<u>VENUE</u>

VALUE Final Meeting, Budapest 23–25 November 2015

The VALUE Final Meeting is going to be held at the headquarters of the **Hungarian Meteorological Service** (**Kitaibel Pál utca 1, 1024 Budapest**), close to the Széll Kálmán Square (Széll Kálmán tér). The meeting location is within easy reach of the proposed hotel, **art'otel Budapest** (**Bem rakpart 16–19, 1011 Budapest**).

1. Access the art'otel from the airport (Liszt Ferenc International Airport, Terminal 2A/2B)

Take the **public transportation** bus 200E to their final station called Kőbánya-Kispest. Afterwards you have to travel by metro line 3 (M3) to Deák Ferenc tér and then change to line 2 (M2; in direction of Déli pályaudvar) to Batthányi tér. art'otel can be accessed by a short walk along the Danube river from the Batthányi tér (please see and follow the map below). This selected trip would cost you 1 transfer ticket (around 2 EUR).

From the airport you can also take the **AirportShuttle-Minibus service**, which takes you to any location in Budapest with a fixed price, transport to the city centre costs 3200 HUF (10 EUR). At the airport you might wait a bit for the shuttle and you might not be the first dropped, therefore it could take more time to reach your destination. More information: http://www.airportshuttle.hu/en.

You can also take **taxi**, main and trusted taxi company operating at the airport is Főtaxi. A trip to the city centre is around 6500 HUF (20 EUR). Please ask the driver about the price in advance.

2. Access the hotel from the railway station

- From Railway Station **Déli pályaudvar**: you have to take metro line 2 to Batthyány tér, afterwards by walk.
- From Railway Station **Keleti pályaudvar**: you have to travel by metro line 2 (in direction Déli pályaudvar) to Batthyány tér, then by walk.
- From Railway Station Nyugati pályaudvar: you have to take tram 4 or 6 (in direction Széll Kálmán tér) to Margit híd, budai hídfő, then take H5 suburban railway (HÉV; 1 stop) or by walk to Batthyány tér along the river, then by walk.

3. Access the meeting place from the art'otel, from the airport or from the railway stations by public transportation

- From art'otel you have to walk to Batthyány tér, then take bus 11 to Mechwart liget (3 stops), afterwards on foot (see map). You can also walk straight from the hotel to the Hungarian Meteorological Service: it takes around 20 minutes (see map).
- From the airport you have to take bus 200E to their final station called Kőbánya-Kispest. Afterwards you have to travel by metro line 3 (M3) to Nyugati pályaudvar, then take tram 4 or 6 (in direction of Széll Kálmán tér) to Mechwart liget.
- From the railway stations:
 - From railway station Déli pályaudvar: you have to take metro line 2 (M2) or tram 61/59/18 to Széll Kálmán tér (1 stop), afterwards by walk (see map).
 - From railway station Keleti pályaudvar: you have to travel by metro line 2 (M2) (in direction of Déli pályaudvar) to Széll Kálmán tér, then by walk (see map).

 From railway station Nyugati pályaudvar: you have to take tram 4 or 6 (in direction of Széll Kálmán tér) to Mechwart liget, then by walk (see map).

Transport tickets

Tickets can be purchased at the major public transport hubs, newspaper stands and on buses on the spot (this latter one costs more).

- Single ticket: valid for one uninterrupted trip for metro, bus, tram, trolleybus, suburban railway. *Transfers are allowed only on the metro* network. It costs 350 HUF;
- Transfer ticket: equivalent with two single tickets, 530 HUF;
- Budapest 24-hour travelcard (=pass): HUF 1650;
- Budapest 72-hour travelcard (=pass): HUF 4150;
- Budapest 5-day travelcard (=pass): HUF 4550.

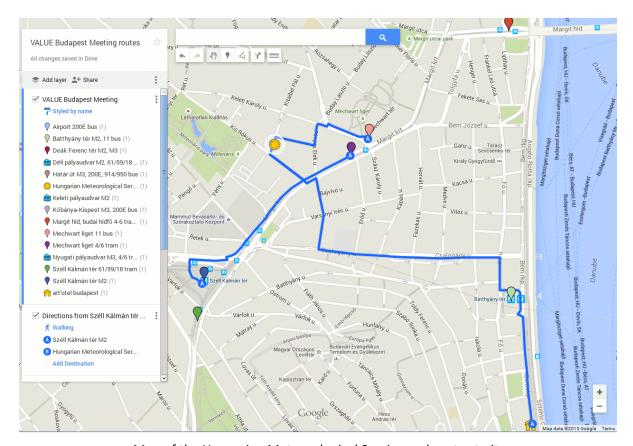
Note that outside the airport terminal ticket vending machines are already available (credit cards are accepted as well).

More information about public transport: http://www.bkk.hu/en.

About the prices: http://www.bkk.hu/en/prices/.

Useful to know

- ▲ 1 EUR equals 309 HUF as of August 18. **Changing money** at the airport/train station is not recommended due to bad conversion rates and high commission. Within downtown, all places are trustworthy and try to pick a place where there is low conversion taxes.
- △ Metro and HÉV (suburban railway) systems **operate until 11:30-11:45pm**. Public transportation company offers night bus service operating mainly every 15-60 minutes (passes are valid), but tram 6 is on all night-service every 10-15 minutes.
- A Should you arrive at the airport very late, note that last 200E bus leaves at 0:21am, and since no metro operates any longer, go to final destination of last 200E (Határ út) and change to the night bus service (914-950), which takes you to downtown.



Map of the Hungarian Meteorological Service and routes to it: https://www.google.com/maps/d/edit?mid=zzANufSAIEHU.kD MQ6sXMWSs&usp=sharing