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Practical Information



30 - 31 October 2018

Venue: Hotel Rogner Tirana, Albania

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+ Arrival and Departure

The Council of Europe has arranged for local transfers from the airport to the venue of the Conference and vice versa. On arrival a driver with the Conference sign will await all participants at the arrivals area, past the customs at the Tirana airport. Departure times from the Hotel to the airport will be communicated by the Secretariat of the Council of Europe to all participants at the venue.

<u>Note:</u> Should you encounter any flight related problems during your trip to Tirana and back, you may directly contact **Egencia – Council of Europe's contracted** travel agency at service_client@egencia.fr or call +33 (0)4 86 0615 43 (recommended during working hours, cost of international call to France);

EGENCIA has a 24/24 service which can be reached at +33(0)1 77 70 44 07 (for this service you will be charged 25 Euros per call).

Description Location of the Hotel and venue of the Conference:



HOTEL ROGNER - "Bulevardi Dëshmorët e Kombit"", Tiranë 1001, Shqipëria

Accommodation and services

Participants will be accommodated in the Hotel Rogner, also venue for the conference, which is located on the main boulevard in the heart of Tirana within walking distance from the main government institutions and business headquarters.

The Council of Europe will cover accommodation, meals, coffee break and refreshments during the working sessions of the Conference for all participants. All additional costs incurred by the participants, e.g. local and international telephone calls, use of mini-bar or other hotel services will be charged to each participant separately by the Hotel and are not covered by the Council of Europe.

The Hotel provides free high speed Wi-Fi in all areas.



- The Local currency is Albanian LEK (ALL) 1 € = 126.00 ALL
- Participants can exchange currency near the arrival terminal in the airport, at the hotel or at several exchanges offices in Tirana
- The most widely accepted credit cards are VISA, MasterCard and American Express

Health

Albania and the city of Tirana are safe from the health standpoint, so no particular vaccinations are required before entering the country.

Public hospitals will treat emergencies 24 hours a day, free of charge. The 24-hour emergency ambulance service can be called free of charge on (127) or 112.

Specific travel related risks are covered by a CHARTIS insurance policy (number 2.004.761), which provides cover for persons up to their 76th birthday. The following help line **CHARTIS** Assistance 24 Hours can be called in case of need: + (32) 3 253 69 16.





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Background on Albania

Population: 2,886,026 inhabitants

- Area: 28,748 km2
- Capital: Tirana
- Language: Albanian-Shqip
- Currency: Albanian Lekë

Start the tour from Skanderbeg Square, (photo stop at Skanderbeg's Monument), National Museum (the huge mosaic on front represent the Albanian history development and the stages of this development are presented on respective pavilions). Then you continue to see other important buildings: Palace of Culture/Opera/National Library, Bunk`Art 2, the Clock Tower, Tirana Castle, National Art Gallery, main government buildings, catholic and orthodox cathedrals, the Pyramid, Prime Minister building, Palace of congresses, Mother Teresa Square, Ex-Blloku (which used to be the most beautiful and protected zone were the ex-communist leaders families lived). Visit the Cold War corner (one Bunker, part of famous Spac Political Prison, and a piece from Berlin Wall). Walk back to the Hotel.



Tirana has a typically Mediterranean climate in October which means autumn days will be comfortably warm but nights cooler.

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