



MCPFE Expert Level Meeting 9-10 October, 2006, Warsaw, Poland

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

VENUE AND DATES

The meeting will be held in Warsaw on 9-10 October, 2006 at the **Hotel Holiday Inn**, 48/54 Złota Str. Warsaw, 00-120 Poland. The hotel is located in the city centre, in close vicinity of business, administrative and trading centres, not far from tourist and entertainment attractions of the town. Additional information is available at: www.orbisonline.pl and www.holiday-inn.com/warsawpoland

DOCUMENTATION

The meeting will be conducted in English and interpreted into Russian and French. The Background Documents will be delivered in the due time before the meeting.

CURRENCY

Polish official currency is zloty polski – PLN (1 EURO = ~ 4.00 PLN).

ARRIVAL DETAILS

The nearest major airport is Warsaw Frederic Chopin Airport, located 10 km southwest of Warsaw.

Getting in and out of the airport

Taxi: the taxi rank is located in front of the Arrivals Hall.

Bus: line: 175 (the bus stop is located in front of the Arrivals Hall).

Airport Info

The LOT Polish Airlines and Customs Information Point is located at the Departures Hall. Tourist Information Point is situated at the Arrivals Hall. More information is available at: www.polish-airports.com .

ACCOMMODATION

Participants are kindly requested to take care of their hotel booking. The Liaison Unit pre-booked rooms in 3 hotels. When booking please refer to the password: **MCPFE**. Please, kindly note that prices can slightly vary due to the exchange rate.

1. Hotel Holiday Inn ****

Pre-booking open until 22.09.2006

48/ 54 Zlota st.,
00-120 Warsaw

Phone: + 48 22 697 37 96
Fax : + 48 22 830 0568
e-mail: konf.holiday@orbis.pl

Single room: 90 EUR/night
Double room: 100 EUR/night

Public transportation from the airport:
bus - line 175 - (please get off at: Warszawa Centralna- Railway Station).

2. Hotel Jan III Sobieski ****

Pre-booking open until 15.09.2006

Plac A. Zawiszy, 1
02-025 Warsaw

Phone: +48 22 579 10 25; 579 10 28
Fax: +48 22 659 88 28; 658 13 65
e-mail: hotel@sobieski.com.pl; www.sobieski.com.pl

Single room: 79 EUR/night
Double room: 89 EUR/night

Public transportation from the airport:
bus –line 175 (please get off at Plac Zawiszy).

3. Hotel Campanile ***

Pre-booking open until 08.09.2006

Towarowa st. 2
00-811 Warsaw

Phone; (0048) 22 582 72 00
Fax: (0048) 22 582 72 01
e-mail: www.campanile.com.pl;
warszawa@campanile.com.pl

Week rate:
single room: 65 EUR/night
double room: 75 EUR/night
Weekend rate:
single room: 53 EUR/night
double room: 63 EUR/night

Public transportation from the airport:
bus- line 175 (please get off at: Plac Zawiszy).

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Please, contact the Liaison Unit Warsaw in order to find information on eligible countries.

GENERAL INFORMATION ON WARSAW

Situated in the Mazowieckie province, in east-central Poland, the city extends over the Wisla (Vistula River) and all the main tourist sites are on the left bank, while the right bank contains the increasingly fashionable Praga district. The tourist center of Warsaw is the 'Royal Route', which runs north-south from the New and Old Towns, past the shopping area of Nowy Swiat, and the royal gardens of Lazienki Park, before reaching Wilanow Palace to the south of the city centre. The city also prides itself on many green spaces, with flourishing parks, outdoor cafés and free classical concerts that attract crowds in the summer. The nightlife scene is equally interesting, with well dressed youth flocking to the countless bars and clubs of the city.

By the end of World War II, roughly 85% of the city were ruins while most of the population was killed, deported or sent to concentration camps. Much of Warsaw's historic centre was painstakingly recreated in the years after the war. Many of today's Old Town buildings are closer to the original architecture than they were before destruction, as the alterations of the intervening centuries were not incorporated in the reconstruction. The strikingly successful rebuilding of the Old Town was finally rewarded in 1980, when the entire complex earned its place on the UNESCO World Heritage List.

Warsaw is still Poland's largest city and the nation's economic, cultural and educational hub. The peak tourist season is from May to October, when the weather is most pleasant, although there can be some odd days when the temperature rises above 30°C . The temperature in October sometimes drops below 5 ° C thus a warm jacket will be necessary. Also, bringing an umbrella would be a good idea.

More information on Warsaw is available at: <http://www.explorewarsaw.com>