





# PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Regional Cluster Meeting Capacity Building in Higher Education projects' impact in the Western Balkans Royal & Spa Hotel (Durrës, Albania), 22-23 October 2019

## **Important: VISA ISSUE**

Please find below the List of countries, whose citizens are required to have a visa for the Republic of Albania:

http://punetejashtme.gov.al/en/regjimi-i-vizave-per-te-huajt/

## <u>About Durrës, Abania</u>

Durrës is the second most populous city in the Republic of Albania, historically known as Epidamnos and Dyrrachium. Following the Albanian Declaration of Independence, the city served as the capital of the Principality of Albania for a short period of time. Subsequently, it was annexed by the Kingdom of Italy and Nazi Germany in the interwar period. Moreover, the city experienced a strong expansion in its demography and economic activity during the Communism in Albania.

Durrës is served by the Port of Durrës, one of the largest on the Adriatic Sea, which connects the city to Italy and other neighboring countries. Its most considerable attraction is the Amphitheatre of Durrës that is included on the tentative list of Albania for designation as a UNESCO World Heritage site. Once having a capacity for 20,000 people, it is the largest amphitheater in the Balkan Peninsula.

Durrës is an important link to Western Europe due to its port and its proximity to the Italian port cities, notably Bari, to which daily ferries run. As well as the dockyard, it also possesses an important shipyard and manufacturing industries, notably producing leather, plastic and tobacco products.

## Arrival in Durrës

Visitors arriving by air must fly into the Tirana International Airport, which is 31 km from the city center and from the Venue. A complete flight schedule for Tirana International Airport is available on the airport's website.

www.tirana-airport.com/l/3/61/flight-information/departures-flight-schedule/

## Taxis

Taxis are readily available at the airport. Airport Taxis are the authorized airport taxis; however, many other taxis also wait to pick up passengers. Visitors are advised to accept rides from only airport taxes. The prices are 25 euro the official ones.

http://www.tirana-airport.com/l/4/13/getting-here-parking/by-taxi/ https://www.tiataxi.al/

ADIS Company – Airport transportation to Durrës email: info@adis.al contact number: +355 68 60 90 720, tel/whatsup contact name: Taqi







The official prices from Airport "Mother Tereza" to Durrës are: Taxis 25 euro 10 seats Van 40 euro 16seats Van 60 Euro

### **Busses**

There are regular busses connecting Tirana International Airport with Durres <u>http://www.tirana-airport.com/l/4/16/getting-here-parking/bus/</u>

## **Busses from Tirana -Venue- Tirana**

Tue. 22<sup>nd</sup> of October, 8:00 am, departure from Tirana at bus station located behind the Palace of Culture, (stacioni i Autobusit pas "Pallati i Kulturës") Tue. 22<sup>nd</sup> of October, 10:30 pm, departure from Venue.

Tue. 23<sup>rd</sup> of October, 9:00 am, departure from Tirana at bus station located behind the Palace of Culture "Pallati i Kulturës" Tue. 23<sup>rd</sup> of October, 2:30 pm, departure from Venue.

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Please take the bus with the Event Logo

## Suggested hotels

Please find below the suggested hotels:

1- Website: <u>http://hotelroyal-g.al/contact/ (*the venue add*)</u> For preferential prices (starting for single room 45 euro/night; double 60 euro/night) please contact: email. <u>info@hotelroyal-g.al</u> For this prices use the code: E2.ROYAL

2- Website: <u>https://palacehotel.al/ (2 min walking from the venue)</u> For preferential prices (starting for single room 52 euro/night; double 60 euro/night) please contact: email. <u>info@palacehotel.al</u> use code Erasmus

*3-* Website: <u>http://www.fafa.al/web/ (15min by car far from the venue)</u> For preferential prices (starting for single room 35 euro/night; double 45 euro/night) please contact email. <u>info@fafa.al</u> use code Erasmus

## Venue

The seminar will take place at the <a href="http://hotelroyal-g.al/contact/">http://hotelroyal-g.al/contact/</a>





#### Map of Venue

Add: Pavaresia Str., 2001 Durrës, Albania Tel: +355 52 421 001 (24/7) Email: info@hotelroyal-g.al

## **General information.**

#### Durrës Weather during 22-23 October



### Currency

Albanian's currency is the Lek (pl. Lekë), abbreviated ALL. Albanian banknotes are denominated into 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 500, 1000, 2000 and 5,000 Lek notes. One euro is exchanged in 120 Lek One dollar 117 Lek but take care to see the daily exchange rate

#### What to visit in Durrës:

Roman Amphitheatre, Byzantine city walls, Venetian tower, Church of Saint Astius, Seafront promenade, Great Mosque of Durrës, etc

#### For more ideas

https://www.intoalbania.com/attraction/amphitheater-of-durres/ https://theculturetrip.com/europe/albania/articles/a-tour-of-durres-archaeological-landmarks/







https://trespasser-on-earth.org/albania/durres/

### Electricity

Albanian's electrical current is 220-240 Volts (50 Hertz). Sockets are the standard continental European dual round-pronged plugs (types C, E, and F).



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Wish you successful meeting and enjoy ALBANIA!

