

Raptor Protection of Slovakia







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7th International Conference on the Conservation of the Eastern Imperial Eagle (*Aquila heliaca*) 2-5 October 2013 Barónka Hotel, Bratislava, Slovakia

1st OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

INTRODUCTION

7th International Conference for the Conservation of the EIE will be held in Bratislava, Slovakia, on 2-5 October 2013. It will be organized by the Raptor Protection of Slovakia in cooperation with MME/BirldLife Hungary, Czech Society for Ornithology and with support from Ministry of the Environment of the Slovak Republic.

The Conference is a part of long-term continuous effort to preserve this rare species that started by establishing the International Imperial Eagle Working Group in 1990. Before this Conference, six international meetings were held between 1990 and 2013.

The Conference will be focused on following topics:

- recent population status and trends,
- biology and ecology of the species,
- endangering factors,
- conservation activities and experiences,
- review of the International Action Plan for the Imperial Eagle (Aquila heliaca).

The topics will be presented by presentations and posters and discussed during workshops / round tables, which will be held during 3 - 4 October 2013.

A field trip will be organized on 5 October 2013 to a historical Imperial Eagle nesting site in neighbouring area in the Little Carpathians mountain.

A detailed program of the Conference will be available until 31 August 2013.

The <u>VENUE OF THE MEETING</u> will be the Baronka Hotel, Bratislava, Slovakia (see the details below). <u>OFFICIAL LANGUAGE</u> of the Conference will be English.

REGISTRATION

Registration for the Conference will be opened from 15 April 2013. The registration form is available online at this address: **www.dravce.sk/IE**. Advanced registration for the Conference is mandatory. Registration will be closed on **30 June 2013**.

Registration fee for participants will be **120 EUR**. It includes conference materials including Book of Abstracts, food and Proceedings.

Participation fee on the field trip (5 October 2013) is an additional 20 EUR.

Fees should be paid via bank transfer by 30 June 2013.

Banking details:

Name of the account holder: Ochrana dravcov na Slovensku Address of the account holder: Kuklovská 5, SK-841 04 Bratislava, Slovakia Name of the bank: Tatra Banka, a.s. Address of the bank: Hodžovo námestie 3, 850 05 Bratislava 55 Account number: 2623078364 Code of the bank: 1100 **IBAN:** SK55 1100 0000 0026 2307 8364 SWIFT: TATR SK BX

CALL FOR PAPERS

Papers are invited on the above mentioned topics. Abstracts of no more than 300 words should be submitted to the Conference Secretariat by 30 June 2013 in electronic version. Final paper in full version shall be submitted by 15 September 2013. The Proceedings of the Conference will be published electronically by 28 February 2014, as a Supplementum of Slovak Raptor Journal, published on http://www.degruyter.com/view/j/srj. Instructions for authors are available in a separate document distributed with this Announcement.

In the Registration form, please indicate your interest in presenting papers or posters, as well as your interest to participate on the field trip.

ACCOMODATION

Accommodation for the participants will be offered in Baronka Hotel or in other hotels in Bratislava.

In Baronka, accommodation will be available for participants from 2 October till 5 October 2013 at following rates:

Singe room

Double room

Standard Triple Room

All prices include breakfast. Longer stay in Bratislava may be agreed individually when booking the rooms. The participants are kindly requested to make booking by themselves. When booking accommodation in Baronka Hotel, please refer to the Conference.

48 € / night 52 € / night 70 € / night

OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

• Currency and credit cards

The local currency in Slovakia is Euro (EUR). You are advised to have EUR in cash for small shopping as the credit cards may not be used in some shops. The credit cards (VISA, MASTERS, Diners) are normally accepted by hotels, supermarkets, gasoline stations, etc.

Visa requirement

Participants from some countries may need a visa to enter the Slovak Republic/ Schengen coutries of the European Union. In case of uncertainty, please check your respective status on <u>www.mzv.sk</u>, click right below "Visa and EU".

Visa will be issued by the Embassy of the Slovak Republic in your country/region. The invitation letter will be sent to the participants upon request by e-mail to IE@dravce.sk. Please, consult the respective Embassy of the Slovak Republic whether the invitation letter is required.

Getting to Slovakia

Bratislava Airport, Slovakia: www.letiskobratislava.sk.

Vienna Airport-Schwechat, Austria: www.viennaairport.com.

There is a daily regular bus connection (operated by Eurolines) between Vienna airport-Schwechat and Bratislava (Bus Station Mlynske Nivy). The cost of a one way fare is approx. 10 EUR. For details See: <u>www.eurolines.sk</u>.

The bus stop in Vienna airport is located in front of the arrival hall (Vienna-Bratislava) and departure hall (Bratislava – Vienna). For travel from Vienna airport to Bratislava it is necessary to buy ticket in the kiosk next to doors of the arrival hall. In time when it does not operate, the ticket is sold by bus driver. Tickets for travel from Bratislava to Vienna should be purchased in the hall of the bus station in Bratislava.

If you wish to arrive by train or by bus, connections are listed on www.cp.sk.

• Getting to Baronka Hotel:

Details on how to get to Baronka Hotel, when you are already in Bratislava, are available at http://www.baronka.sk/en/map. GPS coordinates: 48°12'42.4N, 17°9'9.4E.

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Provisional Time Table

| Wednesday 2 October 2013: | Arrival and Registration of participants |
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| Thursday 3 October 2013: | Opening of the Conference |
| | Plenary session |
| Friday 4 October 2013: | Parallel sessions of thematic groups |
| | Parallel workshop on update of the Species |
| | Action Plan |
| | Plenary session |
| | Closing the Conference |
| Saturday 5 October 2013 | Half-day field trip and departure |

Secretariat of the 7th International Conference on the Conservation of the Eastern Imperial Eagle (*Aquila heliaca*)

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