12th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE



AIMSA'2006
AI, People and the WEB

13 - 15 September 2006 Sunny Day Tourist Complex Varna, Bulgaria



MEETING VENUE

The AIMSA'2006 Conference will be held at the Sunny Day Tourist Complex. The complex is situated in the immediate vicinity of St. Constantine, 10 km north of the city of Varna and 16 km from its airport. Convenient location, well-appointed conference halls and stateof-the-art equipment, experienced technicians, attention to every detail these have turned Sunny Day into a preferred centre for holding various business meetings.

The Conference itself will take place at **Marina Hotel**.



Tryavna Hall

OFFICIAL AGENT

The perfect organization of the event will be ensured by the cooperation between the Institute of Information Technologies and the Company for International Meetings (CIM) Ltd. – the official agent of the meeting.



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REGISTRATION

All participants are requested to pre-register by sending a completed Registration form with the respective fee (by 1 July) to the address of CIM Ltd. Forms received without the appropriate remittance will not be considered for valid registration.

The AIMSA'2006 Registration fees include attendance to AIMSA'2006 technical sessions, a copy of the AIMSA'2006 proceedings, the Welcome reception and the Conference dinner.

- * Authors of accepted papers should pay the registration fee **not later than 1 June 2006**.
- ** ECCAI members and full time students are required to enclose a copy of a certificate.

LETTER OF INVITATION

Upon request the Organizing Committee will issue an Official Letter of invitation for participation in the AIMSA'2006 Conference. It should be understood that the invitation is only meant to facilitate participants to find financial support if it is necessary or to be presented at the Bulgarian consular offices for obtaining an entry visa. Such a letter does not commit the Organizing Committee to cover any expenses of the delegates.



PAYMENTS

Advance payments of registration fee, hotel accommodation and tours should be arranged to the CIM bank account indicated on the registration and reservation forms or by credit card not later than 1 August 2005.

On-site payments should be settled upon arrival at the CIM Registration Desk in Marina Hotel of Sunny Day Complex in cash, travellers' cheques and credit cards.

Important note: All currency exchange charges, bank and credit card surcharges are to be covered by the participant.

CONFIRMATION LETTER

A letter of confirmation will be sent to participants on receipt of registration and reservation forms and the respective payment. Participants are kindly requested to present the letter at the CIM Desk.

CIM REGISTRATION DESK

The CIM Registration Desk will be located next to the working halls in Marina Hotel. It will operate from Tuesday, 12 September and will stay open till the end of the Conference. Participants can address the CIM representatives for information on hotel accommodation, transportation, working and tourist programme, social events.



ACCOMMODATION

Hotel rooms in several categories have been reserved for the AIMSA'2006 participants at Sunny Day Complex and St. Constantine Resort. All hotels are located within short walking distance (not more than 10-15 minutes) from the Conference venue.

Participants can make their choice of hotel accommodation by filling in the Hotel & Tours Reservation Form and sending it to CIM address. All bookings and inquires should be addressed directly to CIM Ltd.

A deposit of one night is required

in confirmation of hotel reservation. The deposit will be deducted from the total hotel bill. The balance due should be settled upon arrival at the Registration Desk in the Sunny Day Complex.

Important note: There is still a pressure for accommodation in the middle of September at the Bulgarian Black Sea coast and participants are advised to book at their earliest convenience by sending the form with the required first-night deposit (preferably before 30 June). The reservation will be confirmed on a first-come first-served basis. CIM Ltd. reserves the right to change the requested hotels to such of similar category if they are unable to confirm the first choice indicated in the Hotel Form.

... in Sunny Day Complex



VERONICA HOTEL

It is a friendly, cozy hotel with a magnificent beach front location. All rooms and suites are with sea view and have mini-bar/fridge, direct-dial phone, satellite TV. There are a lobby bar and outdoor swimming pool for the guests.

MIRAGE HOTEL

... is an elegant, spacious 7-storey hotel with a wonderful position on the seafront promenade only few metres from the beach. All rooms have balconies, shower/WC, fully air-conditioning, direct dial telephone, mini-bar/fridge, satellite TV, hair-dryer. Some of the hotel services include: room-service, dry-cleaning, restaurant, lobby bar, outdoor swimming pool.



Check-in time is 2:00 p.m. Check-out time is 12:00 p.m.

... in St. Constantine Resort

CHAIKA HOTEL

... is located in the central part of the resort and 10 min. walking from the meeting venue. The tastefully furnished rooms and suites are equipped with mini bar and satellite TV.







It is located in a natural park of broad-leafed and coniferous vegetation (15 min. walking to the conference venue). The hotel offers excellent opportunities for calm and comfortable relaxation, entertainment and recreation. Gloria is divided into basically furnished 2 star accommodation and renovated 3 star rooms which are completely renovated with telephone, refrigerator and TV-set with cable television.



Check-in time is 2:00 p.m. Check-out time is 12:00 p.m.

SOCIAL EVENTS

(incl. in the registration fee)



• Welcome Reception 13 September, Sunny Day Complex

Official Dinner 14 September, St. Constantine Resort

TOURIST PROGRAMME

(optional)

Bulgarian Folklore Evening

15 September

An enjoyable evening at a folkstyle restaurant where you will have the opportunity to try the cuisine and wines of Bulgaria and to enjoy typical Bulgarian folk dances and songs.



Excursion to the town of Nessebur 16 September

Nessebur, a museum town and a World Heritage site, is situated on a scenic isthmus and harbours the best of the 19th century wooden architecture, as well as a unique collection of medieval churches. You will enjoy the masterpieces of a great Orthodox culture and the romantic atmosphere of the Pearl of the Black Sea Coast.

A minimum of 10 persons is required for both events.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

BULGARIA

Bulgaria is a part of the Balkan Peninsula in South Eastern Europe. The state of Bulgaria was first founded in 681 AD and has a long and varied history.

VARNA

This is Bulgaria's third largest city, a large port, and an important cultural, trade and industrial centre. Founded in the 6th century BC, the city boasts lots of remains from Roman and Byzantine times. Varna is rightly known as the "capital city" of the Bulgarian Black Sea coast.

HOW TO REACH VARNA

By air Bulgarian and foreign airline companies directly link the capital of Bulgaria, Sofia, to all major European cities. Regular flights operate between Sofia and Varna two times daily. Direct flights from major European cities to Varna are also available. Detailed schedule of Sofia-Varna-Sofia flights can be obtained from CIM upon request and also a reservation could be made.

By train Bulgaria is linked to almost all capitals and big cities in Europe by train.

By bus CIM could make reservations for the regular bus lines between Sofia and Varna if required. The price of the ticket is 15 Euro.

By car Varna is accessible from the main border checkpoints via national and international roads.

PASSPORTS & VISAS

Only valid passports are required from all the EC countries. Delegates from countries where visa is normally required for entry to Bulgaria are reminded that they will need to obtain one from the appropriate Bulgarian Embassy/Consul. Please check at the nearest Bulgarian Embassy all the documents required for your country.

MONETARY SYSTEM

The national currency is the Bulgarian Lev. Bank notes of the following denominations are in circulation: 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100 Levs. 1 Euro = 1,96 Levs.

CLIMATE

Moderate climate: mild spring and autumn, hot summer, cold snowy winters. The weather in the middle of September is warm and sunny. Daily temperatures range from 23 to 280 C.

TIME

Summer time: GMT + 3 hrs. (April through September)

ELECTRICITY 220 Volts, 50 Hz

MAP OF THE HOTELS

