

USEFUL INFORMATION TO STAY IN BELGRADE/SERBIA FOR THE BALCOR 2018

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

The conference programme is available at <u>balcor2018.fon.bg.ac.rs/download/BALCOR-2018-programme.pdf</u>. All participants will be provided with copy of conference programme.

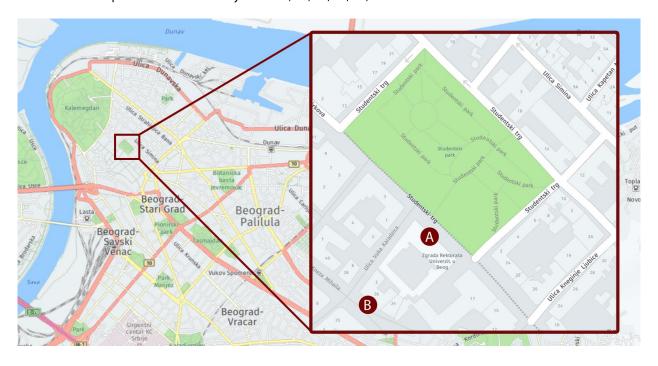
USEFUL INFORMATION FOR YOUR STAY IN BELGRADE

Conference Venues

The BALCOR 2018 conference will be held in Belgrade as follows:

- 1. 25-27 May, 2018 first, second and third day of the Conference (Opening ceremony and Plenary Sessions) will be held at <u>University of Belgrade</u>, Studentski Trg 1 (point **A** on map).
- 2. 28 May, 2018 third day of the Conference will be held at <u>Mathematical institute</u>, Kneza Mihaila 36 (point **B** on map)

Public transport: bus 31 and trolleybuses 19, 21, 22, 28, 29, 41.



Public Transport in Belgrade

Belgrade public transport (called by the abbreviation GSP) consists of buses, trams and trolleybuses. Although they lack uniformity (even in colours) all of them have same tariffs. Tickets can be bought at kiosks marked with a ticket sales sticker BUS PLUS and many shops in the city. Tickets can be bought at kiosks marked with a ticket sales sticker BUS PLUS and many shops in the city. There are two types of tickets:

- Personalized e-tickets, which will contain the name and the user's photo (this is sort of prepaid monthly pass issued for employees, school students etc.)
- Depersonalized electronic tickets that will not be issued to passenger's name. It is electronic rechargeable tickets costing 250 RSD. You can charge it without any limitation and use in the period of three years.

Passengers with a plastic depersonalized electronic tickets can use a time ticket which enables them to change vehicles of the public transportation for the unlimited number of times in a period of 90 minutes. Time ticket costs 89 RSD in the zones 1 and 2 that cover most of the city. Passenger can also use a 1, 3 or 5-day ticket (valid in the period of the daily traffic - not from 4:00 until midnight). One day ticket cost 250 RSD, 3-days ticket cost 700 RSD, and 5-days ticket cost 1000 RSD (in the zones 1 and 2 that cover most of the city). If you don't have or have forgotten your BusPlus smartcard, you should buy a ticket from the driver (150 RSD).

Tickets must be validated immediately upon entry into the vehicle, using touch screen monitor machines installed in every vehicle, by each set of doors. Tickets are more expensive for night services (00-04h), buses run at 1-hour intervals from special stops at the Republic Square towards other parts of the city. The night fare is 150 - 200 RSD and you can only buy ticket in the bus.

The best way to navigate is to check the map available online from the <u>GSP site</u>. At some more prominent stops you will find the same map only with marked lines available there.

Taxi in Belgrade

Take a look at the official <u>list of Taxi Associations and official fares</u> in Belgrade. Make sure that the cab has a number clearly visible, and always ask the driver to turn on the taxi-meter. Ask for receipt.

Important phone numbers

- Police 192
- Fire Department 193
- Ambulance 194
- International calls- 1901
- Various information 19812

- Medical Center Emergency Room 3618-444
- Belgrade Airport 209-4444, 209-4000
- Air Serbia ticket reservations 311-2123
- Central Train Station 3602-899
- Belgrade Bus Station 2636-299

The area code for Belgrade in national traffic is 011. The area code for Serbia in international traffic is 381. To call Belgrade from abroad please dial the appropriate international code, e.g. 00, then dial the area code for Serbia 381 and the area code for the city (without the initial 0)11. To call a foreign country from Belgrade, please dial the international code 00, then the country area code, the city area code (without 0) and, finally, the telephone number of the subscriber.

