

## ESPON Seminar “Where are European cities heading? Evidence for better policy-making” on 7-8 December 2016 in Bratislava

### PRACTICAL INFORMATION

#### REGISTRATION AND ACCREDITATION

All personal information provided during registration will be processed in accordance with the Personal Data Protection Act of the Slovak Republic. The Ministry of the Interior of the Slovak Republic may participate in the accreditation process in order to ensure the necessary security standards. Should you have any questions or problems related to accreditation, please contact our accreditation team: [accreditation.skpres@mzv.sk](mailto:accreditation.skpres@mzv.sk).

#### VENUE

The meeting will take place in the building of **Hotel Bôrik** (see map on next page). The building is also accessible to persons with disabilities. The team of the Slovak Presidency of the EU will be ready to help you if you have any questions or require any assistance.

#### SECURITY

The venue is only accessible to accredited persons wearing a valid **SK PRES badge**, which must be worn and visible at all times. Due to the security measures in place, including the scanning of luggage, please allow sufficient time in the morning to enter the premises.

#### TECHNICAL AND IT FACILITIES

The Hotel Bôrik has a **wireless internet connection** with unlimited access for delegation members. **Working space** including two computers and multimedia facility will be available for all delegations.

#### CATERING

Lunches and coffee breaks are offered during the event free of charge. There is also a networking dinner offered after the first day of the seminar free of charge.



## ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation for the meeting with special rates is available in the following hotels:

Crowne Plaza Hotel Hodžovo námestie 568/2, 816 25 Bratislava	€ 119,00 for a standard single room incl. breakfast and taxes	50 rooms pre-booked. Allocation on a first come first served basis.
Austria Trend Hotel Vysoká 7490/2A, 811 06 Bratislava	€ 90,65 for a standard single room incl. breakfast and taxes	50 rooms pre-booked. Allocation on a first come first served basis.
Carlton Hotel Hviezdoslavovo námestie 185/3, 811 02 Bratislava	€ 139,00 for a standard single room incl. breakfast and taxes	50 rooms pre-booked. Allocation on a first come first served basis.
Hotel Devín Riečna 162/4, 811 02 Bratislava	€ 99,00 for a standard single room incl. breakfast and taxes	50 rooms pre-booked. Allocation on a first come first served basis.

The Slovak Presidency has pre-reserved rooms for delegates in the aforementioned hotels. The booking link for the designated hotels can be found in the registration system. You will be asked to enter credit card details when making a hotel reservation. All conditions regarding booking, cancellation, services, etc. are the responsibility of the hotel and should be clearly stated on its website.

Should you have any questions related to accommodation, please contact: [accommodation@mzv.sk](mailto:accommodation@mzv.sk)

## TRANSPORTATION

### How to get to Bratislava?

#### From Bratislava Airport:

SK PRES information desks will be arranged in the arrival halls at the Bratislava Airport for further assistance. The airport is connected to the centre of Bratislava by public transport. Take bus No. 61 to reach the city centre. The journey takes approx. 30 minutes. You can find the bus schedule here: <http://imhd.sk/ba/schedule-timetable/route-line/61>. Taxi's can be reserved in advance. Prices, terms and conditions depend on the company. You may use for example: <https://hopintaxi.com/en>

#### From Vienna International Airport:

Due to its convenient distance and excellent connection possibilities, the Vienna International Airport is often used when travelling to Bratislava. There is a direct bus connection from the airport to the centre of Bratislava. Buses leave from the airport approx. every 30 minutes, the journey takes approx. one hour and the cost varies, according to the time and company, from €1 to €10.

For more information and for planning your transportation from the Vienna international airport to Bratislava see more at websites of the companies:

<https://www.flixbus.com/>

<https://bustickets.studentagency.eu/>

<http://www.eurolines.com/en/>

### How to get to the hotel?

The bus from Bratislava airport stops at the railway station. The busses from Vienna airport stop at the bus station. From the railway station to the selected hotels it's a 15-30 minutes' walk depending on the hotel (see map on next page). From the bus station to the selected hotels it's a 20-25 minutes' walk depending on the hotel (see map on next page)

You can also take public transport. From the railway station, tram 13 stops close to all hotels. Stop at 'Poštová' for the Crowne Plaza Hotel and the Austria Trend Hotel. Stop at 'Nám. Ľ. Štúra' for the Carlton Hotel and Hotel Devin.

