

Carpathian Convention Seminar on Education for Sustainable Development

Practical information

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1. Venue

The seminar is located in **Hotel Benczúr, Budapest.**

Address: H-1068 Budapest, Benczúr utca 35.

Website: <http://www.hotelbenczur.hu/en>

The seminar including lunches and dinner on Wednesday are also served in the hotel.

Please note that the networking dinner is organised at a different location: Thököly Vendéglő. (For more information, please see the section 5 Networking dinner). The restaurant's address is: Thököly út 80., Budapest, 1146.

The on-site visits will be organised in small groups. You will find your group number upon registration to the seminar on the first day.

2. Travel information

Public transport tickets in Budapest

Public transport tickets are valid for metro, bus (except the direct bus line to the airport), some boats, trams and trolleys. Besides single tickets, blocks and a variety of passes are also available. Please consult the public transport company's site at: <https://bkk.hu/en/tickets-and-passes/prices/>

We have collected some simple options for you here.

The single line ticket costs 350 HUF and is valid for one way (changes in metro lines are included):



A block of 10 tickets costs 3000 HUF and is called gyűjtőjegy:



The airport bus ticket is called repülőtéri vonaljegy and can be bought from ticket machines or at the bus stop or at the airport:



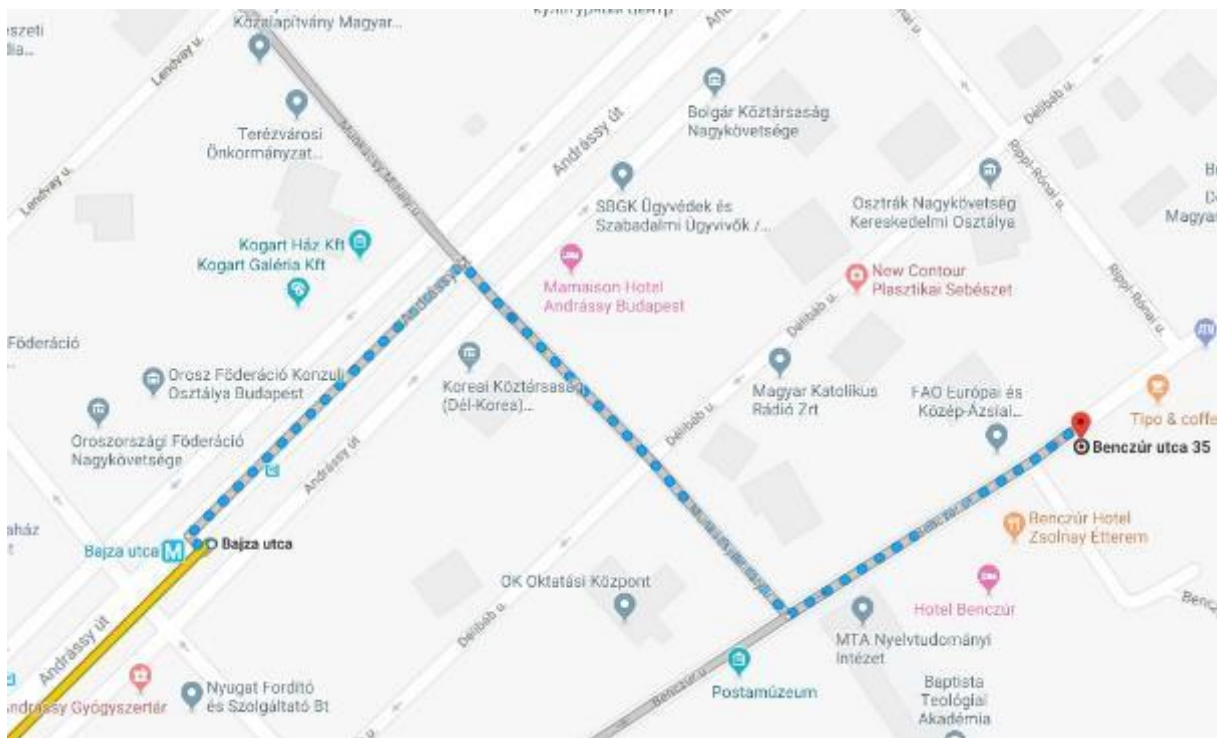
Please consider which option suits your travel plans most.

