Workshop on Gender Statistics for Countries of Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia, 27 – 28 November 2017

and

Work Session on Gender Statistics 29 November – 1 December 2017

Hotel Metropol Palace, Bulevar Kralja Aleksandra 69, Belgrade 11000, Serbia

Nikola Tesla conference rooms B & C

LOGISTICAL INFORMATION NOTE

I. BASIC INFORMATION AND REMINDERS


All participants (including local participants) must register online by Friday 27 October 2017:

- Work Session: bit.ly/unecegenderworksession2017register
- Workshop for countries of Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia: bit.ly/unecegenderstatsEECCA2017register

II. VENUE AND ACCOMMODATION

The events will take place in the Hotel Metropol Palace, Belgrade.

Participants (other than those funded by UNECE) and/or their offices are requested to make their own travel arrangements and hotel reservations. The secretariat has contacted separately those participants whose participation is funded by UNECE.
Participants wishing to stay in the Hotel Metropol Palace may reserve a standard single room at a cost of €101.50 per night including breakfast and occupancy tax. To take advantage of this price, use the online booking form (bit.ly/genderstatshotelbooking) and book by 25 October (participants funded by UNECE do not need to book a hotel room). For information about the hotel visit www.metropolpalace.com.

Participants wishing to stay elsewhere may consult the Belgrade tourist information website, www.tob.rs. Some of the other hotels in the vicinity include:

- Crystal Hotel Belgrade: www.crystalhotel.rs
- Zira Hotel: www.zirahotels.com
- Park Hotel: www.hotelparkbeograd.rs/en
- Hotel Moskva: www.hotelmoskva.rs
- Hotel Slavija Lux: www.slavijahotel.com
- Hotel Excelsior: www.hotelexcelsior.co.rs
- Hotel Argo: www.argohotelbelgrade.com
- Holiday Inn Express Belgrade City: www.hiexpress.com

III. VISAS

Participants travelling to Serbia must have a valid passport and, if required, a visa. Applications for visas should be made as soon as possible to the Embassy of the Republic of Serbia in the country in which the participant resides, with reference to the UNECE Work Session and/or Workshop on Gender Statistics. If necessary, a letter to facilitate obtaining a visa can be obtained from the Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia. Please contact Dragana Djokovic-Papic, ddjokovic_papic[at]stat.gov.rs, to request such a letter.

IV. DINING

Participants in the Workshop (27-28 November) will be provided with a business lunch in the conference venue. Lunches will not be provided during the Work Session.

In the immediate vicinity of the hotel there are many restaurants, bakeries and markets.

V. TRANSPORT

Airport

Belgrade Nikola Tesla Airport is located 18 kilometres away from the city centre (website www.beg.aero/en/strana/11/welcome).

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1 Information on visa requirements can be found on the website of the Serbian Ministry of Foreign Affairs at http://www.mfa.gov.rs/en/consular-affairs/entry-serbia/visa-regime
**Airport transfers**

Most hotels provide a transfer service to and from the airport. If staying in the conference hotel, you may book transfers at a cost of €15 per person each way, at the time of making your hotel room booking using the online form. If staying elsewhere, please check with your hotel.

**Taxis to and from the airport**

Contact the Taxi Info desk located in the baggage reclaim area of the airport for a taxi service from Belgrade Nikola Tesla Airport to any destination in Belgrade. You should request a taxi receipt, which contains the name of your destination and the appropriate price for the taxi service. The Hotel Metropol Palace and all other suggested hotels are in zone 2. The journey will cost RSD 1,800 one-way (approximately €15).

**Buses to and from the airport**

There are two possibilities for buses to and from the airport:

- City Transport Company Beograd (GSP Beograd) Line 72 (Route: Airport - Zeleni venac). Ticket price is RSD 89 (approx. €1), if ticket is bought in a kiosk, or RSD 150 (approx. €1.50) if ticket is purchased on board the bus. Approximate travel time is 30 minutes.
- or A1 Mini bus (Route: Airport - Slavija Square). Ticket price is RSD 300 (approx. €3.00) and should be purchased on the bus. Approximate travel time is 30-40 minutes.


