# EMAG 2013



31.07.-04.08.2013 Bratislava, Slovakia



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Bratislava, the capital of Slovak Republic, for EMAG 2013. This year, my country celebrates the 20th anniversary of its independence - and so does Mensa Slovakia as an independent organization.

I am happy to welcome you to my city -

Dear friends.

Prior to 1919. when Bratislava received its current modern name, the city was called Pressburg in German, Pozsony in Hungarian and Prešporok in Slovak languages. More names of the city from the history you can find in the links below. No wonder - the Bratislava region is extremely rich in history. Its early historical roots go back to the 9th century, when the nearby castle of Devín was the capital of the first Slavic Empire - the Kingdom of Great Moravia. It was the Bratislava region, which many times from 11th to 17th centuries succeeded in stopping vicious enemy attacks from the east and the south, thus protecting the rest of the civilized Europe from further wars.

## Welcome

One of the most ancient European universities, the Universitas Istropolitana was founded in Bratislava by the King Matthias Corvinus in 1465. During the era of the multilingual Old Hungarian Kingdom, lasting from 1563 to 1830, Bratislava was the coronation city for Austro-Hungarian kings and emperors including the famous empress Maria Theresa.

Until the year 1848, Bratislava was the seat of the Hungarian States Parliament. Mozart came to Bratislava many times to perform for local audiences - first time at the age of six.

Napoleon Bonaparte personally oversaw his troops fighting the enemy on the other bank of the river Danube from the famous hill near the Bratislava Castle - the hill still bears his name. That was the time when they started to produce real champagne in Bratislava. In 1919, when the first Czechoslovak Republic was formed, Bratislava became the capital of its Slovak part. Today, only a few know that the first Czechoslovak Republic was rated as the 6th most developed country in the world.

Because of the rich history, the region of Bratislava is famous for its uniquely versatile gene pool. Many nations cruising the territory from east to west and south to north, among them Celts, Romans, Germans, Slavs, Mongols, Hungarians, Tartars and Turks, left behind their genetic and cultural footprint - this is still noticeable among the population, and in the city's culture. To accentuate the vast historical context of the city, we have decided to hold the EMAG 2013 in the building of the Old Parliament. The structure was erected in 1844 to house the regional government. After the World War II, it housed the national government and when Slovakia gained its independence in 1993, it became the seat of the Slovak National Council - our national assembly. I hope that you will enjoy lectures and workshops located in the ancient rooms that ooze with history

from every wall, ceiling and corner.

I also hope that you will very much enjoy all the events that



we have prepared for you outside the building - Action Day, the football tournament, many trips around the city and region, numerous social events and, last but not least, the After EMAG Trip around Slovakia.

The accommodation deals have been already arranged, and we are impatiently waiting for all of you to come. Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or anyone in my team.

#### Welcome to EMAG 2013!

Yours Hana Dojčanová

# EMAG team





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**Conference** room

The EMAG 2013 infocentre for registration and information, main meeting point for all tours and events, all



lectures and place for coffe break is in the conference room of the building of Old Parliament. The venue is open from 9:00 to 19:00.

Address of conference room: Župné námestie 12 Bratislava



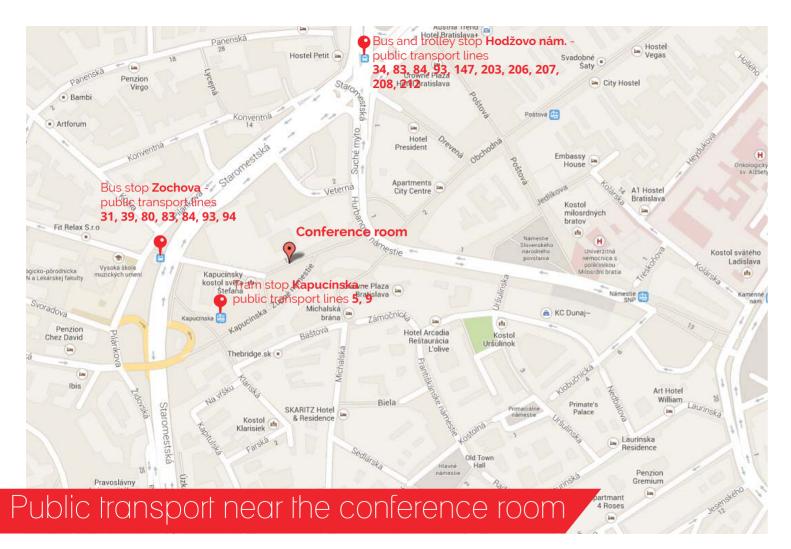
Basic conditions for using a ticket All ticket types can be used for any kind of transport vehicle, you can use a bus, tram or trolley as long as the time

#### Public transport

of travel does not exceed the time indicated on the ticket and you can change type of vehicle freely. However, you cannot change routes with the 15min (0.70 €).

#### **Ticket types:**

15 min: 0.70 € (one way ticket only, one type of vehicle) 60 min: 0.90 € 90 min: 1.60 € (night transport) 24 h: 4.50 € 48 h: 8.30 € 3 days: 10.00 € 7 days: 15.00 €







#### Ice breaker

#### Wed 31.07.2013 19:00 - 00:00 price included in the fee

Big Start of EMAG 2013! :)

Thu 01.08.2013 19:00 - 23:00

#### Place of venue: u Zlatého Bažanta

Dunajská 4, Bratislava – Old Town near old Tesco GPS: N48.144359; E17.114177



# Arm Contained and

#### Price: 30 EUR

BBQ dinner in the fancy restaurant of hotel Albrecht With Executive Chef Jaroslav Žídek

#### Place of venue: Hotel Albrecht

Mudroňova 82, Bratislava You can enroll and pay at the EMAG Infocentre during your registration.

## City sights and night life

#### Duration: 2 hours Fri 02.08.2013 20:00 - 00:00 Price: 10 EUR, includes: guide, voucher for 2 drinks, seat reservation Meeting place: **EMAG Conference** building

This tour will show you Bratislava from yet another side. Bratislava is a youthful city and during weekend nights the streets of the Old Town are buzzing with life as people move from wine cellars to cocktail bars, towards the heart of the action.

You have a chance to visit a Fresco winery with live music and a Beerpalace with with CD music and after 10.p.m.with a live DI.



You will start in one place and after an hour you are going to visit the other one. You will get 2 drink vouchers and you can use them on both premises whether for wine or beer. But if you decide to stay in the beerpalace all the time, you can use both vouchers there.

#### Partners: FRESCO WINERY

Františkánske nám.10 http://www.frescobar.sk

#### **BEER PALACE Restaurant & Pub**

#### Gorkého 5 http://www.beerpalace.sk



#### Sat 03.08.2013 19:00 - 00:00 price included in the fee

Place of venue. **DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Brati**slava



Attention: Dress code choices: 1.costume or mask of a gueen / king who were crowned in Pressburg (could be homemade) 2 formal

#### Gala dinner

#### Transportation to/from Galadinner

Public transportation:

Bus Nr. 39 from Zochova street (20min interval, 9 min.duration)

Trolleybus Nr. 212 from Hodzovo nam. (Presidential Palace), (15min interval, 9min duration)

Oneway ticket 0.7 € , must be purchased in advance

Car – up to 4 pax, 9€ oneway, reservations viktors@nextra.sk. Van/minibus – up to 8 pax, 18€ oneway – departures from conference area, Zupne nam, 18.40-20.00, Return transfers starting from 22.30 Payment directly to the driver. Price is per car, not per person



#### Sun 04.08.2013 12:00 - 14:00 **11 EUR**

Join your new friends in Pulitzer Restaurant (www.pulitzer.sk) and plan your next meeting in this nice environment. You can enroll and pay at the EMAG Infocentre during your registration.

# TOURS

#### Information

Please, make sure you have your tour voucher(s) before the tour starts. You will receive them at the time of the registration (when prepaid) or you can purchase them also at the tour desk. Meeting point for all tours is outside of the conference building, Zupne nam.12.

