CASC 2006 Travel Information

Conference CASC 2006 will be held in Chisinau in the Labour Institute ("Institutul Muncii"), located in a green zone in the sector Riscani of Chisinau at the address:

Chisinau, Str. Zimbrului, 10.

The Institutul Muncii is marked on the map http://wwwmayr.in.tum.de/konferenzen/CASC2006/Chisinau_CASC.pdf .

The participants will be accommodated in the Institute's **Hotel, at the same address, tel. (+373-22) 439755. (http://www.institutulmuncii.moldova.md/)

There are rooms of different categories in the hotel:

- Luxe, cat. I (for 2 persons, telephone, TV, shower), the price of the room is about 30 EURO per night,

- Luxe, cat. II (for 1-2 persons, telephone, TV, shower), the price of the room is about 27 EURO per night,

- Standard, cat. I, II (2-3 beds, common shower cubicle on the floor), the price for 1 bed is about 6-8 EURO per night, the price for the room is about 20 EURO per night.

The number of rooms cat. I and II Luxe is limited (only about 12), rooms will be distributed on a first-come-first-serve basis.

How to get to the Hotel:

- from airport by taxi, the cost is 60-65 Lei (the cars of taxi companies are marked by 4-digit phone numbers as 14xx, e.g. 1405, 1406, 1407, 1408, 1499 etc.),
- from Railway Station by taxi, the cost is 30-35 Lei,
- from the Centre of the city by taxi (25-30 lei), trolleybuses 16, 21, 23, 24 or bus no. 5 (direction "Ciocana", till the station "Hospital no. 3", the tickets are paid inside transport, in trolleybus 1 Leu, in bus 2 Lei).

The Organizing Committee plans to organize the transfer from the Airport and Railway station to the Hotel for participants who send their arrival and departure information (flight, train, date, time) before September 1. Also include your selection for the hotel room category (please indicate whether shared or single occupancy) and the number of accompanying persons.

Please send this information to

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The currency in Moldova is LEU (LEI). There are banknotes of 1, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 500, 1000 Lei. 1 Leu = 100 bani. There are coins of 1, 5, 10, 25, 50 bani. The exchange rates (as of August 10) are about: 1 EURO = 16,80 Lei, 1 USD = 13,20 Lei, 1 RUR (Russian Rouble) = 0,46 Lei.

Official actual rates are available on the address: <u>www.ournet.md</u>. Travel information about Moldova and its capital Chisinau is available at this address as well.

There are many exchange offices, especially on the main street of Chisinau, Str. Stefan cel Mare. There are also exchanges offices near the hotel. It is not convenient to change money in the area of the airport or the railway station. Do not change money outside official exchange offices!

The weather in September in Chisinau is warm and very nice, the average temperature is about +20 to 25 degrees C, usually is rainless.

For the Chisinau forecasts, see <u>http://weather.yahoo.com/forecast/MDXX0001_c.html</u>

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