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LENA Partner Meeting in Bucharest

15-18th April 2019, Bucharest, Romania

Dear LENA partners!

WWF Romania kindly invites you to participate in the sixth official LENA partner meeting. The working language of the meeting will be English. The expenses for this event need to be reported under WP6.

Venue:

ATHÉNÉE PALACE HILTON HOTEL, 1-3 Episcopiei Street, Bucharest,
bucharest.hilton.com, on 15-16th April

Mezanin @ Palatul Universul, 23-25 Ion Brezoianu street, Bucharest,
<https://www.facebook.com/mezaninspace/>, on 17th April

Comana Nature Park and Ciocănești Natura 2000 site, on 18th April

Registration:

Please officially register for the meeting before the **30th of March 2019** by updating the registration form (on **Google Drive**). Please list [here](#) as well associated partners participating in the partner meeting on 15-18th April, external stakeholders participating in the Danube Guides side event on 16th April and stakeholders and policy makers participating in the Policy Workshop on 17th April.

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1tisnKtlzVcNqAHTBzNoSEbN600v_04QrMmlWJF4Nz0/edit#gid=635941955



Accommodation:

Please booking the room at Hilton Hotel no later than **March 30th**. (Details in accompanying E-mail and below).

Inviting the stakeholders and policy makers:

We would like to inform you that during the 6th partner meeting will take place two sides events: **Danube Guides networking meeting (16th April – Hilton Hotel)** and **Policy workshop on nature-based businesses and jobs in the Danube region (17th April – Mezanin @ Palatul Universul)**.

We would also like to remind you that for this events it is needed to invite and come with external stakeholders and policy makers from your country or region. Please plan being accompanied by 2-3 stakeholders and/or policy makers.

Please note that travel expenses, accommodation and daily allowance may be covered by their organization or by inviting partners (e.g. through a contract with the stakeholder).

The purpose of "**Policy workshop on nature-based businesses and jobs creation in the Danube region**", which we want to be organized under the auspices of the Presidency Romania to SUERD, is to create a regional opportunity for the dissemination of policy recommendations and action points identified primarily through LENA project and aimed at the creation of nature-based businesses and jobs in EU countries along the Danube. Also, through this workshop we want to involve relevant key policy and decision makers in the process to identify the best ways to act using the recommendations from the five fields of priority: management and conservation of protected areas, sustainable agriculture and fishing, and ecotourism and e-mobility.

In these sectors, the recommendations put forward relate to three main themes: 1) job creation based on the sustainable use of natural resources, 2) incentives to improve the implementation of business based on nature conservation in and around protected natural areas and 3) funding integrated nature conservation.

The policy workshop will include both presentations and activities that will require teamwork.

We are looking forward to seeing you in Bucharest!



Preliminary Agenda

Sunday, April 14 th , 2019		
Time	Program	Comments
By 19:00	Arrival of participants at Hilton Hotel	<i>Ad hoc meetings for those who arrive on Sunday</i>
19:30 – 21:30	Dinner at the Hilton Hotel for participants arriving on Sunday	1-3 Episcopiei Street, Bucharest

Monday, April 15 th , 2019 – Partner meeting		
Time	Program	Comments
11:00 – 11:30	Registration & coffee	Hilton Hotel, 1-3 Episcopiei Street, Bucharest
11:30 – 11:40	Welcoming words	
11:40 – 12:00	LENA overview	<i>Main updates & overlook</i>
12:00 – 12:30	WP2 – Communication	<i>General updates, reminders and important information</i>
12:30 – 13:30	WP6 – Policy	<i>Discussing on the results from factsheets' dissemination and plan the next steps; overview & partners present their experience</i>
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch	
14:30 – 15:00	WP3 – Capacity Building Guidance	<i>Presentation and discussion of the final draft, feedback from all partners, next steps</i>
15:00 – 15:30	WP3 – Increasing Market Access Guidance	<i>Presentation and discussion of the final draft, feedback from all partners, next steps</i>
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee break	
16:00 – 16:30	WP3 – Communication Guidance	<i>Presentation and discussion of the final draft, feedback from all partners, next steps</i>
16:30 – 17:00	WP3 – Financing Guidance	<i>Presentation and discussion of the final draft, feedback from all partners, next steps</i>
18:00 – 19:30	Bucharest Sightseeing	<i>optional</i>
19:30 – 22:30	Official project dinner at “Lacrimi și Sfinți”	16 Șepcari, Old Town, Bucharest



