

Training Course ‘Impact of invasive alien species on biodiversity and ecosystem services in extreme environments’

03 – 04 April 2017, Sofia, Bulgaria

INFORMATION ABOUT TRAINING COURSE VENUE, TRANSPORT AND ACCOMMODATION



TRAINING COURSE VENUE

The conference hall of the Park Hotel Moskva.
Address: 25 Nezabravka Street, Sofia 1113, Bulgaria.



Website: <http://www.parkhotelmoskva.net/lang-en.htm>

Webcam: <http://free-webcambg.com/Sofia-50-street-webcam-live-online-camera-kamerite-na-jivo-vremeto-weather.html>

TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Public Transport in Sofia

Trams, trolleybuses and buses cover the whole city, including the outskirts. Tickets must be bought from kiosks prior to boarding and validated on the bus or tram. Look for the punching devices on the wall of the bus, insert the ticket and punch. Many trams and trolleybuses now have ticket machines at the front, where you can buy a ticket that does not need punching. The ticket is only valid for the journey on that particular tram/bus; if you change - you will need to punch a new ticket. One ticket costs 1.60 BGN (0.82 EURO).

Sofia has two underground (metro) lines, which intersect in the city center at Serdika Metro Station (lines 1 and 2 have a common link). Line 1 runs from Sofia Business Park to the West (Lyulin, Slivnitsa), while Line 2 runs from Sofia Airport to the North (Nadezhda, Obelya), via the city center. The two metro lines have 6 common stops before and 6 stops after Serdika Metro Station (see below the map of the metro stations Line 1 and Line 2).

Changing trains from Line 1 (or Line 2) to Line 2 at Serdika Metro station, passengers can travel from the airport to Sofia Central Bus and Railway Stations within less than half an hour. Tickets cost 1.60 BGN and can be bought from the ticket machines or the ticket office at the entrance of the stations.

Daily travel card is valid for all types of public transport and costs 4 BGN (2 Euro).



Sofia Airport is located only 10 km from the city center, in the eastern part of the capital. The journey from the airport to the city takes less than 30 minutes. Sofia Airport has two terminals, T1 and T2. Most of the scheduled flights operate out of Terminal 2 (the new one), Terminal 1 being used for charter flights and budget airlines, such as Easy Jet, Ryanair and Wizzair. Check carefully with your airline from which terminal it operates. The website of the airport has live flight information in English (<http://www.sofia-airport.bg/en/passengers/and-airport/public-transport>).



International trains provide a large number of routes to Sofia, arriving from places, such as [Kiev](#), [Vienna](#), [Belgrade](#), Budapest, [Bucharest](#) and other cities, to the **Central Railway Station** in Sofia (<http://www.bdz.bg/en/>).

