

MAY 18-20, 2016 @ SOFIA, BULGARIA

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SightseeingTours

Participants and accompanying persons are invited to join the Sofia sightseeing tours during the conference, as well as the optional pre/post-conference optional daily tours to Boyana Church and Rila Monastery departing from Sofia.

Registration for tours should be made with the Hotel Reservation Booking Form.

You may contact also Reservations Department, GrandHotelSofia at [reservations@grandhotelsofia.bg/](mailto:reservations@grandhotelsofia.bg) +359 2 811 0 800 for additional information.

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Sofia Sightseeing Tour

(Cultural visit during forum dates)

Thursday, 20th May 2016 starting at 15:00



Sofia today is an exciting meeting place of history and present. About 250 historic, archaeological and architectural monuments have been preserved in the modern capital, the centre of the country's political and cultural life, a tourist destination and hospitable venue of major international forums. The tour includes visit to the most interesting points in Sofia - Alexander Nevsky Memorial Church, St. Sophia Church, Rotunda of St. George and Vasil Levski's Monument.

Tour includes:	Professional Guide Service in English, chauffeured service, entrance fees and 20%VAT
Tour Departure:	15:00 on 20th May 2016 from Grand Hotel Sofia(conference venue)
Tour Duration:	Three hours
Tour price:	35 EUR / per person

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Boyana Church and National Museum of History Tour

(Pre/Post Conference Optional Tours)

Pre-conference dates: Tuesday, May 17 or Wednesday, May 18



Boyana Church "St. St. Nicholas and Panteleimon" is located at the foot of Vitosha mountain, in the Sofia suburb of Boyana. It is one of the few medieval monuments of Christian art, reached our days. The church is part of a hundred tourist sites and is included in the List of World Heritage by **UNESCO in 1979**. It was built in three stages: first stage – 11th century, second stage – mid-13th century, and third stage - mid-19th century. Boyana Church owes its world fame above all to the frescoes from 1259 that reflect the outstanding achievements of Bulgarian medieval culture. Recreated over 240 images.

The National Museum of History is housed in one of the guesthouses in the former dictator Todor Zhivkov's residence, present governmental residence. The museum, founded in 1973, is one of the largest history museums on the Balkans, having a collection of more than 650,000 exhibits.

Tour includes:	Professional Guide Service in English, transport by car or van, entrance fees for Boyana Church and National Museum of History, 20% VAT
Tour Departure:	Daytime from Grand Hotel Sofia (conference venue)
Tour Duration:	Three hours
Tour price:	48 EUR / per person

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Rila Monastery Full Day Tour (Post Conference Optional Tours)

Post-conference dates: Saturday, May 21, starting at 09:00



One day tour to Rila Monastery – the most famous monument of Bulgarian architecture and culture from the Revival period located two hours drive from Sofia. Rila monastery is the biggest monastery in Bulgaria, one of the most remarkable monuments on the Balkan Peninsula. On the way your guide will tell you more about the history behind this famous place. In the monastery complex you will visit The Church “Birth of the Holly Virgin”, The Monastery Kitchen /called Magernitsa/, Hrelyo Tower and museum with a rich library. Since 1983 it is included in the list of monuments of the world culture and natural heritage compiled at UNESCO.

Tour includes:	Visit the most famous monument of Bulgarian architecture – Rila Monastery - <u>UNESCO World Heritage Centre</u> , Professional Guide Service in English, transport by car or van, entrance fees, 20%VAT
Tour Departure:	May 21, at 09:00 from Grand Hotel Sofia (Conference venue)
Tour Duration:	Full day
Tour price:	51 EUR / per person

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Note: Lunch option is available during the tour. **Please note lunch is not included in the tour price.** Each participant should pay personally for this service on spot.

For additional information on Sightseeing tours please contact Reservation department Grand Hotel Sofia - Tel: +359-2-811 0 800 or Email: reservations@grandhotelsofia.bg

Tours Cancellation and Reservation Policy

Reservations should be made not later than **11th May 2016**.

Notification of cancellation and reservations of tours should be made in writing only and sent to the Reservation department, Grand Hotel Sofia - Tel: +359-2-811 0 800 or E-mail: reservations@grandhotelsofia.bg

For cancellations received by **5th of May, 2016** - full refund will be made.
Thereafter - no refund will apply.