

# Important Notice for Participants

# Venue

The conference will be held in the BEST WESTERN Hotel M, located in the "Banjica forest" national park in South part of Belgrade, Bulevar Oslobodjenja 56a, Belgrade, Serbia.

- GPS coordinates: Lat. 44.76874 Long. 20.47663
- Phone number of BEST WESTERN Hotel M: +381 11 30 90 401.
- E-mail: office@hotel-m.com
- WEB site: http://www.hotel-m.com/en/

# **Arriving to Belgrade**

# Arrival by plane

Airport Nikola Tesla is located 20 km from the city center. Transfer from the Airport to the BEST WESTERN Hotel M is possible by:

**Shuttle transfer to Hotel** - Shuttle transfer from the Nikola Tesla airport to the BEST WESTERN Hotel M and vice versa can be arranged by the Hotel. In this case, please indicate your flight details /flight number, arrival/departure date and time. Price is 15 Euro per person for one way transfer. Confirmations are sent by e-mail. If you do not receive any confirmation within 7 days, please check back with the BEST WESTERN Hotel M.

**Taxi ride** - There is a Taxi information stand at the international arrivals hall of the Nikola Tesla airport. If you wish to take a taxi to your destination, **go to this stand** and state your destination. You will be given a voucher with the price you will have to pay the taxi driver once you get to your destination. The transfer to the BEST WESTERN Hotel M from the airport is 1500 dinars (around 15 Euro). Apart from the voucher you will be given a leaflet with information on what to do if the taxi driver charges you more than the amount stated on the voucher. Once you obtain the voucher, exit the building and get the taxi.

**Public Transportation** - Mini bus line A1 will take you from the airport to the Slavija Square in the downtown Belgrade. Ticket price is 300 RSD (tickets can be purchased on the bus) and approximate travel time is 30 minutes. For transfer to the BEST WESTERN Hotel M

from the Slavija Square you have two options. *Option 1:* Find the bus and tram stop of bus 33 and trams 9, 10 and 14, take any of these and exit at bus stop named Kapetana Zavisica. Then find and walk along Kapetana Zavisica Street directly to the hotel (distance about 350 m). *Option 2:* is to find the bus stop for buses 47 and 48 (both will take you to hotel) on the Slavija Square. Exit at Bulevar Oslobodjenja (Liberation Boulevard), bus stop name is Bose Milicevic (before the hotel, distance about 300 m) or Mosorska (after the hotel, distance about 400 m). For the first ride in the Belgrade public transportation it is best to purchase ticket directly from the driver it cost 120 dinars and it would be best to prepare the exact amount (driver often don't have change). *Option 3:* would be to take a taxi ride to the Hotel.

All information regarding transfer from the airport to the city center can be found at the Airport web site: http://www.beg.aero (http://www.beg.aero/passengers/to\_and\_from\_the\_airport/transportation.106.html).

# Arrival by train or bus

Main Train and Bus Stations are located 5 km from the venue, in the Savski Square 2. You can take tram Line 9 that will take you close to the venue (exit at: Vojvode Stepe Street – bus stop name: Kapetana Zavisica, then walk along Street Kapetana Zavisica directly to the hotel – distance about 350 m) or a taxi.

# **Curency information**

If you haven't arranged the shuttle bus to pick you up at the airport, please don't forget to exchange money at the airport if you do not hold any dinars (RS). Euro is definitely the best currency to take to Serbia. While US Dollar, Canadian Dolar and British Pound will be accepted, the commission fee is far greater than the one for Euro. The best is to exchange just a small amount of money (equivalent to €20-30), to pay for transfer to city or hotel. In the BEST WESTERN Hotel M there are ATM and currency exchange machine in the lobby. Also exchange offices can be found at every corner in downtown Belgrade.