#### Tour begin time means departure time, please be on time.

#### Walking tour of Bratislava

Duration: 2 hours Price: **10 EUR**, incl.guide and entrance fee to the Old Town Hall

#### Wed 31.07.2013 14:00 - 16:00 Thu 01.08.2013 09:00 - 11:00 Fri 02.08.2013 10:00 - 12:00 Sat 03.08.2013 09:00 - 11:00

A walking tour of charming squares, courtyards and narrow lanes of the Old Town will show the Main Square,

the Old Town Hall, the Primate's Pal



ace, the St. Michael's Gate, Franciscan Church, the first Hungarian University Academy Istropolitana, St. Martin's Cathedral, the Opera House and other significant historical sights.



## Bratislava Highlights

#### Duration: 3 hours

Price: **19 EUR**, incl. 60 min. drive with oldtimer, entrance fee to the Primate's palace, guide



This oldtimer bus Prešporáčik will give you the general impression of the city. Passing the most important places,

#### historical as well as cultural sights, visiting Bratislava Castle, Napoleon's Hill



and Slavín with their splendid panoramic views. During our walk through the pedestrian zone of the Old Town we will look at the St. Michael's Gate. the first University Istropolitana, St. Martin's Cathedral (where the corona



tions of the old Hungarian kings were performed), the Primate's Palace, the Old Town Hall and at last at the Opera House.



## Devin Castle by boat

#### Duration: **4 hours**

Price : 25 EUR, incl.bus, guide, entrance fee to Bratislava and Devin Castles, boat trip

#### Fri 02.08.2013 14:00 - 18:00 Sat 03.08.2013 10:00 - 14:00 Sun 04.08.2013 10:00 - 14:00

This bus tour takes us to see Bratislava`s most prominent historic and cultural sights outside the Old



Town. You will visit Bratislava Castle and enjoy panoramic views of the city from Slavín, WW2 memorial. After that we'll be driving along the Danube to the magnificent ruins of Devín Castle

situated above the confluence of the Danube and the Morava rivers. Blown up by Napoleon's troops in 1809,



Devín Castle offers magnificent views of neighboring Austria and on a clear day you can see the peaks of the Alps. Return back by boat on Danube river.



Duration: 2 hours Price: 4,50 EUR, incl.entrance fee, technical guide. Walking distance

#### Thu 01.08.2013 13:00 - 15:00 Sat 03.08.2013 12:00 - 14:00

It is situated in a storehouse and a

railway store near the Bratislava Steam Railway Station. The museum shows exhibits collected for 70 years, showing machineries, history and development of road and railway transport,

wide collection of exhibits starting with coaches, first engine carriages, motorcycles, cars and lorries of the period between the wars up to cars from the



70's. The oldest exhibit is a Praga from 1911. There is also a collection of BMW cars and unique motorcycles - Bohmerlands.



#### Duration: 2 hours

Price: 14 EUR, including tram ticket, guide from the Bratislava Jewish Religious Community, entrance fee

#### Thu 01.08.2013 10:00 - 11:00 Fri 02.08.2013 10:00 - 11:00

Chatam Sofer was a world-renowned Orthodox rabbi and the scholar, chief rabbi of Pressburg (Bratislava). He headed a veshiva in Bratislava that was considered one of the most prominent centers of traditional lewish learning in Europe.



The beginnings of the famous cemetery date back to the 17th century, when lews were allowed to settle on the estate of the Pálffy Counts. The site served for centuries as the burial place of the Bratislava Jewish community, but it was destroyed in 1943, when the nearby tunnel was constructed. Only the most precious section, with 23 graves surrounding the Chatam Sofer's tomb, was preserved, encircled

by a concrete shell and covered with panels.

In 2000-2002, the whole site was redeveloped and the gravestones were restored. 2012 is the 250th anniversary of Chatam Sofer's birth.



#### Duration: 6 hours Price: 44 EUR, includes: Admissions (ceramics + castle), guide, transportation, wine tasting, lunch

#### Thu 01.08.2013 11:00 - 17:00



A half-day tour to a region which has been known for its wine since the Roman times. We will drive you to explore the surroundings of Bratislava with many quaint villages and historic towns. The vineyards on the slopes of the Little Carpathians are typical for this region. Apart from great wines this

majolica – is produced.

The highlight of this tour is a visit to Červený Kameň - a wonderfully preserved castle, which ranks among the best preserved in Slovakia, with huge multi-store cellars, the largest ones in Central Europe. The tour finishes in the historic wine cellar sampling the best local wines followed by a late lunch with traditional Slovak cuisine in a local restaurant.

area is also known for beautiful pottery and naive art. The tour goes through the ancient royal wine towns of Svätý Jur, Pezinok and Modra, highlighting the most important sights. We will also see how the famous Modra pottery -



#### **Brewery Tour**

#### Duration: 4 hours

Price: **30 EUR**, incl. transportation, guide, majolica visit, entrance to the brewery, snacks and unlimited tasting

#### Wed 31.07.2013 13:00 - 17:00 Fri 02.08.2013 13:00 - 17:00



First stop will be Majolica, where you get your handmade beer glass. Then we will continue to Trnava and visit a brewery, originaly from the 18th century, where the beer is still brewed and manufactered traditionally. True beer fanatics can find old-style, unpasteurised beer here, without any preservatives. As a part of this visit you can watch the actual brewing of the

lager beer and enjoy the smell. "Na zdravie!" ("Cheers!"). Enjoy beer goulash and beer sampling.

#### Vienna, Austria

#### Duration: **11 hours** Price: **50 EUR**, incl.bus, guide, entrance to Schonbrunn Palace, boat Vienna-Bratislava

#### Fri 02.08.2013 08:00 - 19:00

Sightseeing in historic Vienna - once the imperial and cultural centre of Europe as well as the seat of the Habsburg Empire during the 18th century.



The tour will take you around the famous Ringstrasse, a magnificent boulevard which Franz Joseph I built in the 1880's on the site of demolished city walls. You will see splendid, majestic buildings and palaces.



Next we will travel to Schönbrunn (the former summer residence of the Imperial family). After the tour of Schönbrunn Palace you will return by bus to the centre of the city for a walking tour through Hofburg Palace before viewing Saint Stephen's Cathedral.



After your guided tour, enjoy free time for lunch or shopping. At the end of this free time, we will meet in front of Saint Stephens's Cathedral and walk to the Danube port to catch the hydrofoil Vienna - Bratislava.

#### Waterworks Museum

Duration: 3 hours Price: **5 EUR**, incl. guided tour, public transportation

#### Wed 31.07.2013 09:00 - 12:00 Fri 02.08.2013 09:00 - 12:00

Located in the historical building of the first station in Bratislava, the Waterworks Museum offers an overview of the water industry from the 12th century to the present day. The water cycle from pumping, production and distribution to collection, treatment and return back to nature is one of the basic elements. Visitors will also find a wide range of historical items such as stone pipes, period water valves, measurement instruments, hydrants, well cross sections and pumps. One particularly interesting item at the Waterworks Museum is 17th century water pipe from the gardens at Versailles. Guided visit to the Isle Sihoť (opened for public twice a year only).



Nuclear Power **Plant Visit** 

Duration: **5 hours** Price: 12 EUR, incl.bus, entrance to nuclear power plant

#### Thu 01.08.2013 11:30 - 16:30 Fri 02.08.2013 11:30 - 16:30

Bohunice V2 Nuclear Power Plant, a member of Enel Group, is located in Western Slovakia, less than 1 hour drive from Bratislava. Electricity is generated there in two units with VVER 440/V-213 pressurised water reactors, which were commissioned in 1984 and 1985



respectively. Since 2002 a modernisation programme amounting to 500 mil. EUR was implemented at V2 units, and was completed in 2010 by power increase up to 505 MWe (gross) per unit. Learn more about how nuclear power works. Visit the infocentre and learn more about various aspects of electricity generation from uranium. With a special permission for EMAG participants you have a chance to see premises usually prohibited to visitors.



Duration: **2 hours** Price: **free of charge** 

#### Wed 31.07.2013 10:00 - 12:00 Thu 01.08.2013 10:00 - 12:00 Fri 02.08.2013 10:00 - 12:00

Slovak antivirus company ESET is the pioneer of proactive protection and the maker of the award-winning NOD32 technology. For over 25 years, the Company has led the industry in proactive threat detection. During the visit of ESET's headquarters you will have the opportunity to get to know the work of its research and development team and how the company

#### **Cyber Security and** Antivirus company visit

fights malware on a daily basis plus some interesting facts from the history of ESET. If you're interested in taking pictures, you will have a unique opportunity to shoot some nice photos from the terrace on the 18th floor overseeing Bratislava.



