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PRACTICAL INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPEAN REGIONAL MEETING IN PREPARATION FOR THE FOURTH MEETING OF THE INTERSESSIONAL PROCESS CONSIDERING THE STRATEGIC APPROACH AND THE SOUND MANAGEMENT OF CHEMICALS AND WASTE BEYOND 2020

12 TO 13 MAY 2022, PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

Meeting venue

The two-day SAICM regional meeting takes place at the NH Prague City hotel in the business district Andel in the vicinity of the Prague historical centre.

Venue: Room Zurich, **level -1 of the hotel NH Prague City** (the lower building of the hotel).

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Schedule / organization/ registration

The meeting will be held as indicated in provisional annotated agenda - from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m..
Participants are invited to register for the meeting between 8.30 a.m. and 9 a.m. on Thursday, 12 May 2022.

There will be two coffee breaks (level -1) per day, but lunches are not provided. There is a 1-hour lunch break slot provided for in the programme.

Language

Meeting documents are available in English only. The meeting will be conducted in English with simultaneous interpretation into Russian.

Daily subsistence allowance (DSA) and payment

Resources have been made available to support participation of eligible participants in the meeting. The support will cover travel at most direct least costly airfare, accommodation for the days of the meeting, and the daily subsistence allowance (DSA) in accordance with the applicable UN regulations. The DSA will be paid to participants on the first day of the meeting in cash in the Czech currency - Czech Koruna (CZK). See the exchange rate in the "Currency" caption below.
Please bring with you your passport, air-ticket or e-ticket receipt and boarding passes.

Accommodation

A room at the meeting venue NH hotel Praha City has been booked for all participants for the duration of their stay (single room with breakfast for 115 USD/night/room). For sponsored participants, their accommodation for the meeting days is covered and paid by SCRC Czech Republic, extra days have to be paid onsite by each participant.

As unused block booking rooms will need to be released by 27 April 2022, please contact the RECETOX staff immediately.

The hotel situated in the business district Andel (Prague 5), a 10-minute metro or tram ride from the Prague historical city centre. The hotel consists of 2 separate buildings connected by a cable car (nice view!) and participants will be accommodated in the lower building. There are two very good restaurants in the hotel as well as two bars. In addition, there is also a nice gym with free access, and a new wellness and spa (open in the evenings, for a fee).

- distance to the airport: 14 km
- distance from the Old Town Square: 3,5 km

How to reach the hotel

Taxi: It's a 20 - 25 minutes ride from the airport (depending on a traffic). Expected cost: 700 CZK (about 32 USD), Uber and Bolt might be a bit cheaper.

From the airport by Bus:

You can take the bus line No. 100, which departs every 15 minutes from Prague Airport terminal 1 and 2 (arrival level - see map below) and travel to its terminus to the station "Zlicin" (18 minutes). From there take



the metro line B (yellow line) to the station "Andel". The journey on the public transport will take about 40 minutes in total. Then it is a 5 minute walk on foot from the station's entrance direction Andel/Nový Smíchov (or 10 minutes from the moment you leave the train).

Bus only - take bus 191, trip from Terminal 2 or Terminal 1 to Andel station will take about 50 minutes, cost of ticket 40 CZK.

[https://jrportal.dpp.cz/DataFTP/JRPortalData/191/20220103/191_\(628_4\)Z.pdf](https://jrportal.dpp.cz/DataFTP/JRPortalData/191/20220103/191_(628_4)Z.pdf) (terminal 1)

[https://jrportal.dpp.cz/DataFTP/JRPortalData/191/20220103/191_\(629_2\)Z.pdf](https://jrportal.dpp.cz/DataFTP/JRPortalData/191/20220103/191_(629_2)Z.pdf) (terminal 2)

The ticket for public transport costs 40 CZK (90 minutes ride) and it is changeable (bus, metro, tramway, train (suburban "S" trains). Tickets can be purchased in the information booths of the Prague Public Transport Company at the airport in the arrival hall between 7 am and 9 pm. They sell individual tickets for 30 or 90 minutes or for 24 or 72 hours and the Prague Card).



Visas

Visas for the Czech Republic must be obtained prior to arrival for countries outside of the Schengen area. The Stockholm Convention Regional Centre in the Czech Republic will help funded and non-funded participants to acquire their visa. Please send an email to lukas.pokorny@recetox.muni.cz as soon as possible with the information specified in the attached information note for participants. Please ensure that you are in possession of any necessary transit visas, depending on your final itinerary.