2.1. From Budapest Airport to the hotel

Using public transport:

You will need a special airport bus ticket (900 HUF) and a metro ticket (350 HUF) per journey per person, so altogether public transport will cost you 1250 HUF (4 EUR). The simplest is to take the bus 100E, which is the quickest way to the city center. The first bus leaves from the airport each morning at 05:00, and the last one at 0:30. It costs 900 HUF (Ft, 3 EUR) per direction per person. It terminates at Deák tér. The bus ride should take about 40 minutes depending on traffic conditions. Bus 100E stops at the BKK bus stop at the airport between the two terminals on the arrival level. At Deák Ferenc tér, when you get off

the bus, you arrive at an underground junction with three lines crossing. Opt for the yellow metro line 1 (the millennial metro) in the direction of Mexikói út. Take off at Bajza utca stop. Continue on Andrásy út towards Hősök tere (Heroes' square) about 100 meters, then take the first street called Munkácsy Mihály utca on your right. Continue till you reach Benczúr uca (another 150 meters straight ahead) and then turn on your left: the hotel will be on the left in about another 150 meter's walk. Altogether you will walk for about 5-6 minutes (400 meters).



There are other options and a nice graphic presentation of public transport options here: <https://www.bud.hu/en/passengers/transport/public-transportation/budapest-public-transportation>

Taxi:

The yellow taxis are official taxis, which are obliged to give passengers invoices. You can choose to pay by cash or card. The contracted partner of the airport is called *Főtaxi*. Reservations can be made in person at the Főtaxi booths located at the exits at Terminals 2A and 2B. At the taxi rank in front of the stands, taxis are parking continuously waiting for passengers. Drivers usually speak (at least some) English. Their website is: www.fotaxi.hu In Hungary the Taxi Decree is regulating the price of all taxis at a fixed tariff of 300 HUF/Km (0.95 EUR/Km) in addition to the one-off basic fee of 700 HUF (2.2 EUR) and waiting fee. A ride to the hotel should typically cost around 8500 HUF (28 EUR) and take about 45 minutes depending on traffic conditions.

Shuttle bus service:

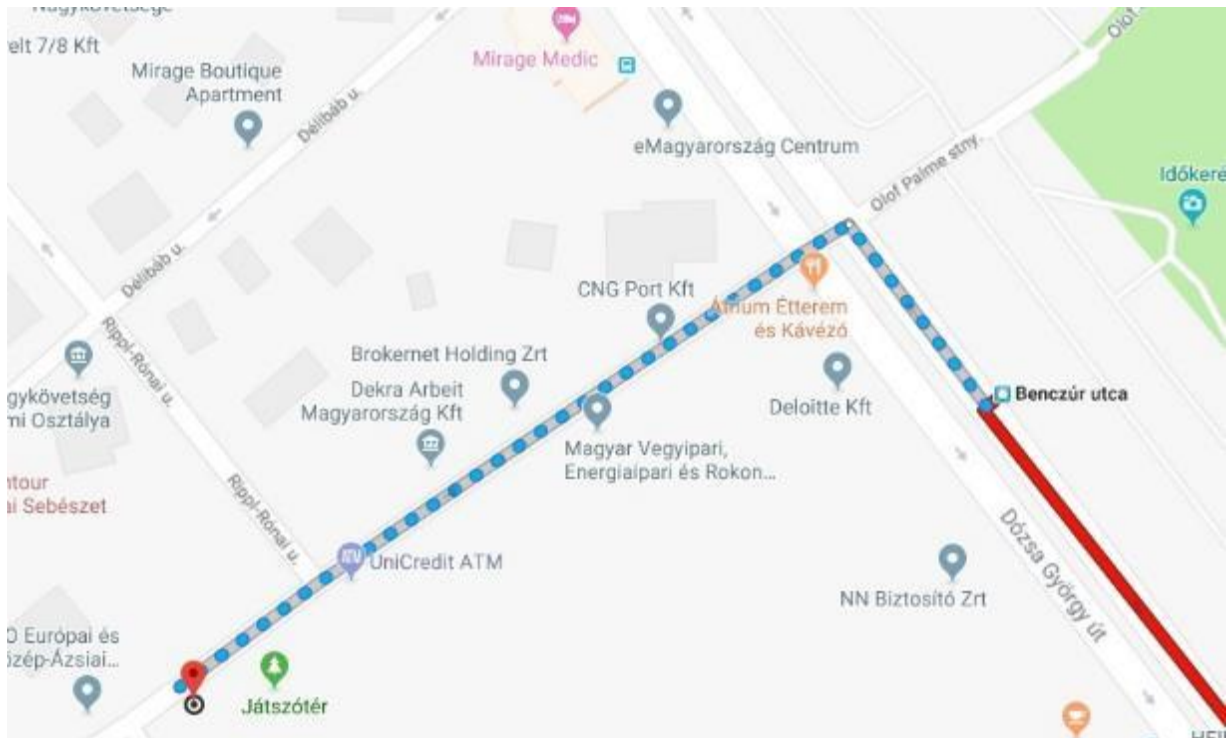
The company miniBUD is the official airport shuttle service provider for Budapest Airport. They have counters by the arrival hall at the airport (and even directly at the luggage pick-up

points). A ride to the hotel will cost 4900 HUF or 17.5 EUR for one person, 5936 HUF or 21.2 EUR for two people. Their website is: www.minibud.hu

