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Introduction

Dear colleagues and students from Bologna, Bristol, Hannover, Nijmegen, Tours and Oradea.

During the two weeks of this ERASMUS Intensive Programme (IP) project we want to discover both the differences and similarities in urban and regional planning in our countries. This is an interactive and participative process so please bring in your ideas during the workshops and through your questions and group working activities. You will be living and working in Oradea for the duration of this exercise and it will probably be the first time in Oradea and Romania for most of you. We hope it will be an interesting and pleasant stay.

In the past Bologna, Bristol, Hannover, Nijmegen and Tours have hosted annual IPs, but this is the first time that the IP is being held in Oradea.

The idea for the first European IP was born in Tours during an ERASMUS network meeting in **1990**. It was first run in Bristol in March 1991, where we tried to analyse and compare our national planning systems under the topic "Planning for Environmental Quality in New Developments". The positive outcomes and response from this first session encouraged us to regularly carry out a number of subsequent IPs:

• 1992 Tours	Coordination and Decision Making Procedures in Planning
• 1993 Nijmegen	Public and Private Partnership in Physical Planning European Policies and Regional and Local Planning
• 1994 Hannover	 Objectives, Procedures, Impacts - Cooperative or Competition?
• 1995 Bologna	The Less Privileged Area Policies: How Can Planning Measures Help these Areas at a Regional Level?
• 1996 Bristol	Rehabilitation Policies in Run Down and Underprivileged Urhan Neighbourhoods



• 1997 Tours	Policy and implementation of sustainable mobility in urban areas			
• 1999 Nijmegen	Planning for Sustainable Cities: the Arnhem- Nijmegen-Node (KAN)			
• 2000 Hannover	Planning for Sustainable Cities: the EXPO City			
• 2001 Bologna	Urban Centres and Sustainable Development			
• 2003 Bristol	Sustainable Solutions for Bristol: Redcliffe and the Millennium Mile			
• 2004 Tours	Planning for a Mixed Use Sustainable Development: Les Deux Lions			
 2005 Nijmegen 	Koers West Redevelopment			
 2006 Hannover 	Sustainable Spatial Planning and Water			
	Management: The Conti- Limmer Site			
• 2007 Cesena	Sustainable Spatial Planning and Water Management			
• 2008 Bristol	Sustainable Spatial Planning and Water			
	Management			
• 2009 Tours	Spatial Planning Responses to Climate Change: A			
	Low Energy District for Joué-les-Tours			
• 2010 Nijmegen	Spatial Planning Responses to Climate Change			
• 2011 Hannover	Spatial planning responses to climate change: renewal of inner cities			

Hosted in Oradea for the first time, the current year's IP will tackle the issue of "Spatial planning and sustainable urban transport systems".

During the IP students will design an integrated metropolitan sustainable transport network which will connect new development sites and the surrounding municipalities to the urban core.

Designing a sustainable transport system requires an integrated approach of interdisciplinary areas such as spatial planning and sustainable development. These areas include socio-economic issues (such as demographic issues and job opportunities), environmental aspects (such as biodiversity and air quality), transport and mobility, energy efficiency, waste and recycling, water management etc.



The main objectives for students is to develop a critical reflection on the role of spatial planning in public transportation with close attention to the economic, environmental and social issues and to develop innovative proposals for a sustainable and integrated public transport development.

Other objectives include developing a cross-national and multidisciplinary learning/working approach and to learn about good practices in other countries and to communicate across linguistic, cultural and disciplinary barriers.

The efficiency of urban transport and other issues, including those of land use and spatial development, are high on international and national agendas. The public transport system is very important for the development of a community, which is why it is now widely accepted that especially urbanized areas are facing considerable challenges and have to find appropriate tools to develop sustainable public transport system.

In the remainder of this booklet, you will find useful information and addresses. If you want to know more and you cannot find it here, please ask our Romanian staff and students - they will be happy to help you.

Dr. Valentin Nemes Dr. Paul Olău Dr. Luminița Filimon



Oradea



Oradea is the capital city of Bihor County and one of the important centres of economic, social and cultural development in the western part of Romania, retaining these characteristics throughout history.

