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ESPON 2013 Programme
Open Seminar
3-4 June 2009 in Prague, Czech Republic
***Territorial Development Opportunities
in the Global Economic Recession***

Practical Information

1. SEMINAR VENUE

The seminar will take place at:
TOP HOTEL PRAHA
Blažimská 1781/4
149 00 Prague 4 - Chodov
CZECH REPUBLIC
E-mail: public@tophotel.cz
<http://www.tophotel.cz/en/>

2. REGISTRATION

The seminar is free of charge and open to all interested participants, including policy makers, practitioners at EU, national, regional and local level and scientists. However, due to the maximum number of participants the venue can accommodate (200 people), we reserve the right to reject late registrations. It is therefore advised to register as soon as possible through the ESPON website (www.espon.eu). The deadline for registration is **15 May 2009**.

3. HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Participants must undertake costs related to their own travel and accommodation arrangements. Pre-bookings have been made for you at preferential rates at TOP Hotel Praha (seminar venue), which address is mentioned above.

The prices are: € 107,00 per single room, type Executive/Superior
€ 122,00 per double room (also in case of single use), type Executive/Superior

These prices include free entrance to the wellness centre at the hotel.

You are kindly requested to pre-book your accommodation as soon as possible by sending an e-mail to: booking@tophotel.cz, mentioning the 'ESPON SEMINAR/EVENTS' as a reference.

In order to profit from the above mentioned preferential rates, it is imperative to pre-book your accommodation before **15 May 2009**.

Please note that the amount of pre-booked hotel rooms is limited and will be appointed on a first come first serve basis.

For more information on the accommodation please visit:

<http://www.tophotel.cz/en/accommodation>

4. EVENTS OFFERED BY THE CZECH EU PRESIDENCY: Welcome reception and evening event

A **welcome reception** is organised on 2 June 2009 between 20h00 – 22h00 at:

Convent of St. Agnes

U Milosrdných 17

Prague

Tel: + 420 221 879 216 – 217

An organized bus transfer will leave from TOP Hotel Praha at 19h00.

An **evening event** including dinner on the boat 'Vyšehrad' on the Vltava River is also organised for the participants of the Seminar of the Seminar on 3 June 2009. The boat departs at 20h00 from the pier 'Rašínovo nábřeží'. An organized bus transfer will leave from TOP Hotel Praha at 19h00.

The welcome reception and evening event are offered by the Czech EU Presidency and are free of charge for the registered participants. The coffee breaks and lunches during the seminar are offered by the ESPON 2013 Programme and are also free of charge.

5. TRAVEL FROM RUZYŇ AIRPORT TO THE SEMINAR VENUE

Bus Transfer

The Czech EU Presidency is organising a transport service between the Airport of Prague (Ruzyně), located 10 km from the city centre and TOP Hotel Praha. Therefore, you are kindly requested to indicate in the online registration form your departure and arrival dates and times. Should you not provide us with this information before **15 May 2009** we cannot guarantee your transfer.

Public Transport

Alternatively you have public transport between the (Ruzyně) Airport and the Venue. From the airport you can take bus 119, direction Dejvická, to stop Dejvická. From here, you can

take metro A (green line), direction Skalka, to stop Muzeum. Then, from here, you take metro C (red line), direction Háje, to stop Chodov. Finally, you should take bus 115 to stop Městský archive. This stop is in front of TOP Hotel Praha.

Please note that you should count approximately 1 hour as travel time between the airport and the hotel by public transport.

For more information on public transport in Prague, please visit:
<http://jizdnirady.idnes.cz/pid/spojeni/> (also available in English)

Please do not hesitate to contact the ESPON Coordination Unit at info@espon.eu, should you need further information. Additional practical information, including maps with the location of the different venues and the public transport will be sent to all registered participants by 25 May 2009.

We are looking forward to welcoming you in Prague!