International Seminar on Maintenance of Bridges

28th to 30th, May 2015

Bucharest, ROMANIA

Second Announcement

Organized in Cooperation by: PIARC Technical Committee 4.3 of 'Road Bridges'
A.P.D.P. ROMANIA

Undertook by: ROADS AND BRIDGES Magazine

Introduction

PIARC Technical Committee 4.3 Road Bridges and A.P.D.P. Romania invite you to participate in a forthcoming seminar on Maintenance of Road Bridges.
This seminar is undertaken by ROADS AND BRIDGES Magazine. This is a part of the PIARC Technical Committee 4.3 work program for 2012 - 2015.

Objectives

Technical exchange for Maintenance of Road Bridges

Methodology

The seminar will be led in such a manner as to optimize the time available for the discussion of the themes, so as to generate dynamic and highly involved discussions among the participants.

Presentations made by participants will be followed by discussion and collective development of conclusions and recommendations.

Languages

The official Languages of the seminar are English and Romanian.

Seminar Program

FIRST DAY	
Thursday, May 28th, 2015	
Time	Activity
09:00 to 09:40	Registration
09:40 to 10:00	Opening Ceremony, Welcome Address
10:00 to 12:00	Session Ⅰ Management
12:00 to 13:30	Lunch
13:30 to 15:00	Session Ⅱ Inspection
15:00 to 15:30	Coffee Break
15:30 to 17:30	Session Ⅳ Repair and Rehabilitation
18:30 to 20:30	Dinner
SECOND DAY	
Friday, May 29th, 2015	
09:00 to 10:00	Session Ⅲ Evaluation
10:00 to 10:30	Coffee Break
10:30 to 11:30	Session Ⅲ Evaluation
11:30 to 13:00	Lunch
13:00 to 14:30	Session Ⅳ Inspection and Monitoring
14:30 to 15:00	Coffee Break
15:00 to 17:00	Session Ⅳ Repair and Rehabilitation
17:00 to 17:30	Session Ⅴ Construction
17:30 to 17:40	Closing Session
THIRD DAY	
Saturday, May 29th, 2015	
09:00 to 12:30	Technical Visit

Call for Papers

The organizing committee is now seeking papers addressing the seminar's themes.

1) If your abstract was selected, you were notified by the seminar contact persons.

2) You will be required to make a presentation to the seminar and to submit a full paper (4 - 6 pages) in English or Romanian.

The timetable for submission of papers is as follows:

- Submission of Full Paper: May 15th, 2015

Guidelines for Full Papers and Presentation

Full papers should be submitted to the Seminar Contact persons listed at the end of this announcement.

1) Full paper

The full papers should be prepared and submitted by the authors to the Seminar Contact persons listed at the end of this announcement, according to the following requirements:

- The length of the printed papers should be between 4 pages and 6 pages (A4: 8.27" x 11.69", 210mm x 297mm).
- Full papers must be written in English or Romanian.
- Full papers containing illustrations in black and white are preferable.
- Deadline for submission of Full paper: May 15th, 2015

2) Presentation

The presentation should be prepared by the authors according to the following requirements:

- the presentation material should be prepared in Power Point Presentation file.
- the presentation material must be written in English or Romanian.

Technical Visit

The technical visit will include Basarab Overpass, Mihai Bravu Bridge, Otopeni Overpass.

Registration Fee

- Participants from low-income and low-middle-income countries: Euro 100
- Participants from upper-middle-income and high-income countries: Euro 200
- Accompanying persons: Euro 100.

Registration fees can be paid to the following account:

Beneficiary account: A.P.D.P. ROMANIA
Account Number: RO39BPOS70402774673EUR01
Name of the Bank: BANCPOST, SUCURSALA PALAT CFR
Bank address: Bd. DINICU GOLESCU, NR. 38, SECTOR 1, BUCURESTI, ROMANIA
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PIARC Special Fund

The PIARC Special Fund can cover up to 100% of travel expenses or up to 100% of accommodation expenses of participants from developing countries (lower middle income and low income countries). It can cover the expenses of one participant per PIARC member country, subject to the agreement of the First Delegate. Requests for Special Fund support should be made by the First Delegate to PIARC Secretary General, e-mail: info@piarc.org

The rules relating to the use of the Special Fund are available on the PIARC web site: www.piarc.org, in section 12 of the Blue Guide.

