



IOPS/Pensions Europe Seminar: Pension Developments in the CEE Region
1 March 2013
Bucharest, Romania

Information Note for Participants

Organisation

The IOPS/PensionsEurope Seminar Pension Developments in the CEE Region organised by the International Organisation of Pension Supervisors (IOPS), PensionsEurope and Romanian Private Pension System Supervisory Commission (CSSPP) will be take place on 1 March 2013 in Bucharest, Romania.

Registration

Please note that participation is by invitation only. Those invited to register, should do so by filling out the registration form and sending it by email to the contact person that appears at the end of the form.

Registrations must be received by **31 January 2013**, at the latest.

Venue

The Seminar will be held at **JW Marriott Bucharest Grand Hotel, Grand Ballroom**.

Address: Calea 13 Septembrie 90, Bucharest, 050726 Romania

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Phone: 40-21-4030000

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Website: [JW Marriott Bucharest Grand Hotel >>](#)



Accommodation

A special accommodation rate has been negotiated with the **JW Marriott Bucharest Grand Hotel** for 109 Euro (single room/night including breakfast) and 119 Euro (double room/night including breakfast). Each participant is responsible for the reservation and payment of his/her own accommodation. Rooms can be booked until 20.02.2013 at the above mentioned rates.

The reservations are made exclusively on-line. A standard registration form can be provided upon request.

Simply click on one of the links below and you will be directed to the property's home page. You will find the **on-line reservation** form on the left side of the screen with the negotiated rate code already entered in the appropriate field so you can quickly make your room reservation.



<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/buhro?groupCode=cs1cs1a&app=resvlink&fromDate=2/24/13&toDate=3/5/13>

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Social Events

Lunch

Lunch will be offered at the Seminar venue on 1 March 2013.

Dress code

Dress code during the Seminar will be business attire and casual attire for the dinner.

Documentation and Website

Additional information will be made available to the Delegates through the IOPS website www.iopsweb.org.

For further information related to the organization of this Seminar, please contact:

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Working languages

The Seminar and documentation will be in English.

Airport transfer

The hotel is 45 minute drive from the airport by taxi and will cost no more than 20 Euro. Please be strongly advised not to respond to any taxi offer within the airport and be aware that authorized taxis are those outside of the airport with cars marked with max 3.5 LEI (RON)/KM.

- Hotel direction: 12.4 mile(s) SW
- Airport shuttle service, reservation required, fee: 45 RON (one way)
Shuttle Phone: 40 21 4030000 Ext 2952
- Alternate transportation: Hotel limousine; fee: 194 RON (one way) ;reservation Required
- Bus service, fee: 5 RON (one way)
- Estimated taxi fare: 45 RON (one way)

Visas

All delegates will be personally responsible for ensuring that they are in possession of correct documentation prior to their departure.

The organizers do not accept responsibility for consequences of a delegate failing to ensure that he or she has complied with the necessary passport and visa requirements.

Applications for visas should be submitted to the nearest Romanian diplomatic or consular representative abroad.

If you require letters of invitation please contact: adina.dragomir@csspp.ro or otilia.mitrea@csspp.ro.

Practical Information

Language

The official language is Romanian.

Time

The official time is GMT + 2hours.

Currency

The official currency is Leu (RON).

Exchange: The rate is 1 Euro \approx 4.4 RON, 1 USD \approx 3.48 RON. We recommend using banks and other official exchange houses to avoid possible fraud. Almost all branches of main banks have dedicated booths for currency exchange. Bank opening hours are generally 09.00 – 16.00 hours. All major credit cards are accepted in Romania. More information including exchange rates is available at: www.bnro.ro

Health

No immunizations or special health precautions are necessary or required. Romania has no infectious risks and there are no poisonous insects. Romania has medical facilities and Romanian doctors are known for their high standard of medical education.

Climate

Romania has a temperate-continental climate of transitional type, specific to Central Europe, with four clearly defined seasons. Local differences are caused by altitude and by slight oceanic (to the west), mediterranean (to the south-west) and continental (to the east) influences. In late February/early March the average temperature in Bucharest ranges from -3°C to 10°C.

Electricity

Romania's local voltage is 220 V, 50 Hz and the sockets take the standard continental European dual round-pronged plugs. A plug adaptor is required for non-European appliances.

Tipping

Although service is included in the bill, a 5% to 10% tip will be appreciated.

Insurance

Delegates must ensure that they have adequate personal insurance to cover travel and medical services.

Local Attractions

- Parliament Palace
- Bucharest National Opera House • National Observatory • Botanical Garden
- Arch Of Triumph • Cismigiu Park • Herastrau Park • National History Museum • Art Collection Museum • National Art Museum/ Royal Palace