



VERTIGO ACADEMY INTERNATIONAL

April 03-06, 2025 • Novotel Budapest, Hungary



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VI. VERTIGO ACADEMY INTERNATIONAL

INVITATION



Vertigo Academy International is a Scientific Organization of International Vestibular Society. It's Academic Program and learning objectives offer substantial opportunities to the fellows interested with the topic.

Following 5 successive previous meetings in Turkey, Russia, India, Belarus and Serbia, the VI. Vertigo Academy International Meeting is planned to take place in Budapest.

The scientific impact of the meeting will be significant as very prominent scientists on the topic are involved in the faculty. The Scientific Program of this meeting will compete with the previous VAI Meetings to offer an exceptional experience.

Instructional courses will be organized a day in advance to offer the participants meeting the leaders of the vestibular science.

There will also occasion to submit personal presentations, that will also have the opportunity of competing for a prize.

We are looking forward welcoming you in Budapest.

Prof. Dr. O. Nuri Ozgirgin



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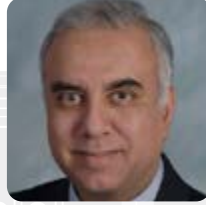
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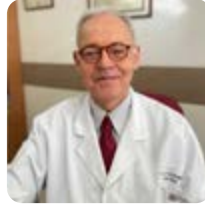
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VI. VAI MEETING INFORMATION

Vertigo Academy International Meetings is a Scientific Organization of International Vestibular Society. It is Academic Program and learning objectives offer substantial opportunities to the fellows interested with the topic. Following four successive previous meetings in Turkey, Russia, India and Belarus, Serbia the VI. Vertigo Academy International Meeting will be held in Budapest.

I. Vertigo Academy International	16-17 November 2013 – Antalya, Turkey.
II. Vertigo Academy International	22-23 May 2015 – Moscow, Russia.
III. Vertigo Academy International	02-04 March 2017 – Mumbai, India.
IV. Vertigo Academy International	25-28 April 2019 – Minsk, Belarus.
V. Vertigo Academy International	09-11 March 2023 – Belgrade, Serbia.

Meeting Dates: April 03-06, 2025.

Official Web Site: Please bookmark this website: www.vai2025.org

Please bookmark this website. Primary importance will be given to the website, on every stage of preparation and operation of the meeting, including the scientific program, registration and accommodation.

Official Language: Official language of the meeting and of correspondence is English.

Certificate of Attendance: Certificate of attendance will be available at the Meeting Registration and Information Desk.

Important Dates

Deadline for Online Abstract Submission	December 29, 2024
Notification of Abstract Acceptance	January 31, 2025
Deadline for Early Meeting Registration	January 16, 2025
Deadline for Cancellation of Hotel Booking	January 26, 2025
Deadline for Cancellation of Meeting Registration	January 26, 2025

Sponsorship and Exhibition: An area for exhibition booths will be provided for the industry and publishers. For exhibition and industry related inquiries, please contact Serenas Tourism at info@vai2025.org

CME ACCREDITATION



An application will make to the EACCME for CME accreditation of this event. The EACCME is an institution of the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS), <https://eaccme.uems.eu/>



SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM SCHEDULE

DAY 1 (APRIL 03, 2025-Thursday)				
	Main Hall	Parallel Room-I	Parallel Room-II	Workshop-Free Paper
13:30-14:30		Instructional Course 1	Instructional Course 2	Instructional Course 3
15:00-16:00		Instructional Course 4	Instructional Course 5	Instructional Course 6
16:00-16:30	Coffee Break			
16:30-17:30		Instructional Course 7	Instructional Course 8	Instructional Course 9
18:30-20:00	Opening Ceremony			
DAY 2 (April 04, 2025-Friday)				
	Main Hall	Parallel Room-I	Parallel Room-II	Workshop-Free Paper
08:00-08:45		Instructional Course 10	Instructional Course 11	Instructional Course 12
09:00-09:30	Plenary Lecture 1			
09:30-10:45	Plenary Panel 1			
10:45-11:15	Coffee Break			
11:15-12:30	Round Table 1	Keynote Lecture 1-5	Debate Session 1	Free Papers 1-8
12:30-13:30	Lunch / IVS International Executive Committee Meeting			
13:30-14:45	Plenary Panel 2			
14:45-15:15	Coffee Break			
15:15-16:30	Round Table 2	Keynote Lecture 6-10	Debate Session 2	Free Papers 9-16
16:45-17:45	IVS General Assembly	Invited Lectures 1-5	Invited Lectures 6-10	Free Papers 17-24
DAY 3 (April 05, 2025-Saturday)				
	Main Hall	Parallel Room-I	Parallel Room-II	Workshop-Free Paper
08:00-08:45		Instructional Course 13	Instructional Course 14	Instructional Course 15
09:00-09:30	VIRTM Session			
09:30-10:45	VIRTM Session			
10:45-11:15	Coffee Break			
11:15-12:30	VIRTM Session	Keynote Lecture 11-15	Debate Session 3	Free Papers 25-32
12:30-13:30	Lunch			
13:30-14:45	Plenary Panel 3			
14:45-15:15	Coffee Break			
15:15-16:30	Round Table 3	Keynote Lecture 16-20	Debate Session 4	
16:45-17:45	Plenary Lecture 2	Invited Lectures 11-15	Invited Lectures 16-20	Free Papers 33-40



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TOPIC

- Acute Vestibulopathy
- Vestibulo-Ocular, Vestibulo-spinal & vestibulo-collic reflexes
- Contemporary diagnostic setup to screen Vestibular disorders (HIT & VHIT; FHIT & DVA; SVV, SVH and Rod & Disc; VEMP's)
- Evaluation of Nystagmus remotely
- Classification of vestibular disorders
- Vestibular system and posture control
- Gravity & balance
- Vestibular Migrane
- Sea sickness and mal de barquement disease
- Artificial Intelligence in Vestibular Disorders
- Vestibulotoxicity
- Vestibular disorders in children.
- Comorbidities among vestibular disorders -
- Vestibular neurectomy versus intratympanic gentamicin
- Vestibular evaluation in ER: Acute stroke syndromes, vestibular neuritis and acute labyrinthitis
- Gentamicin's effect over the peripheral Vestibular endorgan –
- Invasive treatment for meniere's disease
- Lateral canal BPPV: What is new.
- Clinical and molecular subtypes in Meniere's disease spectrum.
- Meniere's disease: Its pathophysiology and relevant contributions to treatment plans.
- Association between syncope and tumarkin Attacks in ménière's disease.
- Vestibular function in children with cochleo-vestibular malformations,
- Dizziness: When to suspect it is not the ear -
- PPPD
- Phobic vertigo
- Perilymph fistula
- Post BPPV Symptoms how to explain how to treat.
- Posterior canal BPPV: What is new
- Vestibular System in geriatric patients.
- Vestibular dysfunction in neurodegenerative disorders
- High frequency versus low frequency patterns of vestibular system
- Membranous or hypermobile stapes footplate: A new anatomic site resulting in third window syndrome
- Vestibular schwannoma:
- Dizziness post head injury:
- Bilateral vestibular disease: What will be the future treatment
- Virtual reality in vestibular rehabilitation
- Vestibular suppressants in vertiginous disorders.
- Otolithic system
- Classification of vestibular disorders
- Vestibular dysfunction: VHIT
- Vestibular dysfunction: VEMP's



ONLINE ABSTRACT SUBMISSION INFORMATION

For online abstract submission, please visit the “**BGS Abstract Submission System**” section in the official meeting web page.