Money

Cash may be taken from ATMs installed in all major malls, bank branch offices and in public places 365 days in a year, 24 hours a day. Cell phone, e-cards and Internet cards may also be purchased in some of these places. American Express, Diners Club, Visa, Master Card, Maestro, Dina Card and Post Card are widely accepted in shops, hotels and restaurants.



The official currency in Serbia is dinar, abbreviated RSD. Money may be exchanged in all banks and post offices, as well as in authorized exchange offices. Exchange rate for 1 EUR is around 118 RSD.

Currency exchange is performed by all the banks, all the post offices and great number of exchange offices (**Menjačnica** in Serbian) which are always marked in English. With them you can get slightly better exchange rates than in the banks. Never change money with someone in the street. It is illegal and completely unnecessary. **Changing money in Serbia is fair, transparent and there are no hidden expenses**. Current exchange rates can be found **here**.

Tipping

Tipping is not obligatory in Serbian restaurants, but if you are satisfied with the service then leave a 10% to 15% tip. At bars and with taxis leave a tip by rounding off the amount.

Tourist Information Centers:

- Belgrade Culture Centre, Knez Mihailova 6, tel. +381 11 32 81 859, Mon-Sun. 09:00-20:00
- Main railway station, Savski trg 2, tel. +381 11 36 12 732, Mon-Sat. 07:00-13:30, Closed on Sunday
- Airport "Nikola Tesla", tel. +381 11 20 97 828, Mon-Sun. 09:00-21:30
- Season tourist information center on Sava Port, open from 01. April till 01. October, Mon-Sun. 09:00-12:00 and 16:00-20:00

Working Hours and Public Holidays

- Banks and post offices: weekdays 08:00-19:00, Saturdays 08:00-15:00, Sundays, only 24-hour duty branches
- Food stores: weekdays 06:30-22:00, Saturdays 06:30-21:00, Sundays 07:00-13:00
- Markets are open every day 07:00-21:00
- Shops in shopping malls are open 10:00-22:00

Shops in Knez Mihailova street are also open on Sundays and often until 22:00 weekdays.

Time Zone

Serbia is located in the Central European time zone region – GMT + 1 and/or GMT + 2 as of the last week in the third month until the Saturday prior to the last week of the tenth month.

Electricity and Water

As in most cities of Continental Europe, the electricity voltage in Serbia is 220V. Electrical outlets are standard European. Tap water in Belgrade is safe to drink.

Parking

Parking in Belgrade is organized according to zones. Parking in the first zone, marked by the colour red, is allowed for a period of one hour. Parking in the second zone, marked by the colour yellow, is allowed for a period of two hours. Parking in the third zone, marked by the colour green, is allowed for a period of three hours. Parking may be paid at the machine on the spot at a number of parking spaces. Parking may also be paid by cell phone: type an SMS with the number of the car license plate and send it to 9111 for parking in the first zone; 9112 for parking in the second zone or to 9113 for parking in the third zone. Parking may also be paid by means of a parking ticket which may be

purchased in most kiosks – fill in the parking ticket and place it in a visible spot in your car windshield. Free parking is every working day from 21:00-07:00, Saturday after 14:00 and Sunday.

There are eight public garages in Belgrade. For more information on parking see www.parking-servis.co.rs/eng/.

Getting from Belgrade airport to city center

BY MINIBUS

Minibus A1 to Slavija Square (30 min to city center)

Time and frequency: every 20 minutes

Please check at www.beg.aero/upload/a1 map & timetable.pdf for the updated schedule

One way full fare: 300 RSD Tickets directly on the minibus.

BY BUS

Bus 72 to Zeleni venac, City center (40 min to city center)

Time and frequency: every 30 minutes

Please check at www.beg.aero/upload/Putnici/72mapa.jpg for the updated schedule

One way full fare 150 RSD on the bus or 89 RSD buy on kiosk.

BY TAXI

Taxi price is about 20 EUR (travel time 15-20 minutes). No tips to the drivers.

To know what to do in Belgrade and have the possibility to search events by date, use the following links:

- www.belgradenet.com
- www.tob.rs