Registration Due Date

The registration form should be completed and forwarded to the seminar contact persons before May 10th, 2015.

Accommodation

Location: The seminar is held at the **Best Western Plus Mari Vila Hotel Bucharest 4*** (Drumul Balta Doamnei, 44-50, Sector 3, Bucharest, Romania)

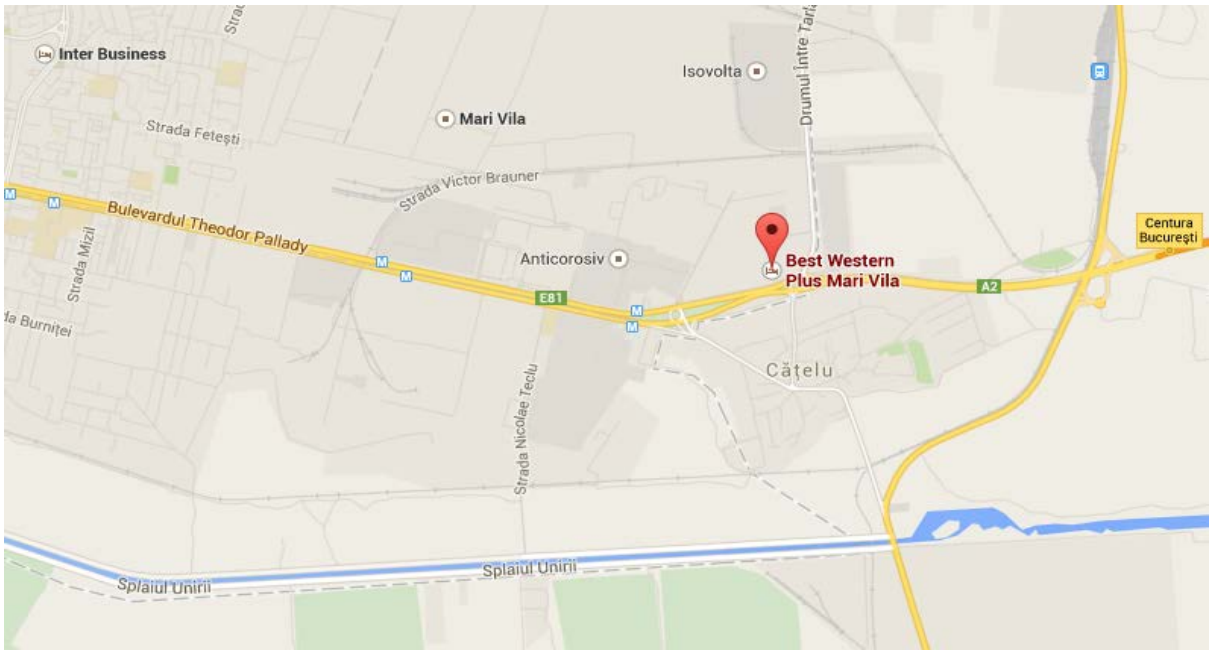
GPS coordinates:

Latitude: 44.4066343

Longitude: 26.2133179

Room price per night (VAT included)	Single	≈ 65 €
	Double	≈ 80 €

Map:



