



CHARM-EU ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2024 – PRACTICAL INFORMATION



We are delighted and honoured that you accepted our invitation to attend and contribute to the 2024 CHARM-EU Annual Conference. In this document, we provide you with the essential practical information to ensure a joyful conference experience.

Event information and venues

Date: 5 November 2024, 8:30 - 20:30

Main venue (A): Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE), H-1053 Budapest, Egyetem tér 1-3. Aula Magna (how to arrive: <u>https://maps.app.goo.gl/ArmsBK1UNUL1prU99</u>)

Some of the workshops and the evening sessions will be organised at a different venue. Organizing team members will assist you during the short walk to the workshop venues.

Venue B (workshops 1 & 3): ELTE Faculty of Humanities, H-1088 Budapest, Múzeum krt. 4/F. (how to arrive: <u>https://maps.app.goo.gl/QymFK6EpWbAR7RC77</u>. **See campus map here.**)

Venue C (workshop 5): ELTE University Library and Archives, H-1053 Budapest, Ferenciek tere 6. (how to arrive: <u>https://maps.app.goo.gl/TGNpas7VxVYK1k637</u>)

Venue D (evening sessions): ELTE Faculty of Humanities, H-1088 Budapest, Múzeum krt. 4/G. "Gólyavár" (how to arrive: <u>https://maps.app.goo.gl/jGLsriyfVKMMYL7d9</u>. **See campus map here**.)

Download our interactive map with all the venues here.

Format: On-site with plenary sessions live streamed on the CHARM-EU YouTube Channel



Speech-to-Text Reporters will provide real-time captioning. Their expertise is essential to cater to the greatest level of attendees' access and participation needs. Inclusion by design means designing the environment from the beginning to the greatest extent of users. This is a preventive approach (rather than fixing the environment retrospectively) along with the hybrid feature, in line with core CHARM-EU values.

Website: https://www.charm-eu.eu/charm-eu-annual-conference-2024

Agenda

8:30 - 9:00: Registration

9:00 – 9:30: Welcome addresses





9:30 - 10:00: Keynote speech (Venue A)

- 10:15 11:30: Intercultural awareness in European Universities Alliances Panel session (Venue A)
- 11:30 13:00: Group photo and Lunch Break (Venue A)
- 13:00 13:30: Opening of the CHARM-EU Cultural Festival (Venue A)
- 13:30 14:45: Global South Perspectives in European Higher Education Panel session (Venue A)
- 14:45 15:15: Coffee break and short walk to the different venues of the workshops
- 15:15 16:45: Workshop sessions (some of them at a different venue)
- Session 1: Developing an intercultural positionality resource for Challenge Based Learning (Venue B)
- Session 2: Exchange students' interculturality experiences (Venue A)
- Session 3: Culture(s) and Story Circles (Venue B)
- Session 4: Interactive debate on the AI era challenges of multilingualism in Europe (Venue A)

Session 5: Cross-institutional and intercultural collaboration: A look into the European University Alliances' joint virtual offices and interconnected support structures (<u>Venue C</u>)

16:45 - 18:00: Break

- 18:00 19:00: Poster session on intercultural best practices (Venue D)
- 19:00 19:15: Closing speech (Venue D)
- 19:15 20:30: Evening programme (Venue D)

Travel to Budapest

Budapest is rich in natural beauty and pearls of architecture and it is also a UNESCO cultural heritage site. Located in the centre of Europe, it is easily reachable from any European country.

Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport serves flights to all major European destinations and Budapest, due to its central location, can also be easily reached by train, bus or car. For more information please visit:

Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport

MÁV – The Hungarian Railways

Important: From July to 31 December 2024, Hungary is holding the rotating presidency of the Council of the EU. During this period, an increased number of delegations will be visiting Hungary, primarily via Ferenc Liszt International Airport. A number of high-level meetings will take place between the 4th and 8th of November as well (you can find the <u>official calendar of meetings here</u>). Please consider that travel between the airport and city center might take more time than usual.

How to get to the city centre from the airport?

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BKK airport shuttle bus

Airport shuttle bus 100E is in operation between Liszt Ferenc International Airport and Deák Ferenc tér, one of Budapest's major transport hubs, running via Kálvin tér. This bus operates seven days a week (every 6-15 minutes during the day, 30-40 minutes during the night).

The 100E shuttle bus provides a convenient, cost-effective and fast connection between the airport and the city centre. The service is only available with an airport shuttle bus single ticket, which costs 2200 HUF. Please note that other tickets or passes are not valid for this service.

More details about the 100E airport shuttle bus:

https://bkk.hu/en/travel-information/airport-express

Public transport from the airport to the city centre

Bus line 200E operates 24 hours a day according to the usual schedule (every 10-12 minutes during the day, 30-60 minutes during the night) between the airport and Kőbánya-Kispest.