Abstract Submission System for Oral and Posters

- Detailed information is provided in the system. If assistance needed, please send an e-mail to vertigo@serenas.com.tr
- Please carefully read the instructions before submitting your abstract through the online submission module “BGS” system.
- Once you sign up, you can also continue working on abstract until you finally decide to submit before the deadline.
- This is an automated system that will allow you to put the information online for the authors, affiliations, abstract text (if required with special characters etc.) and keywords in a series of different windows.
- You can track the whole submission and evaluation procedure either within the system or by e-mail notification.
- In case of submitting more than one abstract you can use the same login and password for each abstract via online submission module.

Instructions for Online Poster and Oral Presentations

- All Abstracts should be submitted in English only.
- Abstracts submitted by e-mail, fax or post will NOT be accepted.
- The abstracts have to be structured as follows: Aim, Material Method, Results, Discussion, Conclusion.
- The abstracts for oral and poster presentations should be submitted until **December 29, 2024**.
- All submitted abstracts will be reviewed by the Scientific Committee. The abstracts scheduled for oral presentations will be announced on **January 31, 2025**. The rest will be displayed as posters.
- 30 oral presentations will be displayed.
- Among the 25 oral presentations. The Scientific Committee will select the first five to be presented in Prize session.
- These finalists will present their studies to the Jury during the prize session and the winner will be awarded with “IVS Prize Certificate” and 1.000 US Dollars
- A certificate will be delivered to all finalist presentations.

All accepted abstracts presenters must be register to the congress.

For the meeting registration, please visit the online registration and accommodation system section in the meeting official web page. If not, their presentation will be not allowed in the meeting scientific program and not printed in the Program and Abstract Book.

Poster Presentation Guidelines

The posters will be 70 cm (width) and 90 cm (height) and will be mounted vertically. (Double-sided tape will be available for mounting the Posters)

Graphics and digital photos should be at least 100-150 dpi in their final.



VAI PRIZE SESSION

The best study will be elected among the prize submissions (made by the authors below 40 years old.) will be awarded with **"IVS Prize"** 5 finalists will be selected among the prize submissions.

These finalists will present their studies to the Jury during the prize session and the winner will be awarded with **"IVS Prize Certificate"** and **1.000 US Dollars**.

The Abstracts for oral and poster presentations should be submitted until **October 31, 2024**. This date will NOT be postponed.

* Prize candidates must declare their age is below 40 (the presenter).

REGISTRATION AND ACCOMMODATION

For online registration and accommodation, please visit the "OPS" Online Payment System section in the official web page of the Meeting.

Registration

Meeting Registration Fees	Early Registration Fee	Late Registration Fee
	Before January 16, 2025 * Payments by bank transfer possible until January 16, 2025	Starting January 16, 2025 *Payments by bank transfer NOT Possible after January 16, 2025
	550 €	650 €

* The rates are in Euro (€) and included VAT.

The registration fee includes;

- * Participation to all scientific sessions,
- * Printed materials (Bag, program and abstract book, name badge, mini program),
- * Certificate of attendance,
- * Lunch and beverage on April 03-04-05, 2025 days
- * Afternoon coffee breaks with cookies on April 03, 2025 and morning and afternoon coffee breaks with cookies on April 04-05, 2025 days
- * Opening ceremony dinner with beverages on April 03, 2025

Confirmation, Cancellations and Refunds:

- Payments can be conducted either by bank transfer or credit card.
- All cancellations must be made by sending an e-mail to vertigo@serenas.com.tr
- If received by **January 26, 2025** the payment will be refunded in full. As a matter of fact, while there would be full refund, there often are handling fee charged for processing the refund.
- Handling Fee: 50 € for per person (VAT is included) for each cancellation.
- If received between **January 27, 2025** and **February 24, 2025**, 50% of the fee will be refunded.
- If received later than **February 25, 2025**, there will be no refund.
- All rates are subject to amendments without prior notice.
- Name change will be accepted up to 72 hours prior to the Meeting
- * Handling Fee: 50 € for per person (VAT is included.)
- Cancellation received after these dates is not a subject to any refund.
- All refunds, if any, will be processed after the Meeting.



