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The Hungarian Presidency of the Council of the European Union and the Ludovika University of Public Service are excited to invite you to the DISPA network meeting. Come join us in Budapest on Thursday, October 24th, and Friday, October 25th, 2024.

This document has all the important info to make sure you have a great time during your stay.

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Delegation size

We wish to limit the number of delegates for each Member States to **two delegates**.

Venue

The DISPA meeting will take place at the premises of the Ludovika University of Public Service in Budapest, Hungary.

Address: Ludovika Campus, Main Building, H-1083 Budapest, Ludovika tér 2.

Website: <https://en.uni-nke.hu/>

Transport to the venue

The meeting venue is located at 5 minutes walking distance from „Nagyvárad tér” metro station.



Transport by plane

There are several ways to get to the city center from Budapest Liszt Ferenc International Airport. You can travel using **public transport, airport shuttle service or a taxi**. There is no direct train or subway from the airport to the city.

Public transport

The regular **Nº 200E** bus line covers the route Budapest Liszt Ferenc Airport–Kőbánya Kispest Metro 3 terminal, and **Nº 100E** bus line covers Budapest Liszt Ferenc Airport–Deák Ferenc tér (city center). **Nº 100E** bus is a direct service, and this is only available with an Airport shuttle bus single ticket. <https://bkk.hu/en/travel-information/>

For planning your journey in Budapest, we advise you to download „**BudapestGO**” public transport mobile application.

Aiport shuttle service

MiniBUD is the official airport shuttle service provider for Budapest airport. Convenient, fast and environmentally friendly door-to-door transfer.

<https://www.minibud.hu/en/booking>

Taxi

At the airport, "**Főtaxi**" can be ordered at the kiosk after exiting the airport building. Licensed taxis use the same tariffs. All legal and registered taxicabs must be yellow and operated by a meter. According to the law, any starting and call-out charges must be displayed on the backside windows.

Főtaxi: +36 1 222 22 22, <https://fotaxi.hu/en/> or download Főtaxi's mobile app.

Transport by rail

Getting to the meeting venue from both Budapest Nyugati and Budapest Keleti stations is straightforward using public transportation. „Nagyvárad tér” M3 metro station is easily accessible from both railway stations.

Get-together, informal welcome reception

On Wednesday, October 23rd, in the evening (between 18:00-21:30), we will also offer an informal opportunity for those who are available and interested to meet. Please indicate your interest on the registration form.

Venue: „Veranda Étterem”, H-1096 Budapest, Vendel u. 9

Website: <https://verandaetterem.hu/>

Accommodation

The following hotels are located in the city center within reasonable distance to the meeting venue. There are plenty of accommodations in the city center; however, to ensure availability at a suitable hotel, we recommend that you place your reservation at your earliest convenience.

Ibis Budapest Centrum***

Website: <https://all.accor.com/hotel/2078/index.en.shtml>

The hotel is situated downtown. It is 5-min walking distance from the River Danube and Váci street, located in the touristic and historical center of the city.

How to get to the meeting venue: take M3 metro line to Nagyvárad tér station (3 stops, 12 min.)

Three Corners Hotel Art***

Website: <https://threecorners.com/budapest/hotel-art/>

Three Corners Hotel Art is a downtown gem with its prime location next to the eastern bank of the river Danube, right in the historic centre of Budapest. This cosy and stylish 3*** hotel offers 36 recently renovated rooms.

How to get to the meeting venue: take M3 metro line to Nagyvárad tér station (3 stops, 10 min.)

Mercure Budapest Korona Hotel****

Website: <https://all.accor.com/hotel/1765/index.en.shtml>

Enjoy being located in the center of Budapest! Shopping on Váci Street and in the Great Market Hall, take a short walk beside the Danube river or visit the National Museum, just in front of the hotel building.

How to get to the meeting venue: take M3 metro line to Nagyvárad tér station (3 stops, 10 min.)

Florin Apart Hotel***

Website: <https://www.florinhotel.hu>

Featuring 3-star accommodation, Florin Apart Hotel is situated in Budapest, less than 1 km from Hungarian State Opera and a 12-minute walk from Blaha Lujza Square.

How to get to the meeting venue: take M3 metro line to Nagyvárad tér station (5 stops, 16 min.)

Barceló Budapest****

Website: <https://www.barcelo.com/en-es/barcelo-budapest/>

The hotel is surrounded by museums, art galleries, cafés and restaurants, and is close to the city's nightlife area. Its exclusive design and modern facilities make it the best choice for enjoying a few days of relaxation.

How to get to the meeting venue: take M3 metro line to Nagyvárad tér station (5 stops, 18 min.)