Located on the banks of Crişul Repede river, that divides the city into almost equal halves, it is the gateway to Central and Western Europe. 10 km away from Borş, the most important crossing point on the west border (with Hungary), Oradea ranks tenth in size among Romanian cities. It covers an area of 11,556 ha. Concerning the climate, in Oradea the annual average temperature is 10.4° C. In July the average is about 21 C, while in January the average is -1.4 C.

The main part of the city is situated on the floodplain and on the terraces situated down the river Crișul Repede. Oradea is famous for its thermal springs.

First mentioned in 1113, under the Latin name *Varadinum*, the city flourished both economically and culturally during the 13th century. It was at this time that the Citadel of Oradea, first mentioned in 1241 during the Mongol invasion, was first built. It would be destroyed and rebuilt several times over the course of following centuries.



After the Ottoman invasion of Hungary, in the 16th century, the city became a constant point of contention between the Principality of Transylvania, the Ottoman Empire, and the Habsburg Monarchy. In 1660 the Ottomans, with a force of 45000 men, besieged the city for the last time. The 850 defenders managed to hold out for 46 days, but eventually the city fell on the 27th of August due to internal treachery. The Ottomans would establish the city of Oradea as the capital of the newly formed Eyalet of Varat. Ottoman dominance of the city ended in 1692, when, the Habsburg imperial forces conquered the city after a 14th month siege.

Under the Habsburgs the city entered its golden age. The Viennese engineer Franz Anton Hillebrandt given the task of planning the city in the Baroque style and, starting with the year 1752, many of the city's current landmarks were constructed such as the Roman Catholic Cathedral, the Moon Church, the State Theatre and the Baroque Palace, presently the Muzeul Țării Crișurilor ("The Museum of the Criș land").

At the end of World War I, as a result of the National Assembly of Alba Iulia and the Hungarian-Romanian war of 1919, Oradea, became a part of the Kingdom of Romania under the Treaty of Trianon. The Second Vienna Award brokered by Hitler and Mussolini in 1940 allowed Hungary to reoccupy Northern Transylvania, including Oradea, but, being on the losing side again, had to relinquish claims to it under the Treaty of Paris concluded on 10 February 1947. After World War II, Romania became a People's Republic and a member of the Warsaw Pact.

With the fall of the Iron Curtain and the 1989 Revolution, Romania began its transition towards democracy and a capitalist market economy. After a decade of post-revolution economic problems and living-standards decline, extensive reforms fostered economic recovery.

After December 1989, Oradea aims to achieve greater prosperity along with other towns in Central Europe. Both culturally and economically, due to its specific character, Oradea is one of the most important economic and cultural centres of Western Romania and of the country in general, and one of the great academic centres, with a unique bilingual dynamic.



About our University



This year we are celebrating 233 years since the first higher education classes in Oradea and 48 years of continuous higher education in Oradea.

In 1780, "a higher institution for philosophic teaching" was founded in Oradea, which was to become in 1788 the Faculty of Law, the oldest faculty not only within the Romanian borders but also in a vast region of Eastern Europe.

After 1921, all the courses at the Law Faculty were taught in Romanian. In 1923, the foundation of two theological academies gave new dimensions to the academic life in Oradea.

In 1934, under inauspicious circumstances and after 150 years of longstanding activity, the Law Faculty - the academic nucleus of Oradea - is transferred to Cluj-Napoca.

After a thirty-year break in the activity of the Law Academy of Oradea, on 1 October 1963, an order of the Ministry of Education established in Oradea a 3-year Pedagogic Institute which was meant to do away with the scarcity of teachers in secondary education.



The new institution of higher education began its activity with two faculties: Philology and Mathematics-Physics, and a year later **History-Geography** and Physical Education were added. One by one, the new sections obtained an academic status until 1983, when due to a poor educational policy, the didactic and Humanist specialization diminished their activity, and from a prosperous institution of higher education, Oradea turned into an engineering college affiliated to the Technical University of Cluj-Napoca.

