

LM-SCM 2026 — Frequently Asked Questions

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General

What is LM-SCM 2026?

LM-SCM 2026 is the 24th International Logistics and Supply Chain Congress, hosted by Piri Reis University in Istanbul in collaboration with the Logistics Association of Turkey (LODER) and the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens. This year's theme is “Resilient and Adaptive Maritime Supply Chains in an Era of Global Disruptions,” reflecting how events such as Red Sea shipping disruptions, Black Sea grain-corridor challenges, Panama Canal restrictions and port congestion have made supply chain resilience a central, everyday concern rather than a specialist topic.

When and where does the congress take place?

The congress runs on October 15–16, 2026 at Piri Reis University Tuzla Campus in Istanbul, Turkey. A Welcome Reception is held on the evening of October 14, and an optional social program in Istanbul follows on October 17.

Is the congress in person, online, or both?

LM-SCM 2026 is a hybrid congress. October 15 (Day 1) is held on-site, with the full keynote programme, thematic panels and in-person paper presentations, closing with a gala dinner. October 16 (Day 2) is held entirely online, with parallel virtual paper sessions for authors and delegates joining remotely. Participants can register for either mode.

Who should attend?

The congress is aimed at academics and researchers, industry practitioners, and graduate students working in logistics, supply chain management and maritime transport, as well as organizations interested in sponsoring or exhibiting.

What topics does the congress cover?

Submissions and discussions span a broad range of logistics and supply chain topics, including:

- Maritime Transportation Risk, Safety & Resilience
- Digitalization & Emerging Technologies in Maritime Transportation
- Disruption Recovery & Business Continuity in Shipping
- Port Operations, Management & Policy
- Global Logistics & International Trade
- Maritime Autonomous Surface Ships & Smart Shipping
- Digital Transformation, Industry 4.0 & Smart Logistics
- Supply Chain Analytics, AI & Forecasting
- Blockchain & IoT in Supply Chains
- Maritime Security & Supply Chain Protection
- Supply Chain Risk Management & Resilience
- Sustainable & Green Logistics
- Circular Economy & Reverse Logistics
- Last-Mile & Urban Logistics
- Inventory & Warehouse Management
- E-commerce Logistics & Omnichannel Supply Chains
- Cold Chain & Pharmaceutical Logistics
- Humanitarian & Emergency Logistics
- Transport Economics & Policy

Who are the keynote speakers?

The confirmed keynote speakers are:

- **Prof. Dr. Thomas SIM** — President, International Federation of Freight Forwarders Associations (FIATA). Keynote title: “*Beyond Resilience: Building Adaptive Maritime Supply Chains for a Permanently Disrupted World*”
- **Prof. Dr. Hercules HARALAMBIDES** — Professor Emeritus, Erasmus University Rotterdam; Editor-in-Chief, Maritime Economics & Logistics (MEL). Keynote title: “*Intelligently Green Ports and Shipping*”
- **Dr. Okan TUNA** — Professor, Dokuz Eylül University; Co-owner, ShipsGo. Keynote title: “*From Visibility to Foresight in Logistics: A New Roadmap for Fragile Supply Chains*”
- **Prof. Dr. Theodoros SYRIOPOULOS** — Professor of Shipping Finance, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens. Keynote title: “*Global Ports in Transition, Geoeconomic Corridors and Supply Chain Dynamics: A Focus on Europe*”
- **Prof. Dr. Öznur YURT** — Professor of Operations and Supply Chain Management, The Open University, London. Keynote title: “*Who Fails, Who Adapts? Rethinking Resilience in Service Supply Chains*”

Abstract & Paper Submission

How do I submit an abstract?

Abstracts are submitted through the [official online submission portal](#), linked from the Call for Papers page. You will first set up an author profile and can then upload your abstract and add any co-authors.

What are the abstract requirements?

Abstracts must be written in English and be 250–300 words long and should comply with the [official template for abstracts](#). Current guidelines also ask authors to include a short statement on whether and how generative AI tools were used in preparing the submission.

What is the deadline for abstract submission?

The deadline for abstract submission is September 15 2026.

When will I know if my abstract has been accepted?

Notifications for all situations including acceptance, revision, and rejection will be sent in seven days after submission, i.e. abstracts are reviewed on a rolling basis rather than all at once by a single date.

Is a full paper required?

No — submitting a full paper is optional for those authors who wish their full papers to be published in journals and conference book. Authors who choose to submit one (after the congress) should follow the congress template available on the website. Whether you present with an abstract only or a full paper, and whether onsite or online, your accepted work is included in the conference proceedings distributed to all participants.

