

## **Logistics Note**



### **From Sofia International Airport**

#### **Shuttle Bus provided by EHC**

The EHC Conference will organise bus transfers running between Sofia International Airport and the **Grand Hotel Millennium Sofia** (the Conference venue) for Conference delegates on **Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 10 AM, 2 PM, 6 PM and 8 PM.**

These transfers are primarily intended for delegates with mobility difficulties, and they will take priority on the available seats. EHC volunteers will be in the airport arrivals hall and guide delegates to the buses.

Also, on the 6<sup>th</sup> of October there will be a shuttle bus organised from the **Grand Hotel Millennium Sofia to Sofia International Airport.** The bus will leave at **1.45 PM.**

### **Other transport options**

There are three transport options from Sofia Airport (SOF) to the city centre of Sofia. You can choose between a Sofia airport taxi, metro, or public bus:

- A taxi ride to the city centre of Sofia is approximately €10-15 and the journey duration is 25 minutes on average.
- You can also opt for the metro to the city centre of Sofia; just take metro line M4 to Serdika. A single metro ticket costs €0.8, and it will take 26 minutes to reach the city centre.
- If you prefer to travel by bus, there are two buses leaving the airport with direction to Sofia city. **Buses 84 and 184** follow the same route and run every 30 minutes on average.



### **Conference and Accommodation Venue**

**Grand Hotel Millennium Sofia**

[89B, Vitosha Blvd, 1463 Sofia, Bulgaria](#)

**Website – [CLICK HERE](#)**

[+359 2 445 67 89](#)



### Treatment Centre

#### Rare Hematological Diseases Treatment Center of Expertise

Treatment facility: "Tsaritsa Joanna" UMBAL - ISUL, Sofia

Address: "Byalo More" str. 8 Sofia 1527

can be reached by public transport: Tram lines 20, 22; Trolley bus lines 1, 2, 4

Head of the center: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Atanas Banchev

Contacts: phone +359 2 9307 042; e-mail: [sbaldohz@sbaldohz.com](mailto:sbaldohz@sbaldohz.com)

3,5 km from the conference venue

#### Haemophilia Treatment Center of Expertise.

Treatment facility: SBALHZ, Sofia

Address: "Plovdivsko Pole" Str. 6,

can be reached by public transport: Metro lines 1, 4; Bus lines 280, 413, 88

Head of the center: Prof. Dr. Toshko Lisichkov

Contacts: phone +359 2 9701 235; e-mail: [t.lissitchkov@abv.bg](mailto:t.lissitchkov@abv.bg)

5,3 km from the conference venue

Please remember to bring your treatment and pack it in your hand luggage. We advise you to add information on your specific condition and the product used to your online registration so that the hospital has that information in case of emergency.

### Treatment Room

The Treatment Room is located in Meeting Room **Newton Hall in the Grand Hotel Millennium Sofia**, near the plenary room. The treatment room will be open for the duration of the conference's sessions and will be staffed by nurses.

**In case of an emergency and out of hours please contact Fiona Brennan +353 87 936 1621 for immediate assistance .**

### Catering

Your conference fee covers lunches, coffee breaks and dinners from Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October in the evening until Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> October at lunchtime.

For delegates arriving on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October, a buffet dinner will be held in the hotel at 7.30 PM.

On Saturday night, we will hold a Conference Dinner in an external venue. We ask delegates attending this dinner to meet at the hotel reception at **7.00 PM** for buses or walking groups. Please note that you will need a separate ticket to join this event.

The Conference Dinner is going to take place in [Sofia Balkan Palace Hotel](#).

The buses back from Sofia Balkan Palace Hotel to the Grand Hotel Millennium Sofia will be leaving at **10.30 PM, 11.00 PM and 11.30 PM**.

### Conference App

There will be a conference app available which includes agenda, list of delegates, information from EHC and sponsors.

You will receive a personal login and password to access the app.

In the meantime, please download the app via the QR code:



Or please follow this link to download the event app

Android: [EHC Conference 2024 Sofia Attendee App - Android \(Install\)](#)

Apple: [EHC Conference 2024 Sofia Attendee App - iOS \(Install\)](#)

The app is called 'The Event Attendee App'. When logging into the app you will be asked for a code.

The event app code is EHC2024

### Currency

The lev (BGN) is the currency of Bulgaria. You can check the current currency rates on [this website](#).

Foreign currencies can be easily exchanged in banks. ATMs can be found in all parts of the city. Cash withdrawals may be made using your credit/debit card. The logos of accepted cards are shown beside the machine. Most internationally recognised bank credit cards are accepted and widely used in all hotels, restaurants, and shopping malls where such methods of payment are indicated.

### Electricity


In Sofia, the power sockets are a standard voltage of 230V with a frequency of 50Hz.

### Country Code and Important Telephone Numbers

- Country Code: +359
- Emergency Services:
  - 112 or 166 Police
  - 112 or 160 Fire department
  - 112 or 150 Medical emergency

### Climate

In October, Sofia generally has moderate temperatures and moderate rainfall. Throughout the daytime, temperatures often hover around 17°C. However, as the sun sets and evening approaches, there's a noticeable cool-down, with temperatures gently dropping to a more temperate 6°C. In Sofia in October, there's a 22% chance of rain on an average day. And on the average day it rains or snows,



we get 0.42 in (10.7 mm) of precipitation. In more common terms of how much that is, some would describe it as light rain.

**Questions**

If you have any further questions, please contact:

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