

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

7TH ASEM SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT DIALOGUE ON “INTEGRATED WATER MANAGEMENT IN THE 21ST CENTURY: ADDRESSING IMMINENT CHALLENGES”

Budapest, 11-12 September 2018

1. Venue

Gerbeaud House (Gerbeaud Ház)

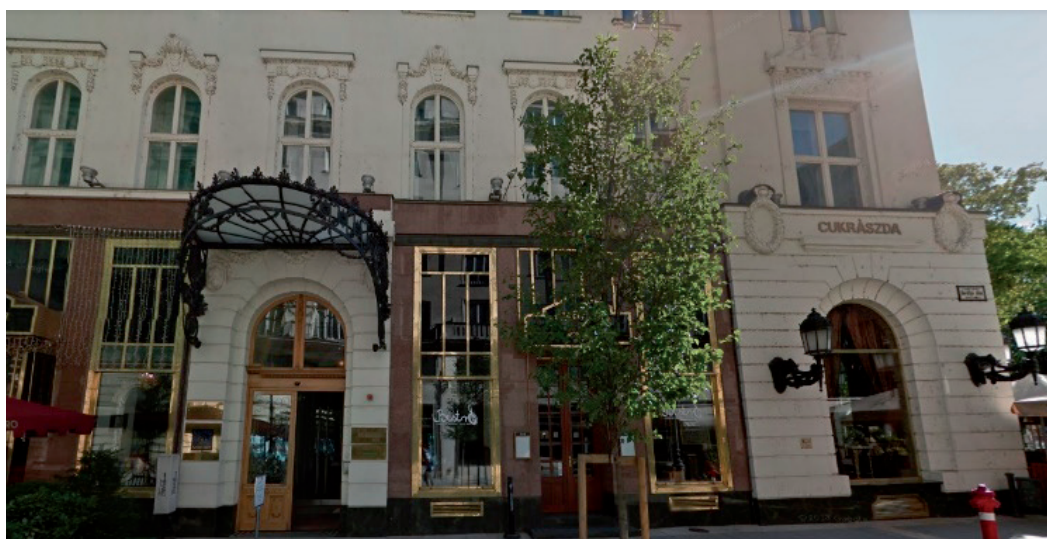
Website: www.gerbeaud.hu

Address: H-1051 Budapest, 7-8 Vörösmarty Square

Coordinates: 47°29'50.125"N 19°3'2.116"E

Entrance of the Gerbeaud House where you can collect your badge for the Dialogue: 1. Dorottya Street from 8.00 a.m. on both days.

View of the entrance of the Gerbeaud House from 1. Dorottya Street:



The language of the conference is **English**.



We would like to call your attention to the gala dinner to be held on **11 September 2018**, the first day of the Dialogue. The dinner takes place on a boat and will be combined with a pleasant **excursion** on the River Danube from 7 p.m. to 21.30 p.m.

For your convenience, hereby **we would like to ask you to arrive in time at 18.45 p.m. to the Dock 8**. The boat has to leave the port sharply at 7 p.m.

Please note that there is a **field trip** to Szentendre to be held on **12 September 2018**, the second day of the Dialogue. The Meeting point at the entrance of the Dialogue (Dorottya street 1.) at **13.45 p.m.**, then we walk together 200 meters to Hotel Kempinski (H-1051 Budapest, 7 Erzsébet Square) to get on the bus. The bus has to leave the parking area clearly at 14.00 p.m.

