INFORMATION NOTE FOR PARTICIPANTS

Third Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Framework Convention on the Protection and Sustainable Development of the Carpathians (COP3)

25 May - 27 May 2011

Meeting venue: Radisson Blu Carlton Hotel, Bratislava, Slovak Republic

Place, date and time:
The COP3 will take place at the Radisson Blu Carlton Hotel, Hviezdoslavovo nam. 3, 81102 Bratislava, from 25 to 27 May 2011. It will start at 2 p.m. on 25 May and at 9.30 a.m. on both 26 and 27 May and will be conducted in English (translated into Slovak).

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Registration and administrative issues:
Participants are kindly asked to register for the meeting by returning the completed registration form to UNEP Vienna ISCC (kindly see contact details above) by latest 1 May 2011.

Accommodation in Bratislava:
- Hotel Radisson Blu Carlton
  Hviezdoslavovo nam. 3
  81102 Bratislava
  www.carlton.sk
● Hotel Danubia gate
  Dunajská 26
  811 08 Bratislava
  www.danubiagate.sk

● Austria Trend Hotel Bratislava
  Vysoká 2a, Staré Mesto,
  811 06 Bratislava
  www.austria-trend.sk

**Visas:**
Participants who require a visa to enter Slovakia can ask for VISA Support from UNEP Vienna ISCC by providing the details listed in the Registration form.

**Local Transportation:**
Participants are expected to arrange their own transportation to and from the Airport.

GPS : latitude 48,2003
longitude - 17,1205

**From Airport Bratislava**
From Bratislava Airport you can reach the city centre by taking the bus N° 61 (Bus Stop – in front of Arrival Terminal B) in direction of Main Railway Station. You can also take the bus Eurolines which stops at Novy Most about 100m from the Hotel Blu Radisson Carlton, the meeting venue.

**From the Main Railway Station Bratislava**
There is a direct tram connection (Nr. 13) from the Main Railway Station to the Congress Hotel (last station "Námestie L. Štúra").

**From Vienna International Airport Schwechat (see attached plan)**
The Postbus connects the Vienna International Airport Schwechat with Bratislava city and Airport in frequent intervals of half an hour in peak hours. The bus leaves in front of the arrival area of the Vienna Airport but also passes by the city centre at the Südtiroler Platz (U1), and Erdberg (U3). The ride to Bratislava city takes approximately 1 hour.

Eurolines buses service the same route as the Postbus, with the exception that they do not pass the city centre of Vienna (Erdberg and Südtiroler Platz). According to their schedules, travel time should be 45 minutes from Vienna International Airport to Novy Most (the New Bridge) in Bratislava city centre (100m from Hotel Blu Radisson Carlton) and 60 minutes from airport to airport. Eurolines buses leave every two hours in front of the departure section of the Vienna Schwechat airport.