Hotel City Inn****

Website: <https://cityinn.hu/>

The hotel is within walking distance from the Corvin Negyed metro station. Easy access, central location, a pedestrian quarter right next door

How to get to the meeting venue: take M3 metro line to Nagyvárad tér station (1 stop, 3 min.) or walk to the venue (14 min.)

Akeah Verdi Budapest****

Website: <https://www.akeah.com/en/verdi-gran-hotel-budapest/>

Located just a stone's throw from the historic city center, Akeah Verdi Budapest Hotel offers the best rest close to everything you need to see. Enjoy a privileged location to immerse yourself in all the culture, leisure, and gastronomy.

How to get to the meeting venue: The hotel is located an 8-minute walk from the University.

Registration

Please fill in the form on the following link: <https://dispa2024.uni-nke.hu>

(The above link becomes active and the registration period starts on September 16th. The registration period ends on October 7th.)

Please remember to provide a detailed list of any allergies and dietary preferences you have. This will allow us to make suitable arrangements for your needs.

Under the 'Programme' section, please specify which cultural programme you will be participating in. This information is crucial for us to organise a smooth and enjoyable experience for all participants.

An e-mail will be sent to your mailbox when accreditation is accepted.

Important notice

Please be advised that October 23rd is a national holiday in Hungary. Consequently, all of the supermarkets and shops will be closed, and public transportation may operate on a different timetable. Please plan accordingly for travel arrangements on this day.

Catering

On Thursday, October 24th, you are warmly invited to join us for the formal dinner in city centre of Budapest. This dinner will take place from 19:00 onwards in restaurant „Vígvarjú Étterem”, H-1051, Budapest, Vigadó tér 2.

Website: <https://vigvarju.vakvarju.com/?lang=en>

Cultural programme

After the meeting, there will be opportunity to visit the Hungarian Parliament. Transportation to the Parliament will be provided by bus.

Dates and time:

Guided Parliament tour: Friday, October 25th, 14.30 – 16.30

Additionally, a guided tour will take place on the university campus. Please indicate your interest in participating in this tour too, during registration.

Ludovika campus tours: Thursday, October 24th, 17.15 – 18.15

Friday, October 25th, 14.00 – 15.00

Weather

In October, Budapest typically offers pleasant weather, ideal for exploring the city on foot. Expect daytime highs around 17°C and nighttime lows near 8°C. However, as the month progresses, temperatures gradually decrease, especially in later weeks. The likelihood of rain increases, so dressing in layers is advisable for comfort and adaptability to Budapest's changing autumn conditions.

Free time activities and sightseeing in Budapest

The central area of Budapest along the Danube River is classified as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It has several notable monuments of classical architecture, including the Hungarian Parliament and the Buda Castle. The city also has around 80 geothermal springs (most visited thermal bath is the Széchenyi Thermal Bath in Budapest), the largest thermal water cave system, the second-largest synagogue, and the third-largest Parliament building in the world. Other noteworthy sights of the city are Heroes' Square and City Park, St. Stephen's Basilica, Fisherman's Bastion, Matthias Church and Museum of Fine Arts.

Váci Street is the top pedestrian shopping street in Budapest, with each side of this bustling destination featuring an abundance of restaurants, cafés and retail stores. The path starts in central Budapest at the historic Vörösmarty Square, stretching over 1 km before reaching its end at Central Market Hall.

Recommended restaurants

Budapest is home to a vibrant culinary scene offering diverse dining options. You will find everything from traditional Hungarian cuisine to international dishes. Explore local restaurants, cafes, and street food vendors to savor the flavors of Budapest.

restaurants:

Stex Ház Restaurant - József körút 55-57.

Veranda Grill & Wine – Vendel utca 9.

Menza Restaurant – Liszt Ferenc tér 2.

Gettó Gulyás - Wesselényi utca 18.

Retró Lángos Budapest - Bajcsy-Zsilinszky út 25.

café and bakeries:

New York Café Budapest - Erzsébet körút 9-11.

Gerbeaud Café – Vörösmarty tér 7-8.

bars:

Pesti Bisztró bar – Ráday utca 11.

Pompás Bistro, Cafe & Bar - Thaly Kálmán utca 52.

SOLID Budapest - Királyi Pál utca 4.

General information

Country calling code: +36

Emergency Numbers:

General – 112; Police – 107; Ambulance – 104; Fire Service – 105

The Hungarian currency is the Forint, indicated in exchange offices by HUF. Please note that exchange rates are subject to change. We recommend verifying the current rate before proceeding.

https://www.ecb.europa.eu/stats/policy_and_exchange_rates/euro_reference_exchange_rates/html/eurofxref-graph-huf.en.html

Contact information

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