Accommodation Package Fees

HOTEL NAME	3 nights' Accommodation and Services Package Fee per room (*) Check- in: April 03, 2025 / Check- out: April 06, 2025 (Full Board Basis)		Additional nights' accommodation fee per night / per room (Half Board Basis)	
	Single Room (1pax)	Double Room in Per Person	Single Room (1pax)	Double Room in Per Person
Novotel Budapest 5*	825 €	570 €	275 €	380 €

* The room rates are in Euro (€) and included VAT.

The 3 Nights Package Novotel Budapest Hotel Accommodation Fee Includes:

- * 3 nights' accommodation at the standard room, per person.
 - * Open Buffet Breakfast each morning at the Novotel Hotel Restaurant.
 - * Dinner and one beverage on **April 04, 2025** and **April 05** nights,
 - * Roundtrip transfer Budapest Ferenc Liszt Airport-Novotel Hotel- Budapest Ferenc Liszt Airport.
 - * Service charge and VAT are included to the accommodation fees.
- No refunds will be made for no – shows.

Important Note: Roundtrip transfer Budapest Ferenc Liszt Airport - Novotel Hotel- Budapest Ferenc Liszt Airport can be provided for participants who received the accommodation service from

Serenas Group (Official Agent) together with above accommodation fees.

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Method of Payment for Registration and Accommodation Fees

Credit Card: Payments shall be made in Euro (€). No other currencies shall be accepted. Payments can be made with credit cards (master card or visa) or through bank transfer. AMEX and Diners credit cards **are not accepted** for on line and on-site registration.

Bank Transfer: Participants who pay their balance with a bank transfer are required to send the bank receipt copies to SERENAS Tourism via e-mail: vertigo@serenas.com.tr

Information of Bank Transfer

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BANK NAME	GARANTİ BANKASI
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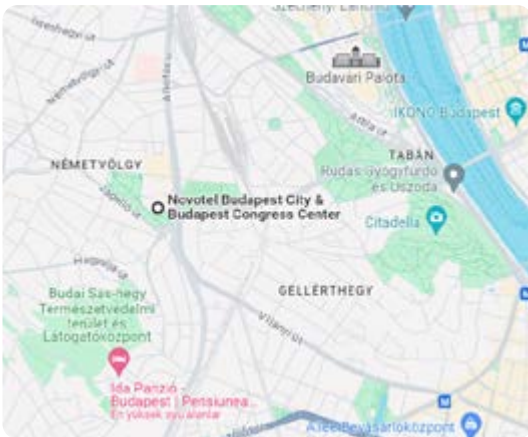
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LOCATION

Meeting Venue (Headquarter Hotel)



Venue name and location
NOVOTEL BUDAPEST CITY & BUDAPEST CONGRESS CENTER (BCC)
Address Hotel: H-1123 Budapest, Alkotás u. 63-67
Congress Center: H-1123 Budapest, Jagelló u. 1-3.
Website: www.bcc.hu



Novotel Budapest City & Budapest Congress Center is located in the heart of the main business, culture and entertainment district of Budapest.

The hotel is just a 20-minute drive from the Vaci utca pedestrian street in the center of Budapest.

The hotel has good connections to Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport.

The distance between the Hotel and the Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport is 24,2 km.

Access map to the venue:





VISITOR INFORMATION

Languages of Budapest: The official language is Hungarian, while visitors from abroad can use English to communicate.

Currency: Hungarian Forint (HUF)

Weather: In April, Budapest typically experiences mild spring weather. Average daytime temperatures range from about 10°C (50°F) to 18°C (64°F). Nights can be cooler, with temperatures dropping to around 5°C to 10°C (41°F to 50°F). Rainfall is moderate, so you might encounter some rainy days. Overall, it's a pleasant time to visit, with blooming flowers and fewer tourists compared to the summer months.

