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BSE BUDAPEST 2020



DEAR PARTICIPANT!

This document is a brief guide on how to survive the Hungarian reality. So are you waiting for the BEST eight days of your life?

Believe me, the organizers are waiting for you as much!!!

Wizard On!

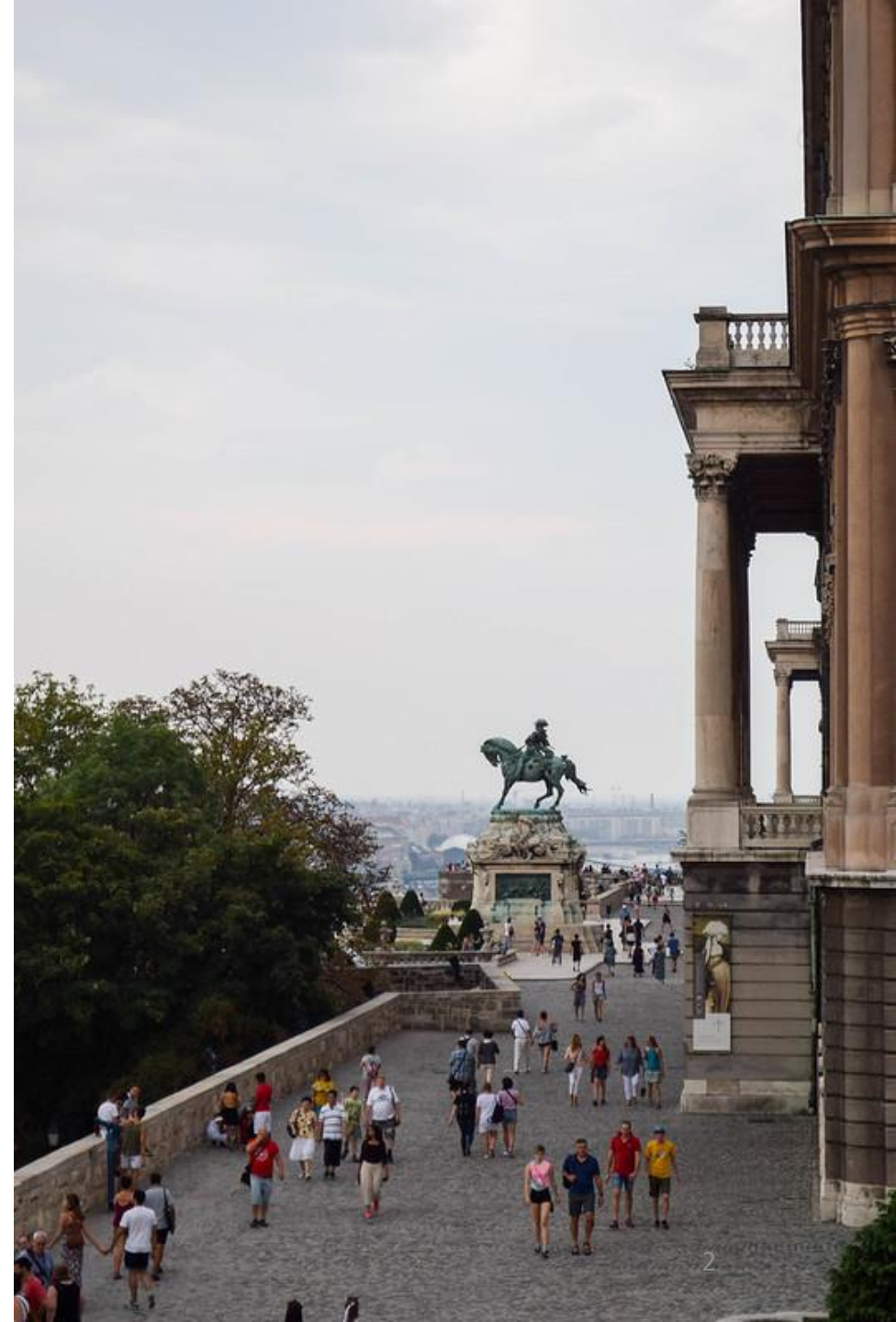


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GENERAL INFORMATION

The BSE Budapest 2020 will take place from the 5th of July (Sunday/Arrival day) to the 12th of July (Sunday/Departue day).