Tuesday, April 16 th , 2019 – Partner meeting		
Time	Program	Comments
9:00 – 9:30	Registration	<i>Hilton Hotel, 1-3 Episcopiei Street, Bucharest</i>
9:30 – 10:30	WP1 & Steering Committee meeting	
10:30 – 11:30	WP4 – E-mobility	<i>WP overview & next steps; all nature routes and e-mobility partners</i>
11:30 – 12:00	Group Photo and Coffee break	
12:00 – 12:30	WP5 – Nature Capital	<i>WP overview & next steps, all partners</i>
12:30 – 13:00	WP4 – Danube Guides	<i>WP overview & next steps, all partners</i>
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 15:00	<i>Side meetings: WP4 Danube Guides (Networking meeting) & WP5 Natural Capital (Wild Plants, Agriculture, Fisheries learning interactions) – Part 1</i>	<i>Separate working sessions with partners & stakeholders</i>
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee break	
15:30 – 17:30	<i>Side meetings: WP4 Danube Guides (Networking meeting) & WP5 Natural Capital (Wild Plants, Agriculture, Fisheries learning interactions) – Part 2</i>	<i>Separate working sessions with partners & stakeholders</i>
17:30 – 18:00	Closing	<i>Conclusions & next steps; What happens after LENA?</i>
19:00 – 22:00	Official project dinner at “La Copac”	23 Pitar Moș,, Bucharest



Wednesday, April 17 th , 2019 – Policy workshop on nature based businesses and jobs in the Danube region		
Time	Program	Comments
8:30 – 9:00	Registration	<i>Mezanin @ Palatul Universul, 23-25 Ion Brezoianu street, Bucharest</i>
9:00 – 9:30	Welcome & agenda by moderator + Opening speech by host	<i>Opening words WWF Romania</i>
9:30 – 10:00	Introduction & results of the LENA project	<i>LENA project presentation – objectives, partner network, results</i>
Nature-based businesses and jobs integration through EU policy		
10:00 – 10:30	Biodiversity financing in the future EU budget, with focus on opportunities for green business and jobs in different sectors – DG Envi, EC	<i>Presentation of the EU policy post 2020 on biodiversity and nature-based solutions</i>
10:30 – 11:00	Rural development through CAP 2014- 2020 – support for green jobs and businesses in 2014-2020 and in the future – DG Agri, EC	<i>Presentation of the CAP 2014- 2020 and post 2020 on green jobs and nature-based businesses</i>
11:00 – 11:30	How many green jobs and businesses are there currently in the EU and in which sectors & outlook – DG Grow, EC	<i>Presentation of the status of green jobs and nature-based businesses in EU</i>
11:30 – 12:00	Coffee break	
12:00 – 12:30	EUSDR – nature-based solutions within the Danube Strategy Action Plan	<i>Presentation of the revised Action Plan and nature-based solutions integrated in the AP</i>
12:30 – 13:00	New financing period 2021 – 2027 – nature-based funding opportunities in Romania	<i>Presentation of the context/status of the new programming period for EU funding in Romania</i>
13:00 – 13:30	Q&A all EU reps & RO reps (panel)	
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch break	
Recommendations and strategic action points for nature-based businesses and jobs integration in the policy framework		
14:30 – 15:00	Policy analysis results and recommendations on nature-based businesses and jobs integration	<i>Results from LENA project policy analysis and countries factsheets</i>
	Strategic action points for five LENA sectors (PAs management, sustainable agriculture & fisheries, wild-plants marketing, tourism and e-mobility)	<i>Presentation of the report main findings</i>



