

# 11<sup>th</sup> Macroeconomic Policy Research Workshop on Microeconomic Behaviour and its Macroeconomic Implications during the Financial Crisis

Hosted by the Magyar Nemzeti Bank
6 - 7 September, 2012

Budapest, Hungary

#### **VENUE OF THE MEETING**

The 11<sup>th</sup> Macroeconomic Policy Research Workshop will take place on 6-7 September, 2012 in the Magyar Nemzeti Bank (The Central Bank of Hungary)
Address: 1054 Budapest, Szabadság tér 8-9. (Please see the attached map.)

## REGISTRATION AND HOTEL RESERVATION

Each delegate participating in the Workshop is automatically accredited by returning the completed REGISTRATION AND HOTEL RESERVATION FORM to the Protocol Department of the Magyar Nemzeti Bank (MNB) by e-mail to <a href="mailto:protocol@mnb.hu">protocol@mnb.hu</a>.

The organizers in the MNB are responsible for collecting the reservations and forwarding them to the K+K Hotel Opera (<a href="mailto:kk.hotel.opera@kkhotels.hu">kk.hotel.opera@kkhotels.hu</a>), unless otherwise requested on the reservation form. The deadline for hotel reservation is the 3rd of August, 2012. Any reservation made after this date will be subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed at the special MNB rate.



#### ARRIVAL IN BUDAPEST

The **Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport** is located approximately 25 km from the city centre and the hotel.

For further information see: http://bud.hu/english

Central telephone number for information: +36 (1) 296-9696

Flight information is available on +36 (1) 296-7000

#### MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION BETWEEN THE AIRPORT AND THE HOTEL

Participants are responsible for their own transportation arrangements between the airport and the hotel.

#### 1. Taxi

If you would like to go into town by taxi, order one by phone or take one of the **Főtaxi's taxis** waiting outside the airport. Főtaxi is the official taxi company of Ferenc Liszt International Airport. They have a stand at both terminals (A and B). They operate on a fixed fare system for four zones between the airport and the city centre. At the taxi stands you can find a map showing the zones and tariffs. The estimated travel time is 40 minutes, depending on traffic.

- transfer fee: approx. HUF 6000 (from airport to inner city)
- phone: +36 (1) 2 222 222



# 2. Airport Minibus

Airport Minibus is a kind of collective taxi with a boarding capacity of 8 to 10 passengers. The minibuses handle transfers from the airport to the passenger's accommodation back and forth and it's available 24 hours per day, every day of the year. Airport Minibus Desks can be found at both terminals. Tickets can be purchased at the arrival customs area or at the LRI Airport Passenger Service desk in the waiting area. You can pay by cash and credit card at the desks. You can order your minibus online too. The transfer from the airport to the hotel takes approximately 1 hour depending on traffic.

• for further information see: <a href="http://www.airportshuttle.hu/en/">http://www.airportshuttle.hu/en/</a>

• call center: +36 (1) 296-8555

#### SOCIAL EVENTS

# 1. 6 September, 2012 (Thursday)

Danube cruise with dinner Address: Vigadó tér, Pier No 8. (Please see the attached map.)

## 2. 7 September, 2012 (Friday)

Wine tasting in the Magyar Nemzeti Bank

## GENERAL INFORMATION

## **Credit Cards**

Major credit cards can be used to obtain cash from ATMs in banks and on the streets as well as to pay bills in hotels, restaurants and shops.



## **Exchanging money**

All visitors are advised to exchange currency only at accredited places. Do not take the risk of changing money on the street; it is both risky and illegal. The majority of banks have 24-hour ATM's some of which can also exchange foreign currency. Individual banks and travel agencies are free to set their own rates but they must be clearly displayed. Rates offered at *bureaux de change* in the city centre and near the main railway stations are generally better than those available in the banks, at the airport and in hotels. **The Hungarian currency is the forint.** There are coins to the value of 5, 10, 20, 50, 100 and 200 forints, and notes for 500, 1,000, 2,000, 5,000, 10,000 and 20,000 forints.

## Electricity

Hungary's electricity network operates at 220/230 Volts. Plugs are the regulation continental type.

#### **Medical Service**

Delegates are advised to make appropriate arrangements for insurance to cover emergency medical, surgical or hospital expenses while in Hungary.

**24-hour medical assistance:** +36 (1) 786-6658 **24-hour dental assistance:** +36 (1) 267-9602

#### Time Zone

Budapest is on Central European time: GMT+1, Daylight Saving Time (Apr-Oct): GMT+2

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