

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

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*We hope you will find the following information helpful while your stay in Dubrovnik. The Centre for Advanced Academic Studies of the University of Zagreb in Dubrovnik (CAAS) as the host institution for **UNICA Master Class** is looking forward to welcoming you!*

Arrival to Dubrovnik: After arriving to Dubrovnik Airport you can take a taxi to your respective accommodation (the price is approx. 25-30 €). The journey takes about 25 minutes. You can also take a bus that leaves the airport after every landing of regular flights and takes you to the City. These buses will be marked on the window shield with the sign Airport – Dubrovnik and the bus fare is 35 kuna (approx. 5 €). If you are staying at **CAAS Residence** tell the airport bus driver that you are getting off at **Pile**. When you get off at the Pile bus stop, keep walking for approximately 300 metres, in the same direction as the bus was travelling, until you reach the **Cafeteria Sesame**. In front of the Cafeteria Sesame you will see about 20 steps. Take these steps to reach the CAAS building.

The venue: CAAS is located at the very heart of Dubrovnik, within less than a five-minute walk from the Old Town. Everything you need is within a walking distance: shops, banks, restaurants, beaches, bus station, taxi stop, etc. The address is: Don Frana Bulica 4.

Internet: Wireless is installed trough out the CAAS building, via **eduroam** infrastructure. For more information about eduroam, please visit www.eduroam.org or contact your IT person at home institution. CAAS has also a Computer room located on the first floor, Internet is free of charge.

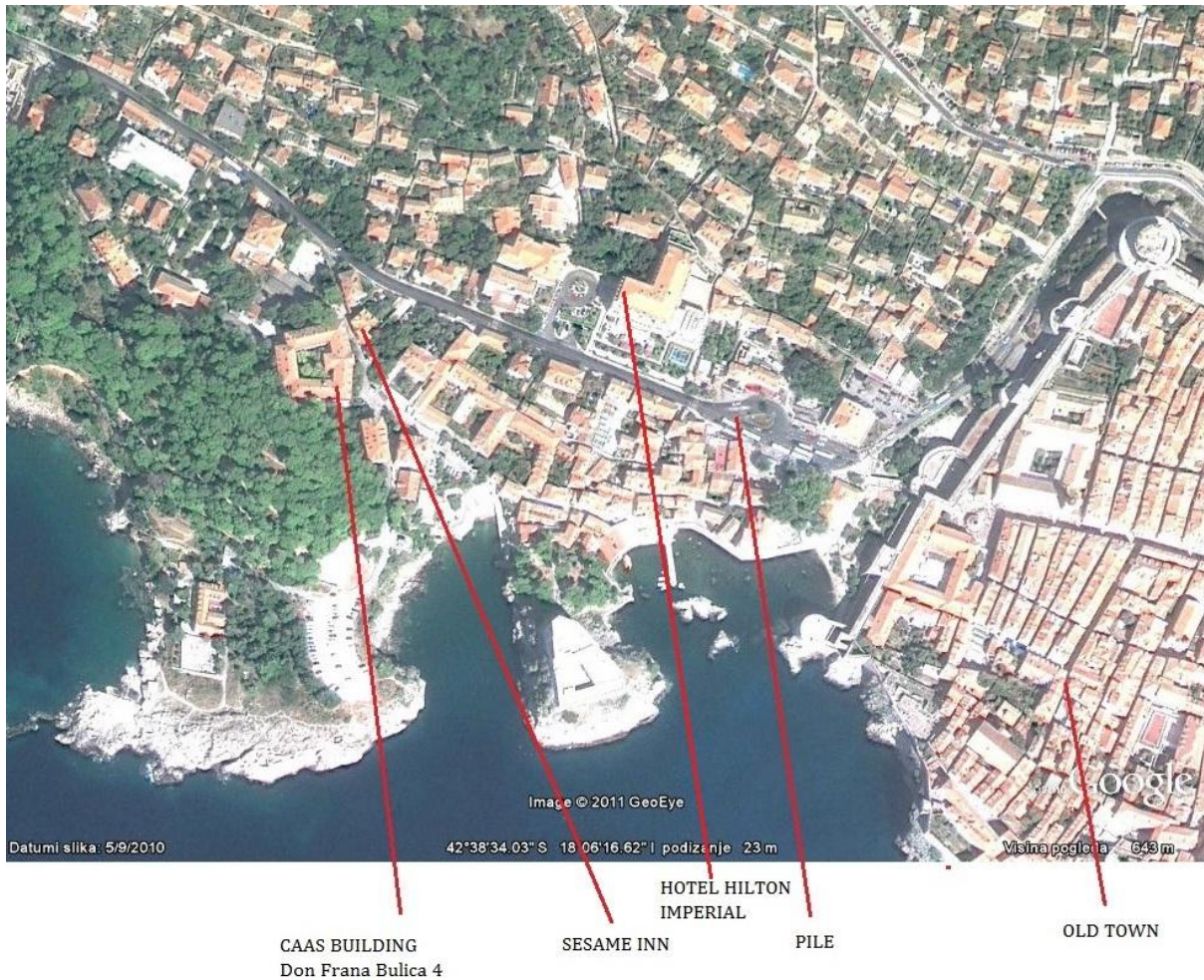
Your accommodation: CAAS Residence is situated in the same building where the seminar is taking place.