You should arrive on (or prior to) the 5th, as we have the Welcome Party that night :)

Please keep in mind, that the first food provided will be the dinner before the Welcome Party.

Most of the nights we will stay in a hostel in Budapest, except for the weekend trip.

The departure on the 12th will be from our accommodation at the weekend trip, we will provide you information about traveling back to Budapest.

July							
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Arrival	BSE						Depart



GENERAL INFORMATION

— WHAT TO BRING

- Insurance (The blue European health insurance card or other, and travel insurance)
- Your Student Card / International Student Identity Card
- This Survival Guide on your phone
- Towels and swimming suits, slippers
- zzzZZZZzzzz... **Sleeping bag !**
- For the **International Evening** :
 - Typical music and food (or recipe) of your country
 - Typical drinks of your country are indispensable! ;)
- Sunshine, happiness, BEST mood
- Presents to the organizers ;)





GENERAL INFORMATION

— WHAT WE ASK FROM YOU

- Those who need an **official invitation in order to obtain a visa** for entering Hungary, contact us as soon as possible to begin with your visa procedure as soon as possible!!!
- Please let us know in advance if you are a **vegetarian** or by any other reason, such as religion or health, need a **special diet**.
- Tell us if you have any **allergies**!
- **Book your travel!**
- Tell us the date and place of your arrival!
- Happy-happy joy-joy!!!

GOOD TO KNOW

Electricity:

230V AC, 50Hz, socket looks like:



Some common laws in Hungary that might be good to know:

- You're not allowed to have had consumed any alcohol if you drive.
- You're not allowed to have, consume or distribute any drugs.
- You're not allowed to drink alcohol in public places, in public transport, etc.
- Smoking is forbidden in every bus, tram, underground stops, railway stations, under passes, bars, restaurants, schools, hospitals, casinos, and at the airport.
- Cigarettes can be bought only in a few shops, called "Nemzeti Dohánybolt".



GOOD TO KNOW

Some common habits in Hungary that might be good to know:

- When people have to spend some time together in a small place, they always greet each other. This applies to strangers meeting in elevators or a train compartment.
- Always let ladies go first at doors; don't ever let the door swing in the face of the one coming behind you.
- When greeting a friend kiss on both cheek once, mostly only between men and women.
- If you go inside a home remove your shoes.

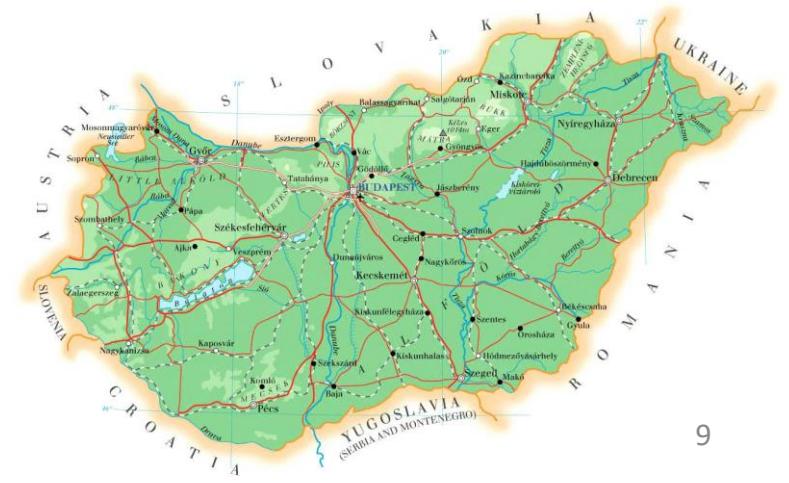
How to phone:

- We have three mobile suppliers Vodafone (70), Telenor (20), T-Mobile (30). From Hungary to call another country dial 00 or "+" and country code (Hungary's Country code is +36)
- Emergency number: 112

ABOUT HUNGARY = HISTORY

Hungary is a landlocked country in Central Europe. The capital and the largest city is Budapest. Hungary is a member of the European Union and the Schengen area. The official language is Hungarian, which is the most widely spoken non-Indo-European language in Europe.