2.2. From Keleti Central Railway Station to the hotel

Using public transport:

You will need a metro ticket (350 HUF, 1.2 EUR) per journey per person. Take trolley 79 at Keleti railway station (where it terminates in Thököly út, near the station, on the right if you get out of the main building, not far from KFC), and take off in Benczúr utca stop. When you get off the trolley, continue on Dózsa György towards Hősök tere (Heroes' square) road till the first cross, then you take the first street on your left, and walk for another minute down the street to find the hotel on your left at number 35. Buses 30, 30A or 230 work equally well: you also get off at the stop called Benczúr utca and continue as described above.



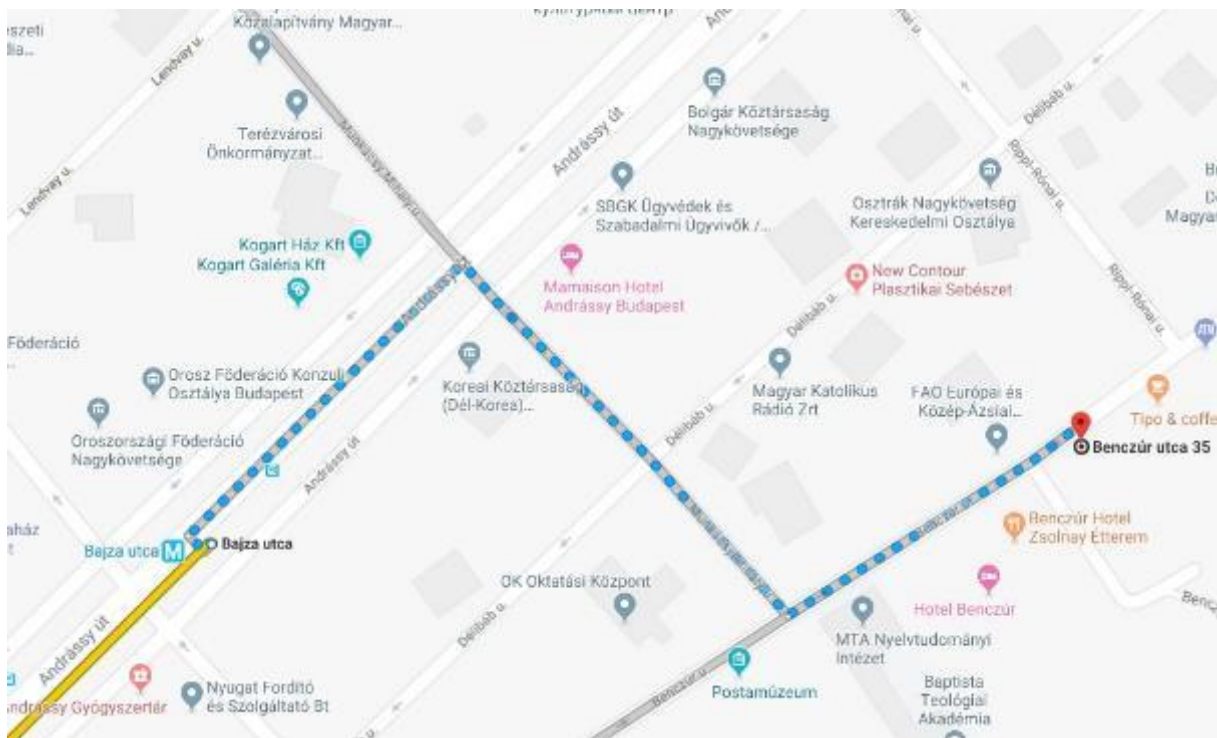
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2.3. From Nyugati Central Railway Station to the hotel

Using public transport:

You will need two metro tickets (2x350 HUF, 2.5 EUR) per journey per person. Take the tram 4 or 6 towards Oktogon, which is the first stop from Nyugati. You will need the tram that is further on from you, going to the left if you get out of the main building facing the turning clock and the concrete square. Take off at Oktogon (an octagonal square) and look for the millennial metro line (yellow line, M1) in the direction of Mexikói út. (If you like walking, you can take a 12-15 minute walk from Nyugati railway station to Oktogon too.) Take the metro 1 towards Mexikói út and take off at the third stop called Bajza utca. Getting out of the metro, continue on Andrásy út towards Hősök tere (Heroes' square) about 100 meters, then take the first street called Munkácsy Mihály utca on your right. Continue till you reach Benczúr uca (another 150 meters straight ahead) and then turn on your left: the hotel will be on the left in about another 150 meter's walk. Altogether you will walk for about 5-6 minutes (400 meters).