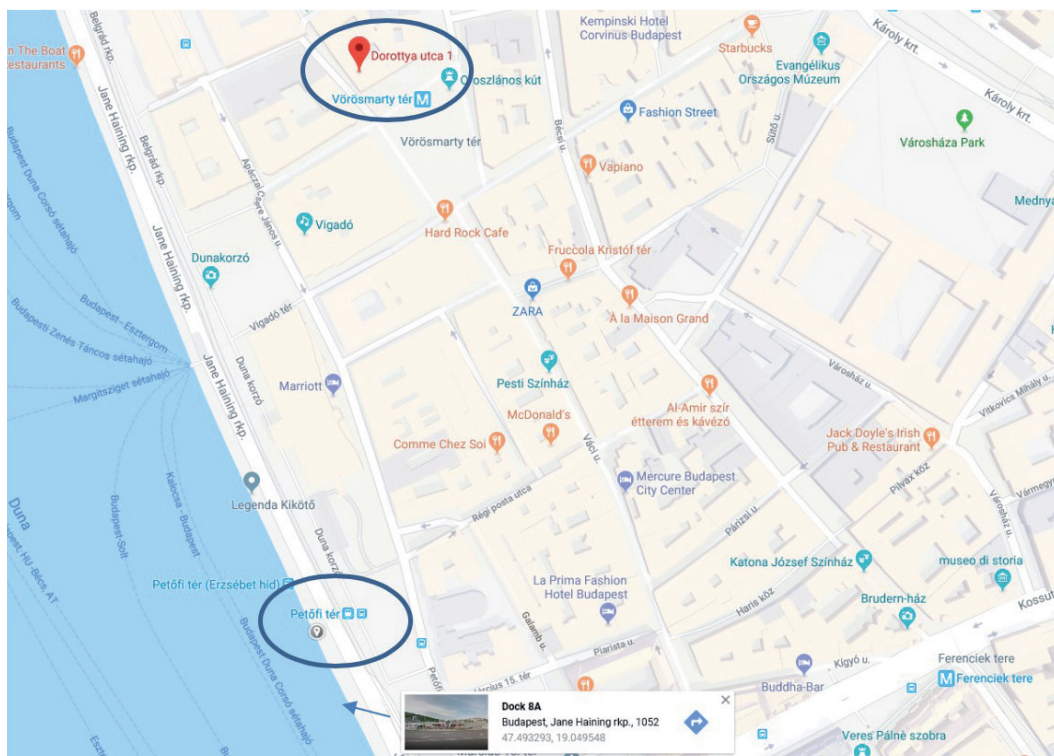
The travel takes around 40 minutes to Szentendre. There will be a guided tour at the Hungarian Open Air Museum, visiting the exhibition of the Kisalföld region. After that we go by bus to the Danube River bank where there will be a demonstration of the mobile flood protection wall, and you will have time for a short sightseeing in the beautiful city center of Szentendre as well. We arrive back to Budapest (Hotel Kempinski) by bus around 19.00 p.m. Please be prepared with an umbrella and comfortable shoes during the field trip.

2. Location of the Dialogue

Address of the Dialogue:

H-1051 Budapest, 7-8 Vörösmarty Square – Gerbeaud House – **Entrance of the Gerbeaud House** where you can collect your badge: **1. Dorottya Street**

Address of the gala dinner: H-1051 Budapest, Petőfi Square **Dock 8 – Ludwig Boat** –



3. Transport

IF YOU ARRIVE AT LISZT FERENC INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

By public transport

Passengers are taken by a *direct bus service*, either by Bus No. 100E or No. 200E, from Liszt Ferenc International Airport.

- 1) In case of choosing Bus No. 100E, it takes approximately 37 minutes (3 stops) to arrive at Deák Ferenc Square. You may reach the venue on foot in approximately 6 minutes from Deák Ferenc Square. You may also choose to take the yellow metro line (M1) from Deák Ferenc Square, in which case you must travel 1 stop to Vörösmarty Square. The M1 line in fact constitutes the continent's oldest Millennium Underground Railway.
- 2) In case of choosing Bus No. 200E, after a 20-minute-ride (11 stops) you will arrive at the Kőbánya-Kispest metro terminal. It is thereafter possible to travel to Deák Ferenc Square (10 stops) via the blue metro line (M3), from which, as mentioned above, it takes 6 minutes on foot or 1 stop via the yellow metro line (M1) to travel to the venue.

Please note that *one-way public transportation tickets* in Budapest are only valid for one journey: *should you choose to change public transportation lines*, you will be required to stamp another ticket. A single (one-way) ticket costs 350 HUF.

An *airport shuttle bus single ticket* to take bus No. 100E from the airport into the city (or vice-versa) costs 900 HUF. This ticket can also be purchased from the bus driver on board by cash.