Electricity: Budapest's electric power supply follows the European standard:

Voltage: 230 V

Frequency: 50 Hz

Plug Type: Type C (Europlug) and Type F (Schuko)

If you're traveling to Budapest, ensure that your devices are compatible with this voltage and plug type, or bring an appropriate adapter and voltage converter if necessary.

Emergency Numbers: In Budapest, Hungary, the main emergency numbers you need to know are:

General Emergency : 112

(This is the European emergency number, which you can call for police, fire, or medical emergencies)

Ambulance : 104

Fire Department : 105

Police : 107

These numbers are toll-free and can be dialed from any phone, including mobile phones, without the need for a prefix.

Taxi Stands: Located at airports, train stations, and busy city areas.

Hailing on the Street: You can hail a taxi on the street; make sure it's a licensed one. Booking: You can book a taxi by phone or through mobile apps.



GETTING TO BUDAPEST

By Plane (Carries)

Wizz Air: <https://wizzair.com/>
Ryanair: <https://www.ryanair.com/>
Lufthansa: <https://www.lufthansa.com/>
British Airways: <https://www.britishairways.com/>
Air France: <https://www.airfrance.com/>
KLM Royal Dutch Airlines: <https://www.klm.com/>
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Brussels Airlines: <https://www.brusselsairlines.com/>

International Airport

• Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport (BUD): Located about 16 kilometers southeast of Budapest city center.

• Flights to Budapest: Direct flights from major European cities, including London, Paris, Berlin, Rome, Istanbul and Barcelona, as well as intercontinental flights from North America, Asia, and the Middle East.

Airport Transfer Options

• Airport Shuttle: Shared shuttle services and private transfers are available from the airport to the city center.

Important Note: Roundtrip transfer Budapest Ferenc Liszt Airport - Novotel Hotel- Budapest Ferenc Liszt Airport can be provided for participants who received the accommodation service **from Serenas Group (Official Agent of the VAI Meeting) together with announced accommodation fees.**

• Public Transport: Bus 100E connects the airport to Deák Ferenc Square in central Budapest.
• Taxi and Ride-Sharing: Taxis and ride-sharing services are readily available at the airport.

By Train

International Trains:

• **From Vienna, Austria:** Direct trains run frequently between Vienna and Budapest (duration approximately 2.5-3 hours).
• **From Prague, Czech Republic:** Direct trains connect Prague and Budapest (duration around 6-7 hours).
• **From Bratislava, Slovakia:** Direct trains from Bratislava to Budapest (duration approximately 2-2.5 hours)
• **From Munich, Germany:** There are direct train connections from Munich to Budapest (duration around 6-7 hours).

Domestic Trains:

• From other Hungarian cities: Budapest is well-connected by rail to major cities within Hungary, including Debrecen, Szeged, and Pécs.

Train Stations in Budapest

• **Keleti (Eastern) Railway Station:** Main international and domestic hub located in Pest.
• **Nyugati (Western) Railway Station:** Another major station, located close to the city center in Pest.
• **Déli (Southern) Railway Station:** Situated in Buda, serves regional and some international routes.



By Car

From Nearby Countries:

- **From Vienna, Austria:** Drive along the E60/A4 highway, approximately 2.5-3 hours.
- **From Bratislava, Slovakia:** Take the E75/D2 highway, around 2 hours.
- **From Prague, Czech Republic:** Via the D1 and E65 highways, approximately 5-6 hours.
- **From Munich, Germany:** Drive via the A94 and A3 highways, around 6-7 hours.

Distance from Budapest to the main European cities:

1. **Vienna, Austria:** Approximately 250 kilometers (155 miles) to the west.
2. **Prague, Czech Republic:** Approximately 525 kilometers (326 miles) to the northwest.
3. **Berlin, Germany:** Approximately 770 kilometers (478 miles) to the north.
4. **Bratislava, Slovakia:** Approximately 200 kilometers (124 miles) to the northwest.
5. **Warsaw, Poland:** Approximately 550 kilometers (342 miles) to the northeast.
6. **Rome, Italy:** Approximately 1,220 kilometers (758 miles) to the southwest.
7. **Paris, France:** Approximately 1,350 kilometers (839 miles) to the west.
8. **Madrid, Spain:** Approximately 2,400 kilometers (1,491 miles) to the southwest.
9. **London, United Kingdom:** Approximately 1,600 kilometers (994 miles) to the northwest.
10. **Athens, Greece:** Approximately 1,050 kilometers (652 miles) to the southeast.