15:00 – 15:10	Working groups – introduction	<i>Explain the methodology and form the thematic working groups</i>
15:10 – 16:00	Working in thematic groups	<i>Working sessions with participants on the conclusions of policy reports</i>
15:50 – 16:00	Coffee break	
16:00 – 16:20	Working groups – presentation	<i>Groups presentations and discussions in plenary</i>
Best practices of nature-based businesses and jobs		
16:20 – 16:40	Serbia study case – Nature-based solutions integration in the Management Plan for Vojvodina	
16:40 – 17:00	Hungary study case	
17:00 – 17:20	Romania study case	
17:20 – 17:30	Conclusions and closing	
19:00 – 23:00	Official workshop dinner at “Vatra”	<i>19 Ion Brezoianu street, near Cișmigiu Gardens, Bucharest</i>

Thursday , April 18th, 2019 – Field trips to RO pilot sites: Comana and Ciocănești (optional)		
Time	Program	Comments
10:00	Departure from Bucharest (hotel)	Participants need to choose among two options: Comana Nature Park and Ciocănești pilot site . <i>Note that due to logistics constraints for Ciocănești only 16 seats are available.</i>
11:00 – 13:00	<i>Visiting LENA RO pilot sites: Comana NP or Ciocănești N2k site</i>	<i>Visit to the Comana Natural Park: waking trip in the park with guide, boat trip on the lake, visit to cultural local initiatives (e.g. “Moara de Hartie” project) and Comana Monastery.</i> <i>OR</i> <i>Visit to the Ciocănești pilot site: cycling on one of the Nature Routes, visiting local craftsmen, bird watching.</i>
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch break	<i>Casa Comana or Ciocănești Fish Farm</i>
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17:00	Departure to Bucharest	



Practical Information

Accommodation:

The address of **ATHÉNÉE PALACE HILTON HOTEL** is (see on [map](#)):

ATHÉNÉE PALACE HILTON BUCHAREST

1-3 Episcopiei Street, Bucharest, District 1 010292, Romania, bucharest.hilton.com

Contact person: VALENTINA PREDA, valentina.preda@hilton.com, tel: +4 0731 305 799

The prices for rooms in the hotel are as follow:

§ Single room: 100 €

§ Double room: 110 €

The prices include breakfast, internet Wi-Fi, acces to health club (pool, jacuzzi, sauna, gym).

NOTE: If you use booking.com or other aggregator website to book your reservation, we cannot guarantee the reduced price.

To book your room, please click the **“BOOK NOW”** in the accompanying E-mail.

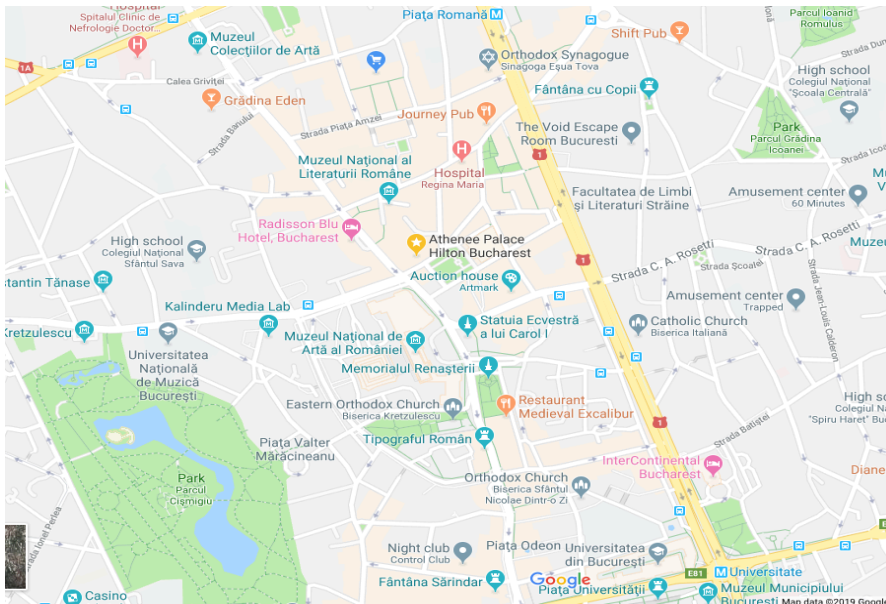
Please reserve your room in Hilton Hotel until the 30th of March 2019 to have the reduced price guaranteed.

