

**Venue:**

**Osijek, Croatia**



**Department of Biology**

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**Possibilities for accommodation**

There many nice hotels and hostels in Osijek, as well as private accommodations. Soon we will post our recommendations regarding the vicinity, quality and price.

**General information**



Osijek is situated in the eastern Croatia, on the right bank of the river Drava, some 20 rkm from the inflow of Drava into Danube. Osijek is the capital city of the Slavonija and Baranja county and the fourth largest city in Croatia. The earliest mention of Osijek in historical sources dates back to the 12<sup>th</sup> century, and the name Osijek comes from „oseka“ what in Croatian means „low tide“, but there was a settlement here from the Roman times. One of the most important sights are Tvrđa, 18<sup>th</sup> century citadel and the main city square, as well as the Promenade along the Drava with the suspension pedestrian bridge towards Baranja. There are many buildings made in the art nouveau style, very beautifully conserved. For its many parks, it is sometimes called the green city.



Both the region and the city of Osijek are recognized for their stunning nature – forests, floodplains, rivers; one of the largest well preserved Danube floodplains (Kopački Rit) is situated 15 km from Osijek.

Traditional homemade food and extraordinary wine – with many vineyards and winemakers, located in a peaceful surrounding.

Tourist information: <https://www.tzosijek.hr/index.php>

The history of higher education in Osijek began in the 18<sup>th</sup> century, but the formal, modern university was established in 1975. Full name of the university is Josip Juraj Strossmayer University of Osijek. Today there are 11 faculties, art academy and five university departments, which are attended by around 20000 students. With a population of around 110000 people and with these many students, we can say that this is a students' city. Biology studies began as a part of the Faculty of Philosophy in the 20<sup>th</sup> century, and in 2005 Department of Biology was established as independent constituent of this University.

Croatian currency is Kuna (HRK), for 1 Euro you will get around 7,55 HRK. Money can be exchanged in banks and exchange offices – in the city centre or the shopping centres .

### **Arriving to Osijek:**

by plane:

Osijek Airport is International Croatian airport, located 20 km near Osijek. Unfortunately, there is no public transportation to and from the airport, but you can get a taxi for affordable prices. If there are no airlines

from your town to Osijek, you can use some of the nearby airports, Belgrade, Serbia (180 km), Budapest, Hungary (270 km), and Zagreb, Croatia (280 km). It is useful to know, there is a Flix bus line from Budapest Airport to Osijek Central Bus Station.

Osijek Airport: <http://www.osijek-airport.hr/>

#### by train or bus:

Osijek is well connected to the Croatian and European rail network as well as bus tours. Bus and train tickets are for sale at the station, on devices at the station or in the vehicle from the conductor (keep in mind that it would cost a bit more). You can find all information about your trip on <https://prodaja.hzpp.hr/en> for railroad and <https://www.akz.hr/en> for bus transport inside Croatia, and <https://www.flixbus.hr/> cheapest solution for bus traveling in the Europe.

#### Adresses:

Central Bus Station

Ulica Bartola Kašića 70, 31000 Osijek

Tel: +385 60 353 353,

E-mail: [info@arriva.com.hr](mailto:info@arriva.com.hr)

Railway Station

Trg Lavoslava Ružičke 2, 31000 Osijek

Tel: +385 31 520 490; +385 31 209 204

E-mail: [informacije@hzpp.hr](mailto:informacije@hzpp.hr)

#### by car:

Osijek is located in eastern part of Croatia. There are well developed and connected highways - with toll fees that are calculated based on the travel distance. At the toll collection point toll is paid either in cash (HRK) or by credit card.

#### **Transport in Osijek:**

You can easily get around the town on foot, but there is a well-connected public transportation.

There are two tram routes and many bus lines in the city. Tickets for public transportation can only be purchased from the driver, ticket for one hour of using the transportation cost 11 HRK (1,5 EUR).

<http://www.gpp-osijek.com/departures.php>

Taxi in Osijek is not expensive - 5 km drive for 20 HRK (around 3 EUR). You can use some of the listed taxi companies, reachable by phone, or any other taxi provider, as Uber or Bolt.

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