

**Proposal for the organisation of the Seventh General Meeting
of the COST IC1207 action (PARSEME)**

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The Croatian Language Technologies Society (CLTS) and the University of Zagreb, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences (FFZG) would like to organise the Seventh General Meeting of the COST IC1207 action (PARSEME). The CLTS and FFZG have already organised quite a number of conferences, workshops and summer schools at the same venue such as TELRI2002; FASSBL2008/2010/2012/2013; SlaviCorp2011; CLARA2011; EAMT2014 (see e.g. <http://eamt2014.ffzg.hr>), etc. There is a possibility to apply for additional support from the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports of the Republic of Croatia if the venue is confirmed by February 2016.

Venue

The proposed venue is the *Centre for Advanced Academic Studies (CAAS)* in Dubrovnik, Don Frana Bulića 4, 20000 Dubrovnik, Croatia (see more details at <http://caas.unizg.hr>). The CAAS was founded by the University of Zagreb as a public academic institution for international scientific programmes and postgraduate studies as well as a venue for conferences, workshops and summer schools.



The venue is equipped with a large lecturing room (ca 110 seats) and a series of smaller lecturing rooms (from 15 up to 60 seats) that could be used for parallel sessions. The organisers will also be given a conference office to use. All lecturing rooms are equipped with regular facilities such as overhead projectors, whiteboards, wifi (local and eduroam), etc. The poster area can accommodate ca 50 posters in one session.



Dates

We have booked a time slot for COST-PARSEME 7th General Meeting from 26th to 28th Septembre 2016. In the same week (from 29th Septembre to 1st Octobre) the next issue of well known series of NLP conferences .*TAL will be organised under name HrTAL2016. In this way the COST-PARSEME meeting participants will have the opportunity to attend the HrTAL2016 conference and vice versa. As you may expect, the demand for this venue is quite high, so at the moment the dates are fixed.

Travel

Dubrovnik Airport (<http://www.airport-dubrovnik.hr/index.php/en/>) is well connected to major European cities and hub-airports with direct flights, particularly the destinations covered by Star Alliance. There are also frequent low-cost flights from other destinations. The connections at end of Septembre are still frequent since Dubrovnik remains a very popular tourist destination even at that time of the year. The average high temperature in Septembre is 25.1°C with average precipitation days of 7.2. (see <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dubrovnik>). The regular shuttle between airport and the town stops in front of the Old Town's Pile Gate and CAAS is only 3 minutes walking distance away. The taxi service from/to the Airport is around 35 EUR and can be organised on demand by local CAAS staff.

Accommodation

In the CAAS attic there is a Dormitory (the CAAS Residence) that has 70 beds at disposal distributed between 7 twin apartments, 21 single and 13 double and 3 combined rooms, each with bathroom, air condition, phone and Internet (see e.g. <http://hnk.ffzg.hr/eamt2014/accomodation.html> for photos). We have booked all 70 beds for the participants of the COST-PARSEME General Meeting. The prices for accomodation in the Dormitory are quite affordable and they can be retrieved from http://www.caas.unizg.hr/PRICE_LIST_CAAS_Residence.pdf and http://www.caas.unizg.hr/PRICE_LIST_CAAS_APARTMENTS.pdf. The current quotes are for 2015, bur for 2016 they shouldn't change much. The city tax should be added to the listed prices. The breakfast is not included, but it can be organised as the part of the conference package and included in the price of accomodation in the Dormitory.

The CAAS has a special arrangement for discounted prices (ca 95 EUR per room with bed and breakfast) with the Hotel Lero (<http://www.hotel-lero.hr>), while booking can be organised with other nearby hotels at higher prices.

The meals can be organised with the nearby restaurants or as the catering service served at the CAAS inner yard. The expected prices fall in the range between 14 to 20 EUR per person.

Also, we would like to suggest the excursion with the optional visit to the 15th century Arboretum (today run by the Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts) and the town of Ston, famous for its medieval saltworks and longest fortification walls in the Europe. The conference dinner can be organised in the restaurant at the nearby best shell-fish breeding area in the Adriatic.



Additional teaser video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rJ2r0-edTMg>