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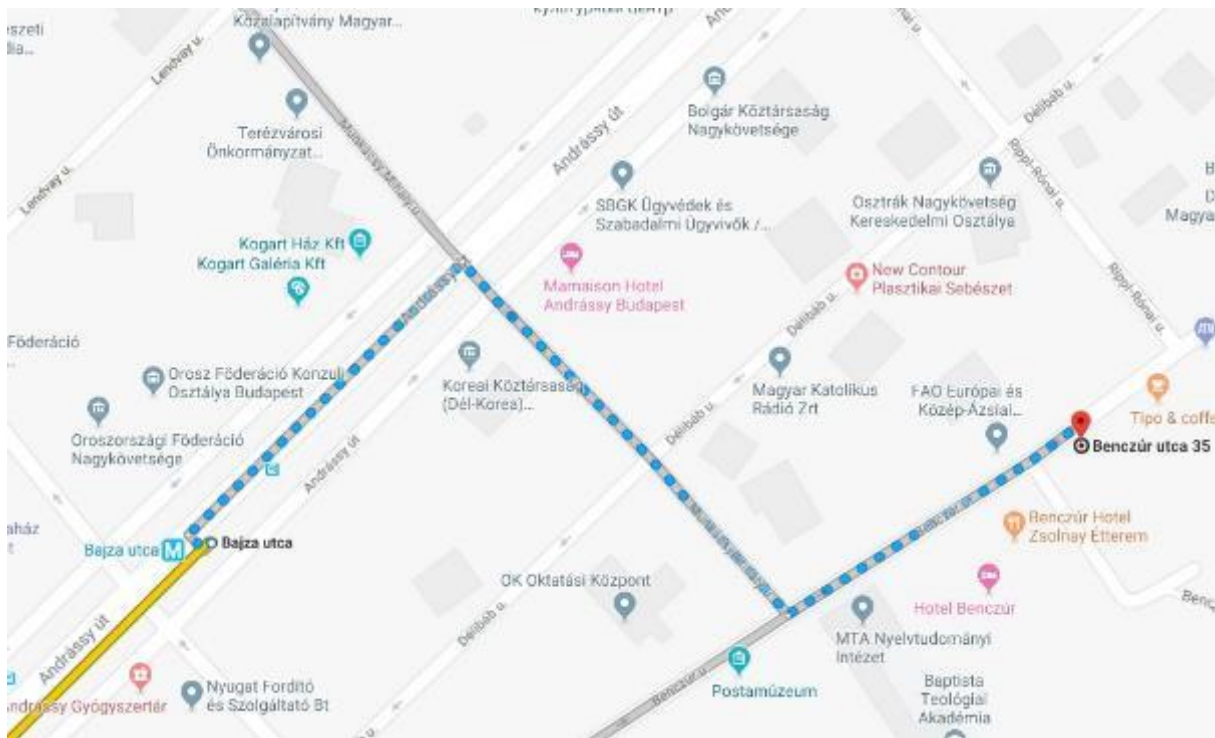
2.4. From Déli Central Railway Station to the hotel

Using public transport:

You will need one metro ticket (350 HUF, 1.2 EUR each) per journey per person.

Take the metro line 2 (M2, red line) at the terminus by the railway station building. Change at Deák tér, which is the fourth stop to metro line 1 (M1, yellow line). Take the metro 1 towards Mexikói út and take off at the third stop called Bajza utca. You don't need another ticket when you change metro lines.

When you get out of the metro, continue on Andrásy út towards Hősök tere (Heroes' square) about 100 meters, then take the first street called Munkácsy Mihály utca on your right. Continue till you reach Benczúr uca (another 150 meters straight ahead) and then turn on your left: the hotel will be on the left in about another 150 meter's walk. Altogether you will walk for about 5-6 minutes (400 meters).



