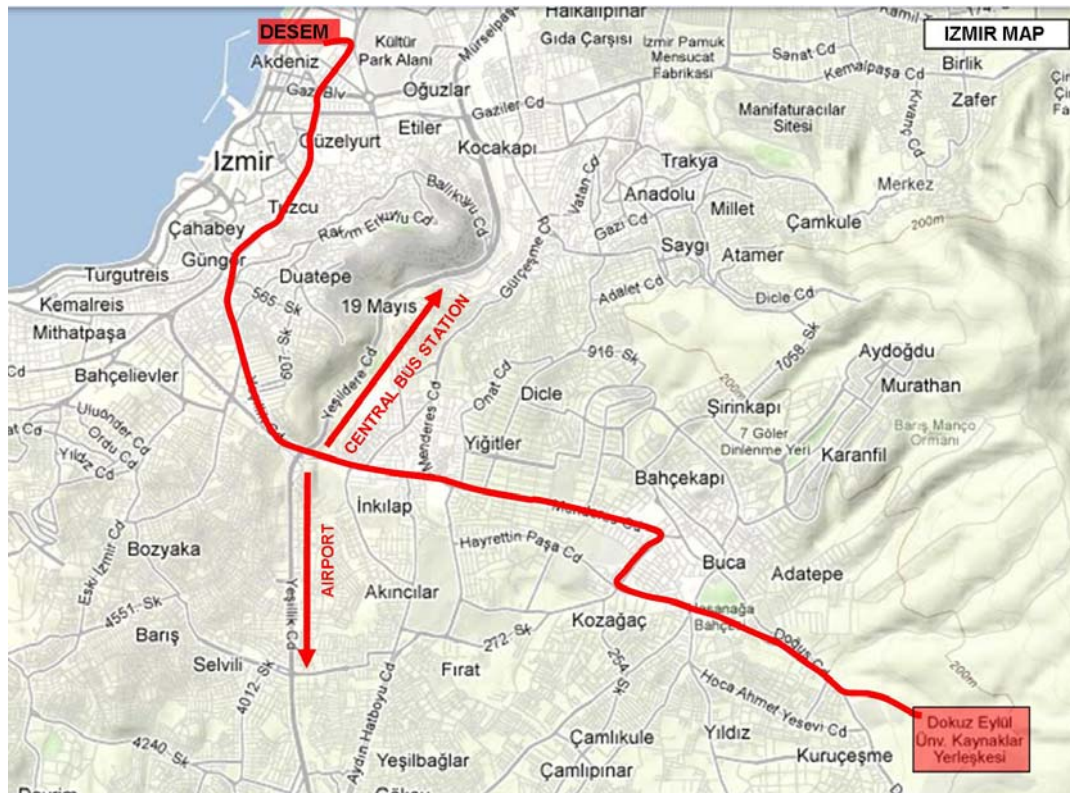
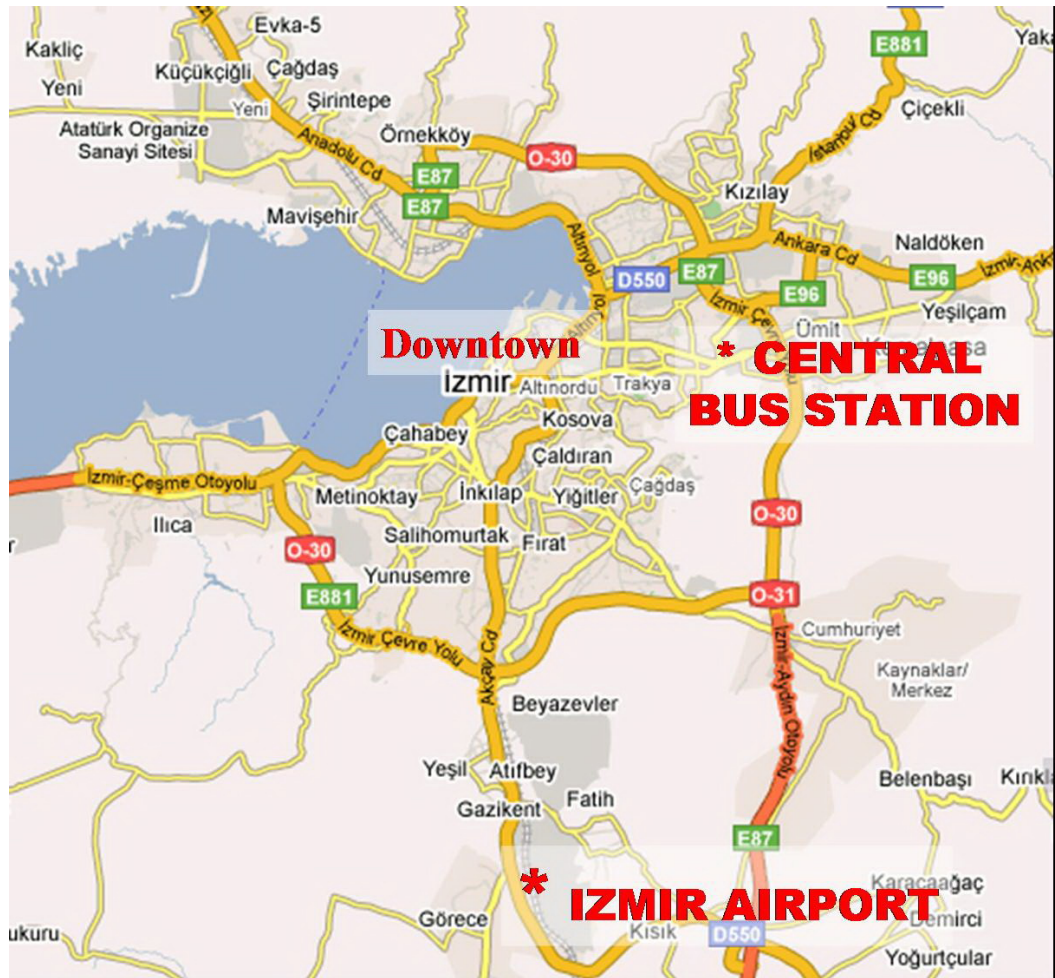
Phone: +90.232.444 04 87.