The Company has global headquarters in Bratislava (Slovakia), with regional distribution centers in San Diego (U.S.), Buenos Aires (Argentina), and Singapore; with offices in Sao Paulo (Brazil) and Prague (Czech Republic). ESET has malware research centers in Bratislava, San Diego, Buenos Aires, Singapore, Prague, Košice (Slovakia), Krakow (Poland), Montreal (Canada) and Moscow (Russia).

Meeting time - half an hour before the excursion.



## New facts about Mayans

#### Wed 31.07.2013 10:30 - 12:00 Presenters: Milan Kováč, Jakub Špoták



We dug up ritual ballgame court and we had it completely restored. Today it is one of the most beautiful buildings in the entire area of Uaxactún.

We found several graves of Mayan nobility, full of great ceramics and deposits of ancient treasures. We also discovered three new sursquares rounded by a number of pyramids, which had

been absolutely unknown. We stripped them of "forest arms" and demonstrated them to the world of science.

Excavations show that elite had lived

there at the time of so-called late classical period, and king might have had a palace there.

We already found out that the acropolis was constructed at the same time as a large astronomical observatory, probably one of the oldest, if not the oldest in the entire Mayan world.

The frontage of elevated square, on which the acropolis stands, is decorated with giant stucco masks. We had conserved them. Sizes are likely to be the greatest in the whole Mayan world - they are up to 20 meters wide.

#### About the presenters Milan Kováč

Born on 9, 10, 1967, he studied history, philosophy and religious studies at Comenius University in Bratislava . He completed PhD. Study of Religions at Comenius University, University of Uppsala and at the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México.

Since 2002 he has worked as a lecturer. later on FiF UK based Department of Comparative Religion, which he is still leading. Since 2011, he is an appointed professor. He has lectured at several international institutions, such as University of Vienna, Musée del 'Homme Paris, Universidad Autónoma de Yucatán Mérida etc.

*He made several long-term research stays* between 1999-2008 at a Mayan tribe Lacandon in the Mexican state of Chiapas, where he studied their language, mythology and rituals. From 2009 to present, he has been leading archaeological research project in Mayan city Uaxactún in Guatemala.

Prof. Milan Kováč is the founder of mesoamerican and Mayan studies in Slovakia. Starting in 1994, when the first organized research project in central

America made a direct impact on academic sphere, this research area was systematically institutionalized. In Bratislava he introduced international Autumn Academy of Mayan Hieroglyphic Writing (since 2009). He critically translated into Slovak and published main written source for studying the history of the Mayans - "Report on matters of Yucatan " by Diego de Landa (2011) and founded and leads the Center for Mayan Studies on FiF UK (since 2012).

#### Jakub Špoták

Mgr. Jakub Špoták (1986) graduated from the department of religion at the Comenius University in Bratislava. He is currently a PhD student at the Department of Comparative Religion at Comenius University, his dissertation is a comprehensive analysis of the Paris Code. It deals with archeo-astronomy and Mayan culture, specializing in the hieroglyphic writing, history, religion and codes.



Presenter: Daria-Maret

## All that jazz!

Wed 31.07.2013 14:30 - 16:00



From the Worksongs of the slaves to Caro Emerald

A history of lazz Music from the early beginnings to contemporary Jazz.

Styles. artists.

groups and background information.

#### About the presenter

Daria-Maret is a teacher at a Comprehensive School in Hannover. Her subjects are Music, Maths and English. *In her freetime she writes songs and plays* 

Electric Bass in a Big Band and a Jazz Combo.

> Future will be different. That we know. But when and how much different?

Wed 31.07.2013 16:30 - 18:00 Presenter: Juraj Mesík

Forty one years ago Club of Rome published "Limits to Growth" - famous report prepared by a small group of MIT scientists. Based on the trends in use



natural resources observed at the time, the report predicted humankind will hit the limits to exponential growth in population, consumption and environmental deg-

radation sometimes in the early 21st century. Many years later, in 2009, John Beddington, at the time UK government's chief scientist, predicted a "perfect storm" of food, water and energy shortages leading to public unrest and conflicts to hit the world by 2030. Such "doom and gloom" predictions are mostly downplayed by international media and ignored by both governments and common citizen.

But what if the source of this blind optimism is rooted in our ignorance and apathy? What if Mr. Beddington was wrong - and his 2030 will be upon us much sooner? Is technological optimism sound strategy for an individual, your family or community? What may be the most important trends shaping the rest of our lives and lives of our

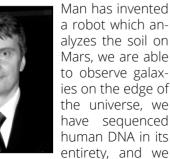
children? Can we prepare for them?

#### About the presenter

He teaches about global challenges at Comenius (SK) and Palacky (CZ) universities. Before focusing on teaching and lecturing he worked as social development specialist at the World Bank in Washington D.C. and was one of the leading civil society activist in Slovakia. He graduated from Medical School of Comenius university and is father of three sons.

#### Why we still don't know what the human body is made of

#### Thu 01.08.2013 09:00 - 10:30 Presenter: Robert Mistrik



a robot which analyzes the soil on Mars, we are able to observe galaxies on the edge of the universe, we have sequenced human DNA in its entirety, and we

spend billions to discover all the ele-

mental particles that matter comprises. Yet we still do not know the exact molecules that are present in the human body which are key to enabling us to understand diseases and so allow us to live healthier and longer lives. Is there a conspiracy among pharmaceutical companies? Perhaps scientists are pursuing false research priorities, or is there generally a lack of interest in complex biochemical topics and, therefore, a lack of funding? None of these; there is another, very simple reason.

#### About the presenter

Robert Mistrik received a masters degree from the Slovak Technical University, Bratislava, Slovakia in 1991 and a Ph.D. from the University of Vienna, Austria in 1994. Between 1995 and 1997 he held a postdoctoral position at The National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD, USA working in the Mass Spectrometry Data Centre. Following his return to Slovakia in 1998, he founded HighChem, Ltd., a privately owned scientific software company, and since then he has held the position of CEO of that company. In 2009, he was awarded the 'Head of Year' prize, a national

award for exceptional achievement in science and technology. Dr. Mistrik was a member of the scientific steering committee in the METAcancer consortium, the aim of which was to identify small molecule biomarkers in breast cancer tissue. In 2012, he was elected to the Board of Directors of the Metabolomics Society.



#### Thu 01.08.2013 10:30 - 12:00 Presenter: **TeeKay**

#### **Everyone can be a Think-Tank!**

Creativity as key to success - great lessons from da Vinci, Mozart to Edison and Steven lobs!

Creativity is one of the most important



Dealing with thoughts, concepts and ideas in a creative, playful and productive way is an ability that can be enhanced and trained - just like any other talent. This workshop will show and train a couple of established techniques, to do so.

Not every musician will turn into Mozart, not every engineer will be Thomas Alva Edison und not every left handed painter will be Leonardo. But it is great fun to see and understand, how they grew up to tap into their "genius potential" and get some tricks, to be more like them.

And if you integrate these "thinking round the corner" in your life on a daily basis, you will definitely have more fun.

#### About the presenter

Thorsten Michael Kreissig is an opera director, a choreographer and a psychologist.



Thu 01.08.2013 12:00 - 13:30 Presenter: **TeeKay** 

#### ! Mind-bniM !

#### Self Reflection und Mirror-Neurons.

Philosophy, religion and science are all driven by man's desire to understand the "why" and "for which reason" guestions. Neurosciences today help us to understand how our brains function - and MRTs enable us to watch ourselves while thinking.

The old Greek philosophers didn't teach the way we experience school nowadays: sitting down an listening. So for this philosophical walk we will take a nice stroll around the block, while exchanging thoughts and opinions on the "why" and "for which reason" guestions and our so far known "because" answers. :-)



Thu 01.08.2013 13:30 - 15:00 Presenter: Ľuba Lacinová

Art used to tell us stories about the world "out there". Biotechnologies discovered how to change the very nature of the world or even to create a new

one. Artist can think of things Mother Nature never could. Scientist can lend him tools to make them. Welcome to the wonderful new world of Bioart!

#### About the presenter



Studied physics and art photography. Works in the field of molecular physiology and physics. teaches of the Member Society. Learned Served as a member of an interna-

tional advisory board of the conference Mutamorphosis.