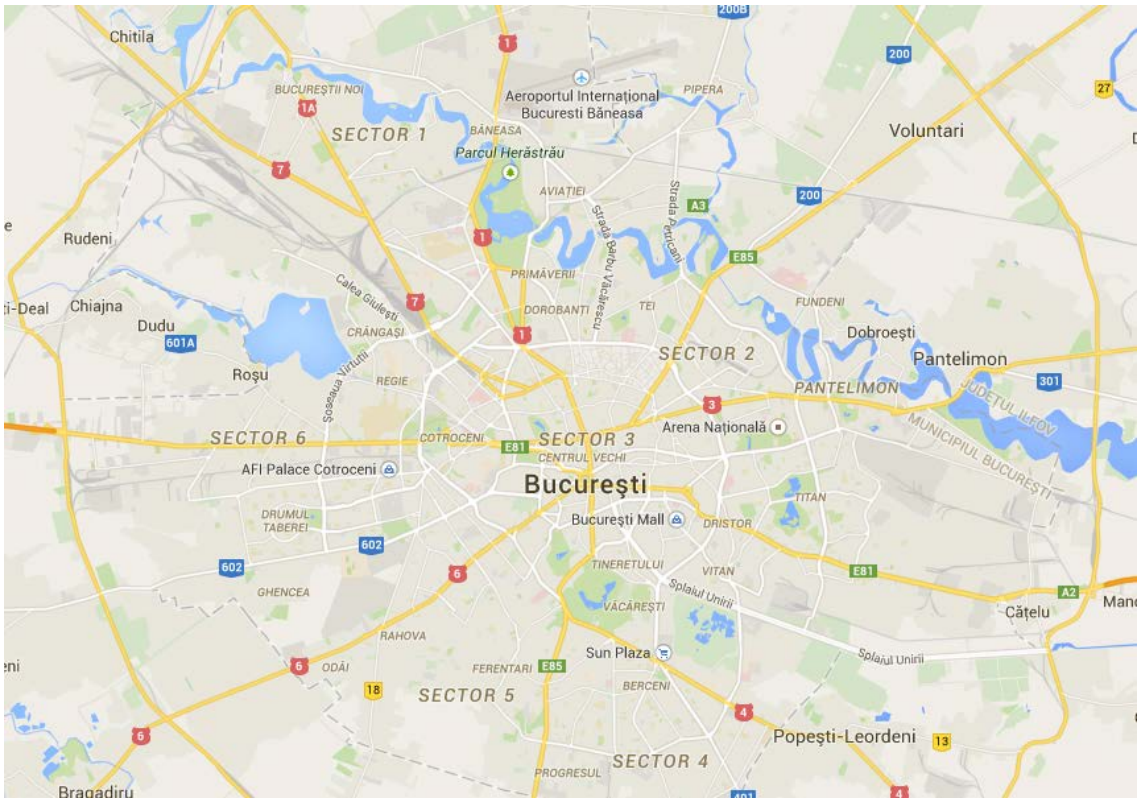
Transfer between the Hotel and the Airport:

Henri Coanda Airport	30km.	1. Between 05 a.m. and 10.30 p.m. you can take the bus No. 783 from Henri Coanda Airport Arrivals station to station Piata Victoriei (Victoria Square). You have to buy a travel card for urban transport (RATB) and validate it in the bus. From the station Piata Victoriei take the M1 subway to get to Dristor 2 station. Change to station Dristor 1 through an underground passage and take the M3 subway to Anghel Saligny station. Here you will take the bus provided by the organizers till the hotel. 2. Taxi: about 120 Lei (27 €)

Introduction of Romania and Bucharest

Romania is a country located in south-eastern Europe, on the lower stream of the Danube River, north of the Balcanic Peninsula and west of the Black Sea. Its neighboring countries are Bulgaria to the south, Serbia and Hungary to the west, Ukraine to the north and Moldova to the north-east. Located at a crossroads between western Europe and Asia, Romania has always been a key strategic point in the history of the "The Old Continent". With a total surface of 238.391 square km, one can find here some of the most unique places in the world, such as the Danube Delta, the Carpathian Garden, or the Danube Gorge.

While visiting Romania, a city that you should definitely not miss is the capital city, Bucharest. Undoubtedly it is the biggest and most influential city of the country, being the country's political, economical and commercial center, with a population of approximately 3.4 million people. There is quite a wide variety of things you can do here. For example, you can visit the local museums, if you want to take a short glimpse of the Romanian cultural values. The city also has some unique architectural wonders such as The Arch of Triumph, the Athenaeum or The Palace of Parliament, also known as The People's Palace, the second largest building in the world after the Pentagon, The Royal Palace that shelters the National Gallery, The Cotroceni Museum, were is also the Presidential Office, The Free Press Palace, iconic copy of the Lomonosov State University in Moscow, all of which you can visit either by foot or by tourist bus.



Program for Accompanying Persons

Program for accompanying persons is provided.

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