



Music 4 Freedom

Transnational Meeting

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2023 Hosting Organisation:

^{CPIP} Timisoara, Romania

Info Pack



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Timisoara is the capital city of Timis County and the main economic, social and cultural center in Western Romania.

The city assimilated the influences of the two former imperial capitals (Vienna and Budapest), being the first city in the Habsburg Monarchy with street lighting (1760) and the first European city to be lit by electric streetlamps in 1884.

Timisoara is a multicultural city, being the home of 21 different ethnicities and 18 religions. Interculturality has long been a special characteristic for the western part of the country.

Nicknamed the "Little Vienna" or the "City of Flowers", Timişoara is noted for its large number of historical monuments and its 36 parks and green spaces.

EUROPEAN CAPITAL OF CULTURE 2023



The title of European Capital of Culture for Timisoara was postponed from 2021 to 2023. Timişoara is the second Romanian city to be chosen as a European Capital of culture after Sibiu was granted the title in 2007.

As the beautiful city is going to attract many visitors from across Europe and beyond, the mix of languages spoken and the activities around town are planned to be just as diverse, colorful and exciting.

The concept for Timisoara as cultural capital is inspired by the metaphor of light "Shine your light – Light up your city!", which refers to the fact that this was the first place in mainland Europe to have electric street lighting.

HOW TO REACH TIMISOARA

The International Airport "Traian Vuia" is situated at 12 km North-East distance from the center of Timisoara. The airport has daily connections to several European countries: Italy, Germany, Great Britain, Belgium, Holland, France, Spain, in summer also to Greece and Turkey. Flight companies which operate on the airport in Timişoara are: Tarom, Blue Air, Lufthansa, Air France, Alitalia, Ryanair and Wizzair.





Transportation from/to "Traian Vuia" International Airport

Access to the airport with public transportation: From Timisoara to the "Traian Vuia" airport one can get by the following express buses:

- 1. Express 4 (<u>between airport and bus stop'Bastion'', close to the city center</u>) OR
- 2. <u>Express 4b</u> (between airport and the <u>North Railway</u> Station)

Tickets for the express buses can be purchased in Timisoara at kiosks that display the RATT logo and from most of the newspaper kiosks. And also at the airport, at the ticket counter (which is open nonstop at the Internal Flights Terminal) You have to buy the tickets in advance and validate them on the bus. A ticket for 1 express ride costs - 4 RON (0,81 EUR)

Also, most of the TAXI companies (TUDO, RADIO, FAN) are present at the airport. The prices are between 0.55-0.65 EURO/km. (Exchange rate 2,72 - 3,22 RON) You can pay cash in Romanian currency or by card!

Also, Uber and Bolt are available in Timisoara.



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MEETING PLACE

The meeting place will take place at Atlas Hotel (Adress: Piata Sfantul Gheorghe nr 2-3, 300085 Timisoara, Romania).

Hotel Atlas is located in the city center of Timişoara and within walking distance of the city's most important sights and attractions.

ATLAS HOTEL embodies the history of Olympus that continues to stimulate the imagination of researchers and history enthusiasts! In creating the hotel's ambience, the designer Aurelian Scorobete, has combined two opposing trends, antique-modern, dominating the Art Deco style.

ATLAS HOTEL welcomes you to the heart of one of the youngest, most innovative and culturally bursting cities in Romania. The 4-star hotel will surprise you with its Art Deco style! It's all about elegance and harmony, hospitality and positive energy!



CPIP WILL OFFER COFFEE, TEA, LUNCH AND OTHER SNACKS DURING THE TRANSNATIONAL PROJECT MEETING!

For accommodation, we recommend you the same hotel!

II. Accommodation with breakfast

SINGLE ROOM – 72 euro/ night **I.** Accommodation with breakfast

DOUBLE ROOM – 92 euro/ night

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Other accommodation options:

- HOTEL CONTINENTAL
- HOTEL CENTRAL
- HOTELTIMISOARA

There are also many other hotels or apartments in the central area on Booking or Airbnb.

Useful telephones and emergencies

Country calling code: +40

Timisoara Traian Vuia Airport: 0256/386089

Emergency number: 112

Taxi:

- TUDO: 0256 945
- RADIO: 0256 940
- FAN: 0256 444 944

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CENTRAL POINT /ATTRACTIONS IN TIMISOARA



Timisoara Orthodox Metropolitan Cathedral Unirii Square

Theresia Bastion

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Is the most important building for the Orthodox Romanians in the Banat -Romania region and one of the most popular destinations in all of Romania.

Located in the front of the city center, the cathedral is found at the most strategic and focal point of the entire city.

The Cathedral houses some of the rarest relics and most important religious artifacts found in the entire land.

The church's architecture uses Moldavian, Byzantine, Gothic, Ottoman, and Renaissance, element style. Is located in the center of Timisoara, inside the walls of the former city and is the oldest square in the city, made in Baroque style. Throughout its history the square had different names and the Unirii Square name was given only in 1919, when Romanian troops entered Timisoara.

Unirii square hosts important objectives, such as: the Roman Catholic Cathedral, the Baroque Palace, the Serbian Orthodox Cathedral, the Monument of the Holy Trinity, other architectural monuments.



Named after the Austrian Empress Maria Theresa is the largest preserved piece of defensive wall of the Austrian-Hungarian fortress of Timişoara. It was built between 1732–1734.

Today it is used as a passage, but it also houses commercial spaces, restaurants, bars, a disco and a library, and two permanent exhibitions of the Museum of Banat, the Information and Communications Technology "Violin - a passion for life", and the Ethnography Museum Village.



The National Opera House

Being establishing in 1946, is a cultural public institution subordinated to the Ministry of Culture, his activity being held on annual artistic seasons, performing opera, operetta, ballet and opera for children's performances, at home as well abroad.





The Timisoara Art Museum

The building, located in Unirii Square, is a historical building that dates back to the 18th century. It was initially designed as an administrative building. It started hosting the Art Museum in 2006.

Bega River

The river brings vibe to the city. The banks of the river have lots of bars and cafes with restaurant boats and bars actually in the water. The environment is very enjoyable and is central to the town.





On 24th of September 2004, the Opera House received the title of National Opera House, as recognition of his special merits, for all hard work in the service of Romanian art and culture in the country and abroad.

The Romanian Revolution of December 1989, started at Timisoara, began and developed in the building of the Opera House. The museum's permanent collections include contemporary art, decorative art (mainly ceramics and glass), a collection of European drawings and engravings dating from the 15th to the 19th century, European art – the private collection of European art gathered by Ormós Zsigmond, several art

To admire the places, and parks (like The Rose Park, The Children's Park or Alpinet Park) that are situated on both banks of the river you can take the public bus boat and make a short journey, Timisoara being the first city on the Romanian territory with water transport for passengers.

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