

SSPT8 – SECOND COMMUNICATION

The Eighth Summer School in Potential Theory will be held in Budapest, Hungary, between July 6, Monday (day of arrival) - July 12, Sunday (day of departure) at the Rényi Institute of Mathematics of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences.

Here we give the recent updates about the event. For all further details and changes please visit our home page at <http://www.renyi.hu/~sspt8>. Various complementary information can be found at the home page <http://www.renyi.hu/> of the Institute.

REGISTRATION

Our request for funding from NKTH is still pending. Therefore, we are in a relatively difficult financial situation and must apologise for asking your contribution to several of the events as well as to the general cost of the Summer School.

In general, participants are subject to a registration fee of 20.000 HUF ~ 75 EUR. Accompanying persons have reduced rate of registration for 12.000 HUF ~ 45 EUR. The registration fee can be paid upon arrival in cash.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Hungary belongs to the European Union, but not to the “Euro zone”. The local currency is Hungarian Forint (HUF): currently 1 euro ~ 270 HUF, but fluctuating. The best rates you can get at exchange booths in downtown /e.g. on Kossuth Lajos Avenue close to the Institute, see below/ - if you are interested in good rates, you’d better change only a minimal amount at the airport, where you may lose some 5%.

ARRIVAL - DIRECTIONS TO YOUR HOTEL AND TO THE INSTITUTE

Those who do not come by airplane, will be contacted individually. For those arriving by airplane, i.e. arriving at Ferihegy Airport, reaching the Institute or the Hotel Ibis Centrum is relatively simple.

Board the Airport Bus /no. 200 – the only Budapest public bus serving the airport/, which is, like all Budapest city transportation buses, painted dark blue. Travel that bus from the airport to the its terminal station, Kőbánya-Kispest Metro Station, which is also the terminal station of the blue /3rd/ metro line. Then take the metro and go until “Kálvin tér” /square named after John Calvin, the Swiss protestant church reformer/. Then you are at the start of Ráday street, where under no. 6 you find the Hotel /so about 50 m from the right metro exit/.

To go to the Institute you may travel one more station by the metro and get off at “Ferenciek tere” /not to be mixed up with “Ferenc körút”, the station BEFORE Kálvin sqr./ Coming up at Ferenciek tere, follow Kossuth Lajos út /avenue/ on the right side of the street and in the direction opposite to the Danube /so getting farther from Elisabeth Bridge/ until you reach the first small street from the right, called Szép utca. Here you should turn right. This small street runs into Reáltanoda street, parallel to Kossuth Lajos út. There you should turn left and within 50 m you arrive at the Institute. A characteristic picture of the building you are looking for can be seen on our poster as well.

For traveling city buses and metros you need a simple public transportation ticket. One ticket is for one travel on one line, so transferring from bus no. 200 to Metro 3 requires a new ticket. /On the other hand you are not required to pay an extra ticket for your luggage./ Tickets can be purchased from the bus driver for 400 HUF or at ticket vending machines at the airport for a reduced price of 290 HUF.

For directions and other possibilities like taxi, airport shuttle, etc. look at our Institute’s homepage

<http://www.renyi.hu/forvisitors.html>

or just inquire upon arrival at the airport.

PROGRAM

For the program please go to

<http://www.renyi.hu/~sspt8/>

and click on “Program“ on the left menu.

ACCOMMODATION

Due to a discounted price and the obvious convenience, accommodation for all those participants about whom we have information, has been reserved at

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E-mail: info@hotelnet.hu <http://www.hotelnet.hu/en/hotelibiscentrum/>

The discounted price we have is 10.600 HUF/night/person in a single room, or 12.800 for two in a double room/night. Please look for us before payment if you wish to make use of this discount.

The hotel is approximately 6-7 minutes walk from the Institute. To get there from the Institute please see the map at

<http://www.renyi.hu/forvisitors.html>

SOCIAL PROGRAM

Following the tradition of previous SSPTs, besides mathematics, social programs will play an equal role in this year's summer school as well. However, due to the dim financial situation of our conference, we must ask you to register to all social programs at your earliest convenience. Unless said otherwise, in general we require your payment for the costs of these social programs. We apologise for the lack of financial support.

For those who arrive on time on Monday, some refreshments – as well as the registration package and some assistance – will be ready at the Rényi Institute between 16:00-19:00. This and the coffee breaks are included in your registration. /At 19:00 the Institute closes, so don't come there if you arrive later./ If it is convenient for you, please try to register already at 16:00 o'clock. After registration at 16:00 one of us will lead those who are interested for a walk to the Buda Castle, which is a part of the Budapest World Heritage site.

On Tuesday afternoon we may take a walk together to the Citadella on the Gellért Hill to catch a bird's eye view of Budapest. Since lectures are planned until 19:00 on this day, some sandwiches will be offered at the Institute after the lectures. The walk starts at 19:30. We hope to have the opportunity to see the city panorama in daylight and then to admire also the night scenery of Budapest. /This program is free./

A sightseeing walk will be conducted on Friday afternoon between 16:00 and 20:00. Participants may visit the Castle Hill and the City Park – Heroes' Square area with a professional guide. /This program is free, i.e. included in your registration, but entry fees of museums etc., if visited, must be paid individually./

Our traditional, “home-made pancake party” is planned on Wednesday afternoon, when the Hungarian organizers/participants invite the whole company to the house of one of us. In fact, open-air made Hungarian gulyás /in English usage “goulash”, in German transliteration, “gulasch”/ will be the main course, but we stress on having some “palacsinta” /=pancake/ as well. Of course, this program is completely free for all participants and accompanying persons .

The conference banquet will be on Friday evening. The price for the banquet is 5.000 HUF/person in which a full meal plus drinks are included.

On 11th July, Saturday we will have a one-day excursion by boat to Visegrád. The boat starts at 9:30 from Vigadó square and the returning boat starts at 16:30 from Visegrád. We plan to visit the Visegrád International Royal Palace Fair, see

<http://www.palotajatekok.hu/>

The cost of this program is 8.500 HUF/person. Advance payment is required on Tuesday, so registration for this program will close at noon, Tuesday /before lunch break/.

The amount covers the return boat ticket to Visegrád, the entrance fee to the Fair and a meal at a local restaurant. Should you arrive at Budapest later and wish to take part in the boat trip, please let us know this by e-mail before Tuesday.

On the evening of 11th July at 19:30 we may go to an organ concert at the downtown /Pester/ Franciscan church, where Csaba Király plays Bach and Vivaldi concertos. Entrance is free.

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