Joint ESVP and ECVP Congress

September 5 – 8, 2018
Cluj-Napoca, Romania

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Invitation

Dear Colleagues,

I am pleased to invite you to the Joint ESVP and ECVP Congress (The European Society of Veterinary Pathology/European College of Veterinary Pathologists) which is going to be held at the University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine (USAMV) Cluj-Napoca, Romania (Address: Calea Mănăştur 3-5, 400372, Cluj-Napoca) from 5th September to 8th September 2018.

The programme of the Joint ESVP and ECVP Congress includes Keynote speakers, Open Scientific Sessions and Workshops, among which will be the following topics: The dendritic cell in pathology with special emphasis on skin diseases; Large animal models of human diseases; Advances in molecular pathology and stem cell technology driving personalized medicine; Novelties in large animal pathology; Current developments in digital pathology; Neurology/neuropathology workshop; Musculoskeletal pathology workshop; and Designing and publishing observational studies in veterinary pathology. For more details, please check the congress website: https://www.esvp.eu/meetings/13-future-meetings/212-esvp-ecvp-annual-meeting-2018.

Cluj-Napoca (German: Klausenburg; Hungarian: Kolozsvár; Medieval Latin: Castrum Clus, Claudiopolis), is the second largest city in Romania, and the seat of Cluj County in the northwestern part of the country. Geographically, it is roughly equidistant from Bucharest (324 kilometers), Budapest (351 km) and Belgrade (322 km). The city is considered the unofficial capital to the historical province of Transylvania. From 1790 to 1848 and from 1861 to 1867, it was the official capital of the Grand Principality of Transylvania. Today, the city is one of the most important academic, cultural, industrial and business centres in Romania. In 2015, Cluj-Napoca was European Youth Capital.

As regards the congress location, the USAMV Cluj-Napoca (Romania) is the successor of the prestigious Higher School of Agriculture of Cluj, founded 145 years ago, in October 1869. The university’s green campus is a short stroll away from the city centre, easily accessible by public transport or by foot. It includes the Agrobotanic Garden which contains over 1800 plant species that can be admired by visitors. The Garden, which was established in 1903, was created near the ruins of a monastery from the XI century where the monks had a medicinal herb garden and a pharmacy; it is probable that some of the species which the monks grew have been preserved.

This experience will be a great occasion to meet friends and colleagues in a pleasant location. As the Local Organising Committee, please do not hesitate to contact us for any further information regarding the meeting.

On behalf of the Congress Organising Committee,

Cornel CATOI, DVM, PhD
Rector USAMV Cluj-Napoca, Romania
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Important Dates

- **16th April 2018**
  Registration opens and abstract submission

- **1st June 2018**
  Abstract deadline

- **1st July 2018**
  Early registration deadline


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**Welcome to Cluj-Napoca!**

The University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine of Cluj-Napoca, venue for the Joint ESVP and ECVP Congress

The University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine Cluj-Napoca, founded 150 years ago, is a life sciences university which includes a European relevant faculty of veterinary medicine. The University has gained wide reputation due to its international academic programmes and competitive research as well as its involvement in regional development.

The University is located in a beautiful green campus and is a short stroll from downtown, easily accessible by public transport or on foot.
### Programme

- **✓ Wednesday Sept 5th:** Registration, welcome reception
- **✓ Thursday Sept 6th:** Full day conference, free evening for your own plans
- **✓ Friday Sept 7th:** Full day conference, dinner
- **✓ Saturday 8th:** Half day conference, excursions

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Registration Fees

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Fees for members, non-members and students include: access to the scientific programme, conference documentation, coffee and lunches according to the programme, the welcome reception and the congress dinner:

1. Member of ESVP, or ECVP, or ACVP
2. Member of ESVP and ECVP / ACVP
3. Students: Students and PhD students benefit from a discounted fee; to register as a Student please provide certification from a University supervisor, confirming employment with a considerably reduced salary.
4. One-day registration fee includes access to the scientific programme on the particular day, meeting documentation, coffee and lunches according to the programme. Please note that the congress dinner is not included in the one-day fee and can be purchased separately, dependent upon availability.
Accommodation in hotels

According to the distance from Congress venue we have suggested a few hotels. In addition to those listed, you can be sure to find something that suits your needs.

