

5th PROFEEDBACK Conference

“Good practices and lessons learned in the evaluation of social policies. Social Inclusion, Social Innovation, Quality of Life and Public Health”

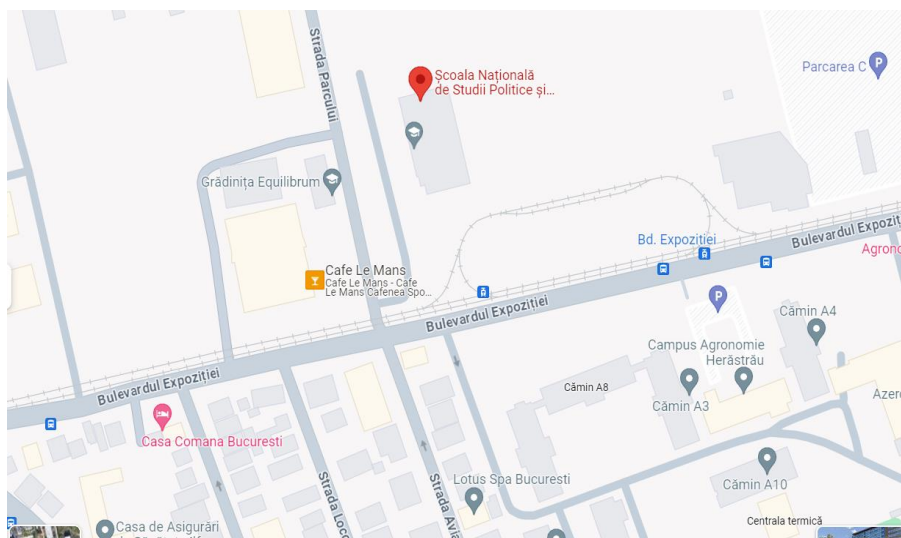
16 May 2024 Bucharest, Romania

General Information

Venue description

The 5th PROFEEDBACK Conference will take place at the National University of Political Studies and Public Administration

Address: Bulevardul Expozitiei, 30 A, District 1, Bucharest



Time zone

Romania is in the Eastern European Time - EET.

Airport Transfer / Transportation in Bucharest

Train: The direct train linking the Henri Coandă Airport to Gara de Nord, Bucharest's largest train station, is one of the fastest and cheapest options for transport. Trains operate non-stop, departing every 40 minutes. A one-way journey typically takes about 20-25 minutes.

The price of a ticket is 5,50 RON (approximately 1,11 EUR). The train ticket can be purchased as it follows:

- From the CFR Călători ticket offices (in the airport), up to 3-5 minutes before the train's departure time;

- From the ticket vending machines (in the airport), up to 5 minutes before the train's departure time;
- From the train, from POS; (You need a contactless, Mastercard, Maestro, or Visa card).

However, Gara de Nord is located in the north part of the city, so to go to a more central location you can take the following transport means:

Bus: You can reach the center of Bucharest by bus number **100**. The bus stop is located in front of the Arrivals Terminal of the airport. The final stop of bus 100 is 'Piata Unirii' (metro M1, M2 and M3), a large square in the south of the city center. The journey time is 45 minutes. Bus 100 runs 24 hours a day. A bus ride from Bucharest Henri Coanda Airport to the center of the city costs 3.00 RON (0.60 EUR). The ride ticket is valid for 90 minutes on all buses, trolleybuses and trams (STB) in Bucharest. Currently, there are several ways of paying for the bus: STB card, contactless credit card, SMS.

Taxi:

➤ From the airport to the city centre, approximately 25-30€ (subject to time of arrival and traffic): Approx. 20 km/35 minutes. Licensed taxis without prior request, will be available for passengers arriving at Bucharest Henri Coandă International Airport. These cars will be situated in taxi stations located at the exit of the terminal and will take passengers in order of arrival. The touch screen terminals for taxi requests will still be available for customers who want to order taxi from a certain company. Licensed taxi cars with fares between 1.89 lei/km and 3.5 lei/km are available on the ground floor, in front of the Arrivals terminal.

➤ During your stay in Bucharest, you can also use the Uber app/Bolt app/Star Taxi app, to order a taxi service.

Accommodation

There is a wide range of hotels in Bucharest. Accommodation is arranged individually by each participant. Please find our recommendation below.

Hotels	Distance from the Venue
Casa Comana Bucuresti	1 km
Pullman Bucharest World Trade Center	1,5 km
Ramada by Wyndham Bucharest Parc Hotel	3km

Currency

The official currency in Romania is the Romanian Leu (RON).