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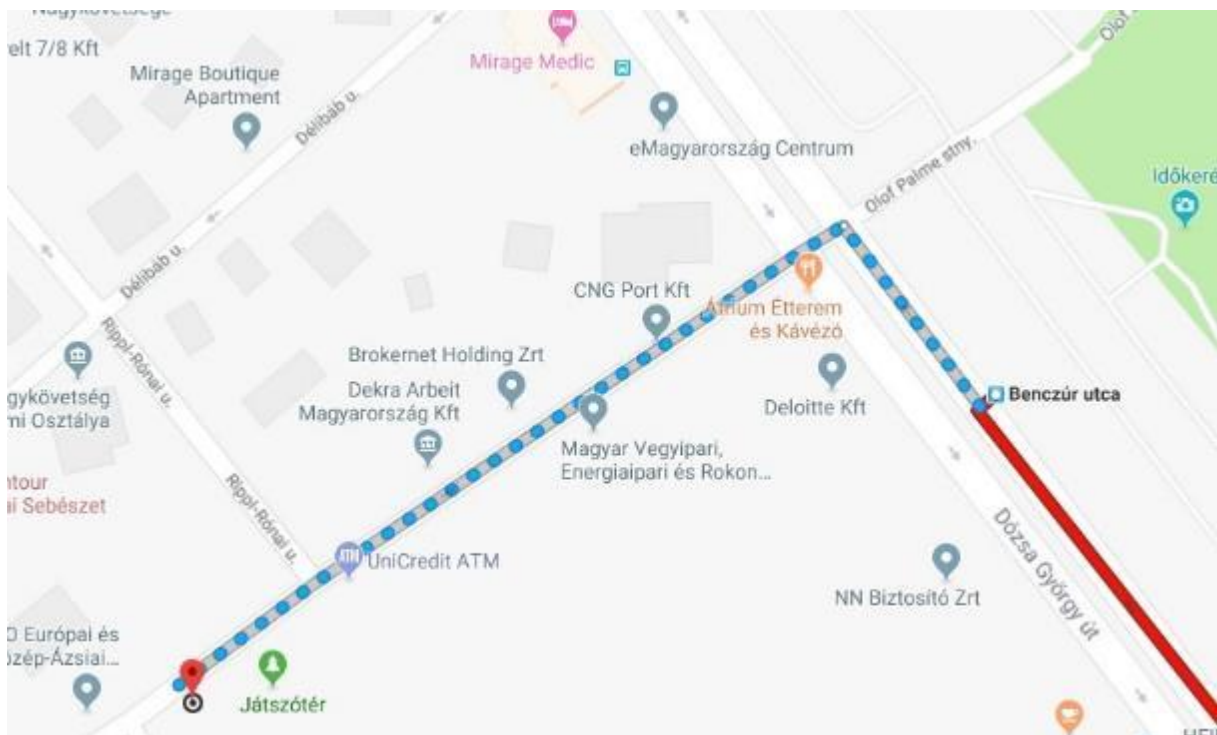
2.5. From Stadionok bus station to the hotel

Using public transport:

You will need one metro ticket (350 HUF, 1.2 EUR each) per journey per person.

Option 1:

Take tram 75 by the stadium building and go 7 stops till you reach Benczúr utca stop. When you get off the trolley, continue on Dózsa György towards Hősök tere (Heroes' square) road till the first cross, then you take the first street on your left, and walk for another minute down the street to find the hotel on your left at number 35.



Option 2:

Take the metro line 2 (M2, red line) towards Déli pályaudvar. Change at Deák tér, which is the fourth stop to metro line 1 (M1, yellow line). Take the metro 1 towards Mexikói út and take off at the third stop called Bajza utca. You don't need another ticket when you change metro lines. When you get out of the metro, continue on Andrásy út towards Hősök tere (Heroes' square) about 100 meters, then take the first street called Munkácsy Mihály utca on your right. Continue till you reach Benczúr uca (another 150 meters straight ahead) and then turn on your left: the hotel will be on the left in about another 150 meter's walk. Altogether you will walk for about 5-6 minutes (400 meters).

Please refer to map in the previous session (2.4) or in the next session (2.6).