The foundation of Hungary was laid in the late 9th century by the Hungarian grand prince Árpád in the Honfoglalás (“homeland-conquest”). His great-grandson Stephen I. ascended to the throne in 1000 AD, converting the country to a Christian kingdom. On 23 October 1989, Hungary again became a democratic parliamentary republic after the collapse of the communism.



ABOUT HUNGARY ⇨ NATURE

Hungary is home to the largest thermal water cave system and the second largest thermal lake in the world (Lake Hévíz), also home of the largest lake in Central Europe (Lake Balaton), and the largest natural grasslands in Europe (the Hortobágy National Park).

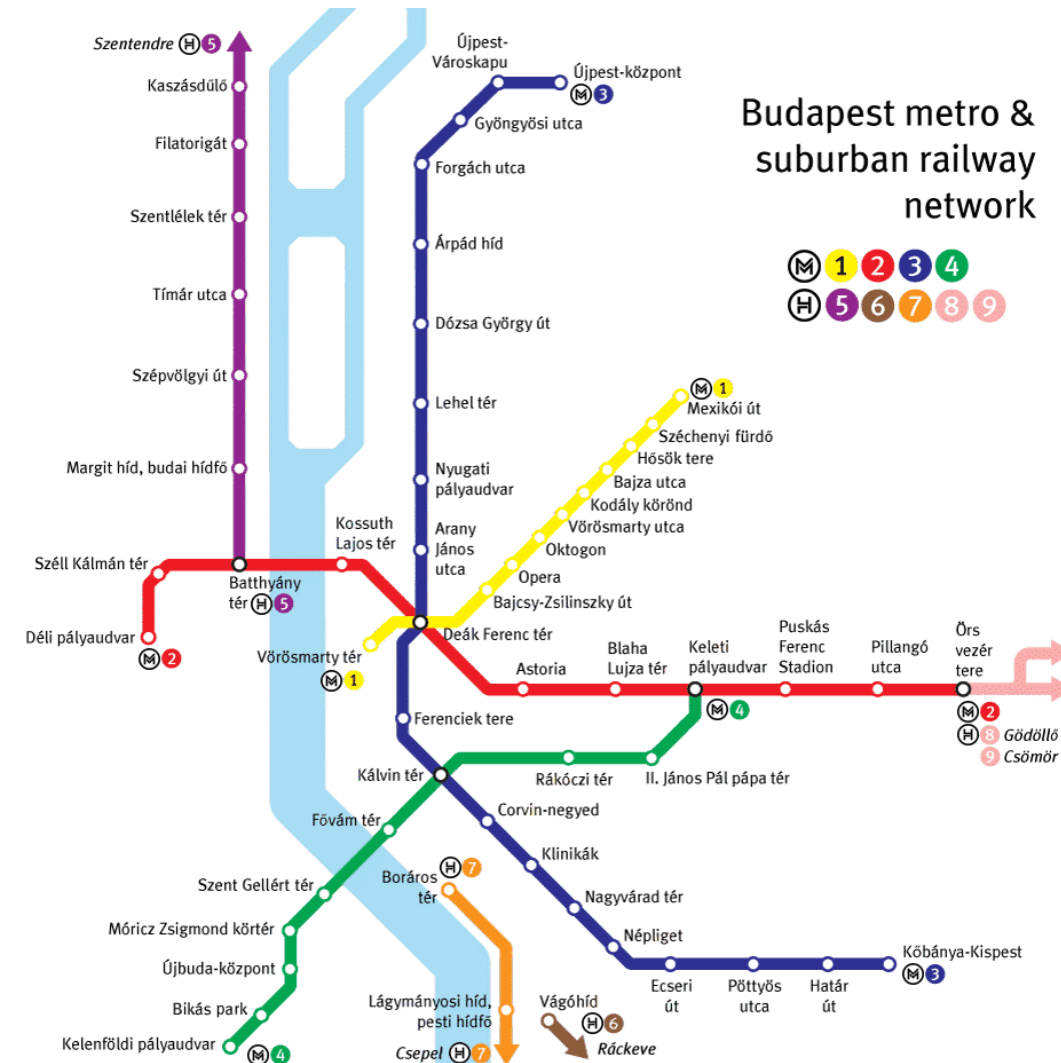
Because of an advantageous geographical location, **good quality thermal water can be found in great quantities on over 80% of Hungary's territory.** Approximately 1,500 thermal springs can be found in the country (more than 100 just in the Capital area). There are approximately 450 public baths in Hungary.