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

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Taxi Service in Dubrovnik:

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Taxi station <i>Pile</i> : Brsalje	Tel. (+385) 20 424 343



Travel documentation: Passport or some other internationally recognized identification document. Information about visa regime between the Republic of Croatia and other countries available at: www.mfa.hr/MVP.asp?pcpid=1615.

Weather: Average temperature in Dubrovnik in the end of August/beginning of September varies between 20°C and 26°C. Most indoor places, like CAAS, are air-conditioned.

Time Zone: GMT plus one hour in winter and GMT plus two in summer.

Water: Tap water is drinkable throughout Croatia.

Post Offices/Telecommunications/Internet: Post offices are generally opened Monday-Friday from 8:00 to 19:00 and on Saturdays until 13:00. Post stamps can be purchased in the post offices and at newsstands.

Roaming service: There are few mobile phone (GSM network) providers in Croatia. If you don't have roaming service, we advise you to make respective arrangements with your local network provider before departure. Upon your arrival to Croatia, one of the Croatian network providers will automatically appear on your display. For telephone charges, make sure to check details with your local network provider. The international country code for Croatia is +385 and the area code for Dubrovnik is 020 (when dialling from within Croatia; do not dial the first zero when calling from abroad).

Banking hours: Banks are generally opened Mo-Fr from 8:00 to 20:00. On Saturdays banks are open until 12:00. Most common credit cards, such as American Express, Diners, Eurocard/Mastercard and Visa are widely accepted at hotels, restaurants, shops, supermarkets, etc. A list of banks in Dubrovnik can be found at: http://www.dubrovnik-online.com/english/post_bank.php.

Cash Dispensing/Automated Teller Machines (ATMs; *Bankomat* in Croatian) are located all around the town, a list of which can be found on the following website: http://www.dubrovnik-online.com/english/currency_list.php.

Working Hours: Shops and department stores are open Mo-Fr from 8:00 to 20:00, and on Saturdays from 8:00 to 14:00 or 15:00. A smaller number of stores may close between 12:00 and 16:00. Many stores are also open on Sundays, especially during the summer. Public services and companies generally work Mo-Fr from 8:00 to 16:00.

Currency: The currency unit in the Republic of Croatia is *kuna* (HRK or Kn), which is divided into 100 *lipa*. Foreign currencies can be exchanged at banks, exchange offices, post offices, travel agencies, hotels, camps, marinas, while checks/cheques can be cashed in at banks. The current exchange rates are approximately: 1 EUR = 7,5 kn or 1 USD = 5,2 kn. For most current rates you may check the website of the Croatian National Bank <http://www.hnb.hr/tecajn/etecajn.htm>

Tippling: A tip is not obligatory, but small change is always welcomed. Taxi drivers, porters, hairdressers, etc., will always appreciate a small tip.