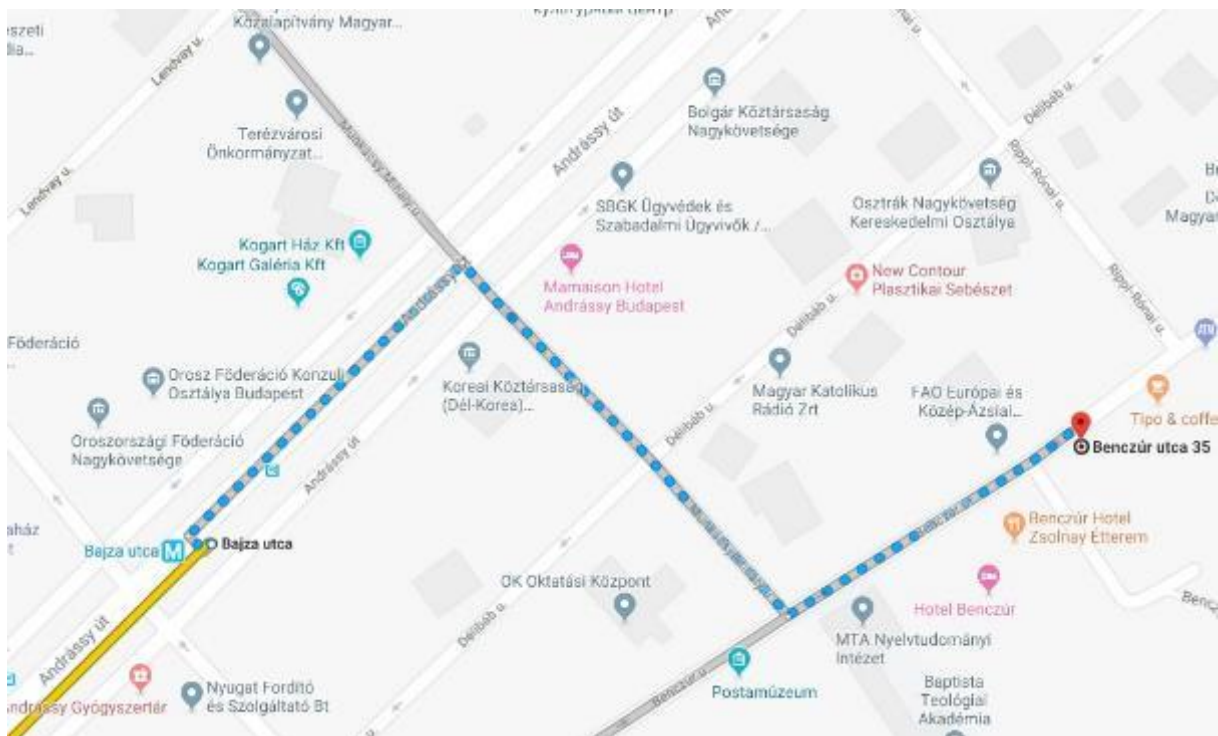
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2.6. From Erzsébet tér bus station to the hotel

Using public transport:

At Deák Ferenc tér, when you get off the bus, you arrive at an underground junction with three lines crossing. Opt for the yellow metro line 1 (the millennial metro) in the direction of Mexikói út. Take off at Bajza utca stop. Continue on Andrásy út towards Hősök tere (Heroes' square) about 100 meters, then take the first street called Munkácsy Mihály utca on your right. Continue till you reach Benczúr uca (another 150 meters straight ahead) and then turn on your left: the hotel will be on the left in about another 150 meter's walk. Altogether you will walk for about 5-6 minutes (400 meters).



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Share-a-bike in Budapest

Budapest has an active bicycle sharing public transport system called MOL-Bubi with 127 docking stations. You can buy tickets (the first 30 minutes are free of charge, then 500 HUF hourly) using bankcard from the touchscreen terminals at docking stations, or the molbubi.bkk.hu website or the mobile application. There are several MOL-Bubi docking points all over the city, also near the hotel: the closest docking station also selling tickets is at Hősök tere, other ones are available at Kodály körönd, Dózsa György út and Lövölde tér for docking bikes. Please note that when buying a ticket, a deposit of HUF 25,000 per bike will be blocked in your bank account. After the validity period of your ticket is over – so after 24 hours, 72 hours or 7 days – settlement is done: the price of the purchased ticket, usage fees over 30 minutes, if applicable (along with the postage fee of the previously requested VAT invoice) will be deducted from the deposit. The amount will be unblocked within the deadline according to the policy of the issuing card company or bank.

Useful links

Public transport in Budapest:

<https://bkk.hu/en/tourist-information-about-budapest-public-transport/>

<http://futar.bkk.hu/?map=13/47.501/19.053&layers=GSVB>

<https://www.bud.hu/en/passengers/transport>

<https://bkk.hu/en/tickets-and-passes/prices/>

Bus stations:

<https://www.volانبusz.hu/en/travel-information/our-stations/budapest>

Train tickets and railway stations in Budapest:

<https://www.mavcsoport.hu/en>

<http://www.budapestagent.com/train-stations-budapest.html>

<https://www.seat61.com/stations/budapest-keleti.htm>

<https://welovebudapest.com/en/2016/11/16/the-moving-history-of-budapests-keleti-railway-station/>

<https://welovebudapest.com/en/venue/nyugati-railway-station-2/>

<http://attractions.topbudapest.org/hidden-gems/nyugati-train-station/opening-hours-of-nyugati-train-station/>

Share-a-bike in Budapest:

<https://molbubi.hu/>

Taxi in Budapest:

www.fotaxi.hu

3. Hotel

Rooms are reserved as circulated before for teachers. You can reserve your rooms after 14:00. If you arrive earlier, you can leave your baggage in the hotel and take your time either in the hall or in the city. If you need any, you will get your invoices for the accommodation directly from the hotel, where you can pay by cash (Hungarian Forints) or card.

You will have access to Wi-Fi in the hotel.

4. Food and drinks

Breakfast is included in your hotel reservation at Benczúr Hotel. With other accommodations, please consult the hotel staff for options.

