

Conference General Information

Conference Secretariat

The Conference Secretariat will operate at the foyer of Aegean Hall, during the following dates and hours:

Wednesday, 25 September 2013 17:00 – 20:00

Thursday, 26 September 2013 08:00 – 19:00

Friday 27, September 2013 08:00 – 19:00

Saturday, 28 September 2013 08:00 – 18:00

Conference material

Badges & Conference material for participants can be provided by the Conference Secretariat & Registration Desk. The badges are absolutely necessary for the admission and access to the Conference halls. The entrance to the halls will be monitoring by barcode system. 50% attendance to the scientific program of the conference is necessary for obtaining the Certificate.

Exhibition

During the Conference, exhibition of Pharmaceutical Companies will operate at Aegean Foyer

Exhibition Opening Times

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Internet access

Wireless Internet access is provided free of charge. Participants may use their own laptops. Passwords will be given by the Conference Secretariat.

Assistance

All Conference assistants will be wearing a name badge bearing STAFF logo. The assistants will be prompt to help you in any query or service required during the Conference.

Lost & Found

For lost & found items, please contact the Conference Secretariat.

Certificate of Attendance

A certificate of attendance will be available for all registered participants at the Conference Secretariat.

Official language

The Conference's official language is English. No interpretation will be provided.

Coffee & Lunch Breaks

Coffee and Lunch will be offered to all registered participants according to the time schedule announced in the Programme.

Getting to the Venue

The Metropolitan Hotel is at Faliron and the coastal zone of Athens. Access from the airport as follows:

By Taxi: Costs around 5€ from the city centre and around 35-40€ from the airport

By Bus: a) bus number X96 to Pireus (every 20 minutes, 5 € per person) "Flisvos" bus station. Then take the bus number B2 which takes only 5 minutes to the Hotel.

b) bus (number X95, every 20 minutes) or metro (line 3, every 30 minutes,) to Syntagma square. Then use Metropolitan Hotel free shuttle bus (leaving every hour – on the corner Ermou & Filellinon str. Opposite Mc Donald's) to the hotel.

Social Events

Welcome Reception

The Welcome Reception of the 5th International BBBB Conference will take place at the roof garden of Metropolitan Hotel. All Conference participants are invited.

Date: Wednesday, 25 September 2013

Time: 20:30 - 22:00

Place: Roof Garden – Metropolitan Hotel

Gala Dinner

The Official dinner of the Conference will take place at Eugenides Foundation which is located right across Metropolitan Hotel.

Date: Friday, 27 September 2013

Time: 20:00 - 23:00

Place: Eugenides Foundation – 2nd floor Peristyle (Tholos) - www.eugenfound.edu.gr

Destination Information

Public Transportation

Integrated Ticket: 1,40 € (valid for multiple trips on all public transport options, in urban zone -buses, trolleys, tram, metro, suburban railway-, in any direction for up to 90 minutes).

One Way Ticket: 1.20 € (valid only on buses and trolleys for only one trip.)

Airport Express Bus Lines Ticket: 5 € (valid only for one trip from or to the airport)

Airport Metro And Suburban Railway Ticket: 8 € (valid only for one trip from or to the airport)

Day ticket: 4 € (valid for all means of public transport for 24 hours)

Weekly ticket: 14 € (valid for all means of public transport for 7 days)

Currency & Banking

Greece is a full member of the European Union since 1981 and its currency is the Euro (€). All major credit cards are widely accepted in Greece. ATMs and Exchange Offices are widely available. Foreign currency may be exchanged to Euros at most Greek and foreign banks and at exchange bureaus located in the city centre. Travellers are kindly requested to bring their passport when exchanging money as they will need it for the transaction. Traveller's checks and credit cards issued by major companies are also widely recognized and an accepted means of purchasing items in Athens.

Shopping

Shopping in Athens can be a fascinating and satisfying experience for all. There are many well-known international name brand outlets and traditional Greek art and folklore shops. The visitor must make sure to stop in at least one of the many wonderful year-round outdoor cafes and restaurants in order to make his experience of shopping in the Athenian way, complete!

Shopping Hours:

Major outlets: Monday - Friday, 09:00 to 21:00

Saturday, 09:00 to 18:00

Other Shops: Monday, Wednesday & Saturday, 09:00 to 15:30

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 09:00 to 20:30

Insurance & Liability

The Organizers accept no liability for any personal injury, loss or damage of property or additional expenses incurred to Conference participants either during the conference or as result of delays, strikes or any other circumstances. Participants are requested to make their own arrangements with respect to health and travel insurance.

Electricity

The electricity current in Greece is 220v, 50Hz and the socket type is European Standard.

Health

Public hospitals work on a rotation basis with regards to dealing with emergency incidents. To find out which hospitals are open for emergency incidents at a specific time, dial 14944. Treatment in public hospitals is free of charge.

Restaurants

Restaurants and taverns are normally open for lunch from 12.30hrs to 16.00hrs, for dinner from 19.00hrs to midnight. Fast food and Souvlaki shops usually serve food all day long, and some of them stay open till late at night.

Cafes and Bars are open all day long until late at night.

Tipping

Tipping is not compulsory, but it is quite usual in Greece.

Weather

The average temperature in Athens in September is 20-30°C.

Telecommunications

The international access code for Greece is +30 and for Athens 210.

The outgoing code is 00 followed by the relevant country code.

Mobile Phones

Please note that mobile phones must be switched off during all sessions.

Emergency Phone numbers

Ambulance 166

Emergency Fire Brigade 199

Emergency Hospitals 14944

Athens International Airport [210 3530000](tel:2103530000)

Pharmacies on duty 14944

Poisoning Treatment Centre [210 7793777](tel:2107793777)

Police 100

SOS Doctors 1016

Telephone Directory Service 11888

Tourist Police 71

European Emergency Number 112

Smoking policy

Starting from July 1st 2009 smoking is prohibited by law in all indoor public areas in Greece.

Time

Greece is two hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time GMT+2

Greece 12:00 - London 10:00 - New York 05:00 – Sydney 20:00

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