

A European network for a harmonised monitoring of snow for the benefit of  
climate change scenarios, hydrology and numerical weather prediction

ESSEM COST Action ES1404



## Workshop

# Towards a better harmonization of snow observations, modeling and data assimilation in Europe

## **Information booklet**

**COST Action ES1404 Harnosnow**

**30-31. October, 2018  
Budapest, Hungary**

[www.harnosnow.eu/snowconference](http://www.harnosnow.eu/snowconference)

## How to get to the Workshop venue

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Hotel Gellért, 2 Szent Gellért tér, 1114 Budapest, Hungary

(<https://goo.gl/maps/HXZ6eeW3tRK2>)

Enter the Hotel at the main entrance directly from Gellért square, the Workshop (including the registration, the presentations, the poster session and the coffee breaks/lunches) will be on the first floor. Either take the elevator on the left of the Reception or the stairs on the right. Signs will also be available.

### **By public transport:**

Metro Line M4, tram lines: 19, 41, 47, 48, 49, 56, 56A, and the bus Nr. 7 have stops exactly at Szent Gellért square (Szent Gellért tér in Hungarian) in front of the Hotel.

You can find detailed information on the lines and schedules, including a very good trip planner on the official website of the Budapest public transport company: <http://futar.bkk.hu> or in the BKK Futár app (<https://play.google.com/>, <https://itunes.apple.com/>).

To use the public transport you need to purchase separate tickets for each vehicle (except for the metro, there you need only one ticket/trip including the transfers). The tickets need to be validated on the vehicles themselves (either red or orange validating machines), or in the case of the metro before entering the tunnel. Tickets can be purchased from the violet vending machines in all major stops.

### **From the airport:**

Do look around on the website of your Hotel, in lot of the cases they provide free airport transfer.

**By minibus:** <https://www.minibud.hu>, convenient and rather cheap minibus service, can be ordered online. Ca. 6 EUR one way.

**By Taxi:** Főtaxi is the official taxi company serving the Airport, do take them in case you choose to travel by taxi. In Hungary the Taxi Decree is regulating the price of the taxis at a fixed tariff of 300 HUF/Km (0.95 EUR/Km) in addition to the one-off basic fee of 700 HUF (2.2 EUR) and waiting fee. A ride to the city center should typically cost around 7200 HUF (26 EUR) depending on traffic conditions.

**By public transport:** take the bus Nr. 100E, the bus starts from between the two terminals 2A and 2B on the arrival level. A special ticket needs to be purchased (look for the violet vending machines), costs ca. 3 EUR. Change at Kálvin square (Kávvlin tér) to tram 49 or 47 to go to the Hotel Gellért (and don't forget to buy the separate normal ticket for these, ca. 1 EUR). Get off at Szent Gellért square (Szent Gellért tér) to come to the venue.

### **From Keleti Railway station:**

Take the bus Nr. 7. in the direction of Albertfalva vasútállomás to go to the Hotel Gellért. Get off at Szent Gellért square (Szent Gellért tér) to come to the venue.

### **From Nyugati Railway station:**

Take the metro line 3 (blue) in the direction of Kőbánya-Kispest, then change at Kálvin square (Kálvin tér) to metro line 4 (green) in the direction of Kelenföld. Get off at Szent Gellért square (Szent Gellért tér) to come to the venue.

### **Form Kelenföld Railway station:**

Take the metro line 4 (green) in the direction of Keleti pályaudvar. Get off at Szent Gellért square (Szent Gellért tér) to come to the venue.

### **By car:**

Parking around the Gellért Hotel is possible in the smaller streets, but needs to be paid for at the parking machines found on the streets (<http://parkall.hu/zone.html?>).

## **Lunch at the Workshop venue**

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For those who have asked for lunch, cost is 25 EUR + 10% service fee and includes a buffet lunch (appetizers, soups, main courses, dessert) and a soft drink and coffee or tea at the restaurant of the Hotel Gellért right next to the conference room.

The lunch needs to be paid during the first coffee break by each participant separately at the representatives of the Hotel, who will be available at these times at the workshop site. Please note, that the lunch can be paid either in cash in Hungarian Forints or by card. They don't accept Euros in cash.

## **Currency and use of credit/debit cards**

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In Hungary the official currency is Hungarian Forint (Ft or HUF). At some places they do accept Euros, but usually the conversion rate is not very good. However in most of the cases you can pay by credit/debit card, just in some very rare cases cash may be needed.