How many papers can one author present?

Each registered author may present a maximum of two papers.

What language should submissions and presentations be in?

English is the official language of the congress, for both written submissions and oral presentations.

How are submissions reviewed?

All submitted abstracts/papers go through a double-blind peer review process before acceptance.

Where can I find detailed guidelines for presenting authors and session chairs?

Dedicated guidance (the Presenting Author Checklist and the Authors and Chairs Guidelines) is being finalized and will be published on the Submissions & Guidelines section of the website. Until then, authors and chairs with specific questions are welcome to contact the organizing committee directly.

Registration & Fees

How much does registration cost?

Fees depend on attendance mode (onsite or online) and category (Regular, LODER Member, or Student):

Category	Attendance	TL (₺)	USD (\$)	EUR (€)
Regular	Onsite	3,500	80	70
Regular	Online	2,250	50	45
LODER Member	Onsite	3,250	70	60
LODER Member	Online	2,000	40	35
Student	Onsite	1,750	50	45
Student	Online	1,500	30	25
Accompanying Person	—	2,250	70	60

An Accompanying Person fee of 2,250 TL / \$70 / €60 is also available.

What is included in the registration fee?

Onsite registration includes access to all sessions (onsite and online) and congress materials, coffee breaks and lunch on Day 1, the Welcome Reception, and the Gala Dinner. Online registration includes access to the virtual sessions and the digital conference proceedings. Accompanying-person registration covers the Welcome Reception and Gala Dinner only, without access to the scientific sessions.

What is the registration deadline?

The registration deadline is October 1, 2026.

How do I pay the registration fee?

Payment is made by bank transfer, using the IBAN details provided on the Registration page (separate accounts are given for TL, EUR and USD transfers). Please transfer the exact amount corresponding to your category and currency, and keep your payment receipt for confirmation.

Is there a discount for LODER members or students?

Yes. LODER members and students receive reduced fees compared with the Regular category, for both onsite and online attendance (see the fee table above).

What is the cancellation or refund policy?

We unfortunately do not promise refunds. Cancellations due to unforeseen issues might be subject to consideration by the organizing committee.

Program & Presentations

What does the congress schedule look like?

October 14 (evening): Welcome Reception.

October 15 (Day 1, on-site): keynote programme, thematic panel discussions and in-person paper presentations, concluding with the Gala Dinner.

October 16 (Day 2, online): parallel virtual paper sessions for remote authors and delegates, with closing remarks.

October 17 (optional): social program exploring Istanbul (details to be announced).

How do online sessions work?

Online sessions run as parallel virtual paper tracks on Day 2.

What happens at the Gala Dinner and Welcome Reception?

The Welcome Reception (evening of October 14) is an informal gathering for early networking. The Gala Dinner will take place on the evening of October 15, at the close of the on-site day, and is included for onsite and accompanying-person registrations.

Venue, Travel & Accommodation

Where exactly is the venue?

Piri Reis University, Postane Mah., Eflatun Sk. No: 8, 34940 Tuzla, Istanbul, Turkey.

How do I get to the venue?

By metro/rail: take the Halkalı–Gebze Marmaray line to Tuzla station, then a minibuss runs directly from Tuzla station to the university.

By bus: several lines serve the university stop, including 130 and 130A from Kadıköy, 133T from Bostancı, KM12 from Kartal Metro, 500T from Cevizlibağ (transfer at İçmeler Bridge), and 130H from Sabiha Gökçen Airport.

By car: from the D-100 (former E-5) highway toward Istanbul–Ankara, exit at the Tersaneler junction, follow signs toward the Naval Academy, then toward Piri Reis University until you reach Eflatun Street.

Where can I stay during the congress?

A list of recommended hotels and lodging options near the Tuzla campus is being prepared for the Accommodation Options page. Please reach us through e-mail if you need to arrange earlier.

Do international participants need a visa?

Visa requirements depend on your nationality. We recommend checking Turkey's official e-Visa system (www.evisa.gov.tr) or contacting the nearest Turkish embassy or consulate well in advance of the congress dates.

Publication & Proceedings

Will my accepted work be published?

Yes. All accepted papers/abstracts — whether presented onsite or online — will be included in the conference proceedings released to all participants.

Will the proceedings be indexed (e.g., Scopus, Web of Science)?

Indexing details will be announced on the website.

Contact & Other Questions

Who do I contact with questions not answered here?

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