**Public transport**

Public transport within the city of Belgrade is provided by GSP Beograd, via a network of buses, trolleybuses and trams. Non-residents are advised to purchase a paper ‘Bus Plus’ single-use card from a kiosk (RSD 40, plus the cost of the chosen single-ride or multi-ride ticket). A 90-minute ticket for zone 1 (Central Belgrade) costs RSD 89; a 1-day ticket costs RSD 280; a 3-day ticket costs RSD 720; and a 5-day ticket costs RSD 1100. All tickets must be validated on machines inside the vehicle.


**VI. GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT BELGRADE**

**Weather**

With a continental climate, temperatures in Belgrade during November-December typically range from a low of 0°C to a high of 11°C. A ten-day forecast can be found at [https://weather.com/weather/tenday/l/Belgrade+SRXX0005:1:SR](https://weather.com/weather/tenday/l/Belgrade+SRXX0005:1:SR)
**Currency**

The official currency in Serbia is the dinar (RSD). Money may be exchanged in all major malls, banks and post offices, as well as in authorized exchange offices. The exchange rate is around 124 RSD per 1 EUR, subject to daily market fluctuations.

Official exchange rates can be found at: [www.nbs.rs/export/sites/default/internet/english/scripts/kl_srednji.html](http://www.nbs.rs/export/sites/default/internet/english/scripts/kl_srednji.html)

American Express, Diners Club, Visa, Master Card, Maestro, Dina Card and Post Card are widely accepted in shops, hotels and restaurants.

**Time Zone**

Serbia is located in the Central European time zone: (GMT +1 during the winter months).

**Electricity**

The electricity voltage in Belgrade is 220V. Electrical outlets are standard European.

**Water**

Tap water in Belgrade is safe to drink, in general. For your safety, please check at the hotel reception.

**Useful telephone numbers**

- Police: +381 11 192
- Fire Department: +381 11 193
- Ambulance: +381 11 194
- Medical Clinic Centre: +381 11 361 7777
- Belgrade Airport information: +381 11 209 4444
- Taxis:
  - Yellow Taxi: +381 19802
  - Pink Taxi: +381 11 19803
  - Gold Taxi: +381 11 19806
  - Alfa Taxi: +381 19807
  - Lux Taxi: +381 11 303 3123.

**VII. FOR WORKSHOP PARTICIPANTS ONLY: SORS VISIT AND SOCIAL EVENT**

**Statistical office visit**

On the afternoon of Tuesday 28 November, following the workshop for EECCA countries, workshop participants will visit the Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia (SORs). The visit will begin at 14:30 (Address: Milana Rakica 5).

In front of the Hotel Metropol Palace, marked ‘A’ on the map, there is a tram station called Pravni Fakultet (Faculty of Law) marked with the red arrow below. Take tram number 6, 7 or 14 and travel four stops, to Pop Stojanova (intermediate stops are Vukov spomenik, opstina
Zvezdara, Pijaca Djeram). Trams are frequent, approximately every ten minutes. Alternatively, it is a 2.2 kilometre (30 minute) walk. SORS is marked ‘B’ on the map.

The Faculty of Law is marked with a purple star on the map, Nikola Tesla monument (in front of the building with several faculties) with an orange star, Vuk Stefanovic Karadzic monument with a blue star, and there is an open-air green market marked with a green star.
**Dinner on Monday 27 November**

Workshop participants are warmly welcome to join in a group dinner (at participants’ own expense) with national cuisine, at 19:00 at the restaurant *Orašac*, Bulevar Kralja Aleksandra 122, [http://www.restoranorasac.com/en/about](http://www.restoranorasac.com/en/about). The restaurant is 600m from the conference hotel, on the same street.

Dinner will include appetizers, roast meat and fish, salads, 2 drinks, and coffee. The dinner will cost approximately RSD 2,400 (approx. €20), which will be collected in cash from each participant.

**If you wish to join the dinner, please sign up in advance at this link by Wednesday 22 November at the latest:**
[https://doodle.com/poll/kdwuizibywdus27a](https://doodle.com/poll/kdwuizibywdus27a)
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