> The first Mensa foundation outside the USA

Thu 01.08.2013 15:00 - 16:30 Workshop presenters: Angela Riddering (chair Mensa Fonds) Willem Bouwens (MERF) Grethe van Geffen (chair Mensa Nederland)



Mensa The Netherlands just initiated the Dutch version of MERF. This is the first Mensa foundation outside the USA. Why this 'Mensa Fonds' what will they do? Who will benefit? We will answer all your questions in our workshop. Also for those interested in starting a Mensa Foundation in your own coun try, we have a lot

of tips and tricks for you: what (not) to do! From Mensa politics to Menprocedures, sa and all the opportunities to involve Mensa members

and make our

dreams come true!

Graphic design – from Art nouveau to the present day

#### Thu 01.08.2013 16:30 - 17:30 Presenter: **Zorana Milutinovic**



The evolution of design graphic late from the nineteen century the present to day.

There has always been a relationship between de-

sign, technology, social change and consumer economy.

The growth of the mass media came with an expansion in the design profession. The focus of advertisers and printers has one simple functionality - getting a message out to the urban public. That has been a primary goal from Art nouveau to the present day.



#### Thu 01.08.2013 17:30 - 18:30 Presenter: Heidrun Schmidt

#### Mensan style Language Learning how do we do it?

Many Mensans found out that they don't fit in the standard approaches on language learning offered by main



stream education. How to overcome obstacle? There are two approaches, mainly a) guicker or more intense way

b) their individual way :-)

In this talk a new approach using the power of Mensa and its widespread people will be presented. Additionally some self-study opportunities using a mobile phone or a computer will also be introduced. There are several sophisticated technologies that could be used. An amazing thing about Mensa

talks is that listeners can share their own opinions with other participants, so feel free to bring your ideas, special approaches and hidden treasures along. It might help other Mensans to find their own special way to get new inspirations in learning new languages. I am looking forward to a fruitful exchange!

#### About the presenter

Heidrun Schmidt speaks six languages and enjoys learning more. Although she belongs to the German mensa she lives in China and is enjoying an amazing international environment and the possibility to learn the Chinese language on an everyday basis. She teaches at a university in Hangzhou.

#### Fri 02.08.2013 18:30 - 19:30 Presenter: Jana Pätoprstá

History of the area and the dynasty of Habsburgs.

#### About the presenter



She has PhD.in clinical pharmacy, but since 1989 works as professional tourist guide /incoming & outgoing/ on a free-lance basis.

"Mental Achievement Award" - Mensa Czech Republic

#### Fri 02.08.2013 9:00 - 9:30 Presenter: Zuzana Šimková

## The Danube and Danube monarchy



 $\mathcal{D}\mathcal{O}$ we reward mental achievement in the society enough? How can we rescientists. ward and personalities of all areas of mankind - such as culture, literature,

medicine, astronomy,... (and how can we make it our activity, if they even refuse other awards?) Can Mensa be more active in this area? Can this raise Mensa's PR?

Would your national Mensa like to have a project like that? Come to gain inspiration.

What were the beginnings of the project in Czech Mensa? It all started with an ancient tragedy...

#### About the presenter

Author and co-ordinator of the project "Čestné uznání" - "Mental Achievement Award" in Mensa Czech Republic. She also organizes other Mensa activities, such as excursions, lectures, started two large projects for Czech Mensa and was a member of organisational team EMAG 2010 in Prague.

Zuzana is a compliance specialist for a large telecommunication company. She likes coffee, meeting friends, good books, but because she is a mother of two very active sons, she is mostly on the run and has no time for any of that :)



theory

implied

#### Fri 02.08.2013 9:30 - 10:30 Presenter: Don Magufo



Physics is called a theory of everything. We can divide the modified physics principles of the new paradigm in two large groups:

In the first group, the affected physics principles will define matter in the general sense (Globus) and its various states of aggregation such as gravity (globine), mass and wavine. In the second one, the physics principles will be related to Euclidean space and absolute time and all the implications concerning other magnitudes

such as movement, force, gravity force and energy.

#### About the presenter

M<sup>a</sup> José is a curious and global character. When a witch propounds theories for a scientific revolution or a paradigm shift she should be judged neither by the Inquisition nor by her knowledge of the previous theories or a concrete academic education, no matter how Big it might be, but by the logical coherence and empirical contrast of these new theories.

Otherwise, we will be lead into the classic ad wominen, hominen or whominen fallacy, typical among those who have been erroneously self-proclaimed skeptics, as a reaction to the naivety of their own childhood.

> Phenomenon - a fun way to promote, test and develop intelligence in a TV game-show

#### Fri 02.08.2013 09:00 - 10:30 Presenter: Barbora Valová, Pavol Kohút

Short history and description of a successful TV show called Phenomenon.

This show was developed with two Mensa members from the Czech Republic and Slovakia. The intention was to show different aspects of human intelligence and teach people "how to think". All this was done in an entertaining and explanatory way, so it will be accessible to wider public. The goal was achieved.

Four series (40 episodes) were broadcasted in Slovakia and the show was sold to the Czech Republic as well, where 2 series (20 episodes) aired. Ratings in both countries were very good for a show with such an "exclusive" content.

#### About the presenters

Barbora Valová is the co-author of the original idea and co-owner of the company good.tv which developed and produced Phenomenon for television. She served as an executive producer.

Pavol Kohút is a screenwriter who was one of the co-creators of Phenomenon. He participated on the development of the tasks (mostly in the field of verbal intelligence) and served as script editor and show runner.



Fri 02.08.2013 12:00 - 13:30 Presenter: Callisto Utriainen



In this workshop vou will learn the tips and tricks to really annoy your conflict partner. The best ways to annoy the living daylights out of somebody in an argument. Of course, it is allowed, and even encouraged, to turn these tricks 180 degrees and use the ideas to create a constructive conflict situation.



#### Sat 03.08.2013 12:00 - 13:30 Presenter: Katarína Kovalčíková

Have you ever spoken in public? If so, how did it go? And how did it feel? Be

#### Crappy conflict solving (101 - things that will make the other person ao "boom")

Speech Mastering: How to present (yourself)



ing able to stand in front of people and present an idea has become a necessary skill in almost any walk of life. However. most people lack this ability and moreover - some

of them have an unbearable fear of speaking in public.

In this interactive workshop, we will talk about and practise the basic components of successful presentations, so that you can say to yourself: I can speak in public!

#### About the presenter

Katarína is a member of the Toastmasters organization whose aim is to provide a supportive learning environment for people to develop their communication and leadership skills. Her spirit and passion is unparallel and with her commitment for helping others develop, she is also a very effective coach and mentor to those who wish to grow.

Katarína is a Lead Trainer of Power Training - an intensive and unique two-

#### day course

that is designed to transform individuals, revolutionize business and last a lifetime. Its mission is to improve lives and businesses by allowing individuals, executives and employees to recognize their true potential. Power Training graduates discover what really giving 100% feels like; just as important, they are given the opportunity (and the tools) to develop a 3-5 year vision and learn how to fight for it.

www.powertraining.com



#### Fri 02.08.2013 13:30 - 15:00 Presenter: Dmitry Merezhko



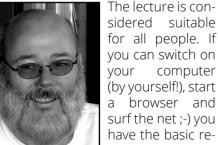
How our brain and perceives recognized different aromas, why white wines differ from red ones, color can how change the smell

About the presenter

By education a medicine doctor, is the deputy Editor in Chief for the Simple Wine News, Russia's largest publication on wines.

> ABC of safety (internet and life), things you should know

#### Fri 02.08.2013 15:00 - 16:30 Presenter: Henk 'Henkhenk' **Broekhuizen**



for all people. If you can switch on computer vour (by yourself!), start browser and surf the net ;-) you have the basic re-

quirements. No special technical knowledge is required to follow this presentation. On some subjects there are a few minutes where we dive a bit deeper in the technical stuff but these are just small portions and understanding these parts is not mandatory to follow the main

course. Some stuff may surprise you and some will make you laugh.

- How do criminals and hackers get the information they need from 1157
- How do people get access to our life (both internet and the rest of the world)?
- Dangers of access without much effort or equipment.
- Dangers of Word, Excel
- Piecing the info together!
- Phishing over email and phone
- Email: know what is passed on with iust one email
- Email strategy to counteract spam and phishing
- Defeat security systems with junk stuff or simple tricks.
- Simple magic tricks: How to sneak into a building with use of junk and simple stuff.
- How to pass walls, with a puff of smoke
- How to do the IEDI wave
- Sucking info from stuff
- Sucking info of machines with your mind
- Sucking sensitive information from a corporate network, standing out-

side and without a wireless device.