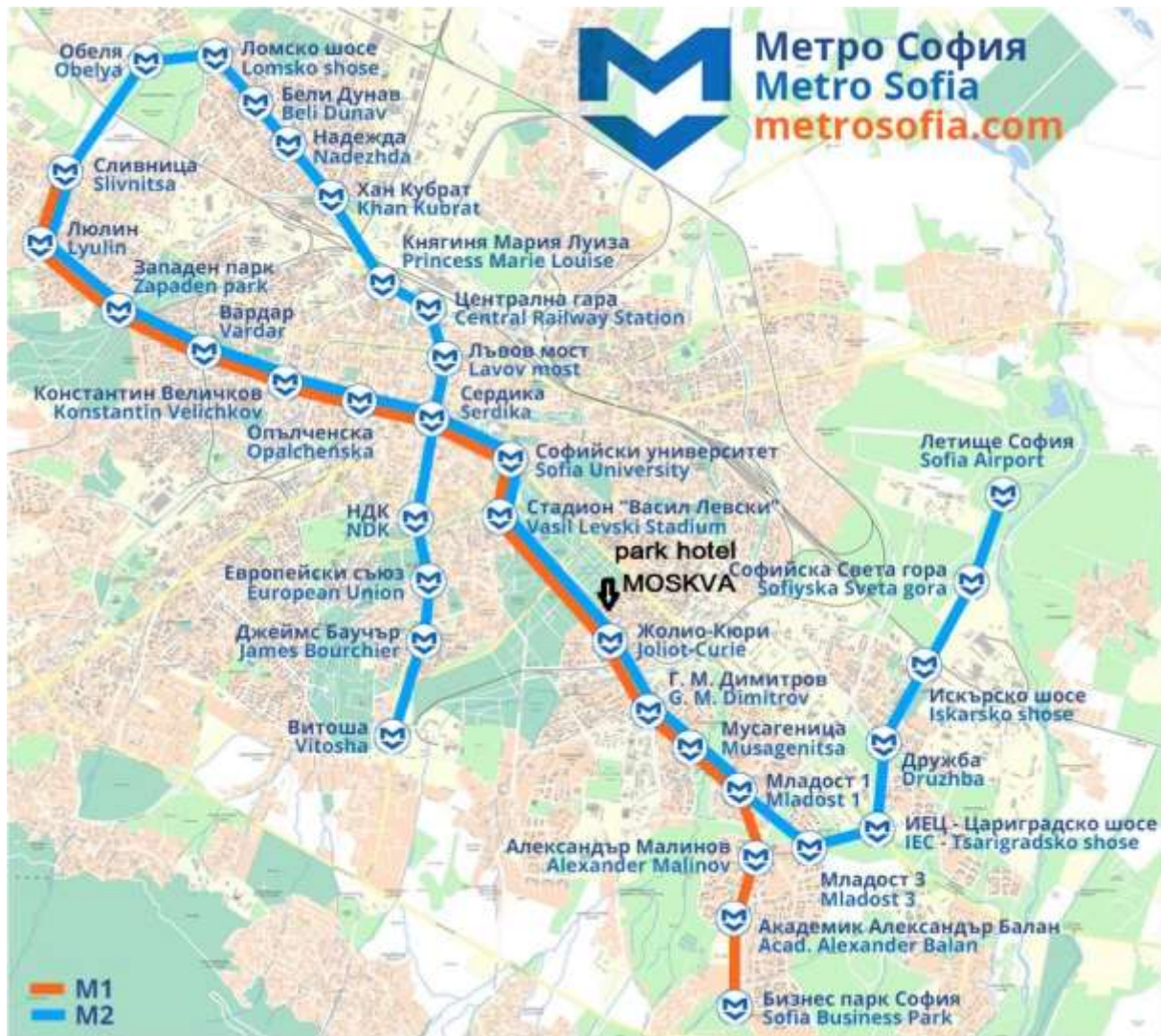


Sofia Central Bus Station is adjacent to the Central Railway Station (<http://tis.centralnaavtogara.bg>). Most buses arriving from or going to the countryside or abroad come here.

How to reach the Park Hotel Moskva (Conference venue):

Park Hotel Moskva is situated next to the National Park “Borisova Gradina”, across the Russian Embassy. **The underground (Metro) Station ‘Joliot-Curie’** is very close to the hotel and provides fast access (see the map of the Metro lines 1 and 2): 5-7 minutes to the city center (3 stops to the Serdika Metro station), 15 minutes to the Central Bus and Railway Stations (change for 2 stops with Metro line 2 at Serdika Metro station) and 20 minutes to the Sofia Airport (9 stops with the Metro line 2).

Public Bus № 413 stops close to the Park Hotel Moskva, the stop is ‘Russian Embassy’. You can take the bus from the Central Railway station (or the Central Bus station).



Underground (Metro) Line 1 and Line 2 and the conference venue (Park Hotel Moskva).

ACCOMMODATION



Park Hotel Moskva

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<http://www.hotel-latinka-sofia.com/>



Hotel Slavyanska Beseda

3, Slavianska str.
www.slavyanska.com

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Exchange rate

1 EURO is approximately 2 BGN (1, 95583 BGN)

Climate

Sofia has a humid continental climate. **Weather** in Sofia:
<http://weather.sinoptik.bg/sofia-bulgaria>

Street view map of Sofia and sightseeing:

www.maps.google.com/maps/ms?msa=0&msid=209621198402414811661.0004c2ce581b32d2c4eac