Information Sheet AUDEM Conference in Pécs

About Pécs

Pécs is a wonderful, historic and attractive city and participants and their guests will enjoy the old city, the many cultural sites, and the fine restaurants. There is much for the tourist to see: Mysterious crypts from Roman times as part of the UNESCO World Heritage Sights **http://www.visualhungary.com/peregrinus/gb/3.html** copulated Turkish djamis, a slim minaret, exquisite Zsolnay ceramics, Csontváry paintings, decorative Vasarely patterns, almond trees blooming early in spring, atmospheric restaurants and cafés - this is Pécs, the 2000-year-old town with the Mediterranean climate and atmosphere at the southern foot of the Mecsek Hills. Principal buildings in the city include an 11th-century Romanesque cathedral and two Ottoman mosques. Rich in history and the overlay of successive European peoples, Pécs was the site of the ancient Roman settlement of Sopianae. In AD1009 it became a Roman Catholic bishopric. From 1543 to 1686 the city was held by the Ottomans. German miners came to Pécs in the 18th century to work the coal mines. The population was further enlarged by migrations from rural Hungary late in the 19th century. The University of Pécs (1922) occupies the site of the first university (1367) in Hungary. For more information on the university and its history, please visit the English website **http://english.pte.hu/ .** The official website of the city of Pécs: **www.pecs.hu**

Conference Accommodation

Two best hotels of Pécs **Hotel Patria** **www.danubiusgroup.com/patria** and **Hotel Palatinus** **www.danubiusgroup.com/palatinus** have reserved rooms for AUDEM participants. Once you send completed registration form the AUDEM European Office makes preliminary booking for you which will be confirmed by one of the hotels.

Getting to Pécs

By plane: to Ferihegy Airport (Budapest). From Ferihegy Airport to Déli Railway Station (Southern Railway Station) Budapest, from where InterCity train services are operating frequently to Pécs. Most reliable way to get to Déli Railway Station is to use Airport Minibus Transfer from Ferihegy Airport. See details at **www.bud.hu/english/services** Tickets can be purchased in the arrival hall.

By train (from Budapest): we advise you to take one of the InterCity trains, these are the fastest and most convenient train services between the cities. Duration of the journey is some 2 hours and 40 minutes. For IC schedule please see the chart below:

By car: Pécs is situated on the main road No. 6 that reaches Pécs from the north from Budapest and leaves Pécs south west direction towards Szigetvár. Main road No. 58 collects road traffic from the south, whereas people coming from east should approach the city through Szeged - Baja - Bátaszék (road No. 55) Bátaszék - Mohács (road No. 56) Mohács - Pécs (road No. 57) route.