City departure spot is at the Swiss Hotel Izmir in Alsancak (very short walk from DESEM, *i.e.* symposium hall), hourly from 03:30 to 23:30. Travel time approx. 50 minutes. Tickets are 15 TL. Between midnight and 6.00 AM fees are increased by 25%. To reach the symposium hall, get off at the Swiss Hotel Izmir (last stop of the shuttle). There is also a bus line operating between the airport and Alsancak (in front of Hilton Hoter Izmir) which is cheaper.

From Izmir Central Bus Terminal to the symposium hall or your hotels

From the Izmir bus terminal there are busses and dolmuş services to the city centre. To come to the symposium hall take busses or dolmuş to “Alsancak” (**fig. 2**). You can pay on the bus or dolmuş; no need to purchase a ticket beforehand. You can also take a taxi from the Central Bus Terminal to the city centre (c. 40 TL; c. 10 €). Taxis are also available at the

airport or anywhere in Izmir. There are some banks in the Izmir Central Bus Terminal and private money exchange offices in the city centre.



Figs. 1-2: Location of DESEM from the airport and central bus station in Izmir.

Money exchange

There are private money exchange offices at the airport; but also three banks and a post office. More are located in Çankaya near the Hilton Hotel Izmir or Basmane. We recommend to change money at private offices, not at banks. Currently 1 € is about 3.9 TL (=Türk Lirası) and US\$ 1 is about 3.68 TL. For currency rates: <<http://www.xe.com/ucc/convert.cgi>>.

Symposium venue and registration

The symposium will take place at the Blue and Burgundy Halls of DESEM in the Chancellery Building (=“Rektörlük Binası”) of “Dokuz Eylül University in Alsancak (fig. 3). DESEM is located on the left side of the Rectorate Building, in the very centre of Izmir, just 20 m away from the French Cultural Center and French Consulate. We have chosen this address for its proximity to your hotels and to central Izmir. Its address is:

Dokuz Eylül Üniversitesi, Rektörlük Binası, DESEM Salonları,
Cumhuriyet Bulvarı, No: 144, Alsancak, TR-35210 Izmir.