Venue on map:

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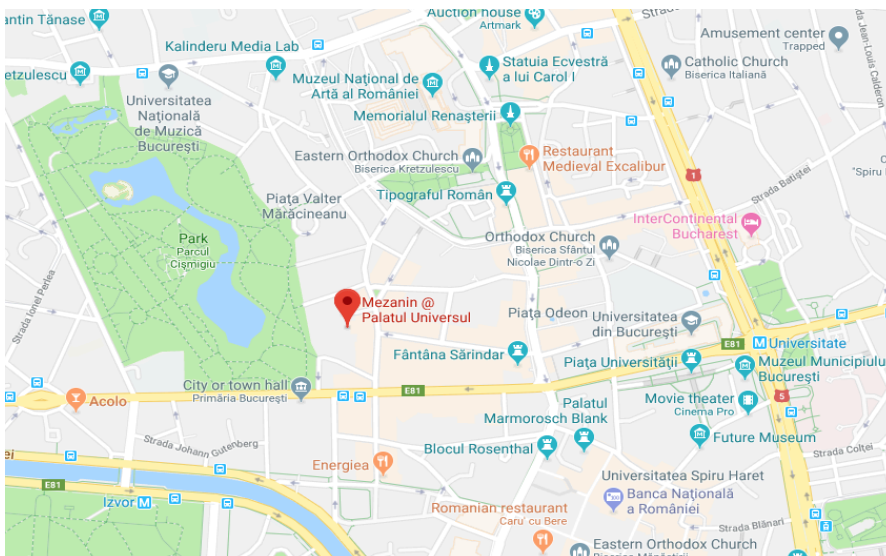
Metro station: Universitate

Bus station (bus 783 from airport to hotel): Piața Romană

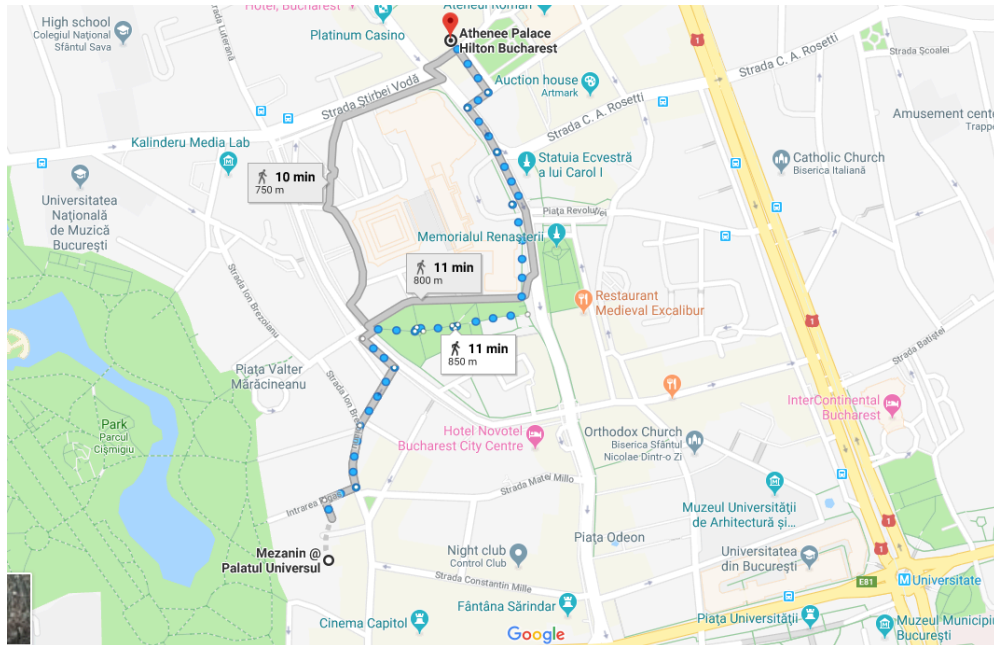


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From the hotel (Hilton) to the venue of the policy workshop (Mezanin @ Palatul Universul)



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