

First Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Carpathian Convention (COP1)

11-13 December 2006 Kyiv, Ukraine

Information for participants

Meeting venue:

The First Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Carpathian Convention (COP1) will be held in Kyiv, Ukraine. COP1 will meet from Monday, 11 December to Wednesday, 13 December 2006.

The meeting will be held at the:

Club of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine (ground floor) 9, Instytutska str. 01008 Kyiv, Ukraine

Registrations:

Registration for COP1 will commence on 11 December, 2006 from 8:30 to 10:00.

Based on the registration forms received by the Secretariat from the participants, name badges will be prepared and handed over at the registration desk **only** upon the presentation of a valid identification card with a photo.

Delegates are kindly reminded that for security reasons the display of name badges is necessary for admission to the Club of the Cabinet of the Minsters as well as the meeting rooms. In addition delegates are requested to have their personal identification documents (passport or other official documents with photograph) for entry into the Club.

Official opening

The official opening of the COP1 meeting will take place at 10 a.m. on Monday, 11 December 2006, at the main conference room.

Documents

Delegates are kindly reminded to bring their own copies of the meeting documents to the COP1 meeting, including the information documents. For reasons of economy, <u>only</u> Parties and Governments shall be provided with <u>one set</u> of documents <u>per delegation</u>.

Documents for the meeting are available on the web-site <u>http://www.carpathianconvention.org</u>

Services for the delegates

There is a cafeteria in the Club which provides a lunch for the participants in an organised manner (if the largest part of agree to have a lunch there). A lot of cafes are also on Khreshchatyk str. (Хрещатик), and Maidan Nezalezhnosti sq. (Майдан Незалежності). The bank and post-office are on the Khreshchatyk str. also.

Delegates may have an internet access <u>free of charge</u> at the special premise at the Club equipped with the necessary working stations.

Access to the Club:

Participants coming by <u>Metro</u> on <u>red line</u> should get off at the "Khreshchatyk" station ("Xpe μ at μ k"), second exit, go right approximately 200 metres, and enter the Club.

Respective maps (metro and locations) are contained in the **Annexes 1** and **2**.

Airport bus:

The shuttle services from Boryspil Airport to Kyiv are provided for the participants. There will be welcoming persons with the nameboard of the meeting. Please indicate exact time of your arrival in the registration forms or send an e-mail to contact person if you wish to be met (refer to the contact details in the end of the document).

An airport bus service operates between Boryspil Airport and the Railway station (red line of metro, station "Vokzalna" ("Вокзальна"), exit to South railway station). Journey time is approximately 35 minutes. Buses run every 30 minutes from 4:00 to 2:35. In the opposite direction buses leave from 4:45 to 3:40.

Official languages:

The state language in Ukraine is Ukrainian. English is spoken in some restaurants and hotels (mainly in the centre of Kyiv).

Weather and Time Zone Information

In December the daytime temperatures range between -10- -15 °C. The standard time zone is GMT + 2 hours.

Electricity

220 volts, 50 Hertz

Smoking in the Club:

Please note that the Club is a smoke-free area.

Accommodation:

Delegates are responsible for making their own hotel bookings. The list of hotels is in **Annex 3**.

It is recommended that delegates arrange their hotel accommodation as early as possible to secure rooms at the hotels.

Useful links:

Main information about Kyiv and Ukraine: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kiev Travel guides: http://www.visitkievukraine.com/ http://www.kiev.info/ http://guide.kyiv.ru/en/

Emergency Calls:

Fire - 01 Police - 02 Ambulance service - 03 Wreck gas - 04 Water, electric and sewerage emergency service - 057 Elevator emergency service - 086 **Information Services** International Information Center - 059 Central Post Office - 065 Address directory assistance - 061 Telegrams on credit - 066 Long distance calls service - 079 International calls operator - 8-191, 8-192, 8-193

Currency:

UAH (hryvnya) Official currency rate is 6.60 UAH to 1 EUR; 5.05 UAH to 1 USD. The web-site of the National Bank of Ukraine: <u>www.bank.gov.ua</u> There are a lot of exchanges bureaus in the city. Usually they have higher rates than the National Bank of Ukraine. The lowest rates are on the stations and airports. Way of payment: cash mainly. Only small number of enterprises accept credit

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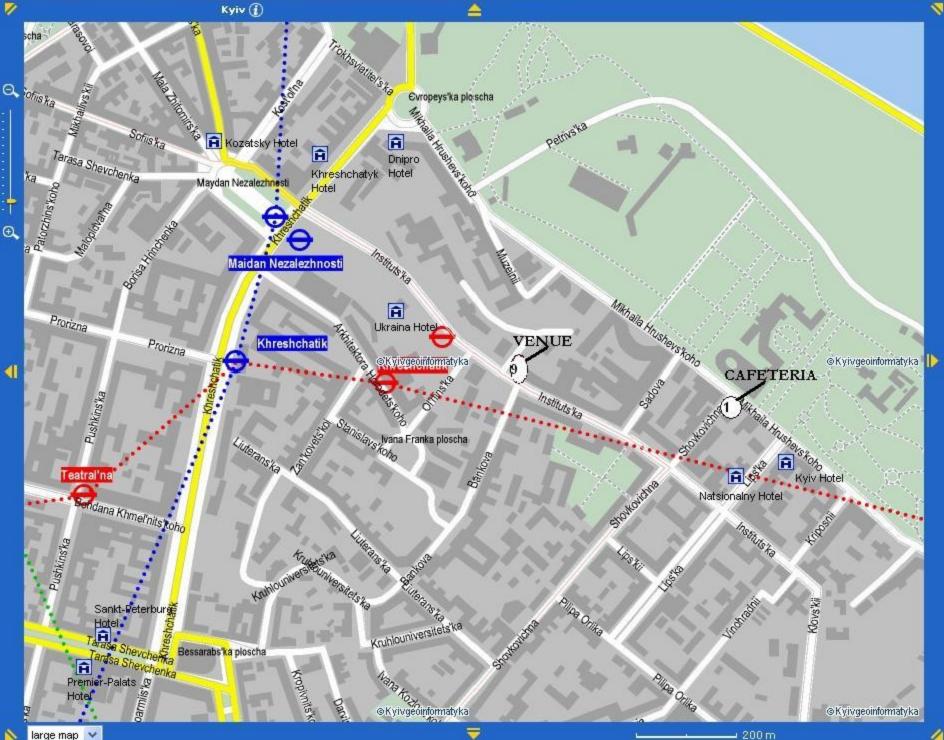
Visa:

The EU members do not require visa for entrance to Ukraine. The participants from Romania, Bulgaria, Serbia, Macedonia need visa for getting to Ukraine. Therefore, if needed, they could ask for visa support letters from the UNEP Vienna Interim Secretariat of the Carpathian Convention.

Contacts:

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HOTELS IN KYIV

Premier Palace*****	Room Rates: From 2080 UAH
Address: 5-7/29 T. Shevchenka Blvd / Pushkinska Str.,	(approximately 316 EUR) with breakfast
Kyiv 01004, Ukraine	(upproximatory 510 ECTC) while oroaniast
Tel.: +380 (44) 537 45 00	15-20 min. walking distance to the meeting venue
Fax: +380 (44) 279 87 72	
Reservation: +380 (44) 537 45 01, 244 12 11, 244 12	
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E-mail: info@premier-palace.com	
http://www.premier-palace.com	
President Hotel****	Room Rates: From 556 UAH (+ 75 UAH - breakfast)
Address: 12, Hospitalna street, Kyiv, 01023, Ukraine	(approximately 95 EUR with breakfast)
tel. (+380 44) 256-3-256	
fax(+380 44) 256-3-253	"Palats Sportu" metro station, two stations from "Maidan
Reservation tel. +380 44 289-1934 fax +380 44 289-	Nezalezhnosti"
4568	
e-mail: info@president-hotel.com.ua	
http://www.president-hotel.com.ua	
Natsionalny****	Room Rates: From 1135 UAH with breakfast
5 Lyps'ka St., Kyiv, 01021, Ukraine	(approximately 172 EUR)
Tel.: (38044) 2558888	
Fax: (38044) 2558997	10 minutes walking distance to the meeting venue
E-mail: hotel@natsionalny.kiev.ua	
http://www.natsionalny.kiev.ua	
Kyiv****	Room Rates: From 980 UAH with breakfast
26/1, Grushevskogo str., Kyiv, 01021, Ukraine	(approximately 149 EUR)
tel. (+38044) 253 0155, fax: (+38044) 253 6432	
Reservation:	10 minutes walking distance to the meeting venue
ph. (+38044) 253 3090	
fax (+38044) 253 6432	
e - mail: reservation@htl.kiev.ua	
http://www.htl.kiev.ua	
Dnipro****	Room Rates: From 630 UAH with breakfast
Address:	(approximately 96 EUR)
1/2, Khreshchatyk st., Kyiv, 01001, Ukraine	15.20 minutes multiple distance (d)
Phone: +(380 44) 254-6777	15-20 minutes walking distance to the meeting venue
Fax: +(380 44) 254-6737 or 254-6765 Reservations:	
Phone: +(380 44) 254-6777 fax: +(380 44) 254-6737	
or 254-6765 E-mail: reservation@dniprohotel.kiev.ua	
E-mail: reservation@dnipronotel.kiev.ua http://www.dniprohotel.kiev.ua	
Rus Hotel***	Room Rates: From 650 UAH with breakfast
Address: 4, Hospitalna ., Kyiv, 01601, Ukraine,	(approximately 100 EUR)
Tel.: 380 (44) 256-40-00	(approximately 100 EOK)
Fax: 380 (44) 289-43-63	"Palats Sportu" metro station, two stations from "Maidan
reservation@hotelrus.kiev.ua	Nezalezhnosti"
http://hotelrus.kiev.ua	
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KHRESCHATYK***	Room Rates: From 490 UAH with breakfast
Address: 14, Khreschatyk, Kyiv, 01001, Ukraine	(approximately 73 EUR)
tel.: +38(044) 279 73 39, +38(044) 279 71 93; fax:	
+38(044) 278-51-11	15-20 minutes walking distance to the meeting venue
Reservation:	
tel./fax: +38(044) 279 85 44	
e-mail: reservation@khreschatik.kiev.ua	
http://www.khreschatik.kiev.ua	
UKRAINE***	Room Rates: From 380 UAH with breakfast
Address: 4, Instytutska str., Kyiv, 01001, Ukraine	(approximately 60 EUR)
Tel. +38 044 278 28 04	
Fax. +38 044 279 13 53	5 minutes walking distance to the meeting venue
e-mail: reservation@ukraine-hotel.kiev.ua	
http://www.ukraine-hotel.kiev.ua	
Kozatsky**	Room Rates: From 384 UAH with breakfast
Address: 1/3, Mykhaylivska str., Kyiv, 01001, Ukraine	(approximately 60 EUR)
tel.: +38 044 279 49 25, +38 044 279 49 14	
e-mail: kozatsky@ukrnet.net	15-20 walking distance to the meeting venue.
http://www.kozatsky.kiev.ua	