These distances are approximate and can vary depending on the specific route taken and mode of transportation (e.g., car, train, or plane).

VISA INFORMATION

Visa Regime for Entering to Hungary

Please click for Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Hungary:

<https://2015-2019.kormany.hu/en/ministry-of-foreign-affairs-and-trade/contacts>

Visitors to Hungary must obtain a Visa from one of the Hungarian diplomatic missions unless they come from one of the visa exempt countries.

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- Phone: +36 1 475 4400
- Website: hu.usembassy.gov

United Kingdom: Füge utca 5-7, 1022 Budapest

- Phone: +36 1 266 2888
- Website: www.gov.uk/world/hungary

Germany: Úri utca 64-66, 1014 Budapest

- Phone: +36 1 488 3500
- Website: budapest.diplo.de

France: Lendvay utca 27, 1062 Budapest

- Phone: +36 1 374 1100
- Website: hu.ambafrance.org

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- Website: ambbudapest.esteri.it

Canada: Ganz utca 12-14, 1027 Budapest

- Phone: +36 1 392 3360
- Website: www.canadainternational.gc.ca/hungary-hongrie



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- Website: hungary.embassy.gov.au

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- Phone: +36 1 413 2400
- Website: hu.china-embassy.gov.cn

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- Phone: +36 1 398 3100
- Website: www.hu.emb-japan.go.jp

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- Phone: +36 1 325 7742
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- Website: overseas.mofa.go.kr/hu-en/index.do

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- Phone: +36 1 413 3810
- Website: budapest.be.mfa.gov.tr

Sweden: Kapisztrán tér 8-9, 1014 Budapest

- Phone: +36 1 460 7000
- Website: swedenabroad.se/en/embassies/hungary-budapest

Netherlands: Szabadság tér 7, 1054 Budapest

- Phone: +36 1 301 4950
- Website: netherlandsandyou.nl/your-country-and-the-netherlands/hungary

Switzerland: Benczúr utca 16, 1068 Budapest

- Phone: +36 1 460 7020
- Website: eda.admin.ch/countries/hungary



ABOUT BUDAPEST, HUNGARY



Hungary, nestled in the heart of Central Europe, is a country renowned for its rich history, vibrant culture, and stunning landscapes. From the grandeur of Budapest, its capital city split by the Danube River, to the tranquil beauty of Lake Balaton, Europe's largest freshwater lake, Hungary offers diverse experiences for visitors.



Historically, Hungary has been at the crossroads of Europe's major civilizations, shaping its unique identity. The country's heritage is reflected in its architecture, with medieval towns like Szentendre and Eger preserving their historic charm alongside magnificent palaces and cathedrals. Culturally, Hungary is celebrated for its classical music tradition, including composers like Franz Liszt and Béla Bartók, and its folk traditions, such as vibrant festivals and intricate handicrafts.



Hungarian cuisine is also a highlight, with dishes like goulash, paprika-spiced stews, and hearty pastries delighting palates worldwide. Nature lovers are drawn to Hungary's diverse landscapes, from the rolling hills of the wine-growing regions to the forested hills of the Bükk and Mátra Mountains. Thermal baths, a legacy of the country's Ottoman and Roman past, provide relaxation and rejuvenation in places like Széchenyi and Hévíz. Today, Hungary is a member of the European Union, contributing dynamically to regional politics, economics, and culture. Its warm hospitality and rich tapestry of experiences make Hungary a captivating destination for travelers seeking both history and modernity in a European context.