 Secret keycodes, locks & picks, hard to do?

Contents subject to change.

#### About the presenter

He was born in 1964, a Mensa NL member since 1994, started using radio transmitters in 1978 (age 14) and using computers in 1980, wrote his first programs in 1981 (Basic, assembly/machine code). Educated as an engineer (82-86) in electronics he started on the internet in 1994. The first security-issue was in 1996 when he alerted Planet Internet (NL) about a security hole in their website system (logical error) and more have followed. He is not a hacker, or cracker or pen(etration) tester but, like most mensans, interested in a whole spectrum of techologies. This include software and hardware vulnerabilities, loopholes, security defects, stupid design choices, keys and locks, etcetera.



Fri 02.08.2013 16:30 - 18:00 Presenter: Henk 'Henkhenk'

#### Broekhuizen

This short lecture requires no special knowledge or skills to follow. As long as you know what an email address is, and a domain name (like www.google. com) you should be able to follow this short lecture.

About ten years ago I started using a system for three main purposes:

- from spreading to spammers
- 2. to identify people and businesses es
- 3. to check the origin of received emails

Like other people I would like my main email address free from undesired email, so when in a hurry it is easy to spot important emails, and make sure I miss no important mails. BUT like most people I also have to fill out an email address at different locations like web forms of shops, businesses, government etcetera. How to make sure to receive those emails separate from the important ones, and IF this address is leaked: how to easily

. to keep my main email address who sell or leak my email address-

limit the damage and spot the source of leaking.

AND of course: nowadays we get emails from US presidents and banks, asking us for details in order to receive thousands of dollars or euros. The industry of trying to get our details is growing even more. Emails claiming to be from people we do business with, are lots of time bogus.

In this short lecture I will tell you my strategy to cope with this all. Its basis is to get yourself a domain name (any will do) and follow a set of simple guidelines when having to enter an email address somewhere. Nowadays prices of domains are down to a few euros per year

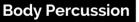
Besides the standard system of my provider I use no special spam detecting system. Still I am able to easily spot any phishing email (no matter how authentic looking) and can block annoving spammers in a few seconds for ever\*.

#### About the presenter

Besides owning a small computer com-

pany he also is part of the Royal NL Navy: he currently holds the position of Head of Systems Engineering at C4i systems, after different ILS, integrations and large project positions. Four Navies (NL, BE, CL and P) are still using one of his programs to analyze equipment failures on board of frigates.

Not a hacker, or cracker or pen(etration) tester but, like most mensans, interested in a whole spectrum of techologies. This includes software and hardware vulnerabilities, loopholes, security defects, stupid design choices, clever choices, keys and locks, etcetera.



#### Fri 02.08.2013 18:00 - 19:30



Presenter: Daria-Maret

Did you know? You don't need any instruments to make great music. Your body is enough and no special musical skills are needed.

Just join in and have fun creating rythms and sounds with your mouth and hands.

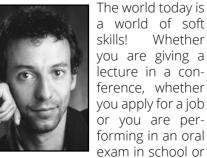
Suitable for everybody who likes to get moved.

## Pimp your Presentation!

#### Sat 03.08.2013 9:00 - 10:30 Presenter: **TeeKay**

Some secrets on Story telling that will intrigue your audiences, friend and business partners.

Whether



university, you represent and sell yourself.

How can you make sure, that you will be well prepared, relaxed and agile enough, to encounter tricky questions thrown at you.

How can you be comfortably settled within yourself and have a heightened awareness of your surrounding?

What can you do, when your mind decides to give way due to stress and produce the classic blackout: you know, that you know, but you are unable to remember it NOW!

This workshop will give you some exciting answers from the world of professional performers: theatre people have perfected the art of story telling for thousands of years.

There will be basic exercises to put your knowledge not only in focus, but to fascinate. You will learn tricks how to memorize text and to overcome stage. Enjoy the wonderful experience, when the simple phrase "Oh yeah!" turns a problem into an exhilarating new chance to learn and grow! Fun guaranteed!



#### Sat 03.08.2013 10:30 - 11:30 Presenter: Arndt Regorz

For patients with end-stage heart failure, waiting for an organ transplant, artificial hearts (and their smaller siblings, ventricular assist devices) are often the best option for survival. This lecture is going to explore the different kinds of systems: How do they work? When are they used? What are the technological and medical challenges?"

#### About the presenter

Arndt Regorz heads the controlling department of one of Europe's largest heart transplant centers. Part of his job is negotiating the reimbursement for the hospital's artifical hearts program.



Sat 03.08.2013 12:00 - 13:30 Presenter: Abbie Salny

#### About the presenter



Abbie Salnv. F. Ed.D., a Mensa member since 1964, is the supervisory psychologist for both American Mensa and Mensa International. She is a retired professor and deputy chairman of the Psychology Department at Montclair (N.I.) State University, a diplomate of the American Board of Professional Psychology, and the author or coauthor of several best-selling quiz and puzzle books including the Mensa Genius Quiz Book series. Dr. Salny is also the creator of the 1997, '98, '99, and 2000 Mensa Page-A-Day calendars published by Workman. Dr. Salny lives in New Jersey and she is Life Honorary Prezident of Mensa International.



Sat 03.08.2013 13:30 - 15:00 Presenter: Aleksandra Borovic

"ViN system" – Reward Mensa Volunteers and win!



Introduction of Mensa Serbia our development, our territorial organization, our main activities and projects.

2. Some of the problems main Mensa Serbia is

facing and the ways we are presently dealing with them.

3. System for assessing and rewarding our volunteers, introduction and explanation of this idea, its advantages and weak points.

4. Call for discussion on how to overcome the weak points of this system.

If we come to some creative solutions. this system could be easily adjusted and applied to any smaller national Mensa.

#### About the presenter

Aleksandra Borovic, born 1968 in Belgrade, Serbia, single, one daughter - 5 years old Andjela. She speaks Serbian, Croatian, English, French fluently and some Spanish and Bulgarian Bachelor degree in Space Planning (Land use planning) at Belgrade University, 1995.

*Licensed tourist guide since 1987, worked as tour leader 1987 - 1995.* 

*Immigration Program Assistant with the Embassy of Canada in Belgrade from 1995 to 2012.* 

Administrative Coordinator with SNC-Lavalin International Inc. since 2012. Mensa member from 1999.

National SIG and SIGHT coordinator from 2005 - 2013.

Member of the editorial team of Mensa Serbia magazine MozalO.

Member of Mensa Serbia web team. Mensa Serbia Chair since April 2013.



#### Sat 03.08.2013 15:00 - 16:30 Presenter: **TeeKay**

## How to enhance the amount of happiness in your life.

Our brain loves nothing more, than to get a positive kick! Therefore the scientific approaches to the sources of happiness, flow and exhilaration have multiplied in the past decades. In "Lucky Me!" we take a look at the at



titudes, aptitudes, perspectives and other features like readiness, that enable us to experience all the satisfying facets of life.

We learn about the connections

of singularity, love at first sight, the sudden offer of the job you always wanted or the sensational vacation.

In the Greek mythology Kairos was the god of the "perfect moment". He was portrayed as a bald and bold young man, with only a shock of hair at his forehead. You would have to be prepared to seize him on time – if you waited too long, your hand would slip off his hairless back of the head.

So the possibility to experience such "perfect moments" depend on our self-awareness as well as on our connection to our surrounding. In this workshop, you will not only learn more about the triggers to happiness, but you will also have get some practical experience as a starter. Global Astrophysics and Cosmology

#### **Sat 03.08.2013 16:30 - 17:30** Presenter: **Don Magufo**

Principles of Physics affect some aspects of Astronomy like the concepts



of a star, black holes, expansion and contraction of the universe, dark matter and dark energy.

Contemplations on Cosmology, about the origin

of the universe or the Big Bang theory.



# DERSH



Want to meet and share knowledge with Mensa's Leadership Exchange Ambassadors? Join us! The group of future leaders will present their workshops on best practices that have helped their own Mensa grow at the American Mensa's 2013 Annual Gathering in Fort Worth (July 3-7) and the European Mensas Annual Gathering in Bratislava (July 31 till August 4) to. In addition, they will write a best practice report available to Mensa groups all

over the world.