In May 1990 a decree of the Romanian Government established the Technical University of Oradea, later called the University of Oradea, and based on impressive traditions of academic life in the town. It was an act of scientific and cultural restoration long expected in the life of the Romanian society, a major gain of the people's Revolution of December 1989. This is how the dream of several generations of scholars came true, clearly expressed by a historian of Oradea: "As regarding the future, the desire of all well-meant Romanians is to establish in Oradea a complete university, the lights of which will shine across the entire western border of Romania".

Today, the University of Oradea is an integrated institution of higher education of this kind, comprising 18 faculties, with a total of 123 fields of study for undergraduates and 151 post-graduate specialization degrees. The University employs 2,003 people, of which 1,237 are teaching personnel, and over 26,000 students (including part-time students and those engaging in distance learning).



Department of Geography, Tourism and Territorial Planning



Our Faculty of Geography, Tourism and Sport has two departments:

- The Department of Physical Activity, Sports and physiotherapy
- The Department of Geography, Tourism and Territorial Planning

The department offers bachelor, master and doctoral degrees:

- 1. Bachelor:
- Geography (3 years)
- Tourism Geography (3 years)
- Tourism Geography in English (3 years)
- Territorial Planning (3 years)

2. Master:

- Tourism Management and Planning (2 years)
- Tourism Management and Planning in English (2 years)
- Management and Territorial Planning assisted by GIS (2 years)

3. Doctoral studies



Programme of the IP 2013



6 March 2013 (Wednesday)

Arrival Day

Arrival of the English, Dutch, French, German and Italian groups at different hours the airport (Budapest airport, transfer to Oradea).

You will be taken directly to where you are accommodated and you will be able to check in on arrival:

Hotelul de tineret (Youth Hostel) Str. Mihai Eminescu nr. 11

Once everyone has arrived...

Welcome word at the teachers' accommodation:

Hotel Maxim Str. Victor Babeş nr. 5

A series of maps can be found to the rear of this guide to help you orientate yourself.



7 March 2013 (Thursday)



Location: Oradea University Library, str. Universității nr. 1, Conference room (ground floor)

Aims: Understanding spatial planning in Romania and Oradea Metropolitan Area; learning from national case-studies

09 ⁰⁰ -10 ⁰⁰	Welcome speeches and introduction (representatives of the University, Faculty and Oradea IP organizers)
10 ⁰⁰ -11 ⁰⁰	The Romanian planning system (dr. Paul Olău)
11 ⁰⁰ -11 ³⁰	Short break
11 ³⁰ -12 ³⁰	Urban development and transport in Oradea (Chief
	Architect, Adriana Lipoveanu)
12 ³⁰ -13 ³⁰	Lunch break
13 ³⁰ -14 ¹⁵	National presentation: Bristol, Q & A
14 ¹⁵ -15 ⁰⁰	National presentation: Nijmegen, Q & A
15 ⁰⁰ -15 ³⁰	Short break
15 ³⁰ -16 ¹⁵	National presentation: Hannover, Q & A
16 ¹⁵ -17 ³⁰	Presentation of Oradea Metropolitan Area - Questions
	and discussion about the new urban transport masterplan
	of Oradea Metropolitan Area (Ciprian Barna, Director of
	the OMA)
17 ³⁰ -18 ⁰⁰	Comparative discussion of international presentations
	(Jasper Beekmans)



8 March 2013 (Friday)



Location: Oradea University Library, str. Universității nr. 1, Conference room (ground floor)

Aims: Learning from national case-studies; organization related issues; exercises and statistical data on urban mobility

09^{00} - 09^{45}	National presentation: Bologna, Q & A
09^{45} - 10^{30}	National presentation: Tours, Q & A
10 ³⁰ -11 ⁰⁰	Short break
11 ⁰⁰ -11 ⁴⁵	National presentation: Oradea, Q & A
11 ⁴⁵ -13 ⁰⁰	Introduction to group assignment (dr. Paul Olău, dr. Liviu
	Bucur)
13 ⁰⁰ -14 ⁰⁰	Lunch break
14 ⁰⁰ -14 ³⁰	Setting up in international groups
14 ³⁰ -16 ⁰⁰	Group exercise on criteria for urban transport and spatial
	planning (dr. Frank Scholles, Kirsten Aleth)
16 ⁰⁰ -16 ³⁰	Short break
16 ³⁰ -17 ³⁰	Preliminary findings of the mobility study conducted within
	Oradea Metropolitan Area (INCERTRANS București,
	conf. dr. ing. Florin Ghionea)
17 ³⁰ -18 ⁰⁰	Comparative discussion of international presentations
	(Jasper Beekmans)