ABOUT HUNGARY = TRANSPORT

Because of its central location, Budapest is the hub of the Hungarian transport network.

The Budapest Metro is the second-oldest underground metro system in the world, its line 1 (the yellow line) dates from 1896 and is a World Heritage Site.



ABOUT HUNGARY ➤ CLIMATE



Hungary has a continental climate, with hot summers with frequent rain showers and mildly cold snowy winters.

Average annual temperature is 9.7 °C. Average high temperature in the summer is 23 to 28 °C and average low temperature in the winter is -3 to -7 °C.

ABOUT BUDAPEST

Budapest is the capital and the largest city of Hungary. The city currently has 1,74 million inhabitants. Budapest became a single city occupying both banks of the river Danube with its unification on 17 November 1873 of Buda and Óbuda, on the west bank, with Pest, on the east bank. On the right side lies the hilly Buda, while on the left the plain Pest. 14 bridges connect the two sides and make the look of the city more wonderful.



ABOUT BUDAPEST

Cited as one of the most beautiful cities in Europe, its extensive World Heritage Site includes the banks of the Danube, the Buda Castle Quarter, Andrásy Avenue, Heroes' Square and the Millennium Underground Railway.

The city's importance in terms of traffic is very central, because all major European roads and European railway lines lead to Budapest.

Budapest is the only capital city in the world which has thermal springs. Some 125 springs produce 70 million liters of thermal water a day, with temperatures ranging up to 58 Celsius. Some of these waters have medicinal effects due to their medically valuable mineral contents.

MUST SEE IN BUDAPEST

For the first time, it's worth going up to the Gellért-hill, and enjoy the panorama on the city, from the viewpoints.



Spend some hours by enjoying the historical atmosphere in the Buda Castle, on the Castle-hill. Visit the Fisherman's Bastion, the Matthias Church, and choose from the many museums, like the Budapest History Museum or the National Gallery.

MUST SEE IN BUDAPEST

Take a walk on the banks of the Danube, and visit the **Parliament** at the Kossuth Square. Learn about our History at the **Heroes' Square**, and enjoy the exhibitions of **the Museum of Fine Arts**. Take a boat-trip on the Danube, and relax on the **Margaret-Island**.



IF YOU GET HUNGRY IN HUNGARY

The typical Hungarian dishes are made from the meat of our traditional animals, like cattle, pig, sheep, chicken and fish. Usually our dishes are spicy and fatty. We like to eat dishes hot, so in every restaurant you can ask for hot spice (or even you have to ask your food without it).



Our most famous dish is the Hungarian **gulyásleves** (goulash soup) made from the meat of cattle. This is a meaty soup, in its own can be enough for lunch. You can also taste our stews made from cattle, pork, lamb or chicken. Other typical soup is the **halászlé** (fisherman's soup). There's also stuffed cabbage. If you wish some lighter dish, you can ask for some pasta with cottage cheese, we eat it with greaves or bacon optionally.

IF YOU GET HUNGRY IN HUNGARY

The city is full of takeaway restaurants with pizza, gyros and hamburgers; you can try our own kind of takeaway food. This is called **lángos**, and it's a kind of fried dough. We eat it with sourcream, cheese, garlic and/or salt on it. Usually it can be found at markets. Ask us!



We have desserts as well. The pancake filled with cottage-cheese cream, cocoa, other sweet stuff is very popular. You can even try out the salty kind for example with meat. It's called **meaty pancake Hortobágy style**.

IF YOU GET HUNGRY IN HUNGARY

Kürtőskalács (chimney cake) is a popular pastry specific to Hungarian-speaking regions. Kürtőskalács is made from sweet, yeast dough (raised dough), of which a strip is spun and then wrapped around a truncated coneshaped baking spit and rolled in granulated sugar.

