

Future-Proofing Public Servants:
Leading Through Crises While Delivering Results

DISPA MEETING HANDBOOK

**15-17 October,
Budva, Montenegro**





Welcome to Montenegro!

The Regional School of Public Administration (ReSPA) is immensely proud to host the DISPA Network Meeting on behalf of the governments of the Western Balkans. It is a great honour for us to bring together leading representatives from EU Member States and the region in a joint pursuit of innovation, excellence, and cooperation in public administration.

We are delighted to welcome you to Budva—a city where tradition meets modernity, offering the perfect backdrop for meaningful dialogue and exchange. We look forward to insightful discussions and shared inspiration that will contribute to shaping a stronger, more resilient European Administrative Space.

With this mini-handbook, we aim to provide you with useful information to make your stay more enjoyable and seamless.

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Location Budva, Montenegro



66 km from Podgorica
International Airport
(70 min. drive)



21 km from Tivat Airport
(35 min. drive)

Hotel Budva

Location: Slovenska obala, 85310 Budva, Montenegro

Website: <https://www.hotel-budva.net/>

Ideally located along the bustling Slovenska promenade and just steps from Budva's historic Old Town, Hotel Budva is a premier seaside resort combining modern elegance with Mediterranean charm. It features an on-site restaurant, bar, and a wellness center. Free Wi-Fi is available throughout the hotel.

Located:

5-minute walk from Budva Old Town and Marina

Registration

The registration will take place through this link:

[Register here](#)

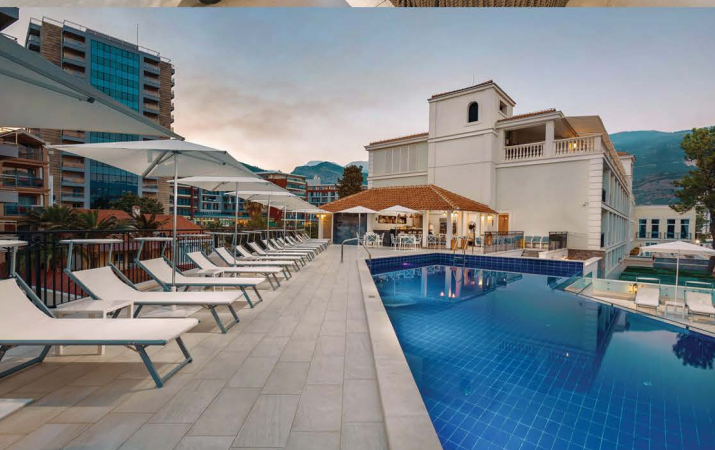
Registration deadline

The registration for DISPA closes on **15 September 2025**. Please register before this date.

Delegation format

We suggest that the number of representatives from each country does not exceed two people.

Meeting Venue



Preliminary Agenda



DAY I – WEDNESDAY, 15 OCTOBER 2025:

19:00 – 21:00

Welcome Cocktail Reception

Venue: Hotel Budva

Dress code: smart casual

We are happy to invite you to a welcome networking cocktail—a perfect opportunity to connect, exchange ideas, and build new relationships while rekindling old ones in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

DAY II – THURSDAY, 16 OCTOBER 2025:

8:30 – 9:00

Registration and welcome coffee

09:00 – 09:30

Opening Remarks

09:30 – 10:00

Keynote Address

10:00 – 10:30

Group photo and coffee break

10:30 – 12:00

Panel Discussion

12:00 – 13:00

Lunch Break

13:00 – 14:30

World Café Discussions

14:30 – 14:45

Plenary Reflections - short wrap-up of key insights from the World Café

15:00 – 19:00

Cultural Visit

Guided tour of Perast and Kotor – Experience Montenegro's cultural heritage

19:00

Gala Dinner

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DAY III – FRIDAY, 17 OCTOBER 2025:

9:00 - 9:30

Morning coffee

09:30 – 11:00

Parallel Sessions

Session A: Fishbowl Discussion
(Interactive Roundtables)

Session B: Fireside Chat

11:00 – 11:30

Coffee Break

11:30 – 12:30

Workshop & Presentation

12:30 – 13:00

Closing Session

13:00 – 14:00

Lunch

14:00 – 16:30

Informal Programme: Guided Tour
of Old Royal Capital Cetinje (Optional)



Practical information

Calling code:

+382

Currency:

€

Time zone:

GTM+1

Weather in October:



17 – 23°C



the nights can be cooler.

