

LGC 2010

29th Lexis and Grammar Conference

September 15-18, 2010

Belgrade, Serbia

Conference venue

The LGC 2010 Conference will be held at the Belgrade City Library – BCL (see the map <http://lgc2010.matf.bg.ac.rs/mapa1.pdf>). The address is:

56 Knez Mihailova Street, Belgrade

Conference Secretariat – Registration Desk

The Conference Secretariat will have their registration desk on the second floor in BCL from Wednesday, September 15th to Saturday, September 18th.

At the registration desk you will receive a badge, conference bag and other conference material. The participants are kindly requested to settle the conference fee before receiving the conference material. The participants that paid by bank transfer are kindly requested to bring a copy of the payment. Please note that the registration fee paid on-site is different from the pre-payment fee.

Opening hours at the registration desk:

Wednesday September 15th 08:00 – 17:00

Tuesday September 16th 08:30 – 12:30

Friday September 17th 08:30 – 17:00

Saturday September 18th 08:30 – 13:00

Registration fee

The registration fee for LGC 2010 participants includes admission fee to lectures, conference material, the conference Proceedings, coffee and refreshments during breaks, welcome reception on September 14th, Belgrade by boat and dinner on September 15th, an afternoon excursion with dinner on September 16th, and a gala dinner on September 17th. The fee for accompanying persons includes welcome reception on September 14th, Belgrade by boat and dinner on September 15th, an afternoon excursion with dinner on September 16th, and a gala dinner September 17th.

Badges

We kindly ask the participants to wear their conference badges at all conference sessions at the Belgrade City Library.

Lunches

There are many restaurants near the Belgrade City Library that are suitable for a quick lunch. Some of them are:

1. Kalemegdanska terasa (Serbian / European) - nice view, very expensive
2. Vuk (Serbian) - good quality, rather expensive
3. ? (Znak Pitanja – Question mark) (grill) – the first restaurant in Belgrade
4. Proleće (Serbian, cooked meals) – popular
5. Fish&bar (fish)
6. Ottimo (Italian)
7. Kolarac (Serbian, grill) – closest to the Belgrade City Library
8. Plato (snacks)
9. Elixir – for vegetarians - in the same street as the hotel “Royal”

For precise location of these restaurants see the map

<http://lgc2010.matf.bg.ac.rs/mapa1.pdf>.

Special dietary requests

For special dietary requests (not specified in the registration form) please inform the registration desk when registering. Please note that we can only take into consideration food allergies and vegetarian requests.

Speaker guidelines

Before the session starts, please introduce yourself to the session chair. Please copy your talk onto the PC in the conference room (an assistant will be available) – we assume your presentation is either a PDF file or a PowerPoint file. You can prepare handouts but it would be good to bring the copies with you. Papers are allocated 30 minutes in the programme, 20 minutes for the presentation and 10 minutes for question and answers.

Computer facilities

The wireless network is just being installed in the Library, so it may be ready for the conference but do not count on it.

Smoking

Please note that the Belgrade City Library is a non-smoking area. If you wish to smoke during coffee breaks you will have to do that outside the building in Knez Mihailova Street.

Transportation

The participants staying in the “Royal” and “Palace” hotels will not need any kind of transportation to reach the Belgrade City Library. All other recommended hotels are also within walking distance from the Library.

The Welcome Reception on September 14th will be at the “Wine Art Podrum”, Višnjićeva 7 (<http://www.wineart.co.rs/>). This place is very close to the two hotels where most of the participants are staying; however, in both hotels there will be assistants who will wait for you at 19:15 and lead you to the welcome reception site. The participants staying at

other hotels should either join one of these groups or find the route by themselves which should not be difficult.

We will go to the boat trip on September 15th directly from the Belgrade City Library after the last afternoon session, and after the boat excursion we will go to the restaurant “Little Bay”, Dositejeva 9a (<http://www.littlebay.co.uk/beograd.html>). In both directions we will go on foot, which will take us about half an hour in each direction.

A bus will be waiting for us near the Library on September 16th to take us to the excursion. There will be no time for lunch, so we will have a picnic during the excursion. The excursion will end with a dinner in the restaurant “Rubin”. After the dinner the bus will take the participants back to the two hotels where most of them are staying, approximately at 23:00 o'clock.

The gala dinner on September 17th will be at the restaurant “Le Molière” (<http://www.le-moliere.rs/>), Zmaj Jovina 11, close to Knez Mihailova Street. By then, you will find your way easily.

Arrivals

Belgrade's international airport “Nikola Tesla” is at Surčin, approximately 30 to 60 minutes from the city center, depending on the traffic. Due to some major works on the road to the airport and the on of the main bridges over Sava, it is hard to estimate the exact time, especially on working days. Participants should especially bear this in mind when planning their departure from Belgrade.

Most of the participants will arrive to Belgrade by plane. For those that provided us with the date and flight number of the arrival there will be a taxi waiting for them (look for the sign “LGC 2010”). Taxi fare from the airport to Belgrade is from 15 to 20 euros. Up to four passengers can share one taxi (if not overloaded with luggage). There are ATMs at the airport to withdraw money; however, taxi drivers waiting for you can be paid in euros as well. Please note that other taxi drivers may not receive euros (as a matter of fact, they are not allowed to do so).

Recommended taxi services are: Lux Taxi, Poslovni beogradski taxi, Pink.

Weather

Weather in Belgrade in September is usually very nice with average temperatures between 25C and 28C. However, please note that Belgrade has a typical continental climate, which means that weather can change substantially in just a couple of hours. For weather information please see <http://www.weather2umbrella.com/> or http://www.myforecast.com/bin/city_search.m?searchText=BELGRADE&submit=Get+Forecast.

Banks and money

Official banking hours in Belgrade are 09:00-17:00 Monday to Friday. There are some banks that work longer and some that work on Saturday. All banks exchange foreign currency, but there are also many regular currency exchange offices (“Menjačnica” in Serbian) in Belgrade as well as ATMs (including the airport). The exchange rates should not differ much between various banks and exchange offices. All hotels and most shops and restaurants accept major

credit cards (Visa, Euro/Mastercard and American Express), so it is generally not necessary to carry much cash. Please note that shops and restaurants will not accept foreign currency (euros or dollars).

The currency used in Serbia is dinar, abbreviated RSD. The approximate exchange rate is 1 EUR = 105 RSD, 1 USD = 82.5 RSD (as on September 1st).

Shopping hours in Belgrade

Opening hours in the Knez Mihailova Street and all streets in this area may vary but stores are generally open from 10 to 20 and 10 to 16 on Saturday. However, in this area many shops stay open longer.

Contact

Once in Belgrade, you can always contact organizers by phone in case you encounter some problem. If you call Serbia from abroad the code is +381.

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