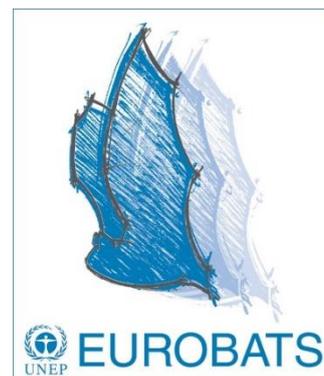


## 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Standing Committee

Sofia, Bulgaria, 6 June 2019

### Practical Information Sheet



#### 1. Emergency contact:

In case of emergency please contact the Secretariat at **+49 170 313 7121** or Radostina at **+359 885 92 55 86**.

#### 2. Accommodation

The participants will be accommodated at **Hotel Gloria Palace**, 20, Maria Louisa Blvd., 1000 Sofia, Tel: + 359 (0)2 980 7895, [www.gloriapalacehotel.bg](http://www.gloriapalacehotel.bg).

The hotel is located in the very centre of Sofia and in the vicinity of the Bulgarian Ministry of Environment and Water. The price of a standard single room is 50 EUR per night, breakfast included.

#### How to reach the hotel

For the participants arriving at **Sofia Airport**, the easiest way to reach the hotel is **via Sofia metro**.

The "**Sofia Airport**" metro station is directly connected to Terminal 2 of Sofia Airport. A free shuttle bus is available from Terminal 1 to Terminal 2 and the metro station.

From the metro station „Sofia Airport“, the **metro line number 2, the blue line**, in the direction of **Vitosha**, is going to the city centre, approximately every five to ten minutes (depending on the time of the day). The participants should get off at the metro station called „**Serdika**“. The ride lasts approx. 20 minutes, with 11 stops between „Sofia Airport“ and „Serdika“, the starting and final station not counted.

**Hotel Gloria Palace** is located within a walking distance (approx. 300 meters) from the metro station “Serdika” (see the map below).

The participants can buy their tickets for the metro at the machines located at the entrances to the metro stations, or with a cashier at the cash-desks of "Metropolitan"

JSC. Tickets need to be validated, validators are located on the barriers to the metro entrance. Single-ride tickets, at the price of 1.60 Lev, can be used for entrance to the metro station up to 30 minutes after their issuance. A daily ticket costs 4 Lev, and an electronic ticket for 10 single rides costs 12 Lev.

**3. Meeting on Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> of June, 2019:**

StC16 will take place in a conference room of the hotel. It is scheduled to start at 09:00 in the morning and to conclude at 17:00 in the afternoon. If you are planning to travel home by airplane still on the day of the meeting, please count for sufficient time for transfer to the airport.

**4. Currency:**

The currency in Bulgaria is Lev (BGN); 1 EUR = approx. 1.95 Lev.

**5. Electricity:**

The electricity is 220V/50Hz and the sockets are standard European with two round pins.

**6. Mobile phones:**

The mobile phone network is well developed.

**7. Time Zone:**

The time in Bulgaria is UTC/GMT +3.

