

5th Workshop of the AForGen network 2016 — 1st circular



Dear Colleagues!

As we agreed last year in Bavaria 5th AForGen 2016 meeting will be organized in Maramures, Eastern Carpathians (Romania) in the period between 22-25 June.

Attached please find the first information about the place of the conference and the travel possibilities.

Sacel village is situated at the bottom of the Rodnei Mountains, in Maramures one of the most traditional regions of Transylvania. It is the last culture islands of Transylvanian traditions and also gorgeous landscapes with an extended forested area almost undiscovered by tourists. Maramures as part of North Romania, it is placed between Hungary, Ukraine and the Carpathian Mountains. Due to its extended forested area, which allowed building of wooden churches, but also wooden houses, covered with shingles, the Maramures deserves the surname "WOODLAND".

homepage to see the area:

<http://www.beyondtheforest.com/Romania/Maramures.html>

Provisional program:

We would like to start the meeting on the 23th, Thursday morning, but arrival would be on the 22th because there is a travel of 2,5 hours from the airport Targu-Mures or Cluj to Sacel. We will take you by cars from the airport.

The agenda will roughly look like this:

Wednesday - 22th

evening: introduction by presenting the region and welcome

Thursday - 23th

morning: Workshop: research reports,

late afternoon walk in the Izei valley and traditional dinner

Friday - 24th

morning: field trip in the high mountain area

evening/night: strategic discussion: collaborative research, initiatives

Saturday - 25th

morning: Workshop

12.00: closing and departure

Sunday – 26th optional for those who would like to have another field trip with Marcel Mindrescu

Pasul Prislop (pass at 1431 m) linking Moldova and Maramures (forests, pastures, mountain lakes, old Romanian monasteries)

Venue/Accommodation: Pensiunea Lacramioara, Sacel, 914, 100000 Săcel, Romania

Situated in the Historical Maramures county in the Eastern Carpathians in Sacel. Nearest airports are located 163 km (Targu Mures) and 144 km (Cluj-Napoca) from the accommodation. The Sacel Train Station is located 700 m from the Pensiunea Lacramioara. Free private guarded parking is available on site.



Lacramioara pensions terrace



Travel information:

The organizing team will be on the site on 22th of June and will organize transportation from the airport, and the pension will be arranged upon request. (Maps attached to the last page with the main routes).

Please register for the meeting before the **28th of February 2016** and return the filled Excel file (attached) to the following email address: Hohn.Maria@kertk.szie.hu

We need your feed-back to be able to book the rooms and organize the travel.

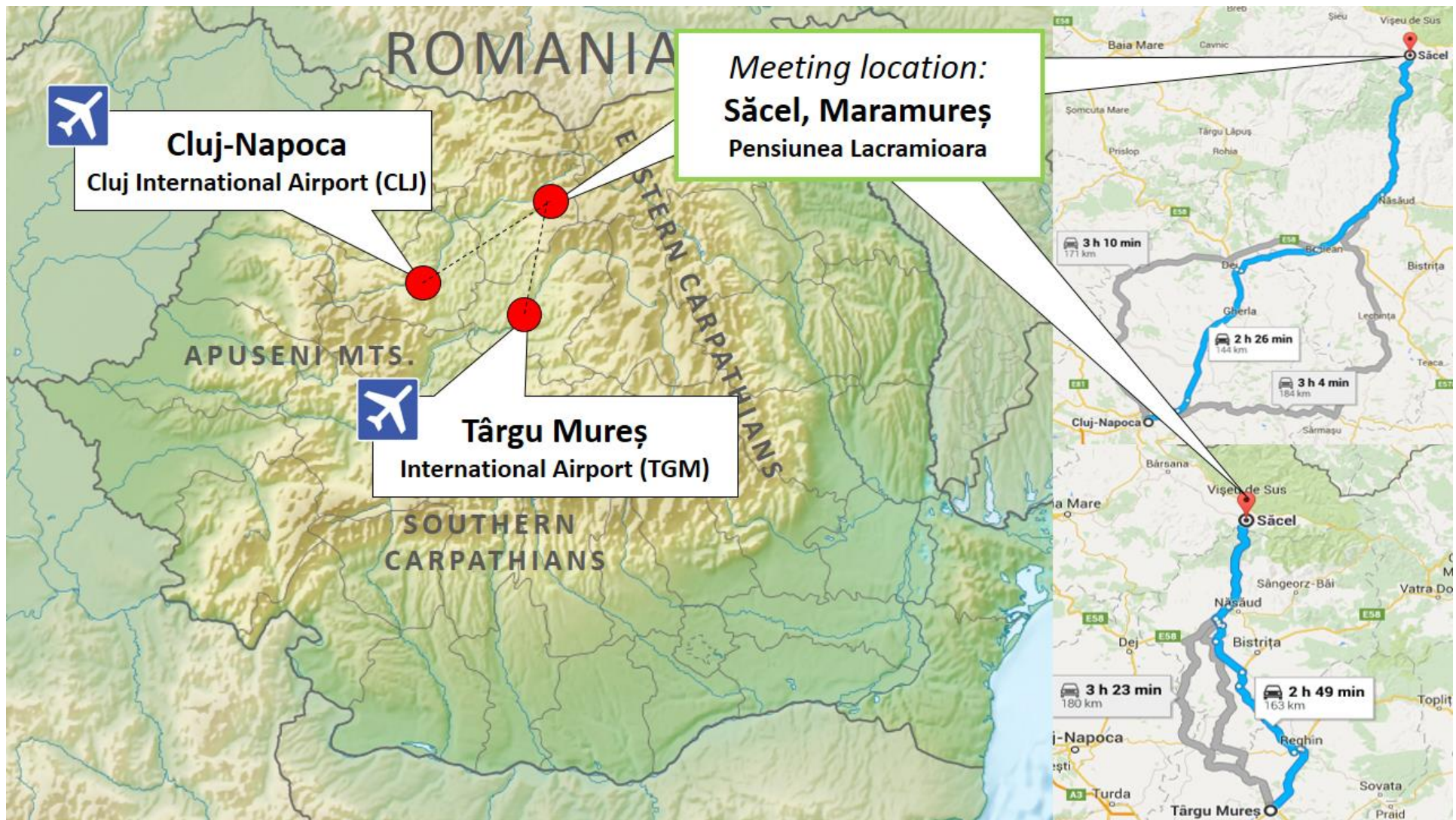
If you know persons who might be interested to attend the meeting please, forward them this email.