Tel.: +90.232.412 10 85.

Website: <<http://www.deu.edu.tr/DEUWeb/English/>>.

Website with a Map:

<<http://www.deu.edu.tr/DEUWeb/Icerik/Icerik.php?KOD=16482>>.



Fig. 3: The location of DESEM in Alsancak.

On May 15 or May 16 between 2:30 and 4:30 pm our secretary will be at the cafeteria of DESEM. We will describe you in DESEM how to reach to the hotel, if you first come to DESEM. Note that our symposium is fully free of charge.

For those, who will arrive first to their hotels, Professor Lafı will collect them on the morning of May 17, 2017 to get to DESEM. From these points we will walk jointly to DESEM. Here are meeting points and times:

- 1- At 8.00 am, in front of Kabaçam Hotel;
- 2- At 8.20 am, in front of Central Train Station in Basmane;
- 3- At 8.35 am, in front of Anemon Hotel Izmir - Kahramanlar;
- 4- At 8.50 am, in front of Izmir Palace Hotel;

Please be ready at these points at the given time; otherwise you would need to take a taxi to DESEM-Rectorate Building which is not far and cost approximately 2-3 euros.

Symposium organization and instructions for the speakers

Happily we received more than a hundred abstracts from 24 countries (Austria, Bulgaria, Canada, Cyprus, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Kosovo, Mauritius, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland, Turkey), and it has taken longer than we anticipated to sort through them and make our preparations. 95 of these abstracts were accepted as a paper. We tried our best to accommodate everybody in two days and wanted to avoid parallel sessions; but these 95 lectures could not be fitted into two days. Therefore, we were obliged to divide them into two parallel sessions in different halls in DESEM, *i.e.* Blue and Burgundy Halls, not far from each other. Thematically we have 21 sessions, dealing both with Lydia and other neighbouring regions in western Anatolia. Each session will have 4-6 speakers with a 15 minutes of discussion at the end. The time allotted for each presentation is 15 minutes; please note that **this time limit will be strictly enforced**. Between sessions there will be 15 minutes of coffee breaks. There is a cafeteria inside of DESEM and its prices are low.

The official languages of the symposium is English; we kindly ask you to present your paper in English, in order to maintain a general consistency throughout the symposium. In the most essential cases Professor Laflı will translate papers from Turkish, French and German into English spontaneously.

The auditorium will be equipped for digital projection on one screen. Both Windows and Macintosh will be available. If you intend to use PowerPoint, you may deliver it on a portable flash drive on the first day of the symposium, so that it can be loaded onto our host computers. Please do not forget your flash drive in Izmir; we cannot unfortunately post you your flash drive. For technical issues we will receive assistance from the technical service in DESEM.

In session 20 we have three papers which will be presented through Skype. These colleagues should contact directly Professor Laflı for further advise.

If you wish to distribute hand-outs, please submit them to the symposium organizers in Izmir well in advance, providing sufficient copies for all participants.

If you would like to sell and/or exchange your publications, you are more than welcome to bring them with you. We will also put some of our publications on display and for exchange. Especially your publications concerning Lydia are very welcome.

With the Lydia Symposium, the Izmir Center of the Archaeology of Western Anatolia (EKVAM), inaugurated in 2014 at the Dokuz Eylül University in Izmir, would like to begin with granting “EKVAM Annual Rewards of the Ancient Anatolian Studies”. A ceremonial session will take place on session 1 on May 17. This award will be given to one person every year and will be decided by an international jury. The aim of this symbolic reward in form of a certification is to praise ongoing archaeological projects in Anatolia.

Abstracts booklet

The symposium abstracts will be published with black-white photos in the Turkish peer-reviewed archaeological journal *Kubaba* which is being edited by Ms Neşide Gençer (phone: +90.538.666 63 99). This journal's special issue with symposium abstracts will be available at the symposium, will cost 10 € (or US\$ 12, or 30 TL) and will directly be sold by Ms Gençer who will be in cafeteria of DESEM. If you would like to revise your abstract before its final publication in *Kubaba*, please do it as soon as possible and submit us immediately so that we can include its most updated version for publication.