In order to get around in Budapest, we recommend using the application "BKK Futár", which may be downloaded to your smartphone, tablet, or accessed through your browser at www.futar.bkk.hu (an English version is also available).

By taxi

The official taxi company at the airport is *Főtaxi*. All cars are equipped with POS terminals, therefore passengers have the option to pay with credit cards and debit cards as well. Taxis may be hailed in person at Főtaxi booths located at the airport. Tel.: (+36 1) 222 2 222

Please note that there are several other trusted taxi companies available in Budapest, for example:

Budapest Taxi: (+36 1) 777 7 777

City Taxi: (+36 1) 211 1 111

All taxis operating in Budapest charge the same fixed rate. The cost of a taxi ride from the airport to Vörösmarty Square is estimated to be about 7,500 HUF (25 EUR).

By Airport Shuttle Service

The **Airport Shuttle Service** provides door-to-door transfer between the airport and any location in Budapest and its fleet operates 24 hours a day. The transfer operates as a shared-ride service, which means that passengers travelling to the airport from the same or closely situated addresses are taken in the same vehicle. The Airport Shuttle Desks may be found at the airport terminals. All shuttles arrive to and depart from the main entrances of the terminals at the airport.



Reservations can be made in person at the Airport Shuttle Desks or 24 hours before your flight departure via an online reservation system (www.airportshuttle.hu), through travel agencies, or by calling the company's call centre by dialling the number (+36 1) 296 8 555.

If you arrive by train

There are three main train terminals in Budapest: Keleti pályaudvar (the Eastern Station), Déli pályaudvar (the Southern Station) and Nyugati pályaudvar (the Western Station). All three terminals have their own respective metro line connections. The following lines are may be used to arrive at the stations: the first two (Keleti and Déli) are located along the red metro line (M2). Nyugati pályaudvar (the Western Station) is accessible via the blue metro line (M3).

Arriving to Deák Ferenc Square by metro:

- 3 stops from Keleti (by M2)
- 4 stops from Déli (by M2)
- 2 stops from Nyugati (by M3)

As mentioned above, from Deák Ferenc Square it is possible to reach the venue in 6 minutes by foot or by the yellow metro line (M1), in which case it only takes 1 stop.

Tickets in Budapest are only valid for one ride, so if you change metro lines, you need to punch another ticket. A single (one-way) ticket costs 350 HUF.

Parking

In order to see a map of parking zones and fees in Budapest, please visit the following link: www.budapest.com/travel/getting_around/parking_in_budapest.en.html

The nearest parking garage, called "Vörösmarty garázs": H-1051 Budapest, 1 Vörösmarty Square, where parking your car for an hour costs 550 HUF, or 5500 HUF for a day. Further information about parking in general available at: www.car-parking.eu/hungary/budapest

6. Accommodation

We recommend that you book your accommodation in one of the following hotels, all of which are proximate to the venue of the conference. You can find the best offers listed below. Please bear in mind that participants should arrange their reservations individually.