#### Fri 02.08.2013 9:00 - 10:30 Presenter: Isabella Holz (Mensa Germany)

How do you become a Leadership Exchange Ambassador? What can you expect from the program? And what can you learn from the LEAP groups? Come and take a short trip through the world of best practice examples from Mensa groups all over the world!



mittee. Since several years, she coordinates the International Intelligence Day, and shares marketing and PR ideas in her blog. She also works in marketing and PR, after graduating with a Master in communication science.

of Mensa

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#### national mensas.

#### About the presenter

Sat 03.08.2013 10:30 - 12:00 Presenter: Lourens Grové (Mensa South Africa)

children



opment, while eliciting ideas and best practices from around the world, drawing from the experience of the mensans at the gathering. The goal is ultimately to create a best

practices report and a model for greater cooperation and collaboration, with regards to gifted children, between different national Mensas, leveraging the experience and diversity of mensans all over the world - with particular focus on technology, social media, international cooperation and smaller

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#### Sat 03.08.2013 12:00 - 13:30 Presenter: Petr Mazal (Mensa Czech)

Czech Mensa can be proud of its projects for gifted children. Our main activities include Mensa Grammar School founded by the Czech Mensa, Gifted Children's Clubs, NTC System of Learning, Board Games Clubs, Summer Camps for Gifted Children

#### Gifted Children, Logical Olympics



Schools cooperating with Mensa and above all the Logical Olympics, a competition for Czech students of primary and secondary schools with more than 32.000 partici-

pants in 2012, focusing not on their knowledge but logical thinking and potentially revealing hidden talents.

We would like to share the experience, establish co-operation with other Mensas and inspire people who would like to start gifted children's programs.

#### About the presenter

Petr Mazal is a member of the National Board and a vice-chairman of the Mensa Czech Republic, responsible for membership and for Czech Mensa internet activities including the member's area of the web. He is also a member of the main organizational team of Logical Olympics. He currently works for a local Czech company as the Quality and IT Manager.

"Engaging isolated Mensans (through internal marketing)

#### Sat 03.08.2013 13:30 - 15:00 Presenter: Jessica Kelley (Mensa Australia)



The majority of the Mensa community are "silent" "isolated" members. There are plenty of reasons for why this is, but there are also plenty of methods for over-

coming the obstacles between member and community.

In this session—part workshop, part show-and-tell—lessie shares the methods that she has trialled through Mensa Australia and beyond. She demonstrates how some projects succeeded in reaching out to and engaging the "isolated" members — and discusses why others failed, and what can be learned from that. Along the way, audience participation is encouraged to suggest and develop new ways of

connecting the Mensa community.

#### About the presenter

"Jessie Cat" is an Aussie girl living in Finland. She has been an active member and volunteer of Mensa for the past eight years. Her current major Mensa projects include: TableAus the Australian national magazine: M<18 the international Facebook group for Mensan teens; Mensa Love Stories; and MAP (Mensans At Play) Camp. She's into words, Aussie hip-hop, cooking, and hopes to one day become a crazy cat lady. Her business card describes "Freelance Adventurer".



#### Sat 03.08.2013 15:00 - 16:30 Presenter: Peter Sells (Mensa Canada)

It is said that Knowledge is Power, but is the simple possession of power sufficient to get things done, to move organizations forward, or to motivate people? Leadership is the application of interpersonal power to influence the actions of others. It is not power

but its purposeful application that the determines quality of leadership. We will exdimenamine sions of interpersonal power using examples from the

fire service, the world of international business, and from military and political history. Theories of communication and the false schism of management/ leadership will also be discussed. Knowledge is Power - Action is Wisdom.

#### About the presenter

*R* Peter Sells MBA is a self-employed Fire Protection Management Consultant based in Mississauga, Ontario, Canada. Peter has consulted and presented across Canada and the USA, as well as in Europe and the Middle East, on leadership, safety, professional development and organizational excellence for the past 20 years. Peter served 24 years with Toronto Fire Services, retiring as District Chief of Special Operations. He has been a member of Mensa Canada since 2002.



Sat 03.08.2013 16:30 - 18:00 Presenter: Geoff Russell (Mensa Australia)



Technology has changed the power relationship in groups in new and unexpected ways. From 'Peo-Power' through the 'Arab Spring', the individual has more

influence than at any previous time in history. Can we learn from new techniques and methods and use them in our groups?

A simple 25 point system will be presented that is easily learnt, modified, shared and implemented. The results can be startling but this is no magic bullet: just a new way of looking at what is going on in the world and exploiting the new opportunities.

#### About the presenter

Geoff Russell was a Corporate Lawver with Multi-Nationals before going into business for himself. He is currently in IT with involvement as a Cyber Entrepreneur. He runs ultra-marathons for fun and has written a novel on the lighter side of a grim topic. Recently Geoff has been implementing the techniques he has developed in his local Mensa and can report on the results and future directions.



Sat 03.08.2013 18:00 - 19:30 Presenter: Annika Voulgaris (Mensa New Zealand)



Taking Charge: Young Members Leading the Way

Engaging young people can be a difficult task, but Mensans are always up for a challenge! Annika will discuss how to create an excitinteractive ing, group for Men-

sans under the age of 30. She will introduce Young Members of Mensa New Zealand, discuss relevant leadership models, keeping young members in touch, and how the model is working with Young Members. Annika will provide a structure that can be applied to national Mensa groups, to engage and increase interaction between Mensa members under 30, and Mensa members as a whole. This is an interactive presentation, so hold on to your hats

#### About the presenter

Annika Voulgaris is 25 years old and has been the Young Members Coordinator and Gifted Children's Liaison for Mensa New Zealand since 2009. Annika runs Young Members, a group for New Zealand Mensa members under the age of 30. Annika graduated from Victoria University of Wellington in 2011 with a Bachelor of Laws and a Bachelor of Arts in International Relations and Politics. She works in negotiation and mediation in the electricity and gas industry.

# LEADERSHIP EXCHANGE AMBASSADOR

# PROGRAM

**LEAP** is an initiative of Mensa International. The program's aim is to gather Mensans from around the world who have interesting ideas, and see what happens. You can be a part of this. Listen to some presentations, get some good ideas and use them in your own group.

Each year at the conference the word spreads

"there's something special going on there" and people come. Get in early and see what the buzz is about. Hear how to lead, to shine and to grow your Mensa community.

This year's speakers—from Europe, the Antipodes, North America and South Africa—will excite and stimulate your interest in all sorts of Mensa topics.

Can't make a session but want to find out more? Visit www. intelligenceday.org/leap for more information and material.





Learn from this year's LEAP participants as they share their knowledge on best practice around the Mensa world. All sessions are held on **Friday** in the ???? room.

#### 9:00 - 10:30

#### Leadership Exchange Ambassadors: An Introduction by Isabella Holz (Germany)

How do you become a Leadership Exchange Ambassador, and what can you learn from the LEAP groups? Isabella explains all!

#### 10:30 - 12:00 Gifted Children and Mensa — Facilitation

#### by Lourens Grové (South Africa)

What is Mensa's role in supporting gifted children? Lourens explores this topic, and elicits ideas and experiences from the audience.

#### 12:00 - 13:30 Gifted Children, Logical Olympics

#### by Petr Mazal (Czech Republic)

Ever thought that Mensa could be doing more to foster intelligence and help humanity? Mensa Czech leads the way with a Mensa School, a national logic competition attracting more than 32 000 participants annually, and more.

## 13:30 - 15:00

#### **Engaging Isolated Mensans** by Jessie Cat Kelley (Australia)

Learn about and explore different and creative ways of reaching out to the isolated members of our Mensa community.

#### 15:00 - 16:30 **Knowledge is Power — Action is Wisdom** *by Peter Sells (Canada)*

It is said that Knowledge is Power, but is the simple possession of power sufficient to get things done, to move organizations forward, or to motivate people?

#### 16:30 - 18:00 **Long Tail Leadership: Mensa Growth Opportunities** *by Geoff Russell (Australia)*

Leading Mensans can be like herding cats; the trick to success is to lead from within. Listen as Geoff shares his experience in coaxing "cats" into leading themselves.

