

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ITA 2008 PARTICIPANTS

Please read carefully!

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1. Contacts

Mobile numbers of the members of the committee:

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Panorama hotel: (+359 52) 36 28 98 www.panoramahotel.bg

2. Travel to the conference

1.1. From Varna

The PANORAMA HOTEL is located by the way from Varna to the Golden Sands resort.

Please, see the map http://www.panoramahotel.bg/get_eng.html.

The busses from Varna to Golden Sands (Zlatni pyasatsi): 9, 109, 209, 309, 409.

The name of the bus stop is "PANORAMA".

1.2. From Sofia

Besides the direct flight to Varna and/or the transfer flight from Sofia, there are two possible variants to get from Sofia to Varna:

- by train from the Central Railway Station: www.bdz.bg

- by bus from the Central Bus Station (right beside the Central Railway Station: www.centralnaavtogara.bg.)

1.3. In Sofia

The transportation from the Sofia Airport to the Central Railway Station and the Central Bus Station can be as follows: By bus – 84 or 284 from the Airport to "Hotel Pliska" stop, and then 213 or 214 to the Central Station.

Note: Luggage bigger than the average will require an extra ticket as well.

- shuttle-bus - from the airport to the station. The price is 1.50 BGN (possible additional taxes for the luggage).

- taxicab: **we do not recommend** to use this transport, or in case you do always check the prices on the stickers on the windows, because the foreigners especially are often offered incredibly high prices.

2. Medicines

We want to remind if you use some special medicines not to forget them.

3. Currency

The fixed official exchange rate: 1 EURO = 1.95583 BGN (leva).

In the change offices the exchange rate may vary from 1.9 to 1.95.

When you change money, please be careful when choosing the change office. At the airport usually the rates are not preferable.

Some change offices use on their front tables fixings which aren't used for the standard procedures – it might be for write the fixing on the front table, which is not the real rate for usual exchange (it may be the rate for checks or for exchanged amount more than 10,000 lv.). Please, always read the all the notices (usually written with smaller letters) and ask the clerk for the exact total you'll receive from the exchange.

We recommend exchanging not more than 50 EURO or USD at a time.

Caution!

Be careful with your money, documents and other important personal belongings.

Make sure you keep them safe with yourself, not putting them in your luggage, as you can easily become a victim of pickpockets or thieves otherwise.

Please be alert in the city public transport as well as in the bus/train when approached by strangers and never leave your baggage unattended.



Sveti Konstantin

Panorama

Botanical garden

822 9 51 109 209 309 409

- h Rest Houses
- D Diskos / Casino
- H Hotel-complexes
- R Restaurants
- V Villas



The picture is 1120m x 800m.