During the baking process the sugar stuck on kürtőskalács becomes caramel and forms shiny, crispy crust on the cake. The surface of cake can then be provided with additional toppings such as ground walnut or cinnamon powder.



IF YOU GET THIRSTY IN HUNGARY

Probably the most famous traditional drink in our country is the Hungarian **pálinka**. This traditional Hungarian drink is under protection, and only those drinks can be called pálinka, which were made in Hungary and only from fruits. The most typical are the plum, and peach, but the pear, cherry and sour cherry are common as well. We make it also from grape, then it's called törköly.



IF YOU GET THIRSTY IN HUNGARY

However, the grape is most commonly used to produce **wines**. Hungary is famous for its wines. We have many historical wine areas, the most famous is Tokaj.



Another really good, but less known product is the **Zwack Unicum**. The original one is an aperitif, made from herbs. For the youth the company makes Unicum Szilva, which is totally the same, but made with plums. So its flavor is strongly influenced by plum, and so is very tasty and popular with the youth.





















IF YOU GET THIRSTY IN HUNGARY

Bubble up your wine!

Sommeliers, wine lovers, please don't read the next lines, because “**fröccs**” is something that you won't support for sure. This “spritz” is made for those, who don't like beer, but want to have some refreshing drink with low alcohol content on a hot summer afternoon.

It has several versions and names depending on the wine – soda water (not mineral!) proportion. It can be made of white, rosé or red wine. For the ladies there is a lighter version called “**maci fröccs**” (teddy spritz), when they put raspberry syrup in it.

Why is it Hungarian and not German? Well Ányos Jedlik, a Hungarian man was the inventor of the soda-fountain in 1829.

FRÖCCSLAP		
WINE SPRITZER		
	BOR (dl) WINE	SZÓDA (dl) SODA
KISFRÖCCS/FÜTTY	1 	1 
HOSSZÚLÉPÉS/FORDÍTOTT	1 	2 
HÁZMESTER	3 	2 
VICE-HÁZMESTER	2 	3 
LAKÓFRÖCCS	1 	4 
MAFLA	5 	5 
KRÚDY-FRÖCCS	9 	1 
HÁZIÚR	4 	1 
BAKTERFRÖCCS	2 	2 
BAKTERANYÓS	3 	3 

THE LANGUAGE

We call our language “**magyar**”. The Hungarian grammar and vocabulary is completely different from the Indo-European languages which surround Hungary. The language is closest to Finnish and Estonian.

As an agglutinative language, it’s really hard to learn and speak without mistakes but also as an agglutinative language, it’s really colorful, has many variations for words and so we have wonderful literary words.

In addition to the standard letters of the Latin alphabet, Hungarian uses several additional letters such as: **á é í ó ö ő ú ü ű**.

THE LANGUAGE

in English	in Hungarian	the pronunciation
Hello	Szia!	[see ya]
Good morning	Jó reggelt!	[yo-reh-gelt]
Good afternoon	Jó napot!	[yo-nah-pot]
Good bye	Viszontlátásra!	[vee-sont-laa-taash-ra]
Thank you!	Köszönöm!	[kur-sur-nurm]
Yes	Igen	[ee-gen]
No	Nem	[nem]
Magical drink	Pálinka	[pah-lin-ka]
I love you!	Szeretlek!	[seh-ret-lek]
Help me	Segíts nekem	[shag-itch neck-em]
I'm thirsty	Szomjas vagyok	[some yash wad yolk]
Cheers!	Egészségedre!	[egg-aysh-sheag-adre]
1	egy	[Edy]
2	kettő	[Cat-tour]
3	három	[Ha-Rome]

TRANSPORTATION IN BUDAPEST

You always have to validate a ticket when you go down to the metro or if you get on a bus/tram. If you change metro lines underground, you don't have to validate a second ticket!

You can buy single tickets on most of the stations, metro underpasses from machines.

- One single ticket costs 350 HUF and you can use it on any transportation (bus/ metro/tram/trolleybus) for one trip until you get off. **So they are valid only for one journey.**
- You can buy 10 tickets together in case you arrive together. 10 tickets costs 3000 Forints, so it is cheaper for one ticket.

