



**BOLOGNA MINISTERIAL
ANNIVERSARY CONFERENCE**
Hungary Austria 2010

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Bologna Ministerial Anniversary Conference
Hungary Austria 2010
Budapest – Vienna, 11-12 March 2010

1. Registration

Following the tradition of previous Bologna Ministerial Conferences, the size of delegations is limited to 5 persons (head of delegation plus a maximum of 4 experts), including a representative of the national rectors' conference and a student.

The contact person of each delegation (nominated by the head of delegation) will receive the password, which he/she will need to register the entire delegation online on the official registration website (www.kulturpont.hu/bologna). There is no possibility of individual registrations. Registration will be opened as of **October 15, 2009**. The registration deadline is **January 10, 2010**. A special page for hotel booking is included in the official registration website. The deadline for hotel booking is also **January 10, 2010**. Please note that transfers can only be provided to and from the hotels listed on the online registration form. No transport will be provided to and from other hotels.

Please contact the organisers for any additional information you may need:
bolognaregistration@kulturpont.hu

Onsite registration for the whole conference will be offered at the Hungarian Parliament and the Vienna Hofburg Congress Center. No registration/accreditation will take place at the airports, train stations or hotels.

2. Conference venue

The conference will be held:

on March 11, 2010 at the Hungarian Parliament (1055 Budapest, Kossuth tér 1-3.)

on March 11, 2010 (in the evening) at the Vienna Hofburg Congress Center (1., Heldenplatz, Vienna)

on March 12, 2010 at the Vienna Hofburg Congress Center (1., Heldenplatz, Vienna)

3. Transport

The conference takes place in the capital of Hungary, Budapest, on the first day and continues in the capital of Austria, Vienna, in the evening of the same day and on the second day.

Please, be so kind as to inform us about your arrival and departure dates and times on the online registration form. No transport will be provided from and to airports or train stations by the organizers.

Arrival in Budapest

We will run an info desk at the airport in **Budapest** on March 10 and 11, 2010. Please note that the conference participants will receive a 10 % discount off the rate of the Airport Shuttle Service from Budapest Ferihegy Airport (http://www.bud.hu/english/transport/airport_shuttle). If you choose taxi service, we propose Zona taxi company (<http://www.zonataxi.eu/en/tartalom/fooldal/>).

Budapest map: http://www.talkingcities.co.uk/budapest_pages/sights_budapest_map.htm

For public transport in Budapest: <http://www.bkv.hu/english/home/index.html>



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In case you arrive in Vienna you will need to make your own arrangements to travel to Budapest. We will run an info desk at the airport in Vienna from March 10 - 12, 2010.

On March 11, 2010 we will provide a shuttle service from the two hotels (Sofitel and Mercure Korona) in Budapest to the Parliament, and later from the Parliament to the Nyugati railway station for the train ride to Vienna.

In the evening of March 11, 2010 we will arrange your **transfer by train from Budapest to Vienna** as part of the conference.

For participants staying at official conference hotels in Vienna, the luggage will be transferred directly from the conference venue in Budapest to the hotel in Vienna. Participants staying in other hotels have to transfer their luggage themselves. Please, take into consideration that the space for luggage on the train is strongly limited.

Once arrived in Vienna, we will also provide a shuttle service from the train station to the hotels listed on the online registration form, and from these hotels to the congress center both in the evening of March 11 for the ball and in the morning of March 12 for the second part of the conference.

NO transport will be provided from and to hotels which are not listed on the online registration form.

Departure from Vienna

The price from Vienna City Center to Vienna Airport is about €35 by taxi, €9 with the city airport train (CAT), €3.60 with public transport (*Schnellbahn/Rapid Transit Train*). For more information (timetables etc.) please visit: <http://www.viennaairport.com/jart/prj3/via/website.jart?rel=en&content-id=1129903097097&reserve-mode=active>

YOU WILL NEED TO MAKE YOUR OWN ARRANGEMENTS BACK TO BUDAPEST IN CASE YOU BOOK YOUR RETURN FLIGHT FROM THERE. For information on the train schedules see: <http://www.oebb.at/en/index.jsp> or <http://elvira.mav-start.hu/elvira.dll/xslms/index?language=2>

More information is available at:

Welcome to Vienna: http://www.wien.info/en?set_language=en

Car rentals, taxi, limousine service: <http://www.viennaairport.com/jart/prj3/via/website.jart?rel=en&content-id=1135697462787&reserve-mode=active>

Hofburg Congress Center: http://www.hofburg.com/cms/front_content.php?idart=91&changelang=2

4. Conference documents

Conference documents will also be available online at

http://www.bologna2009benelux.org/2010_conference/ shortly before the conference.

They will be available in printed form with the conference package the participants will receive upon registration.

5. Conference languages

The conference language will be English, with interpretation from and into German and Hungarian.



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6. Visa information

If you need a Schengen visa, please contact bolognaregistration@kulturpont.hu to receive a personalised invitation letter, which is only issued upon registration. As visa procedures can take several weeks, those who require a visa are advised to register for the conference as soon as possible.

Website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Hungary:

http://www.mfa.gov.hu/kum/en/bal/consular_services/Entry_of_Foreigners_to_Hungary/

Website of the Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs

<http://www.bmeia.gv.at/en/foreign-ministry/service/foreign-representations-in-austria-in-german.html>

7. General information

The currency of Hungary is the Hungarian Forint (HUF). It is common practice for some shops and restaurants to accept Euros or US dollars (the exchange rate is less advantageous than at exchange offices). The currency of Austria is the Euro. For detailed information about the currency exchange rates, see <http://english.mnb.hu/Engine.aspx>.

The weather in Budapest and Vienna in March can be cold and chilly; the temperature may fall below 10°Centigrade.

Austria and Hungary are in the same time zone as the rest of Continental Central Europe: Central European Time (GMT + 1 hour).

Before visiting Hungary and Austria, you should take into account differences in power plugs. Both countries use the French type E (French 2-pin, female earth) socket with 220 V and 50 Hz.

Tourist information centres: <http://www.budapestinfo.hu/en/> and <http://www.wien.info/welcome.html>.

8. Others

Live streaming

It will be possible to follow the conference in the internet via live streaming. (Only in English.)

Dress code for the Viennese ball gala on March 11:

Women: long dress, traditional costume

Men: black tie, (black) suit, traditional costume