COUNTDOWN TO BUDAPEST ’07

If you are registered but you cannot come to the Championship, please let us know by replying to this e-mail.

COMPETITORS AND GUEST INFORMATION PACK

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Avec des excuses aux haut-parleurs non-Anglais
Con apologías a los altavoces no-Ingleses

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<u>Currency – Hungarian Forint (HUF)</u>
Approximately:
1 US $ = 184 HUF
1 Euro = 254
1 Yen = 1.6
1 Koruny = 9.2
1 Kroner (Norway) = 32
1 CAN $ = 176
1 GBP £ = 373

1. BUDAPEST

Transport from the airport.

There are a few easy methods to get into central Budapest. You can take the Metro – this is cheap and easy, catch the blue bus from the airport to the start of the blue Metro line, see information below- Transport in Budapest, or:

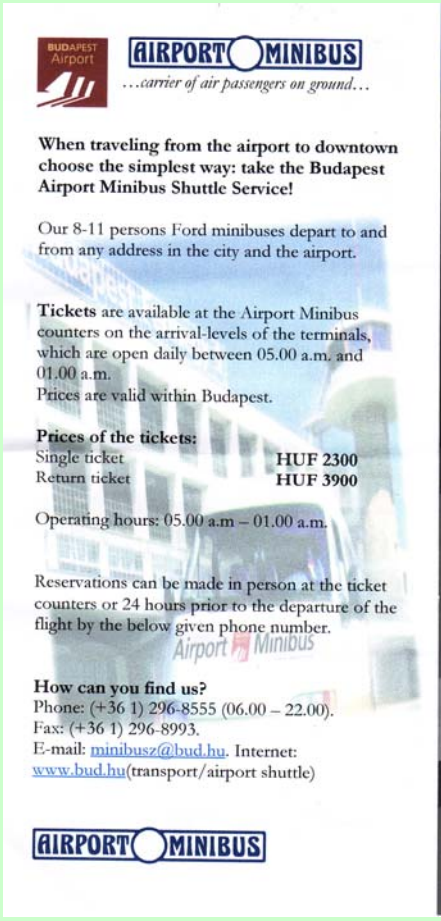
Book in advance if possible.

Zona Taxi

Good if there are more than two people, it is customary to tip 10% to the driver. The airport is in Zone 4.

Airport Minibus

Fixed price per person.



Transport in Budapest

If you change from one Metro line to a different line (example: Blue line M3 from airport and change to Red line M2 for Congress Center) you will need TWO (2) tickets for your journey.

The Metro is very simple. Two major lines (Red – M2 and Blue - M3) and a minor line (yellow - M1).

The Congress Center is a short walk of about 15-20 minutes from the end of the Red Line M2, at the final stop called Deli Palyaudvar. See Map below.

