Salt
Venue Rental
Salt Venue Hire

About Salt

Founded by Garanti BBVA in 2011, Salt is a cultural institution that develops innovative programs to create an accessible platform for encounters, research, and expression for its users and visitors.

Salt’s programs comprise exhibitions, publications, digital projects, talks, conferences, film screenings, performances, and workshops.

Salt explores intersections and interactions between various disciplines and focuses on art, architecture, design, and social and economic history. The institution supports knowledge production by fostering the dialogue between the past and the present while addressing contemporary culture through new approaches and interpretations.

Salt’s expanding archive and library brings together resources focusing on Turkey and the geographies of East Mediterranean and East Europe from the late 19th century to the present. The institution’s research projects offer a platform for co-learning and peer discussion.

Salt’s activities take place in its two buildings in Istanbul and online. Salt Beyoğlu on Istiklal Street comprises exhibition spaces, Walk-in Cinema, Kitchen, Winter Garden and Robinson Crusoe 389 bookstore. Salt Galata on Bankalar Street in Karaköy houses Salt Research, a specialized library, the Salt Research Ferit F. Şahenk Hall for registered researchers, an Auditorium, exhibition and event spaces, as well as the Ottoman Bank Museum, Robinson Crusoe 389 bookstore, café and Neolokal.
Located on Bankalar Street in Karaköy, the Salt Galata building was designed by French-Levantine architect Alexandre Vallauri to house the headquarters of the Imperial Ottoman Bank (1892-1999). After having undergone a series of structural modifications over time, the building began serving as Salt Galata in November 2011, following the repurposing work that revealed its original architectural character.

**What Salt Galata Offers**
Salt Galata houses Salt Research, a specialized library, the Ferit F. Şahenk Hall for registered researchers, an Auditorium, an exhibition, and workshop spaces. Salt Galata also houses a permanent exhibition featuring documents from the Ottoman Bank Museum Collection that casts light on the 145-year history of the bank. Located on the ground floor, the café and Robinson Crusoe 389 bookstore are open during Salt’s visiting hours. Neolokal serves as a gourmet restaurant in the evenings. The fourth floor of the building boasts a view of the Golden Horn and the Historical Peninsula.
Salt’s six-story building on Istiklal Street in Beyoğlu, built in the second half of the 19th century, was named the Siniosoglou Apartment. In those years, the building was used as a commercial function on the street floor and as a residence on the upper floors. With the decrease in the resident population in Beyoğlu since the 1950s, the residential function on the upper floors left its place for trade, politics, and art activities. The building, which hosted the Ottoman Bank Archive and Research Center in 1997-2000 and the Platform Garanti Contemporary Art Center in 2001-2010, was re-functionalized for Salt’s programs and opened as Salt Beyoğlu in April 2011.

What Salt Beyoğlu Offers
Salt Beyoğlu’s entrance is on Istiklal Street. The Forum on the ground floor and the second and third floors are used for exhibitions, while the Walk-in Cinema hosts talks, screenings, workshops, and performances. The Kitchen on the mezzanine and the Winter Garden on the fourth floor are spaces used for collaborative programs focusing on food and ecology. Located on the first floor, Robinson Crusoe 389 bookstore is open during Salt’s visiting hours.
Salt’s Venues for Rent

Salt Galata

Workshop II-III

Workshop II

Workshop III

Salt Beyoğlu

Workshop IV

Floor 4

The Auditorium

The Kitchen
Workshop IV

Salt Galata

Suitable for private events such as training sessions, workshops, press conferences, and various other events.

**Technical Facilities Include:**
- Sound system
- Handheld microphone
- HDMI connection infrastructure
- Screen and projection capabilities
- Wi-Fi access

**Workshop IV is 91 square meters**

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Workshops II-III
Salt Galata

This versatile venue boasts a flexible and advanced infrastructure tailored for conferences, workshops, press conferences, and corporate meetings. It’s modular design allows it to function as two separate workshops when needed.

Technical Facilities Include:
- Sound system
- Handheld microphone
- HDMI connection infrastructure
- Screen and projection capabilities
- Wi-Fi access

Workshop II is 56 square meters.
Workshop III is 77 square meters.
Workshop II-III is 133 square meters.

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Floor 4
Salt Galata

The 4th floor entails two spaces: The Haliç Hall and Bankalar Street Hall. With its picturesque vista of Istanbul’s historical peninsula, the 4th floor provides an inviting ambiance for a range of occasions, including cocktails, press conferences, internal corporate meetings, and exclusive events.

Technical Facilities Include:
Sound system
2 Handheld microphone
HDMI connection infrastructure
Screen and projection capabilities
Wi-Fi access

Haliç Hall is 127 square meters, and Bankalar Street Hall is 158 square meters.

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Auditorium

Salt Galata

The space is ideal for hosting press conferences, panel discussions, conferences, and corporate meetings.

**Technical facilities**
- Sound system
- 32-channel mixer
- 4 Handheld and 2 lapel microphones
- Screen and projector
- HDMI connection
- Simultaneous interpretation room

The auditorium capacity is for 218 people.
The Kitchen
Salt Beyoğlu

This space is ideally suited for hosting events like cooking workshops and cocktail gatherings. Collaboration with alternative catering companies at Salt Beyoğlu is also feasible.

Situated on the mezzanine floor of Salt Beyoğlu, The Kitchen is 80 square meters.
Fusing indigenous cuisine with contemporary techniques and an innovative outlook, Neolokal, a Michelin-starred establishment, offers its catering services at Salt Galata.
Salt Galata and Salt Beyoğlu buildings are accessible and accommodating for individuals with disabilities.

At Salt Galata, wireless broadcasting is up to 40 Mbit speeds.

Please note that Salt does not offer valet or parking services.
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