Passengers require a valid ticket or pass (please note that the Airport Shuttle Bus Single Ticket is not accepted on bus line 200E). You can use a single ticket (450 HUF), a travel card (e.g. 90-minutes ticket for 750 HUF) or a pass (e.g.15-days pass) for this service. Ticket types and prices can be found here: https://bkk.hu/en/tickets-and-passes/prices/

When the bus 200E arrives from the airport to Kőbánya-Kispest, which is the other end of the bus line, you should change to metro M3 or Blue Line. Follow the signs from the bus stop to the metro station (it is the terminus so you cannot miss the right direction). Please make sure you take one of the blue or white metro carriages and not a railway train (as the railway station is next to the metro station) to go to the city centre (Kálvin tér or Deák Ferenc tér).

Please note that if you used a single ticket in bus 200E, you need another ticket for using the metro.

Airport Shuttle

The official airport shuttle for Budapest Airport is **miniBUD**, which transports passengers in mini or ordinary buses/coaches. The service can be ordered on the spot or in advance for a certain time and date. Drivers speak foreign languages and are absolutely familiar with the traffic in Budapest, the shortest and fastest routes, so it is an ideal solution for passengers to reach their destination easily, fast and safely.

A one-way transfer to the city centre costs appr. 26 EUR (10000 HUF), a return ticket costs appr. 47 EUR (18000 HUF) per person. The service is cheaper for more than one travellers. More information about miniBUD and booking options: <u>https://www.minibud.hu</u>

Taxi

Főtaxi is the taxi company that can operate taxi service at the airport. Reservations can be made in person at the Főtaxi booths located at the exits of Terminals 2A and 2B. At the taxi ranks in front of the stands, taxis are continuously waiting for passengers. (Please be careful and always choose a taxi that belongs to a specific taxi company.)

A ride to the city centre should typically cost around 10800 HUF (28 EUR), depending on traffic conditions.

More information about the taxi service at the airport: <u>https://www.bud.hu/en/passengers/transport/airport_transfer_and_other_services/taxi</u>





Public transport in Budapest

You can find travel and ticket information, timetables and a trip planner on the website of **BKK** (Budapesti Közlekedési Központ), which operates the public transport system in Budapest: <u>https://bkk.hu/en/</u>

Tickets can only be purchased for Forint (HUF). A single ticket (valid for one ride) costs 450 HUF. More information about the ticket types and prices can be found here: <u>https://bkk.hu/en/tickets-and-passes/prices/</u>

You can also download the BKK application to your mobile phone, called **BudapestGo**. With the help of the app, you can buy your BKK mobile tickets: https://bkk.hu/en/tickets-and-passes/budapestgo/

Google Maps is also a reliable option for planning your journey.

You can find more details about travel options, daytime and night transport in Budapest here:

https://bkk.hu/en/visiting-budapest/travel-options/

Hotel options

If you are a visitor at ELTE, we recommend you the following hotels close to our campuses in the downtown of Budapest.

- <u>IBIS Budapest Centrum Hotel</u>*** (Ráday Street)
- <u>Mercure Budapest Korona Hotel</u>**** (Kálvin Square)
- <u>Hotel Erzsébet City Center</u>*** (Károlyi Mihály Street)
- <u>Hotel Astoria</u>**** (Kossuth Lajos Street)

For further information, please contact the hotels directly.

Useful information

Local time zone

Hungary is in the Central European Time (CET) zone, UTC+1.

Currency

The Hungarian currency is Forint (HUF/Ft).

Although there are some stores that accept Euro, as well, the exchange rates at these places often do not follow the most up-to-date bank rates, and it is not in favour of the customers. Thus, we advise you to change money at home, at the airport or at the train station.

You can also use your credit cards in almost each stores, restaurants and hotels.

Tap water

The tap water is potable in Hungary.

Electricity in Hungary

Electricity in Hungary is the European standard: 220-240 V. If you are coming from a country with a different standard for electricity, you may need an adapter or a voltage converter to use your electronic devices.





Electrical sockets (outlets) in Hungary are one of the two European standard electrical socket types: The "Type C" Europlug and the "Type E" and "Type F" Schuko. If your appliance's plug does not match the shape of these sockets, you will need a travel plug adapter in order to plug in.

No smoking indoor

Smoking is strictly prohibited in restaurants, bars, clubs, at bus stops and in 50 m area of public institutions.

In case of emergency

Pharmacies are usually open until 8 p.m., but some are open around the clock where pharmacists work on night duty. Please note, that if you go to a pharmacy in the evening or during the night, you have to go to a special window and sometimes ring a bell, too.

A 24-hour pharmacy in the city centre: Teréz Patika (1067 Budapest, Teréz körút 41.)

Emergency numbers

- Ambulance: 104
- Police: 107
- Fire department: 105
- Central ER number: 112

Contact information

In case of any questions, queries, or emergencies, please, contact Maria Szulovszky, CHARM-EU Communications Officer at ELTE, <u>maria.szulovszky@rk.elte.hu</u>.

If you need an attendance certificate, please contact <u>blanca.burillo@ub.edu</u>.

On behalf of the community of CHARM-EU we wish you a fruitful conference!