

# TRAVEL INFORMATION FOR FORUM PARTICIPANTS

# **13TH ANNUAL ADVISORY FORUM**

# ON CULTURAL ROUTES OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE

## Visegrád, Hungary, 25-27 September 2024

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# **Travelling to Budapest**

## Arrival by Plane

Airplanes with a Budapest destination arrive at Liszt Ferenc International Airport.

Budapest City Centre is easily accessed by public transport. Bus line **100E Airport Express** provides a direct, convenient, and fast connection between the Airport and **Deák Ferenc Square (Deák Ferenc tér)**, a key transport hub on the Pest side of the city. The ticket for 100E Airport Express costs 2.200 HUF. (<u>https://bkk.hu/en/travel-information/airport-express/</u>)

Bus line 200E operates day and night between Terminal 2 and **Kőbánya-Kispest metro station** closest to the airport, on **metro line M3 (blue)**. The Budapest metro network is a comfortable means of reaching main destinations of the City (for more information go to <u>https://bkk.hu/en/travel-information/</u>).

## Arrival by train

The three main Budapest railway stations (called *pályaudvar* in Hungarian) serving the needs of national and international travellers are **Keleti**, **Nyugati** and **Déli railway stations**. Trains from other countries arrive at one of these stations. For timetable and information about purchase please visit the website (<u>https://www.mavcsoport.hu/en</u>) or call MÁVDIREKT Customer Service: +36 (1) 3 49 49 49

### Arrival by bus

Budapest Népliget Bus Station is the main bus station in Budapest for international and longdistance buses. It is located in the south-eastern part of the city, about 10 minutes by metro, on **metro line M3 (blue)** from the city centre. The Hungarian name of the station listed in the bus timetables, is **Népliget Volánbusz Pályaudvar**. (The station's address is 131. Üllői út, 1091 Budapest.) The largest bus operators include **Volánbusz**, the Hungarian member of Eurolines, other Eurolines services and other international coach companies such as **Flixbus** or **Regiojet**. Current timetables of the Flixbus company are available at <u>https://www.flixbus.hu</u>.

# Travelling to Visegrád

Due to the flood situation on the River Danube travelling to Visegrád by train is not recommended, since the ferry boat from Nagymaros Station is not available to Visegrád.

You may take **Bus Number 880** from **Budapest Újpest Városkapu Station** along **metro line M3 (blue)**, to Visegrád. On arrival to Visegrád, you need to look for **Visegrád Lepencefürdő** bus stop for Thermal Hotel Visegrád, the Forum venue. Travel time is approximately 75 minutes.

**Főtaxi**, the taxi company with the longest tradition in Hungary (founded in 1913) also transports passengers **between the airport terminals and Visegrád**. Főtaxi's several hundred cars, trained and experienced colleagues ensure a safe basis to satisfy passengers' needs at a high standard. In Hungary, the taxi decree regulates the price of taxis at a fixed tariff of 440 HUF/km (1,15 EUR/km), in addition to a one-off basic fee of 1100 HUF (2.85 EUR) and a waiting fee. **Főtaxi phone number: +36 1 222 2 222**.

Taxis available in Visegrád: City Bus: +36 20 661 7915

Visegrád Taxi: +36 20 266 6662

# TRANSPORT PROVIDED FOR PARTICIPANTS DURING THE FORUM

Meeting points will be set up near recommended hotels to transfer Forum participants to the Forum venue (Thermal Hotel Visegrád) in the mornings of **25, 26 and 27 September**. Also, transfer is provided back to these meeting points in the evening.

Each morning the bus starts at Hotel Patak Park (82. Mátyás király utca, Visegrád)

Butikhotel meeting point (61. Mátyás király utca, Visegrád)

Hotel Visegrád meeting point (15. Rév u. Visegrád)

Participants staying in other hotels will be able to reach buses transferring them to the Forum venue from the meeting point closest to their hotels.

Transfer schedule in the mornings of 25, 26, and 27 September:

- Patak Park hotel meeting time: 8:15 am
- Butikhotel meeting time: 8:20 am
- Hotel Visegrád meeting time: 8:30 am



## TIMETABLE

## 25<sup>th</sup> September (Wednesday)

Transport is provided for participants between their hotel and Thermal Hotel Visegrád in the morning (see schedule above) and in the evening.

Also, transport is provided in the middle of the day, before the opening ceremony according to the following schedule:

- Patakpark hotel meeting time: 3:15 pm
- Butikhotel meeting time: 3:20 pm
- Hotel Visegrád meeting time: **3:30 pm**

## 26<sup>th</sup> September (Thursday)

Transport is provided for participants between their hotel and Thermal Hotel Visegrád in the morning (see schedule above) and in the evening.

Transport is provided for participants from Thermal Hotel Visegrád to the Hungarian Open Air Museum in Szentendre, the cultural programme venue, and back to the meeting points.

Departure time to Szentendre: 2:15 pm

#### 27<sup>th</sup> September

Participants staying at a Budapest hotel after the closing ceremony are requested to checkout of their Visegrád hotels and join the bus transfer to the Forum venue in the morning with all their luggage.

Transport is provided for participants between their hotel and Thermal Hotel Visegrád in the morning (see schedule above) and in the evening.

A Boat cruise on the River Danube from Visegrád to *Pesti Vigadó*, the closing ceremony venue in Budapest is foreseen. Transport is provided from Thermal Hotel Visegrád to the boat pier.

#### Departure time: 1:15 pm

Luggage transfer to *Pesti Vigadó* is provided for participants spending the night after the closing ceremony at a Budapest hotel. The hotels can be reached from *Pesti Vigadó* by public transport or taxi.

Transport is provided for all other participants to Visegrád after the gala dinner at **10:00 pm.** 

### **Optional Night Bathing Programme at Rudas Thermal Bath on 27th September**

Transfer to *Rudas Thermal Bath* is provided for participants registered for the programme at **10:00 pm**. Bus transport back to Visegrád is arranged at **02:00 am**. We recommend the city's taxi service to participants staying at a Budapest hotel.

#### 28<sup>th</sup> September

Transport is provided for participants between their hotel and Thermal Hotel Visegrád in the morning according to the following schedule:

- Patak Park hotel meeting time: 7:30 am
- Butikhotel meeting time: 7:35 am
- Hotel Visegrád meeting time: 7:40 am

Bus transfer is provided from Thermal Hotel Visegrád to Budapest City Centre (Deák Ferenc tér) at **8:00 am** for those registered for city walks or other optional programmes.