The Serbian currency is the dinar (RSD). Each dinar is divided into 100 paras, no longer in use, thus prices at shops are rounded off. Coins come in the following denominations: 1, 2, 5, 10 and 20 dinars. The banknotes come in denominations of 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 500, 1,000, 2,000 and 5,000 dinars. Western Union money transfers from abroad can be collected from the post office and most banks.

# **Local Time**

Serbia is in the Central European Time Zone: GMT + 1. Daylight saving time is effective in September.

# **Transportation in Belgrade**

Belgrade does not have an underground railway system. In Belgrade you can use either taxi service or public transport (buses, trams and trolleybuses).

# Taxi

Taxi service in Belgrade is generally affordable. Start fee is 140 dinars and rate per km is 55 dinars during the day and 70 dinars after midnight and on Sundays. There are numerous private taxi association where you can schedule the ride by phone (for example: Alo taxi +381-11-3564-555, Beotaxi +381-11-970, Yellow (Žuti) taxi +381-11-9802). If you want to order the taxi from the BEST WESTERN Hotel M, you can ask that on hotel's reception or UDM Info Desk.

# **Public transportation**

Network of public transportation (buses, trams and trolleybuses) cover almost all areas. Public transport runs from 04:00 to 00:00. During night time, buses run at 1-hour intervals, and night buses depart from special stops at the Republic Square towards other parts of the city. For cheaper public transportation you need the Bus Plus card, it is best to ask Hotel Reception or UDM Info Desk for details.

# **Embassies in Belgrade**

Foreign embassies are listed at www.belgradeeye.com/embassy.html

# **Important Phone Numbers**

Police:	192
Fire Department:	193
Ambulance:	194
Road assistance:	1987

If you are dialing from your mobile phone, you have to add the Serbian country code (+381) and Belgrade city code (11). For example, the ambulance is: +381 11 194

# **Conference Information**

#### **Internet services**

The BEST WESTERN Hotel M provides Wi-Fi free of charge for conference participants. Please contact Registration and Info Desk for details.

# **Conference venue**

The conference will be held in BEST WESTERN Hotel M. Oral presentations are held in three halls, namely Atrium Hall, Horisont Hall and Belgrade Hall. Poster presentations are given in the Forum Hall. Detailed skech of the halls and their location in the Hotel will be given to all participants in Program Book.

Registration and Info Desk are located in the Horisont Hall, in front of the Dialogue Room.

Coffee breaks are served at bars in the Atrium Hall and in the Horisont Hall.

Lunch is free of charge for all registered participants and is served in the hotel restaurant.

# Young Researcher Award

Please vote for two awards: the best young researcher paper orally presented and for best young research poster presentation, on the forms that you can find in your conference bag. The forms are to be brought to the UDM 2012 Registration and Info Desk. The winner will be announced at the gala dinner.

# **Photo Contest and Exhibition**

UDM 2012 Conference offered to its participants an opportunity to present and share special moments or places they have captured in their work with urban drainage systems. Panel of photographic experts will announce the best three photos during gala dinner.

#### **Social Events**

Welcome Reception: Monday, 3 September from 16:00 to 19:00, the Horisont Hall

Wine tasting: Tuesday, 4 September from 19:30, the Horisont Hall

Gala Dinner: Thursday, 6 September, "Lovacka prica" restaurant. Bus transfer from the hotel at 19:00.

# Sightseeing

For those who want to experience Belgrade in a short time, we have arranged a sightseeing tour on Tuesday, 6 September. Two buses (one open and one closed) will pick up passengers in front of the BEST WESTERN Hotel M at 16:30 and bring them back around 18:00. The open bus offers guided tour in English, German, French, Italian and Russian, while only English is offered on the closed bus.

# **Post-Conference Trip to Viminacium**

Optional trip to the ancient Roman city of Viminacium is scheduled for Friday, 7 September with a Roman-style lunch. Please note that this trip is not included in the registration fee. For all information please contact Registration and Info Desk.

# Important mobile Phones in case of emergency (or if everything else fails....)

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