

Danube Ports Policy Day

Final Agenda

Date & Time: 18 October 2017 / 09:00 – 14:00

Venue: Novotel Budapest Danube,
Bem rakpart 33-34, 1027 Budapest, Hungary

Rationale for the meeting

The meeting shall bring together the Danube port community (port authorities/administrations, port operators), IWT stakeholders, representatives of ministries of Danube States and of European Commission services relevant for port governance/port policy as well as of international organisations including financial institutions. In a workshop atmosphere, the participants will discuss current and forthcoming policy issues of strategic importance for the Danube ports. The workshop will consist of a number of keynote speeches, a round-table discussion, a question & answer session and will include networking opportunities.

Following port policy issues will be addressed:

- Infrastructure development needs
- Activities of EU to support port development in Danube region
- Public funding / State Aid / General Block Exemption Regulation
- Instruments for financing infrastructure needs
- Good practices in public funding and private-public partnership
- Role of ports for economic development of the region

An audience of 50-70 experts from port administrations, ministries of transport as well as port business companies is expected.

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- 08:30 – 09:00** **Registration**
- 09:00 – 09:15** **Welcome & introduction to DAPhNE project**
- Welcome from LP PDI and host of the event, Manfred Seitz – General Secretary Pro Danube International
 - Short introduction to DAPhNE & status of work, Raluca Danila – Project Manager, Pro Danube International
- 09:15 – 11:30** **Keynote speeches**
- European actions for Port Infrastructure development, Maja Bakran-Marcich – Deputy Director General/DG Move
 - State Aid regulations & General Block Exemption Regulation – framework for public funding of inland & seaports, Martinez Rivero Eduardo – Head of Unit E3/DG Competition
 - Good Practices of Port Cooperation, Alexander van den Bosch – General Secretary EFIP
- Questions & Answers
- 11:30 - 12:30** **Lunch break (buffet) & Networking**
- 12:30 – 13:45** **Round table & Open discussion**
- Hugues Van Honacker – Senior Expert Unit D3/DG Move
 - Martinez Rivero Eduardo – Head of Unit E3/DG Competition
 - Alexander van den Bosch – General Secretary EFIP
 - Gerhard Gussmagg – Managing Director Mierka Donauhafen Krems GmbH & Co. KG/Director Rhenus Logistics Austria
- 13:45 – 14:00** **Closing remarks from project coordinator / host of the event**

Moderator of the event:



Dimitrios Theologitis,
Port policy expert

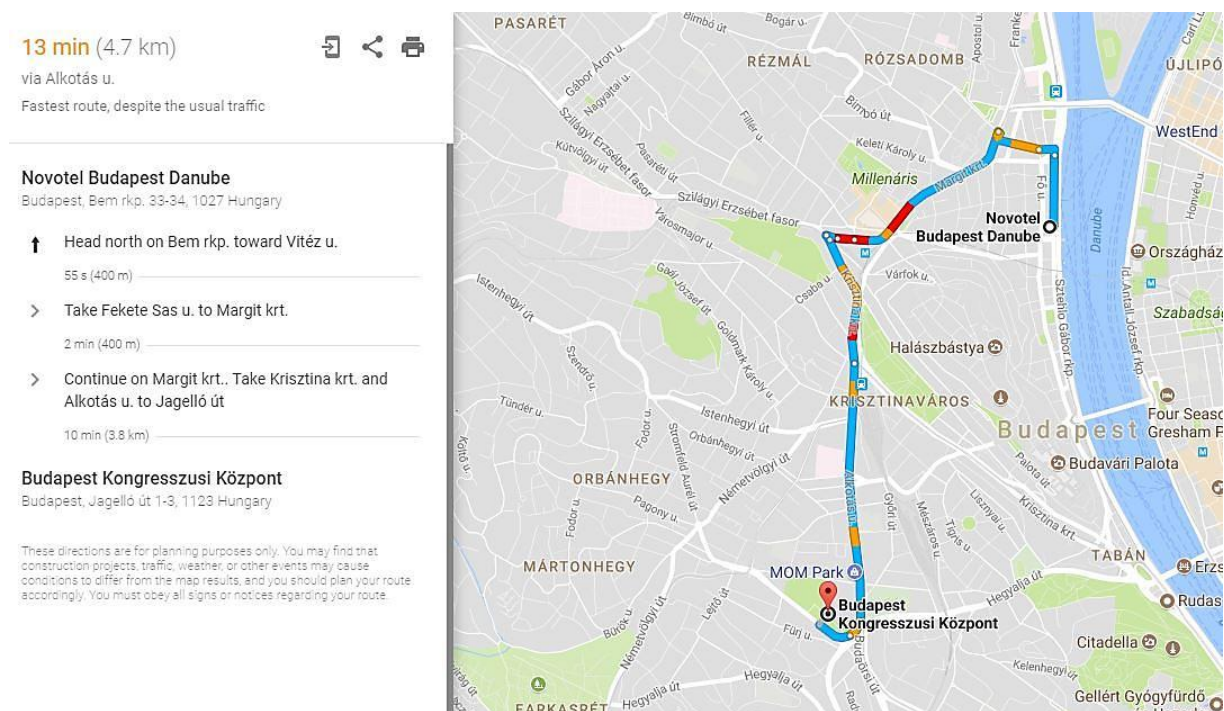
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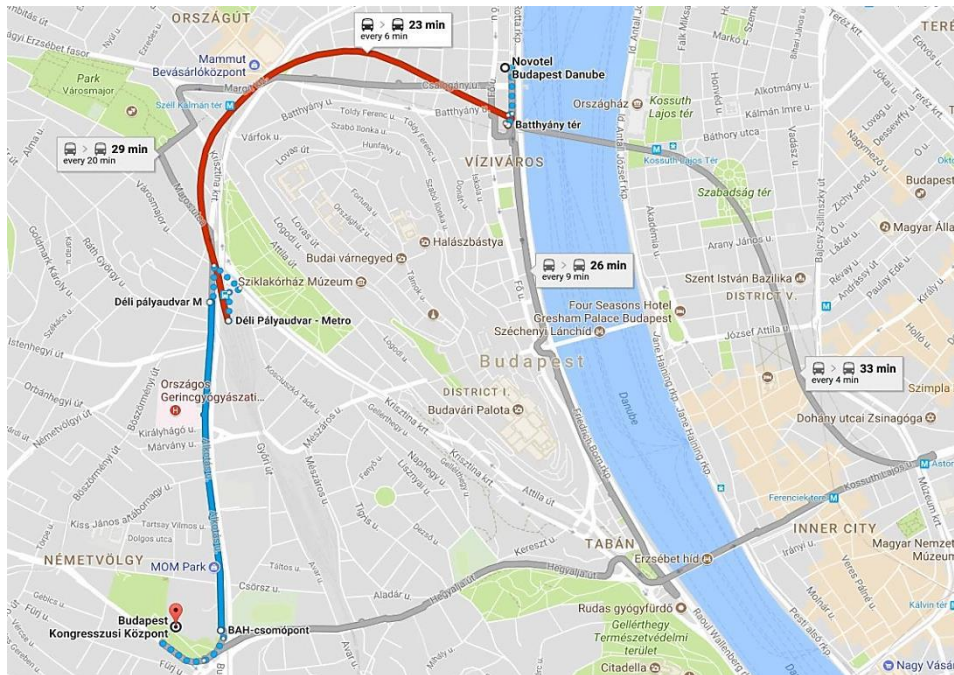
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By car:

Estimated time: 13 min. – approx. 4.7 km



By public transport:
Estimated time: 25 min. to 33 min.



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Budapest, Bem rkp. 33-34, 1027 Hungary

Walk
About 4 min, 240 m

Batthyány tér

M2 Déli pályaudvar M
3 min (2 stops) · Stop ID: F00062

Déli Pályaudvar - Metro

Walk
About 5 min

Déli pályaudvar M

139 Gazdagréti tér
5 min (3 stops) · Stop ID: F00023

BAH-csomópont

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