9 March 2013 (Saturday)



Location: OTL Public transport company head office, Atelierelor street, no. 12

Aims: Understanding local transport planning issues; site visit

09 ⁰⁰ -12 ³⁰	Discussions about transport planning in the city of Oradea
	(director dr.ing. Istvan Csuzi, Public transport company)
12 ³⁰ -14 ⁰⁰	Lunch break
14 ⁰⁰ -18 ⁰⁰	Site visit in Oradea Metropolitan Area

10 March 2013 (Sunday)



Location: Field trip to Debrecen (Hungary)

09 ⁰⁰	Departure by bus from city centre
11 ⁰⁰ -13 ⁰⁰	Debrecen public transport company head office (DKV)
13 ⁰⁰ -17 ⁰⁰	Guided inner city tour, city centre development, snack break in
	between
17 ⁰⁰	Departure from Debrecen back to Oradea
18 ³⁰	Arrival in Oradea



11 March 2013 (Monday)



Location: Oradea University Library, str. Universității nr. 1, 4th floor (room 1-6)

Aims: International student group work

09⁰⁰-13⁰⁰ Independent student group work

13⁰⁰-14⁰⁰ Lunch break

14⁰⁰-18⁰⁰ Independent student group work

12 March 2013 (Tuesday)



Location: Oradea University Library, str. Universității nr. 1, 4th floor (room 1-6)

Aims: International student group work

09⁰⁰-13⁰⁰ Independent student group work

13⁰⁰-14⁰⁰ Lunch break

14⁰⁰-18⁰⁰ Independent student group work



13 March 2013 (Wednesday)



Location: Oradea University Library, str. Universității nr. 1, 4th floor (room 1-6)

Aims: International student group work

09⁰⁰-13⁰⁰ Independent student group work

13⁰⁰-14⁰⁰ Lunch break

14⁰⁰-18⁰⁰ Interim presentations of international groups

14 March 2013 (Thursday)



Location: Oradea University Library, str. Universității nr. 1, 4th floor (room 1-6)

Aims: International student group work

09^{00} - 13^{00}	Independent student group work
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13⁰⁰-14⁰⁰ Lunch break

14⁰⁰-18⁰⁰ Independent student group work



15 March 2013 (Friday)



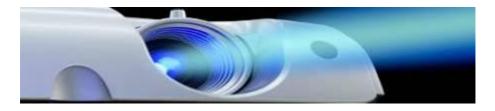
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Aims: International student group work

09^{00} - 18^{00}	Independent student group work
13 ⁰⁰ -14 ⁰⁰	Lunch break
14 ⁰⁰ -18 ⁰⁰	Independent student group work



16 March 2013 (Saturday)



Location: Oradea University, str. Universității nr. 1, Aula Magna

Aims: Plenary session with final presentations of the international groups

09 ⁰⁰ -09 ⁴⁵ 09 ⁴⁵ -10 ³⁰ 10 ³⁰ -11 ⁰⁰ 11 ⁰⁰ -11 ⁴⁵ 11 ⁴⁵ -12 ³⁰ 12 ³⁰ -14 ⁰⁰ 14 ⁰⁰ -14 ⁴⁵ 14 ⁴⁵ -15 ³⁰	Group 1 Group 2 Short break Group 3 Group 4 Lunch break Group 5
14 -15	Group 6
15 ³⁰ -16 ⁰⁰	Totalia manatina fau farallando assigni / atodanta assignia.
15 -16	Tutors meeting for feedback session / students complete evaluation form
16 ⁰⁰ -17 ⁰⁰	Feedback on student work
19 ³⁰	Closing ceremony at the teachers' accommodation (Hotel Maxim str. Victor Babeş nr. 5)

17 March 2013 (Sunday)

National group arrangements for departure (transfer from Oradea to Budapest Airport)

Group assignment IP 2013 Oradea: Spatial planning and sustainable urban transport systems - TransPlan



The Oradea Metropolitan Area (OMA) in partnership with OTL Oradea (local transport company) is developing a strategy and a mobility plan for the city of Oradea and the surrounding municipalities.