Hotel information

Most of the low-cost hotels in Izmir have two stars and are located in Çankaya in central Izmir, near the main railway station “Basmane”. Their prices range between 15 and 30 €, including breakfast. These hotels are conveniently located within easy walking distance of the symposium hall, *i.e.* DESEM, archaeological museums, city centre and also to French,

Italian, British, Greek Consulates as well as Cultural Centers. A number of fine restaurants are located within a very short walk from the hotel.

We would like to suggest you following four hotels listed below according to numerous criteria; but we would like to ask you to confirm hotel prices directly with the hotels. Please find out what the current room price is and how much you will have to pay at your departure, as currencies and prices are constantly subjected to change in Turkey! If you do not want to stay in one of the hotels suggested by us, you can change your hotel the next day. In the area of Basmane and Çankaya where these hotels are located there are many more at various prices. If there are no rooms left at the suggested hotels, please consult with the hotel list below. There is no need to panic, because most hotels in Izmir are empty in May and tourism in Turkey is not very active at the moment. Please take your time to find the appropriate one for yourself on the internet. Also, please do not hesitate to negotiate with the hotel management for the prices, as there are only very few tourists in Izmir currently. Most of the hotels in central Izmir are listed here <<https://www.trivago.com.tr/izmir-32103/otel>>. Also, you can look for a hotel, once you arrive to Izmir; this is the best option to less pay!

1- Hotel Kabaçam in Basmane: One bed should normally cost like 20-25 euro per night; their price includes breakfast. Payment can be made by credit card. You can book a room through their booking.com link or e-mail under your name. Bars and night clubs are not far from the hotel; but they are silent during the evening. It is located 15 minutes on foot to central venues. The rooms are equipped with air conditioners (a must for May!) and hot water, and they are clean.

Hotel Kabaçam

Address: İsmet Kaptan Mah., Gazi Bulvarı, 1364 Sok. No: 2/1, Çankaya, Izmir.

Tel.: +90.232.482 33 53.

Fax: +90.232.484 05 49.

E-mail: <info@otelkabacam.com>.

Website: <www.otelkabacam.com> (PLEASE TAKE A LOOK FIRST!).

Reservation: <https://www.booking.com/index.tr.html?aid=330843;tr_redirected=1&>.

2- Anemon Hotel Izmir - Kahramanlar: They have reduced their prices, because of few numbers of tourists. A bed should cost around 40 euro per night, including breakfast. Nice hotel with silent location.

Anemon Hotel Izmir - Kahramanlar

Address: Mürselpaşa Bulvarı, No: 40, Kahramanlar, Izmir.

Tel.: +90.232.446 36 56.

E-mail: <izmir@anemonhotels.com>.

Website: <<http://www.anemonhotels.com/otel-izmir/anemon-izmir.aspx>>
(PLEASE TAKE A LOOK FIRST!).

Reservations:

<<https://reservations.travelclick.com/77832?HotelId=77832&DateOut=4/17/2017&DateIn=4/16/2017&Adults=1&Children=0&Rooms=1&languageid=19#/accommodation/room>>.

3- The Izmir Palas Hotel: This hotel is for those who prefer to stay on the Aegean coastline of Izmir, just 5 m south of our symposium hall, the French Institute and French Consulate. The A single room with Aegean sea view (5 m far) + breakfast is 210 TL which is around 50 Euro. It is a lovely place to spend two nights with a very active location.

Izmir Palas Hotel

Address: Atatürk Bulvarı, TR-35210 Izmir.

Tel.: +90.232.465 00 30.

Fax: +90.232.422 68 70.

E-mail: <info@izmirpalas.com.tr>.

Website and reservations: < <http://www.izmirpalas.com.tr/> >
(PLEASE TAKE A LOOK FIRST!).