In case of any questions regarding locality, transportation, program etc. please contact Hohn.Maria@kertk.szie.hu or Endre: endretoth@hotmail.com

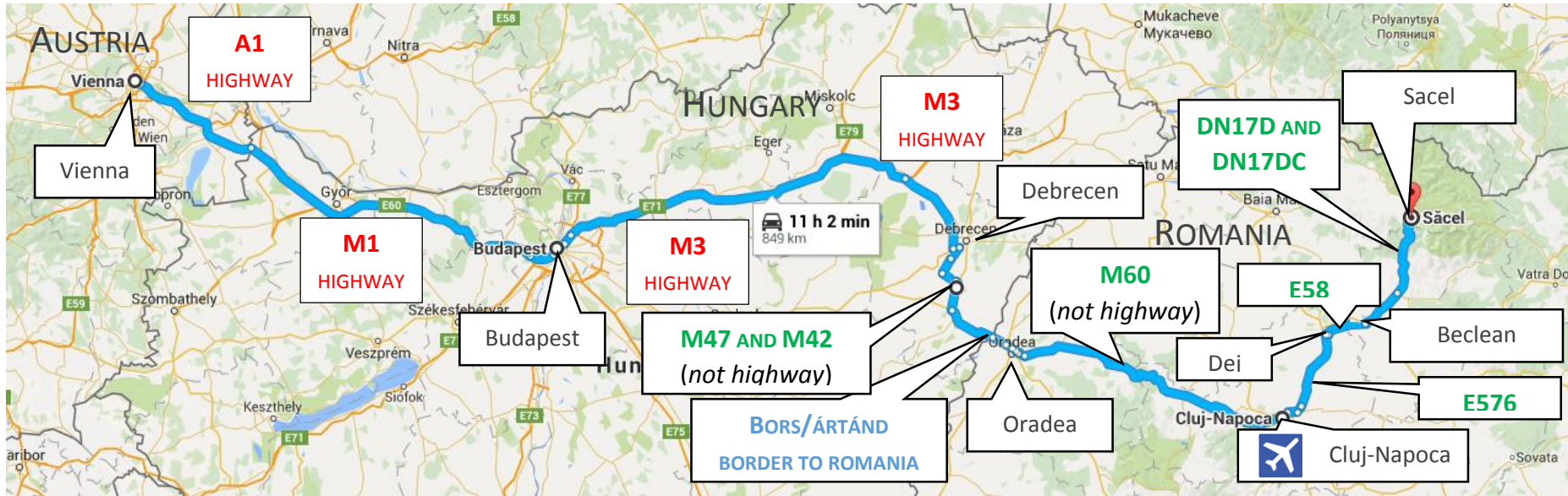
We look forward meeting you in Maramures in the Eastern Carpathians.

Best wishes,
Maria Höhn, Endre Tóth

and the colleague from Romania Marcel Mindrescu
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Available transportation routes to the Pension (Pensiunea Lacramioara, Săcel) from the closest airports (TGM and CLJ)



Transportation route for those coming by car from Austria through Hungary to Romania. There are no highways in the Romanian section.