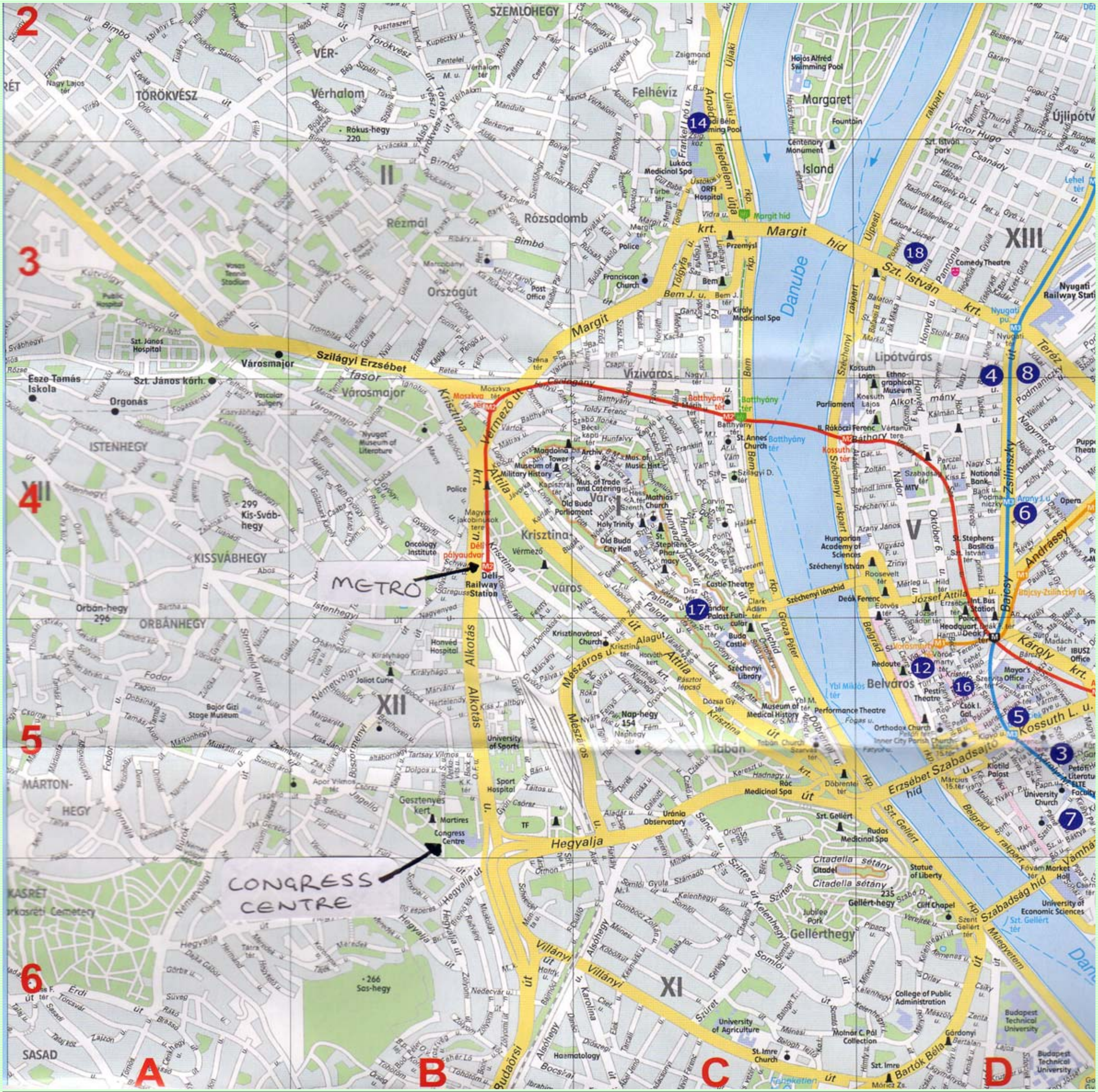
There are trams and buses that pass the Congress Center from the Metro stop (bus number 8) and buses from central Budapest.

You can buy a Budapest Card:
Highly recommended if you also want to see some of the sights of Budapest, for unlimited travel on Metro, Tram and bus plus discounts for various attractions, shops, restaurants etc:
http://www.budapestinfo.hu/

Or buy a book of tickets at the stations or tourist information. Single tickets are 230 HUF.

You have to validate your tickets in the machines at the Metro (it makes a hole) before entering the Metro, and also when you enter the bus.

<u>MAP</u>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SZEMLŐHEGY
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Vérhalom
Felhévíz
Margaret Island
Rózsadomb
Rézmál
Országút
Margit híd
Danube
Lipótváros
Szt. István krt.
XIII
Nyugati Railway Station
Szilágyi Erzsébet fasor
Városmajor
Víziváros
Batthyány tér
Parliament
Kossuth tér
ISTENHEGY
KISSVÁBHEGY
Krisztina-város
Déli pályaudvar
Déli Railway Station
Vár
Buda Castle
Széchenyi lánchíd
Deák Ferenc tér
Andrássy
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Alkotás
Hegyalja
Tabán
Erzsébet Szabadság híd
Martires Congress Centre
Gesztenyés kert
MÁRTON-HEGY
Gellérthegy
Citadella
XI
Villányi
SASAD
Kossuth L. u.
Szabadság híd
Műegyetem
University of Agriculture
Budapest Technical University

2. The Venue

The venue has two separate levels, ground floor and first floor, plus upper levels from the first floor to access the upstairs balcony of the theatre.

Ground Level

There is a separate entrance to the ground level. This entrance and area will be for competitors, guests, press and authorised people only. You must have a pass to enter (see registration). It will be clearly sign-posted. With a pass you can enter all areas of the Congress Center.

Security staff will be in place to prevent anyone without a pass - members of the public - from entering the ground floor area. This is for the benefit of competitors and for the safety of our belongings.
The entrance:

DO NOT LOSE YOUR PASS !