4- DoubleTree by Hilton Izmir Alsancak: This is a luxury hotel with a price of around 60 euro per night, including breakfast. It is a new hotel, right in the center, has an amazing breakfast, 7 min. far from DESEM by foot. It has a silent location with a view to the Izmir Fair area which is very green.

DoubleTree by Hilton Izmir Alsancak:

Address: Şair Eşref Bulvarı, 1373 Sok., No: 5, Alsancak, Izmir.

Tel.: +90.232.402 02 02.

E-mail: <izmir@anemonhotels.com>.

Website and reservations: <<http://www.hilton.com.tr/oteller/turkiye/izmir/doubletree-by-hilton-hotel-izmir-alsancak/>>
(PLEASE TAKE A LOOK FIRST!).

Please note that if you cannot afford any of these options, you are very welcome to inform us about it. We will try to find a solution with our friends and students.

Post-symposium excursions

Two post-symposium excursions are planned on May 19-20 to Chios as well as May 21 to Sardinia, both of which are described on the program. You can bring accompanying persons (colleagues, spouse, partner, friends and parents) to these excursions; we would be thankful, if you could inform us with their contact information. If you did not register yourself for those excursions, you are more than welcome to register now.

We will travel to Chios by ferry. There is a very active Turkish ferry line between Çeşme and Chios, called „Ertürk Lines“, the headquarter of which locates next to our Rectorate Building, just 5 min. walk from DESEM. We would be thankful, if you could purchase or reserve your return ferry tickets directly through the website of Ertürk Lines (<http://www.erturk.com.tr/>). You could also purchase it at Ertürk's offices both in Izmir and at the harbour of Çeşme, once you are at the symposium. A return ticket should cost likely 30 euros. Please note that Ertürk Lines arranges also extra transportation facility from Izmir to Çeşme and return, if you ask this service. Neither in Greece, nor in Turkey, we were not able to obtain any free entrance to the sites or museums.

We have two suggestions for the hotels in Chios which are 500 m far from the Chios' main entry point, on Leoforos Aigaiou street on the harbour to south. Both of them are nice and locate 5 m to each other. They are 10 m far from the night clubs area on the coastline which could be very noisy during the night times. "Chios Rooms" is older and cheaper; "Chios Chandris Hotel" is the most luxury hotel on Chios. We would also be very thankful, if you could reserve your accommodation through e-mail. If not, do not worry: we could arrange everything on site, once we arrive to Chios! Here are the hotels:

1- Chios Rooms

Address: Leoforos Aigaiou 110, GR-82100 Chios.

Phone: +30.22 71.020 198; +30.69 72.833 841.

E-mail: <chiosrooms@hotmail.com>.

Website: <http://www.chiosrooms.com/about-chios-rooms/en/>

Price: Around 20-25 euro for a bed in double beds room
(including a free coffee and a kitchen for breakfast).

2- Chios Chandris Hotel

Address: Prokymea, GR-82100 Chios.

Phone: +30.22 71.044 401.

Address: 2nd Eugenia Chandris street, GR-82100 Chios.

E-mail: <chios@chandris.gr>.

Website: <http://www.chandris.gr/chios/default-en.html>

Price: Around 40-50 euro for a bed in double beds room (including a perfect breakfast).

Çesme is 80 km northwest of Izmir and is the most western point of Turkish peninsula. It locates only 8 miles away from Chios, but the ferry takes an hour for the travel between Chios and Çeşme. Between 6:00 am to 9:30 pm there are always buses from Çeşme to Izmir. Bus station is very close to the harbour. It takes an hour from Çeşme to Izmir. There are private money exchange offices around the harbour; but also banks.

Publication of the symposium proceedings

We would like to publish the symposium proceedings in 2018 or in 2019 in the series of *Colloquia Anatolica et Aegaea, Acta congressus communis omnium gentium Smyrnae*. Guidelines for submission of papers will be sent later. Anybody who has any idea about where to publish the proceedings, is more than welcome to contact us.