Electricity

Electrical sockets (outlets) in the Czech Republic usually supply electricity at between 220 and 240 volts AC, and electrical frequency of 50 Hz. The sockets are type C (left), European and E (right photo), French style.



Time zone

The Czech Republic is on Central European Summer Time (GMT+2) - CEST - same as Paris/Geneva

Currency

The currency in Czech Republic is the Czech Koruna (CZK), Kč.

The exchange rate is approximately 1 Euro = 26.2 CZK and 1 USD = 23 CZK as of 12 April 2022. See the most recent exchange rate at www.kolik.cz

Banknotes and coins used in the Czech Republic are shown here:

http://www.cnb.cz/en/banknotes_coins/banknotes/ http://www.cnb.cz/en/banknotes_coins/coins/

Weather and daylight

During spring (especially in May), Prague is beautiful and unique because of the blooming trees which you can find all over the city. Also, the temperatures are very pleasant as it's warm but not hot, so you can peacefully explore the city. Daytime maximum temperatures average around 19°C, whilst at night 8°C is normal. Please note it may rain - There are usually **13 days** with some rain in **Prague** in **May**.

Finally, days are quite long - sun rises around 5.20 am and sets around 20.30 pm, there are about 15 hours 10 minutes of daylight.



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Traveling around Prague – using public transport

Prague has one of the best public transportation systems in Europe operated by Prague Public Transport Company (DPP). It is easy, reliable and affordable, frequent, punctual, clean and safe. The metro, trams and buses cover the majority of the city and outskirts. The network is quite busy and carries almost 3 million passengers daily.

The different types of transport are very well integrated. Everything is logically laid out and clearly signed making the system very easy to understand. On-board displays and announcements on metro trains, trams and buses make missing a required stop very unlikely.

However, be aware that on the trams and buses the name of the next stop is announced together with the current stop which might be a bit misleading especially for those who don't understand Czech. On the metro, the next stop is announced after the doors are closed and the train is on its way so it is more clear. Current stop is announced just with its name. The next stop is announced as "Příští zastávka - Staroměstská" that means "Next stop - Staroměstská". The announcements are automatic and recorded by professional speakers, so they are clear and as easy to understand as possible.

The public transport operates between 5 am and midnight, but there are also special night lines (buses and trams only).

Scheme of the network is here: https://czech-transport.com/images/airport_schem.pdf

If you are on-line then use this engine for finding your way and Prague Public Transport website (English version) <http://spojeni.dpp.cz/ConnForm.aspx?tt=PID&cl=E5>

Metro lines

The Prague Metro network consists of three lines designated by letters and represented by colour:

Green Line A (Nemocnice Motol - Depo Hostivař)

Yellow Line B (Zličín - Černý Most)

Red Line C (Letňany - Háje)

Line A is the most popular with tourists as it serves Prague Castle (Malostranska), The Old Town (Staromestska), Wenceslas Square (Mustek, Muzeum) as well as connecting with bus 119 to/from the airport at Nadrazi Veleslavin. You can transfer between lines at Můstek station (lines A and B), Muzeum station (lines A and C) and Florenc station (lines B and C).

Tickets

- 30 Kč - Valid for 30 minutes on metro, tram, bus, night lines. Transfers allowed.
- 40 Kč - Valid for 90 minutes on metro, tram, bus. Transfers allowed.
- 120Kč- Valid for 24 hours on metro, tram, bus and funicular railway. Transfers allowed. Luggage included.



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- 330Kč- Valid for 72 hours on metro, tram, bus and funicular railway. Transfers allowed. Luggage included.

Tickets are sold in the DPP information booths, automatic machines at the stations of trams, buses or in the entrance of the metro stations, but also in any tobacco store, and in some hotels. There is also an SMS option, but there is an obligation to have a CZECH SIM card only. Please note that NH hotel reception also sells tickets.

Important!!! Validation and Inspection

All tickets must be “validated” which means that they must be inserted into the yellow stamping machine inside trams and buses or at the metro stations when first used. Tickets **MUST NOT** be re-stamped when transferring services or starting a new journey within the validity period (another stamp on the same ticket, would make the tickets invalid). The tickets are to be stamped in the direction of the arrow printed on them. Plain Clothes Ticket inspectors, identified by an official badge and a special identification card they have to show on request, regularly check passengers and are authorised to fine a passenger without a valid ticket up to 1500Kč (reduced to 800Kč if paid on the spot) so the passenger must carry the ticket at all times. Please note that ticket inspections are quite frequent.