#### 18:00 - 19:00 Taking Charge: Young Members Leading the Way by Annika Voulgaris (New Zealand)

Discover the Young Members of New Zealand, as Annika shares tips on how to nurture a vibrant and active group of Mensans under 30.

## what else do the 2013 LEAPers do within Mensa? LEADERSHIP EXCHANGE AMBASSADOR

# PROGRAM

## Young Members of Mensa New Zealand



This is an initiative of Mensa New Zealand and

Annika Voulgaris — LEAP presenter.

Young Members of Mensa New Zealand is a group of vibrant, dynamic young people who are challenging the norm, searching for knowledge and changing the world. Check out the Young Members' video on why they love being part of such an awesome community.



## Czech Mensa's Logical Olympics

Are you curious about a competition for 32 000 students and other activities for Gifted Children organised by Mensa Czech?

Find out more, and bring the Logical Olympics to your national Mensa.

This is an initiative of Mensa Czech and Petr Mazal — LEAP presenter. http://bit.ly/1bYQakZ



## Do you have a Mensa love story?

We'd love to hear about how you found romance in Mensa.

Send your story to: editor@mensa.org.au. Any language accepted. (But please supply an English translation) Maximum 500 words. Photos welcome. www.begoodcat.com/love This is an initiative of Mensa Australia MATH and

Jessica Kelley —

LEAP presenter.



# Mensa Events — Ideas Bank

Had a successful Mensa event? Share it with others across the world so we can learn from your win.

The Mensa Events Ideas Bank Project is a pool for ideas, techniques and insights to increase the value of your events. Send contributions to



ideasbank@mensa.org.au This is an initiative of Mensa Australia and Geoff Russell — LEAP presenter.

#### What do you love most about Mensa? Tweet to **#whymensa**



IDEAS BANK

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the Facebook group for Mensans aged 13 - 17 www.facebook.com/groups/Munder18

Are you a Mensa youth liaison or gifted children's coordinator? Join our discussion group at: www.facebook.com/groups/M18admin



## LEADERSHIP EXCHANGE AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

## Knowledge is Power – Action is Wisdom



Learn how the application of interpersonal power is the key to leadership within your Mensa organization.

# **Australian Mensa Conference** Fri 22 Nov – Sun 24 Nov 2013

The annual Australian Mensa Conference will be held in Perth, Western Australia. The theme is Sustainability.

How long can civilisation as we know it continue? Are the very bases of the global economy destroying the future for our children and grandchildren? What can we do individually, nationally and globally to live more sustainably? We will examine and debate questions like these under the theme, to stimulate and challenge your thinking.

Cost is — until 20 Sept! — only AU\$195 (approx 140) per person for registration (accommodation to be booked separately).



The second Mensans At Play Camp will be held in the scenic hinterland of Mt Tamborine, near Brisbane, Australia. All Mensans (aged 18+) are invited to spend 10 days lounging in the Brisbane summer sun, playing games, solving the world's problems, visiting the local wineries, markets and theme parks, and all the other things that Mensans like to do. Cost is — until 31 Oct! — only AU\$260 (approx EUR185) per person, for accommodation, food and many activities. For more information, and to register: www.mapsig.com

The MAP Camp is an initiative of Mensa Australia and Jessica Kelley - LEAP presenter.

For more information, and to register: www.mensa.asn.au/amc-2013

Brisbane

# Fri 29 Nov – Sun 8 Dec 2013 **MAP Camp 2013**



#### **Action Land**

has organized for its clients more than 3,000 events for the last 10 years.

#### Sat 03.08.2013 10:00 - 15:00



Event and teambuilding agency that



Forget for a moment all the normal worries of the day. Experience the action, speed, fun and dynamics. With



adrenaline experiences in the form of paintball, zorbing, quad riding or flying shoes.

Meeting time is half an hour before the event at the conference room.

Sports activitie	S	
Big circle	15€	
Segway	12€	
Paintball	23.50 \$	E
Volleyball / Fo	ootball	1€
Archery	11 €	
Jump shoes	8€	
Petangue	6€	
Table footbal	I / Ping p	ong
Rafting		

Food ticket (burger / goulash or

fried cheese + 1 drink-beer

or soft)

Tariff

27.00€

6€

will be the winner. If a team wins, they get 3 points. If they draw, each team gets 1 point. The teams are allowed to substitute players as many times as they choose to.

## Bike To

Duration **4 hours** Sat 03.08.2013 12:00 - 16:00 Price **27 eur** incl.: bike rental, goulash party, guide



The Tournament will start at 10 AM and is supposed to end between 5 and 6 PM.

There will be one group with six teams. Every team will play against all other teams and the team with most points

Cycle on an easy trail the south right bank of the Danube towards Danubiana Art Museum on the Danube dam at Cunovo. The museum is about 20 km away from the city centre and there are numerous cafes and bars

## Bike Tour to Čunovo





along the way. Barbecue & Gulasch Party at the Cunovo Water Sports Centre (plus a chance to witness the training of olympic medal holders). Return to Bratislava biking or take a Danube ship ( duration 1,15hour, ticket - 10Eur not included)

Meeting point is at the conference room 15 minutes before the tour.



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#### Sun 04.08.2013 10:00 -10.08.2013 18:00 Price: **749.00 €** (Single room supplement: 80 €)

## Day 1

#### **BRATISLAVA - BANSKÁ ŠTIAVNICA** - VYHNE - KREMNICA - KRAHULE -BOINICE

#### Sunday, August 4, 2013 (285 km)

Visit of Banská Štiavnica - a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site, in medi



- the oldest brewery in Slovakia, founded few years before America was dis-

covered, see how the beer is produced and try it.



The royal mining town of Kremnica and find out Geographical centre of Europe, Krahule. Acommodate in Boinice.



Night Bojnice medieval castle tour, (1.5hour) one of the most romantic and the most visited cultural monument in the central Europe.

**Overnight: Bojnice** 



**RAIECKÁ LESNÁ - ČIČMANY** - ORAVSKÝ ZÁMOK (CASTLE) -DEMÄNOVSKÁ JASKYŇA (CAVE) - JASNÁ

#### Monday, August 5, 2013 (220 km)

Stop to see Rajecká Lesná, famous for the unique wood carving work - the biggest mobile Nativity scene in Slovakia called "Slovak Betlehem".



Čičmany became well known for its beautiful traditional costumes and well preserved wooden houses, which are painted with white decorations.



Visit castle Oravský zámok, one of the most beautiful castles in Slovakia, built

in 13th century. In 1922 first Dracula film "Nosferatu" was filmed here, when the castle doubled for Transylvania.



Demänovská jaskyňa slobody (Cave of Liberty) belongs to the most beutiful karst cave in Slovakia, is unique with variety of stalactite formations, lakes, waterfalls and Demänovka River, opened for public since 1924.

#### **Overnight: Jasná**

Day 3

JASNÁ - TATRANSKÁ LOMNICA -**CABLE CAR TO SKALNATÉ PLESO** (LAKE) AND LOMNICKÝ ŠTÍT (MOUNTAIN PEAK) - NIGHT SWIM-MING IN THERMAL SPA

#### Tuesday, August 6, 2013 (150 km)



The High Tatras mountains, situated in the northern part of Slovakia, on the border with Poland, 1949 declared to be the first Slovak national park (TAN-AP) and in 1993 together with the polish part of the Tatras mountains declared by the UNESCO to be the "Biospheric reservation of the Tatras".



Enjoy light trekking around the Štrbské

Pleso (mountain lake), take the cable car ride to Skalnaté Pleso and if the weather allows, take the cableway directly to the peak called as Lomnický štít, second highest of Tatra mountains. It was built in the 30th of the 20th century and was unique in the world, because it has to be built without supporting pillars over the valley. In addition to the marvellous view you c



an also (by your next visit) experience here the night in the highest placed hotel in Europe.



Aquacity Tatralandia - night swimming, spa & wellness.

#### **Overnight: Vysoké Tatry**



#### ŽDIAR - ČERVENÝ KLÁŠTOR -**KEŽMAROK**

#### Wednesday, August 7, 2013 (120 km)

Ždiar, typical Goral community is famous for its folk arts and traditions. people still use to put on their folk costumes on Sundays or feast days. Visit folk museum "Ždiarska izba".





