Conference Facilities
ICT-15 will be held in a modern 4-star hotel facilities (Napoca Hotel) which is connected with the University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine establishment, see:
http://hotelnapoca.ro/?lang=en
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Invitation for ICT-15

Trichinellosis is one of the most important parasitic zoonosis that affects more than 100 mammal species, including the human. The disease is spread worldwide, outbreaks of human infection being diagnosed on all continents. Romania is among the countries with the highest prevalence of trichinellosis or animal Trichinella infection cases worldwide, both in the pig population or in the wildlife.

It is a great pleasure for the Organising Committee to invite you, on behalf of the International Commission on Trichinellosis (ICT) to the XV International Conference on Trichinellosis (ICT-15) to be held in Cluj-Napoca, Romania, between 26 and 30 August 2019. The conference will be organized by the University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine (USAMV) in cooperation with the University of Medicine and Pharmacy “Iuliu Haţieganu” Cluj-Napoca (UMF) under the umbrella of International Commission on Trichinellosis (ICT). Scientific sessions of ICT-15 will focus on current efforts and recent advances in research and Trichinella control. Scientific discussions about the results of the research will create the opportunity for a productive dialogue and exchanges of experience. All these will contribute to a better understanding of this zoonotic pathogen. The scientific and social program will equally constitute an excellent platform for building new connections and for consolidation of existing relationships between the teams of researchers focused on Trichinella.

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Conference Venue

Ancient Roman fortress, center of Romania culture and civilization, Cluj-Napoca is situated in the heart of Transylvania, representing one of the most important cities in Romania not only from the academic point of view but also of the artistic and cultural lifestyle.

With 2000 years of history, 350,000 inhabitants and over 150,000 students, Cluj-Napoca is a multicultural city, the greatest cultural, architectural and academic city of Romania, the capital of the old region called Transylvania, hosting the most important universities in the country.

According to the numbeo.com website, which measures worldwide indicators such as crime rates, pollution, quality of the health services, real estate prices or purchasing power, Cluj-Napoca is considered the city with the best quality of life in Romania.

Cluj-Napoca has a continental climate characterized by hot and dry summers. The temperature for July and August varies between 20°C (64°F) and 40°C (104°F) in mid-summer in the city center.

Scientific and Social Program

Participation in ICT-15 is open to scientists, students and all others interested in the study of Trichinella and trichinellosis. The scientific program will consist of plenary sessions and poster presentations. An anniversary celebration gala of ICT, in the honor of past presidents and outstanding invited scientists, is intended to be organized.

Sessions will be introduced by invited keynote speakers. The official language is English.

Presenters will have the opportunity to publish their work in a peer-reviewed conference proceedings. The program will cover a variety of topics related to Trichinella and trichinellosis, including:

- Phylogeny, taxonomy, and biology of Trichinella genus;
- Epidemiology of human and animal infection;
- Genomics and proteomics;
- Pathogenesis and immunology;
- Detection;
- Human trichinellosis;
- Legislation and control;

Besides the scientific agenda, a social program will invite all participants to join colleagues and friends in exploring the amazing region of Transylvania and its surprising capital Cluj-Napoca.

Program for Accompanying Persons

A program involving touristic and cultural activities will be organized for accompanying persons at an additional cost.

Second Announcement

The second announcement with detailed information on registration fees, accommodation, abstract submission and important deadlines will be available from the ICT-15 website (http://www.zooparaz.net/ict15/) by the end of 2018. See also www.trichinellosis.org for relevant links.