- 1- Editors of the volume are Professor Ergün Laflı and Dr Gülseren Kan Şahin.
- 2- Accepted languages are English, German, French or Italian; however, we ask you kindly to submit your paper preferably English.
- 3- Your abstracts in English that were already submitted to the symposium, will be put at the beginning of each text, followed by an abstract in Turkish, translated by us. For papers in other languages than English, we ask that you submit an abstract in English.
- 4- Images should be colour and have **at least 300 dpi**.
- 5- We have no page limit.
- 6- We have no limit for illustrations, figures, plans, drawings, maps and graphs etc.
- 7- Book size will be 17 x 25.7 cm (standard A-4 size) with a soft colourful cover.
- 8- All visual material will be printed in black-white; we will of course keep photos in pdf offprints in colour.
- 9- We ask you to submit us unpublished material from excavated sites or in the museums with previously unpublished photos.
- 10- **The deadline for submissions is January 1, 2018.**
- 11- Papers and photos should be electronically submitted to the editor: elaflı@yahoo.ca
- 12- If you will not participate to the Lydia Symposium, but still have a paper about Lydia, you are welcome to submit it to us for publication.
- 13- We will also produce pdf offprints and each participant will receive whichever pdf offprints she/he wants for free.
- 14- Unfortunately, proceedings volume cannot be donated to the authors for free.

Related archaeological events before and after the Lydia Symposium

For those who would like to take part in these events listed below before or after our symposium, we are ready to help with travel guidance; do not hesitate to contact us:

Pre-Symposium events in Izmir

May 12: Three archaeological lectures in DESEM by E. Laflı, G. Kan Şahin and N. Özköylü on the ancient natural disasters in Izmir.

May 13-14: Visiting local museums in Caria and staying in Bodrum on the night of May 13.

May 15-16: Two archaeological lectures in DESEM by G. Labarre and N. de Chaisemartin on Pisidia and Aphrodisias, and a quick visit to the Izmir Museum of History and Art.

Post-Symposium events

May 17-20: An archaeological symposium in Thessaloniki, Greece, entitled “Classical pottery of the northern Aegean and its periphery” with lectures by E. Laflı and G. Kan Şahin.

May 22-23: A meeting in Hamburg, Germany in commemoration of Professor P. Herrmann.

May 22-26: 39th Turkish symposium of archaeological excavations, surveys and archaeometry in Bursa, Turkey (c. 330 km northeast of Izmir).

June 1-4: An archaeological symposium in Ionnina, Greece, entitled “Archaeological dialogues 3” with a lecture by E. Laflı.

June 1-4: An archaeological symposium in Kaštela, Croatia, entitled “3rd conference of the International Association for Research on Pottery of the Hellenistic Period (IARPotHP)” with lectures by E. Laflı and G. Kan Şahin.

June 3-5: An archaeological symposium in Nis, Serbia, entitled “International symposium Nis and Byzantium XVI”.

Practical information about Izmir

Izmir (population 3,220,000) is the third largest city in Turkey and the largest city in the Turkish west. For more information on the city and its amenities, please visit <<http://wikitravel.org/en/Izmir>>.

Please note that very few people in Izmir speak foreign languages. It is therefore recommended you learn some practical Turkish words for your convenience in Izmir.

Turkey is situated in a geographical location where climatic conditions are quite temperate, but the diverse nature of the landscape and the mountains parallel to the coasts produce significant differences in climatic conditions from one region to the other. In Western Anatolia (Aegean region) where Izmir is located, there is a mild Mediterranean climate with average temperatures of 9° C (48° F) in winter 29° C (84° F) in summer. In Izmir the average temperature in May is 25° C (77° F). At the beginning of June the sun will be warm and skies will be clear. We can expect warm temperatures, but also some rain.

Visa requirements for Turkey

For information about visa requirements for Turkey see: <<http://www.turizm.net/turkey/tips/visa.html>>.

If you need an official invitation from us, please specify to which Turkish embassy/consulate (or your private address) we need to fax it (or post it) and which language you would prefer (English or Turkish).

İzmir’e hoşgeldiniz! / A warm welcome to İzmir!

Professor Ergün Laflı

Dr Gülseren Kan Şahin



Fig. 4: Map of Lydia (Sami Pataci, 2017).