Enjoy raft on the river from Červený Kláštor on the traditional rafts used in the past for the transport of goods from the south to the north of Europe on this trade route. The rafts are led by local rafters (Gorals) dressed in traditional folklore costumes. After rafting taste local folk specialities for lunch. Kežmarok is famous for its town reservation, castle with a museum, and an unique wooden protestant church

built without using a single metal component (1717) . Its ground plan is in the form of a Greek cross. Church was included to UNESCO's Word Heritage



**Overnight: Vysoké Tatry** 



#### LEVOČA - SPISŠKÝ HRAD - ŽEHRA -KOŠICE

#### Thursday, August 8, 2013 (150 km)

Levoča - visit a famous gothic St. Jakob church with the highest wooden oltar in the world - 18,6 m (it is the work of Master Pavol), and the collection of 12





wooden altars, the late gothic townhall Museum of Spiš, the cage of shame.



Spišský hrad - the biggest middle-age castle in Central Europe, first mentioned in 12th century is a dominant feature of the Spiš region. It is placed in the countryside on a travertine rock and was accepted into the UNESCO list in 1993.





Žehra - another UNESCO monument is known for its rare Rome-catholic church of the Holy Spirit in roman and early gothic styles built in 1275. The church paintings are of a high quality and have a unique thematic diversity showing different biblical stories and legends.

#### Evening:

- accomodate in Košice - European

Capital of Culture 2013 - walking tour of the city, see St. Elisabeth Cathedral



- dinner with wine degustation from Tokaj region

- enjoy music fountain close to your hotel before sleep

#### **Overnight: Košice**



#### KOŠICE (or optional BARDEJOV - HERVAR-TOV - JEDLINKA)

#### Friday, August 9, 2013 (max. 200 km)

Continue with city tour, after the lunch

enjoy Your stay, visit Technical Museum or drive to discover these sites: (extra 25 Eur per person)



Hervartov - together with other 7 wooden churches of the Slovak part of Carpathian Mountain Area, it was included on the UNESCO's Word Heritage List. Hervartov church is the oldest and best preserved wooden church in Slovakia. The Gothic pictures and wall paintings from 1655 and 1805 are the most valuable parts of its interior. Bardejov - UNESCO sight is considered the most gothic town of Slovakia, first mentioned in the 13th century. The town has also healing spas.

See also The Greek Catholic wooden church of the Protection of the Saint Gods Mother in Jedlinka from 1763. It is the typical Lemko variation of threetower and three-part log temple of the Ruthenian-Ukrainian region



#### **Overnight: Košice**

## Day 7

**ARAGONIT CAVE - BETLIAR - DETVA** - BRATISLAVA (Airport transfers for those who depart from Košice airport )

#### Friday, August 9, 2013 (max. 200 km)

The Ochtinská Aragonite Cave is a unique natural phenomenon and the only aragonite cave of that kind in the world. It is one of three aragonite caves discovered in the world so far (2 others are in Mexico and in Argen



tina). The main attraction of the cave is called Milky Way Hall, where you can see the white branches and clusters of aragonite shining like stars.



rounded with one of most beautiful and greatest park of English style in Slovakia, Exhibition in rooms in Betliar is specialized to show the way of life and furniture culture of Hungarian aristocracy of 18th and 19th centuries.

Betliar - small chateau of Betliar is sur-



Drive through folk city Detva, then Zvolen – with its ancient castle and memorials from the WW2 - Slovak uprising against nazis.



Then see Nitra - one of the oldest town settlements in Slovakia. As early as the 9th century, it was a princely seat and bishopric of the Great Moravian Empire. In 830, the first Christian church in Slovakia was built here. Arrive to Bratislava, end of the trip.

# REAL STATE AND RANT DISCOUNTS



Restaurant	Description	Discount offered	Opened	Address
BARROCK	hamburgers, ribs, beer, rock music	10%	11:00-03:00	Sedlárska 1
BISTRO cafe and creperie	french pancakes, salads	10%	09:00-23:00	Hviezdoslavovo nám. 25
BRATISLAVA FLAG SHIP RESTAURANT	biggest slovak pub	free tank beer to meal	10:00-23:00	Nám. SNP 8
FLOWERS Restau- rant	mediterranean cui- sine	10%	11:30-24:00	Ventúrska 1
FRESCO bar and res- taurant	bar and restaurant	10%	11:00-24:00	Františkánske nám. 10
HRADNÁ HVIEZDA	slovak and interna- tional cuisine	15%	11:00-23:00	Bratislava castle
KUBU	fitness meals	10%	09:00-22:00	Einsteinova 18, shop- ping mall Aupark
LE CLUB	night bar	10%	20:00-05:00	Hviezdoslavovo nám. 25
MAXIMILIÁN	pizza, slovak and eu- ropean cuisine	10%	08:00-23:00	Obchodná 52
MODRÁ HVIEZDA	slovak and interna- tional cuisine	15%	11:00-23:00	Beblavého 14

Restaurant	Description	Discount offered	Opened	Address
PRIMI Eurovea	mediterranean cui- sine	10%	10:00-01:00	Pribinova 8
PRIMI Michalská	pizza & bar	10%	11:00-01:00	Michalská 21
PRIMI Polus	pizza & pasta	10%	08:00-22:00	Vajnorská 100
Reštaurácia HRAD	slovak and interna- tional cuisine	10%	10:00-22:00	Námestie A. Dubčeka 1
RIO	restaurant & night club	10%	11:00-01:00	Hviezdoslavovo nám. 15
SLADOVŇA - house of beer	beerhouse, draft beer, slovak meals	10%	11:00-01:00	Ventúrska 5
SLANG PUB	slovak pub	10%	10:00-01:00	Hviezdoslavovo nám. 23
STAROMEŠŤAN	cheap menu is being served all day long	3.30€ per menu	10:00-22:00	Sládkovičova 11
STARO-SLOVIENSKY PIVOVAR	own beer, traditional meals	10%	10:30-23:00	Vysoká 15
TRAFO cafe	Erdody palace café	10%	17:00-01:00	Ventúrska 1
TRAFO music bar	night bar	10%	21:00-05:00	Ventúrska 1
TRAJA MUŠKETIERI	medieval authentic restaurant	20%	11:00-23:00	Sládkovičova 7
UFO	exclusive restaurant on the top of the bridge tower	50% on the lift, 20% meals & drinks	10:00-23:00	Nový Most
Pulitzer Restaurant café bar	meals and drinks	10%	10:00-22:00	Župné námestie 7

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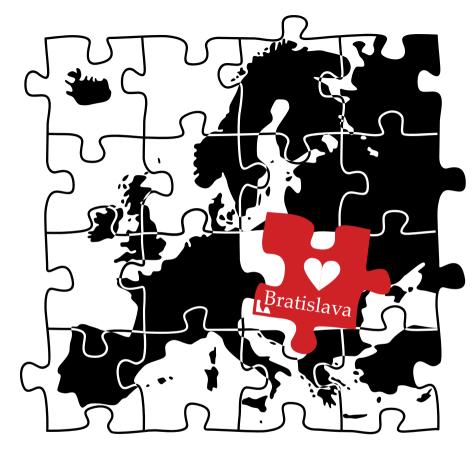
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			waterwo	ork museum	Vienn	a, Austria							
Friday 02.08.2013	Lectures		MAA The origin of gravity, the end of Relativity Phenomenon - a fun way to pro- mote, test and de velop intelligence in a TV game-show	Speech Mastering How to present (yourself)	Crappy conflict solving	How we under- stand wine	ABC of safety (internet and life), things you should know	ABC mensan way to control spam and phishing	Body Percussion				
			LEAP - An Intro- duction	LEAP - Gifted chil dren and Mensa – facilitation	LEAP - Gifted Children, Logica Olympics	LEAP - Engaging isolated Mensans	LEAP - Knowledge is Power – Action is Wisdom	LEAP - Long Tail Leadership: New Mensa Growth Opportunities	LEAP - Taking Charge: Young Members Leading the Way				

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Saturday 03.08.2013	Tours		Walking tour	of Bratislava	Devín Cas	Museum of transporta- tion		Bratislava Highlights								
	Lectures		Pimp your Pr tation!		ficial arts	Dumb Things Smart People Do	"ViN system" – Reward Mensa Volunteers and win!	Lucky Me!	Globa troph and mol	nysics Cos-						
	Sport activities					Action Land MENS	A Football World Cup									
							Bike Tour									
Sunday 04.08.2013	Social events					Farewell lunc	h									
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