IF you do not validate the fine is 8000 Forints on the spot, or 16 000 Forints paid later.

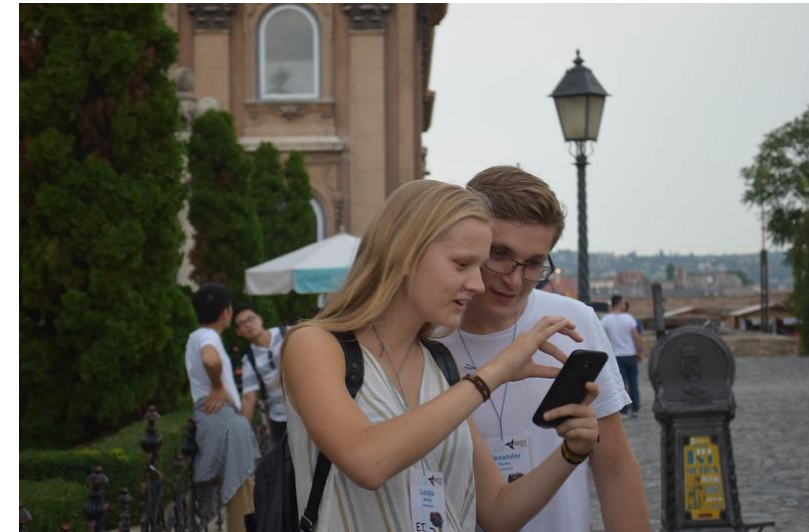


HOW TO GET TO THE CITY CENTER

Transport maps: <http://www.bkk.hu/en/maps/>
Also Google Maps tells you accurate information about public transportation.

The accommodation is close to the metro system, the city center can be easily reached.

First of all, let us know when and where you will arrive! We will pick you up, and you don't have to take care about the following :)



HOW TO GET TO THE CITY CENTER

✦ ARRIVED BY PLANE



You are most likely to land in Budapest-Liszt Ferenc International Airport. You have some choices:

Taxi: Very comfortable but not the cheapest way.

Public bus:

- Get on the 200E bus and get off at the final station Kőbánya Kispest . Here you can get on the metro line M3 (there are replacement busses till Népliget) and reach pretty much every point of the city. You need one ticket for the bus, and one for the metro. You do not need another one in case of changing metro line.
- The other way to get to the city center from the airport is to get on the 100E bus, which costs 900 HUF and takes you directly to Deák Ferenc tér.

HOW TO GET TO THE CITY CENTER

➤ ARRIVED BY BUS

Budapest has two mayor bus stations.

The **Népliget** station is connected to metro line M3, while **Puskás Ferenc Stadion** station is connected to metro line M2.



HOW TO GET TO THE CITY CENTER

➤ ARRIVED BY TRAIN



Budapest has three mayor international train stations. All of them are connected to the metro system.

The largest one, where most of the international trains arrive is the **Keleti Pályaudvar** (Eastern Railway station) is connected to metro line M2 and M4.

The **Déli Pályaudvar** (Southern Railway station) is connected to the metro line M2

And the **Nyugati Pályaudvar** (Western Railway station) is connected to metro line M3.

PRICES



The official currency in Hungary is Forint. There are coins and notes. You can change money in exchange offices and in banks. There are ATMs everywhere, and you can pay by card in almost every shop, but not in pubs!

1 Euro is about 330 Ft (check: www.xe.com)

PRICES

Products and services	(HUF)	Price (EUR)
Bus, metro tickets	~350	~1.2
Pizza (prices may vary)	~700 - 1500	~2.5- 5
1 liter of milk	~180 - 250	~0.75- 0.8
1 kg of bread	~180	~0.75
1 scoop of ice cream	~200 - 300	~0.7 - 1
Big Mac Menu	~1200	~4.0
A pack of cigarettes	~1000 - 1200	~3.8- 4.2

ARE YOU READY?

Now you should be ready for Hungary, be patient till then, we are waiting for you!

If you are lost or have any questions, feel free to contact the organizers via mail: budapest@best.eu.org, or contact directly our **main organizer** (responsible for logistics of the event) or the **coordinator** (responsible for the content of the event).



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