Language: The official language in Croatia is Croatian, but many people also speak English, German or Italian.

Safety and Medical Care: Croatia is one of the safest countries in the world with a very low crime rate. You may walk freely throughout the city at all times. You are encouraged, however, to take normal precautions to ensure your safety.

Medical assistance is available in hospitals providing 24-hour emergency service. Foreign tourists do not pay for medical services if a Health Care Agreement was signed between Croatia and their respective country of origin. In case of an emergency, you should call 112.

Pharmacies/Drug Stores are opened from 8:00 until 20:00. Names, addresses and telephone numbers of pharmacies that remain open until late at night on public holidays and on Sundays, are listed in daily papers. Their contact information can also be found on the following website: http://www.tzdubrovnik.hr/english/about_dubrovnik.php?box=3&tema_id=47&ind=1

Electrical System: The electrical system in Croatia is based on 220V, frequency 50Hz and requires two-pronged wall plugs.

USEFUL WEB SITES

Croatia

Croatian Homepage	http://www.hr
Croatian National Tourist Board	http://www.croatia.hr
Dalmatia Travel Guide	http://dalmacija.net/site/home/

Dubrovnik

Dubrovnik Tourist Board	http://www.tzdubrovnik.hr
Dubrovnik Online	http://www.dubrovnik-online.com
The Best in Dubrovnik	http://www.bestindubrovnik.com
Dubrovnik Museums	http://www.mdc.hr/dubrovnik

Croatia Airlines

Croatia Airlines	http://www.croatiaairlines.hr Zagreb Office: (+385) 1 6164 582 Dubrovnik Airport Office: (+385) 20 772 232
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City Bus transportation

Libertas	http://www.libertasdubrovnik.hr Central Bus Station: (+385) 20 060 30 50 70
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PLACES OF INTEREST

The particularity and uniqueness of Dubrovnik is its permanent live connection to its rich past and its cultural heritage, while it keeps vibrantly in pace with contemporary life, echoing its spiritual identity and its presence in the European cultural environment. Since 1979, the Old Town is on the UNESCO World Heritage List.

The most recognizable feature which defines the history of Dubrovnik and reflects its character are its intact *city walls* which run uninterrupted for 1940 meters encircling the city. This complex structure, one of the most beautiful and strongest fort systems in Europe, is the main attraction for the city's visitors. Five fortresses, *St. Lawrence* and *Revelin* together with another three incorporated in the city walls, *Minčeta Tower*, *Fort Bokar* and *St. John's Fortress* provide its visitors with unforgettable views of the city. Weddings are held in the small *St. Lawrence's chapel* or on *Minčeta Tower*. Performances and concerts are organized on *Fort Revelin*, *St. Lawrence* and *St. John's fortresses* during the Summer Festival.

The State Archives in the Sponza Palace, which contains documents from the 12th century on, attracts those who would like to know more about the political, economical and cultural relations between the Dubrovnik Republic and other European countries in the past.

The *Franciscan monastery* with the museum that contains the *Old Pharmacy's inventory* dates back to 1317 and is a curiosity to its visitors. The *Dominican monastery*, which contains a collection of the Dubrovnik School of Art from the 15th and 16th centuries, the *Treasure of the Cathedral* with the reliquary and the *Rector's Palace* are major attractions as well.

There are five museums in Dubrovnik. The *Archaeological* and the *Modern History Museum* still do not have permanent premises in which to display their collections. The *Ethnographic Museum* is situated in the former granary at Rupe (Hole) location. The *Cultural-Historical Museum* is situated in the Rector's Palace. The collection of the Maritime Museum found its place in the *St. John's Fortress*.