From the bus station, to reach the Crowne Plaza or the Austria Trend Hotel, you can take trolley busses 206 and 208 and stop at 'Hodžovo nám.' To reach the Carlton Hotel or Hotel Devin, you can take busses 70 and 88 and stop at 'Nový most'.

For more information see: <http://imhd.sk/ba/public-transport>



### How to get to the venue?

Organized bus transfers will be provided between the Crowne Plaza hotel and the venue. No other organized transport will be offered.

Public transport in Bratislava consists of tram, bus or trolley-bus services. The Venue can be reached by trolley busses number **203** and **207** going through the city center (bus stop “Hodžovo nám.”). The closest stops to the venue are “Hummelova” or “Červený kríž”. Please see the timetables of the buses:

<http://imhd.sk/ba/search?hladaj=203>

<http://imhd.sk/ba/schedule-timetable/route-line/207>

### INTERPRETATION

Interpretation is not provided. Working language of the meeting is English.

## ESPON NETWORKING DINNER

The ESPON networking dinner will take place at the ELESKO Winery. The dinner is offered by the Slovak Presidency of the Council of the EU

## CULTURAL PROGRAMME

Before the networking dinner there will be a guided tour of the ELESKO Winery highlighting the building's unique combination of art of winery, art of gastronomy art of architecture and the surrounding landscape.

## OVERVIEW OF BUS TRANSFERS

<b>Wednesday 7 December</b>	<b>Where?</b>	<b>When?</b>
Departure to seminar venue	In front of the Hotel Crowne Plaza	08h00
Departure to Networking Dinner for participants <i>not attending</i> the partner meeting. Guided visit of the ELESKO gallery and winery starting 18h00. Dinner at 19h00.	In front of the meeting venue	17h00-17h15
To Networking Dinner for participants <i>attending</i> the partner meeting	In front of the meeting venue	18h30
Return from Networking Dinner to hotel Crowne Plaza	In front of the ELESKO building.	21h45 (arrival ca. 22h30)
<b>Thursday 8 December</b>		
Departure to seminar venue	In front of the Hotel Crowne Plaza	08h15

There will be no bus transfer after the seminar on the second day, but there is a public transport available. Nearest bus stop to the venue is a bus stop on demand named ČERVENÝ KRÍŽ. Trolleybus Nr. 203 and 207 go to the city centre direction Koliba or Zimný štadión, bus stop Hodžovo námestie, where Hotel Crowne Plaza is located. Information about the public transport will be available at the meeting venue.

## OTHER PRACTICAL INFORMATION

### Medical assistance

In case of emergency or a medical problem, please dial no. 112.

### Local hospital

Nemocnica Sv. Michala (St Michael Hospital), Satinského 1, Bratislava  
T +421 2 3261 1041 or +421 0917 751 395

### International calls

The country code for Slovakia is +421; the Bratislava dialling code is (0)2. Emergency number: 112.

### Electrical sockets

The power supply used in Slovakia is 220/230 volts.

### Local time: GMT + 1

### Information about Slovakia/Bratislava

For more information about sights and other attractions in Slovakia see <http://www.sacr.sk/en/slovak-tourist-board/news/> and in Bratislava see <http://www.visitbratislava.com/>

### Contacts

- For questions related to the programme: [peter.billing@espon.eu](mailto:peter.billing@espon.eu)
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- For questions related to accommodation: [accommodation@mzv.sk](mailto:accommodation@mzv.sk)
- For all questions related to on the spot practicalities in Bratislava:
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- For all other questions: [info@espon.eu](mailto:info@espon.eu) We are looking forward to seeing you in Bratislava.