Coffee breaks, lunches and dinners are pre-arranged for all participants with a menu for all, considering all dietary needs provided upon registration. Meals will be served at Hotel Benczúr. If you choose to stay in another hotel, please consult route planners to find your way or contact the organisers in case you need assistance to plan your itinerary.

The networking dinner takes place at Thököly Vendéglő: please see session 5.

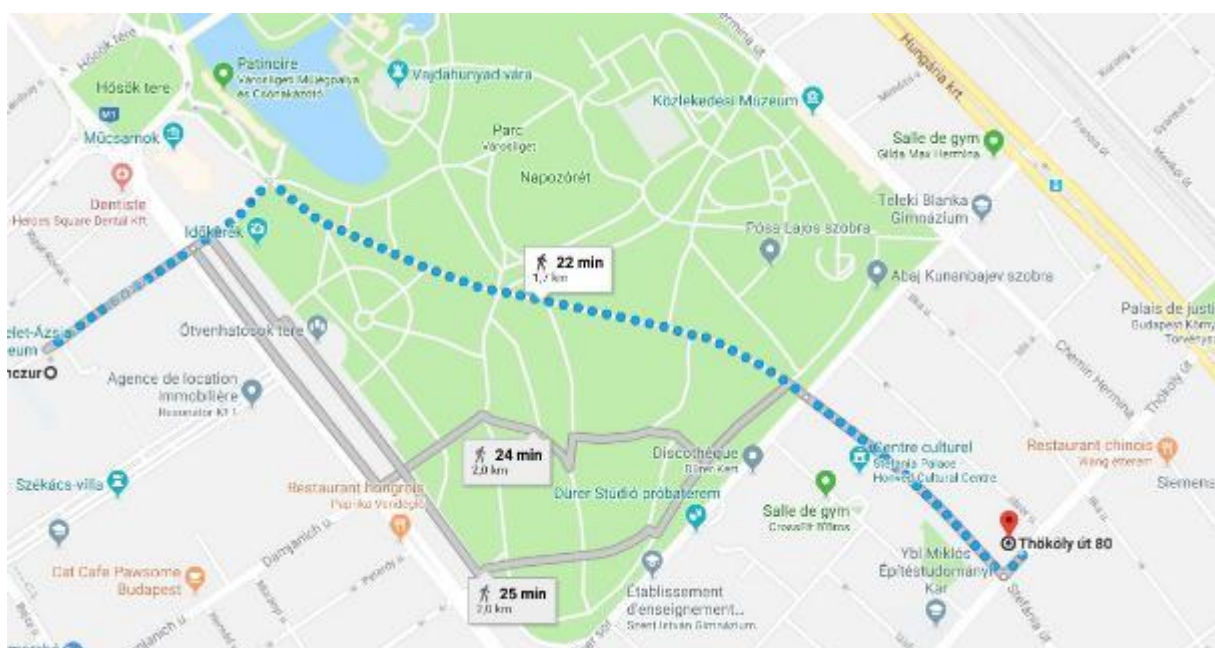
5. Networking dinner

The networking dinner is organised at Thököly Vendéglő.

The address is: Thököly út 80., Budapest, 1146

We will meet you at the hotel reception at 18.30 on Tuesday to walk together to the venue.

In case you prefer to walk alone, please take about half an hour to arrive at the venue from the hotel:



Alternatively, you may wish to choose other ways of getting there using public transport or online maps and planners.

Useful link

<http://www.thokolyrestaurant.hu/en/index1.php>

6. On-site visits

On-site visits will be organised in small groups. Groups will have different options. Some groups will use public transport; others will walk to the sites.

Hungarian guides will facilitate groups during the on-site visits. We will provide public transport tickets for the groups that will need to use public transport during the on-site visits.

The groups will visit the following educational facilities:

Group	First site	Second site
(1)	Magonc óvoda kindergarten 1071 Budapest, Városligeti fasor 38-41. http://www.magoncovoda.hu/	Herman Ottó Általános Iskola primary school 1137 Budapest, Radnóti M. u. 38. http://www.herman.bp13.hu/
(2)	Herman Ottó Általános Iskola primary school 1137 Budapest, Radnóti M. u. 38. http://www.herman.bp13.hu/	Magonc óvoda kindergarten 1071 Budapest, Városligeti fasor 38-41. http://www.magoncovoda.hu/
(3)	Fasori Kicsinyek Óvodája kindergarten 1068 Budapest, Városligeti fasor 8. http://fasorikicsinyek.hu/	Bajza utcai Általános Iskola primary school 1062 Budapest, Bajza u. 59-61. http://www.bajza6.hu/english
(4)	Bajza utcai Általános Iskola primary school 1062 Budapest, Bajza u. 59-61. http://www.bajza6.hu/english	Fasori Kicsinyek Óvodája kindergarten 1068 Budapest, Városligeti fasor 8. http://fasorikicsinyek.hu/
(5)	Hunyadi Mátyás Általános Iskola primary school 1138 Budapest, Karikás F. u. 3. http://www.hunyadialtisk.hu/fomenu/aktualitasok/hirek.html	