Hungary is a landlocked country located in Central Europe, bordered by Slovakia to the north, Ukraine to the northeast, Romania to the east, Serbia to the south, Croatia and Slovenia to the southwest, and Austria to the west. Its capital and largest city is Budapest, situated along the Danube River.

The country covers an area of approximately 93,000 square kilometers (35,900 square miles) and is known for its diverse landscapes. The Great Hungarian Plain (Alföld) dominates the eastern part of the country, characterized by flat, fertile plains ideal for agriculture. To the north, the landscape becomes hillier and more mountainous, particularly near the border with Slovakia and Austria. The highest point in Hungary is Kékes Mountain, reaching 1,014 meters (3,327 feet) above sea level.

Hungary's strategic location in Central Europe has historically shaped its cultural and economic development. The country has a rich cultural heritage, influenced by its history as part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire and its later independence. Today, Hungary is a member of the European Union and plays a significant role in regional politics and economics. In summary, Hungary's map reflects a diverse terrain with plains, hills, and mountains, while its central location in Europe positions it as a crossroads of history, culture, and commerce.



Buda Castle and Castle Hill: Explore the historic Buda Castle complex, including the Royal Palace, Matthias Church, and Fisherman's Bastion, offering stunning panoramic views of the city.



Parliament Building: Admire the Gothic Revival architecture of Hungary's Parliament, situated along the Danube River and illuminated beautifully at night.



Széchenyi Thermal Bath: Relax in Europe's largest medicinal bath complex, featuring outdoor and indoor pools, saunas, and therapeutic spa treatments.



Chain Bridge: Walk or drive across Budapest's iconic Chain Bridge, connecting Buda and Pest, and enjoy spectacular views of the Danube River and cityscape.

HISTORY AND CULTURE IN BUDAPEST

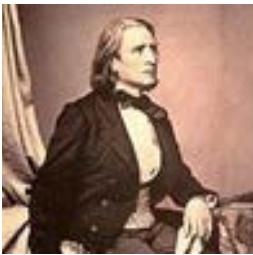
Budapest, the dynamic capital of Hungary, stands as a testament to a rich tapestry of history and culture. Nestled along the scenic banks of the Danube River, this city has been shaped by over a millennium of events and influences, evolving into a vibrant hub in the heart of Europe.

Budapest's history unfolds like a chronicle of Central Europe's tumultuous past. It traces its origins back to Roman times when the settlement of Aquincum thrived as a key outpost of the Roman Empire. In the medieval period, Buda and Pest emerged as separate towns on opposite sides of the Danube, with Buda becoming a royal seat and Pest a bustling trade center.

The city endured Ottoman rule for about 150 years starting from the mid-16th century, leaving behind a legacy of thermal baths that remain popular attractions today, such as Széchenyi and Gellért Baths. The Habsburg era saw Budapest flourish as a vital part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire, undergoing significant urban development and modernization.

Culturally, Budapest is a melting pot of architectural styles, arts, and traditions. Gothic and Baroque churches stand alongside elegant Art Nouveau buildings, showcasing the city's diverse architectural heritage. The Hungarian State Opera House and the grandeur of Heroes' Square exemplify Budapest's love for music and the arts. The city's cultural scene is enriched by museums like the Hungarian National Museum, which preserves the nation's history through its extensive collections, and contemporary galleries such as the Ludwig Museum of Contemporary Art. Budapest's culinary delights, from hearty goulash to sweet pastries, reflect its warm hospitality and culinary traditions found in bustling markets like the Great Market Hall.

Famous People from Hungary



Ferenc Liszt

Renowned composer and virtuoso pianist, known for his contributions to Romantic music.



John von Neumann

Mathematician, physicist, and computer scientist who made fundamental contributions to mathematics, quantum mechanics, and computing.



Magda Szabó

Renowned novelist and playwright, known for works like "The Door" and "Abigail."



Imre Kertész

Nobel Prize-winning author known for his writings about the Holocaust and totalitarian regimes.