First Floor

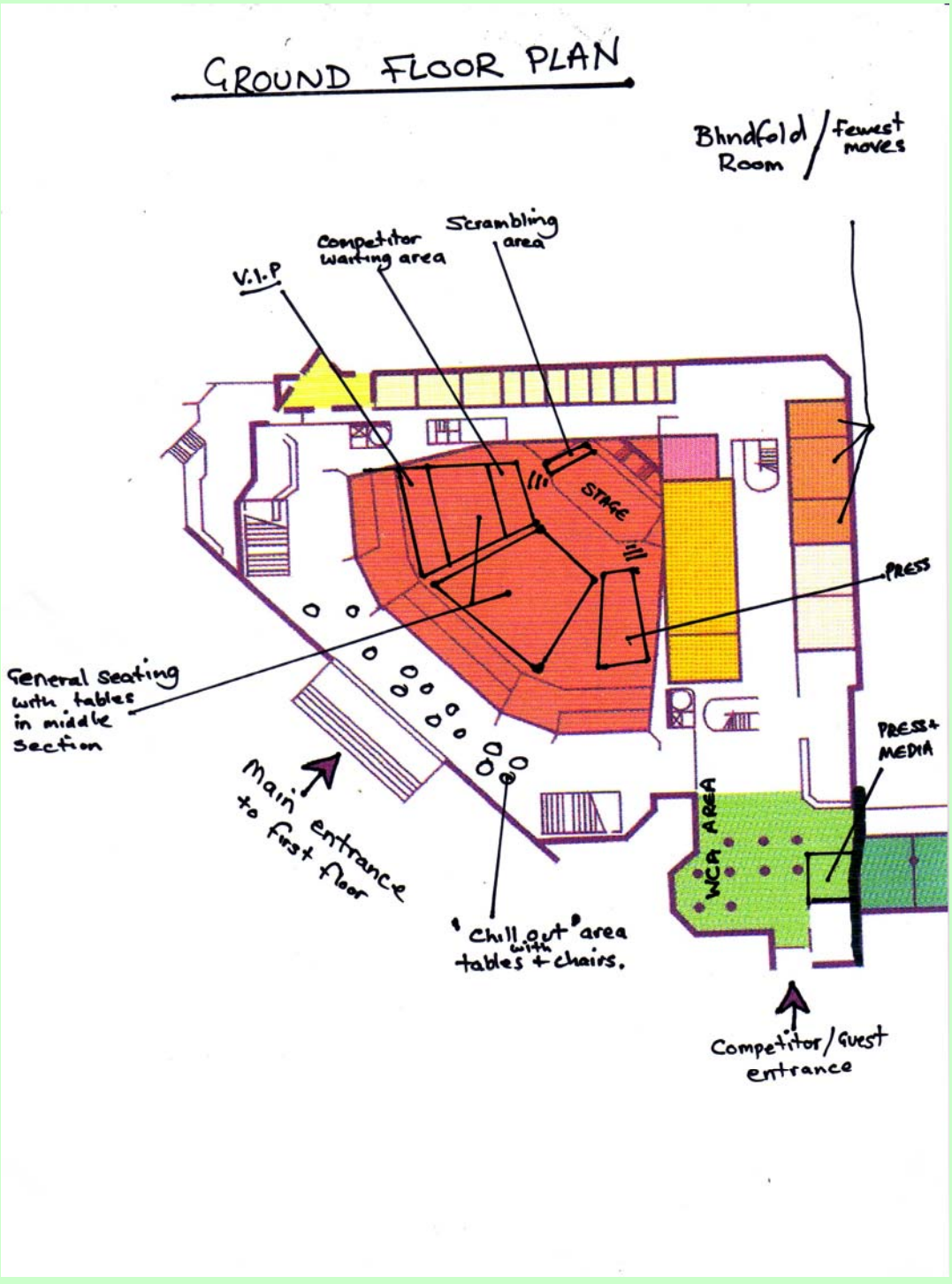
Entrance for visitors to the Congress Center.

This has access to the market area and the upper floors of the theatre. Competitors and guests can access this floor from stairs on the ground floor level or by the main entrance (don't forget your pass or you won't get back in !).
The RuBot II, some market stalls including Rubik Studio will be selling/demonstrating on this floor.

There is a Rubik Revolution competition with a cash prize of Euro 1000 on the first floor!

Ground Floor Plan

This shows the layout of the ground floor, pass-only area.
There will also be a special interview area, if you are asked for an interview or to have photos taken for newspapers/magazines please try to do it in this area and not disturb the competitors.



3. Registration

Here you will pick up your pass and the passes for your guests.
Confirm your name and events at the registration desk, you will be given a group number for some events.

There will be special back-packs, T-shirts and gifts for all competitors.

Please try to pick up your pass on Friday

Friday October 5th

Registration on the First Floor

Registration 08:00 – 18:00. It will be busy so please be patient and allow Friday's competitors priority. If you are not competing on Friday please register after 10:00.

The market area will be setting up on Friday so please leave the first floor once you have registered.

There will be limited registration available in the hotel lobby from 19:00 – 22:30.

Saturday October 6th

Registration on ground floor

08:30 - 09:30 Registration for those unable to register on Friday.

4. Competition

A final event schedule will be sent to all competitors the week before the competition.

THE MOST IMPORTANT

HAVE FUN !