7. General information about Hungary

Currency:

The local currency is called Hungarian Forint (forint, in Hungarian) marked as Ft in shops or restaurants. There are several bank automats in the surrounding area where you can get Hungarian forints using your bank card. Also there are exchange offices near the hotel. Cards are generally accepted in restaurants, cafés and in many shops. Some bakeries, pastry shops and small shops don't take cards.

Electricity:

You can use your devices as the standard voltage is 230 V and the frequency is 50 Hz, but for UK, power plug adaptor is needed as in Hungary the power plugs and sockets are of type C and F.

Water quality:

Most Hungarians would normally drink tap water (despite the recent rise in plastic-bottled mineral water selling). The water quality is generally good: according to safety tests, it is of the highest quality according to European standards.

Weather:

Capricious April, as we say in Hungary: although during the day, some pleasant sunshine with temperatures about 15-20 degrees are usual in mid-April, nights can still be chilly (with temperatures around 5-10 degrees), and showers are always possible at this time of the year. So please don't forget to bring your umbrella or raincoat with you, also because weather permitted, we would like to enjoy some times outdoors walking to the venues of the networking dinner and on-site visits. Also, having several layers of clothes with you is a handy idea.

Emergency line:

112 is one of the emergency numbers in Hungary. The average time to answer a 112 call is 5 seconds. The Advanced Mobile Location (AML) service is available in Hungary. The European emergency number 112 is not the only emergency number in Hungary. The national emergency numbers are:

- 104 - ambulance & emergency medical services
- 105 - fire-brigade, rescue services, civil protection
- 107 - police

Users with disabilities can access the emergency services by SMS to 112 or through the 112-SOS application.

Useful links

<https://www.welcomepickups.com/budapest/airport-transfer-to-city/>

<https://www.power-plugs-sockets.com/hungary/>

<http://abouthungary.hu/news-in-brief/hungarys-tap-water-is-good-to-drink/>

Useful vocabulary

<i>Szia!</i>	Hi.
<i>Jó reggelt (kívánok)!</i>	Good morning.
<i>Egészségedre!</i>	Cheers.
<i>Kérem.</i>	Please.
<i>Bocsánat. (Pardon.)</i>	Sorry.
<i>Nagyon (szépen) köszönöm!</i>	Thank you very much.
<i>Elnézést.</i>	Excuse me. / Pardon.
<i>Igen.</i>	Yes.
<i>Nem.</i>	No.
<i>Nem beszélek magyarul.</i>	I don't speak (any) Hungarian.
<i>Nem értem.</i>	I don't understand.
<i>Szeretnék egy...</i>	I'd like a ...
<i>Szeretnék számlát kérni.</i>	I'd like an invoice.
<i>Szeretnék ...</i>	I'd like (to)
<i>Szeretnék taxit hívni.</i>	I'd like to call a taxi.
<i>szálloda</i>	hotel
<i>étterem</i>	restaurant
<i>Budapest Liszt Ferenc Nemzetközi Repülőtér</i>	Budapest Airport
<i>nemzetközi</i>	international
<i>pályaudvar</i>	central railway station
<i>állomás</i>	station
<i>vonat</i>	train
<i>metró</i>	underground
<i>busz</i>	bus
<i>villamos</i>	tram
<i>troli</i>	trolley-bus
<i>jegy</i>	ticket
<i>Jegyet szeretnék venni.</i>	I'd like to buy a ticket.
<i>indul</i>	leaves / departs
<i>érkezik</i>	arrives
<i>sárga</i>	yellow
<i>piros</i>	red
<i>kék</i>	blue
<i>Mikor indul / érkezik (a busz)?</i>	When does (the bus) leave/arrive?
<i>megálló (buszmegálló)</i>	stop (bus stop)
<i>(következő) megálló</i>	(next) stop
<i>végállomás</i>	last stop (terminus)
<i>Mikor jön (a busz)?</i>	When does (the bus) come?
<i>utca</i>	street
<i>Hol van ...?</i>	Where is ...?
<i>Hol van a villamosmegálló?</i>	Where is the tram stop?
<i>Hol van a piros metró?</i>	Where is the red metro line?
<i>Köszönöm!</i>	Thank you.

8. In case of emergency

Emergency phone:

Réti Mónika: +36 30 585-1498

Have a safe journey!
See you soon in Budapest.