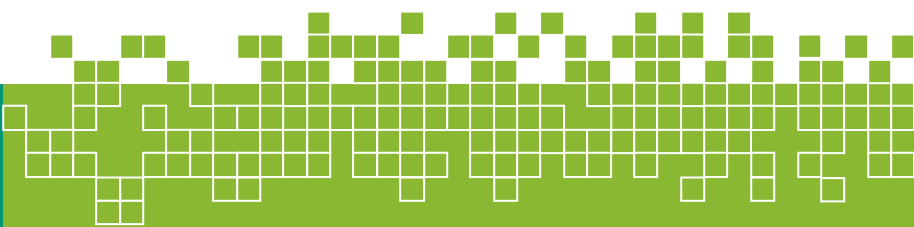
Coins: 5, 10, 50. Banknotes: 1, 5, 10, 50, 100, 200, 500.

There are numerous exchange offices across Bucharest.

1€≈ 4,98 RON

Meals

Refreshments during the event - Refreshments will be provided by the organizer during the conference.



Lunch - The conference is held in the university building. However, the organizer will arrange a standing lunch directly outside the conference room if interested. All participants will receive Google Form where they are asked to fill out some additional information regarding their participation in the conference. Please indicate us in the Google Form if you opt for the lunch provided by the organizers. The cost of the lunch should be supported by the participants from their daily allowance. More information will be available in Google Form.

Social event (May 16th)

On 16 May 2024 (Thursday) we will organize a social event with dinner. After an authentic city tour, you will have the option to attend a special dinner in the old town of Bucharest.

Details regarding the cost of the dinner for the social event will be also available in the Google Form.

Who can receive reimbursement?

Reimbursement guidelines for the conference and Working Groups Meetings during the conference days:

- Travel Costs: You can be reimbursed up to a **maximum of 300 EUR for a roundtrip**. This is in line with the decision made on August 25th, 2023, by the Management Committee.
- Daily Allowance on Conference Day (May 16th): Only speakers and presenters at the conference are eligible for a daily allowance.
- Daily Allowance on WGs Meeting Day (May 17th): All WGs members are entitled to reimbursement for their daily allowance.

For Romania, **the daily allowance rate is EUR 187/day** (http://www.cost.eu/daily_allowance).

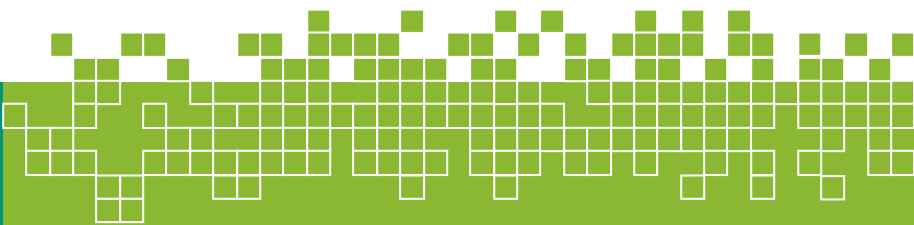
The actual daily allowance is calculated against:

- The actual number of days of attendance to the event (as confirmed against the signature on the official attendance list for each day of the event);
- The participant may arrive one day before the event commences and/or leave one day after the event finishes.

To be eligible for reimbursement, participants must:

- Register using the Google Form (will be sent soon to all participants)
- Accept the e-COST invitation. Have an e-COST profile at <https://e-services.cost.eu> including up to date bank details.
- Sign the attendance list in Bucharest during the event.
- Be eligible to receive financial support (see page 60 of the [COST Annotated Rules](#)).

E-COST Invitations



The invitations will be dispatched by the end of April. In the meantime, you are encouraged to begin making your booking arrangements while keeping in mind the reimbursement eligibility rules outlined above.

About Bucharest

Bucharest, the capital city of Romania, stands out for its architectural diversity, reflecting its historical evolution and societal changes. From Belle Époque and Neo-Romanian influences to the communist era and contemporary architecture, the city has experienced a variety of styles and trends. This architectural diversity adds to the charm and unique identity of Bucharest, making it a fascinating city to explore, which was once called "Little Paris".

Bucharest hosts numerous restaurants serving some of the country's finest Romanian cuisine. Some of the must-visit landmarks in Bucharest include the Palace of Parliament, the Village Museum (Muzeul Satului), the Grigore Antipa Natural History Museum, the Cișmigiu Garden. Cărturești Carusel, located on Lipscani Street, at number 55, is an impressive bookstore in the historic center of Bucharest.

We also recommend the following locations:

- **Berăria H:** A popular spot for beer enthusiasts, offers a wide selection of local and international brews. You can enjoy there the lively atmosphere and try some traditional Romanian dishes.
- **Taverna Covaci or Carul cu Bere:** Well-known restaurants in the city center with highly appreciated traditional dishes.
- **Stadio Restaurant** - An excellent choice if you want to enjoy the famous traditional Romanian dessert – papanăși.

In case of an emergency, you can contact local organizers at these numbers:

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