**Budget**
Hotel Pami ***, Calea Mănăștur Str. nr. 39, +40 264 406333 - 5 minutes' walk
Hotel Sport**, Aleea Stadionului Str. nr. 1, +40 264 593921 - 10 minutes’ walk

**Mid-range**
Grand Hotel Napoca****, Octavian Goga Str. nr. 1, +40 264 580715 - 15 minutes' walk

**Splurge**
Grand Hotel Italia*****, Trifoiului Str. nr. 2, +40 364 111333 – 12 minutes by taxi, venue for congress dinner
Platinia Hotel*****, Calea Mănăștur Str. 2-6, +40 735 312458 - just across the street from congress venue
DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Cluj - City Plaza******, Sindicatelor Str. nr. 9-13, +40 264 450101 - 18 minutes' walk
Accommodation on the university campus

- Comfort double room
  Agronomia 2, Calea Motilor Str. 74-76, 10 minutes’ walk
  - 40 € / room / night, including breakfast.

- Student double room
  Dorms 8 and 15, Piezisa Str. 68 and 90, 10 minutes’ walk
  - 30 € / room / night, including breakfast.
How to get to Cluj-Napoca

Getting to Cluj-Napoca is easy due to its position and its status as a major city in Romania.

The best way is by plane: The International Airport of Cluj-Napoca (CLJ) ([http://airportcluj.ro/](http://airportcluj.ro/)), is located 9 kilometres (5.6 miles) to the east of the city, offers direct flights to: ● Munich, ● Vienna, ● Frankfurt, ● Dublin, ● Paris-Beauvais, ● London-Luton, ● Brussels-Charleroi, ● Eindhoven, ● Dortmund, ● Bergamo, ● Bologna, ● Rome, ● Treviso, ● Barcelona, ● Madrid, ● Valencia, ● Zaragoza, ● Tel Aviv etc.
Transport to venue

From Cluj-Napoca International Airport to USAMV Cluj-Napoca
- By Taxi: approx. 5 Eur
- By Bus (Line 7 and 8) (every 7 min): approx. 2 Eur

From Cluj-Napoca Railway Station
- By Taxi: approx. 4 Eur
- By Bus (Line 9) (every 8 min): approx. 2 Eur
Useful information about Cluj-Napoca

By plane
Over 25 direct flights to Cluj-Napoca International Airport.

By train
Both national and international rail destinations.

Climate
Cluj-Napoca has a continental climate, with an average maximum of 22° C, and a minimum temperature of 10 ° C in September.

Language
The official language is Romanian, although most people in Cluj-Napoca speak English fairly well.

Entry to Romania
If you are citizen of the European Union, the European Economic Area, the Swiss Confederation, Monaco or Andorra: no formalities are necessary. For other nationalities a passport is required to enter the national territory. Before the departure, make sure that your passport is valid until the end of your stay. Contact the Romanian Embassy in your country.

Currency
The official currency in Romania is the Romanian Leu (RON). You should exchange money in the Airport. Also, there is a bank right across the street from the University.
Excursions on Saturday afternoon

Cluj-Napoca Walking Tour & Dinner: 35 EUR

The historical buildings and monuments make our city an open-air museum. They are a treasure trove for lovers of multicultural history and diverse architecture. Visitors can discover an academic, cultural, and cosmopolitan city, with a vibrant and comfortable outdoor atmosphere, as well as in exhibitions, music halls, opera and theatres, cafes, restaurants, parks, shopping and other leisure areas.

Turda Salt Mine & Turda Canyon Tour & Dinner: 35 EUR

Take a tour to the underground theme park that’s nestled inside one of the oldest and most spectacular salt mines in the world. Then, visit the nearby Turda Canyon, a natural reserve, containing one of the richest and most scenic Romanian karst landscapes.
We look forward to welcoming you to Cluj-Napoca in September 2018!

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