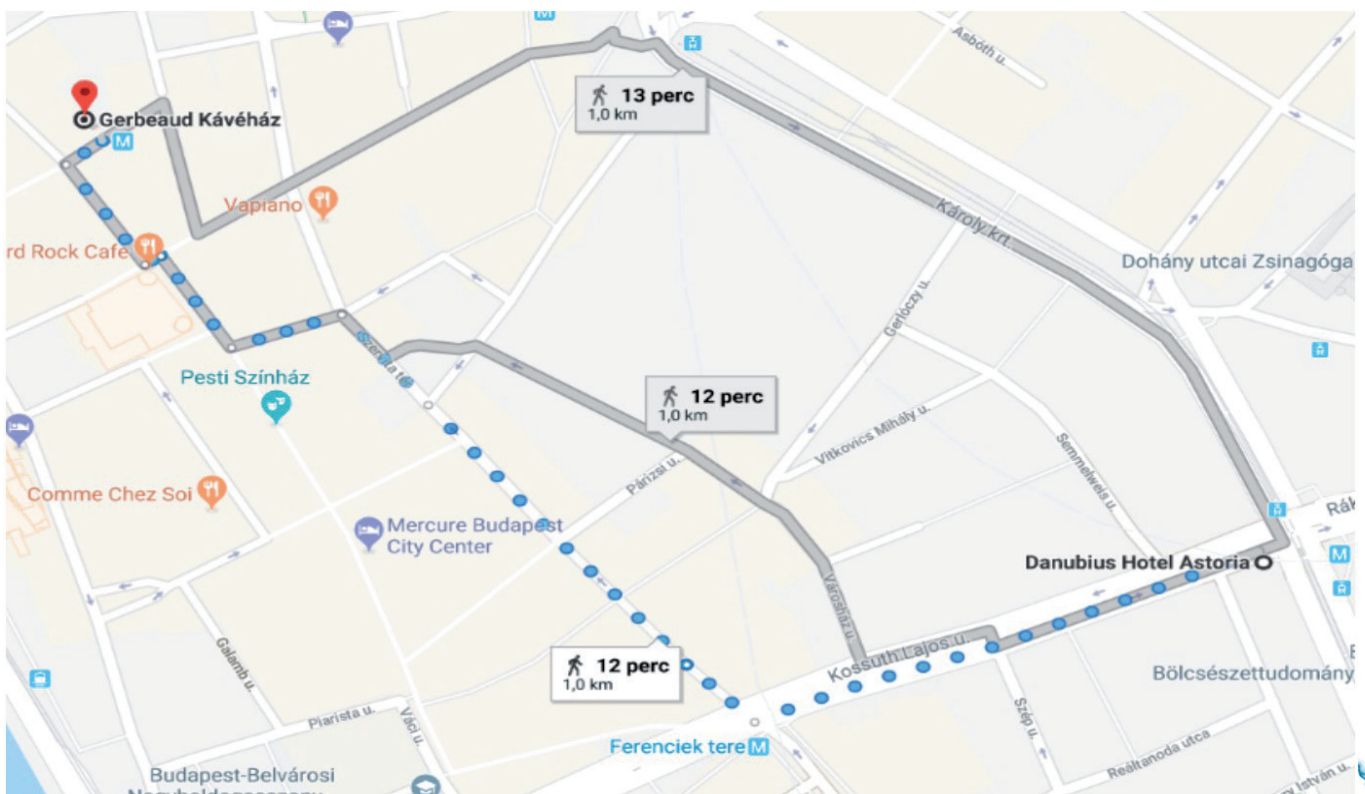
Prices below are given in the European Union's currency, the Euro (EUR). For any further information, please visit the websites of the hotels.



Name of the hotel	Price for one person, breakfast included	Distance to the venue (on foot)	Website
Danubius Hotel Astoria City Center****	105 EUR*	1000 m 12 mins	https://www.danubiushotels.com/en/our-hotels-budapest/danubius-hotel-astoria
Starlight Suiten Hotel****	140 EUR	700 m 8 mins	https://www.starlighthotels.com/en/budapest/
Estilo Fashion Hotel****	160 EUR	1200 m 14 mins	http://estilohotelbudapest.com/
Hotel Zenit Budapest****	190 EUR	350 m 5 mins	https://budapest.zenithoteles.com/en/
Prestige Hotel Budapest****	196 EUR	900 m 10 mins	http://www.prestigehotelbudapest.com/

* **Danubius Hotel has a special offer of 105 EUR** for the participants of the Conference, which can be accessed by providing the following promotion code: **ASEM7**

Routes between Danubius Hotel and Gerbeaud House by walk (approx. 12 minutes):



5. About Hungary and Budapest

Currency: Hungarian Forint (HUF)

Time Zone: Central European Time (GMT +1)

Useful telephone numbers:

Country code for Hungary: +36

Emergency: 112

Ambulance: 104

Police: 107

Fire service: 105

Please be aware that in Hungary **Plug Type C** is used. Here you can acquire detailed information about plugs and sockets: www.iec.ch/worldplugs/typeC.htm