International groups are expected to work on the following steps:

- 1. Develop a list of criteria on sustainable urban transportation.
- 2. Develop an understanding of and critically analyse the existing local and regional actors' initiatives (projects, strategies and urban development plans).
- 3. Critically analyse the existing urban transport system.
- 4. Undertake a SWOT analysis of the OMA mobility features looking at both local and regional level.
- 5. On the basis of your list of criteria and your assessment, students will eventually have to develop alternative proposals (both strategic and physical) for different neighbourhoods within the metropolitan area.



Outputs:

On the final day of the project, you should present your sustainable transport system criteria, results of the SWOT analysis, your strategic alternatives and action plan proposals in the following formats:

- 1. a final report of about 3000 words, concisely written and appropriately referenced, in one hardcopy version and a digital format will be given to Oradea organizers,
- 2. maps for the planning proposals, and possibly photographs and diagrams that you may want to use to illustrate your scheme, both in hardcopy and digitally as above,
- 3. a slide presentation of no more than 30 minutes presentation time to be presented by the entire group, which should be submitted in hardcopy showing four slides on a page, as well as a PPT file given to Oradea organizers.



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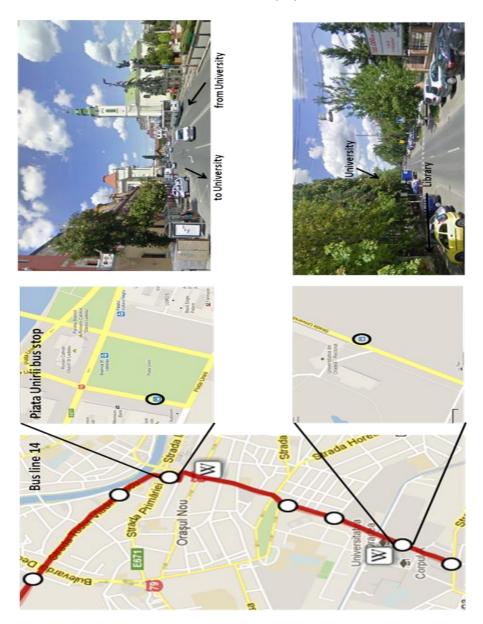


Travelling between the accommodation and the university (bus)





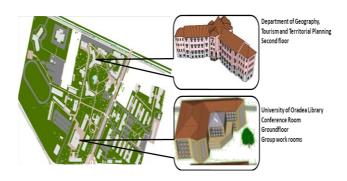
How to reach the university by bus (LINE 14)



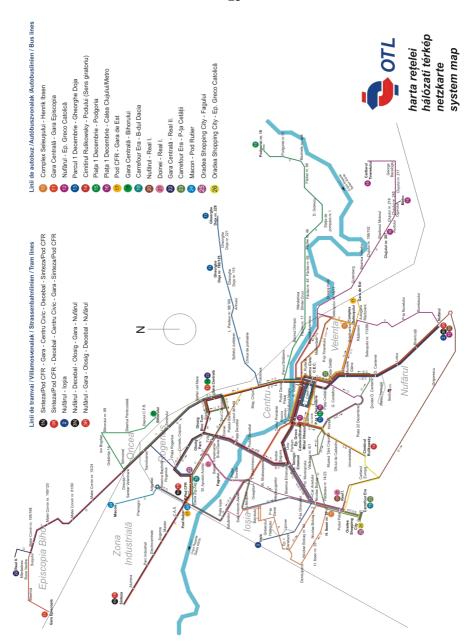




Entrance







Transport map





Central area map







Staff
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 accommodation



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