Accommodation:

A preferential rate has been secured for conference participants at the Hotel Budva, which also serves as the meeting venue. This special rate is offered on a bed and breakfast basis:

► **€125 per room, per night – Single occupancy**

► **€155 per room, per night – Double occupancy**

(City tax and insurance of €1.50 per person, per night are not included in the above rates.)

To take advantage of this offer, please make your reservation using the dedicated link below, which includes the “ReSPA DISPA Meeting” promo code:

[Book your room here](#)

Kindly note that availability at the preferential rate is limited and reservations are recommended at your earliest convenience, ideally prior to 12 September 2025. Credit card details will be required at the time of booking as a guarantee. The total amount will be charged to the credit card 7 days prior to check-in.

Other accommodation options:

Hotel Vissi D'Arte

(350 meters from the meeting venue)



www.hotelvissidarte.com



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info@hotelvissidarte.com



Hotel Infinity (550 meters from the meeting venue)

- 🌐 www.infinityhotel.me
- 📍 Prvomajska 3, Budva, Montenegro
- ☎ +382 33 698 888



Hotel Bracera (500 meters from the meeting venue)

- 🌐 www.hotelbracera.me
- 📍 Donji Bulevar bb, Budva, Montenegro
- ☎ +382 33 474 010
- ✉ sales@hotelbracera.me



Hotel Avala Resort & Villas (550 meters from the meeting venue)

- 🌐 www.avalaresort.com
- 📍 Mediteranska 2, Budva 85310, Montenegro
- ☎ +382 33 441 339
- ✉ reservations@avalaresort.com



Airport transfer

Please note that ReSPA will provide airport transfer from/to Podgorica Airport and Tivat Airport to the meeting venue, if needed (please indicate in the registration link below):

[Register here](#)



Transportation in Budva

You may wish to consider the following taxi service providers:

Happy Taxi:

☎ +382 68 590 222, +382 69 019 515

Plus Taxi:

☎ +382 68 019 198, +382 67 019 198

Sany Taxi:

☎ +382 67 019 728

Terrae Taxi:

☎ +382 67 17 88 88



Discover Montenegro

 [click here](#)



Montenegro – Where Nature Leads the Way

As one of the world's first ecological states, Montenegro is a natural paradise committed to preserving its wild beauty. Despite its compact size, it offers an astonishing variety of landscapes—from dramatic mountains and glacial lakes to sun-drenched beaches and medieval towns. The Bay of Kotor, often called Europe's southernmost fjord, enchants visitors with its winding coastline and charming stone villages. Inland, national parks like Durmitor and Biogradska Gora invite exploration with pristine forests, deep canyons, and alpine peaks. The old towns of Kotor, Perast, and Cetinje tell stories through cobbled streets, fortress walls, and ancient churches. Its mild Mediterranean climate makes it a year-round destination, perfect for both adventure and relaxation. With warm hospitality and an increasing number of international events and conferences, Montenegro is quickly becoming a favorite among global visitors.



Interesting Facts

Deepest Canyon

1,333m - Tara River Canyon
(deepest in Europe)



Longest Sand Beach

13km - Long Beach Ulcinj
(longest in the Adriatic)



Largest Lake

530km² - Lake Skadar
(largest in the Balkans)



One of the largest vineyard

2.300 ha with around
11.5 million grapevines

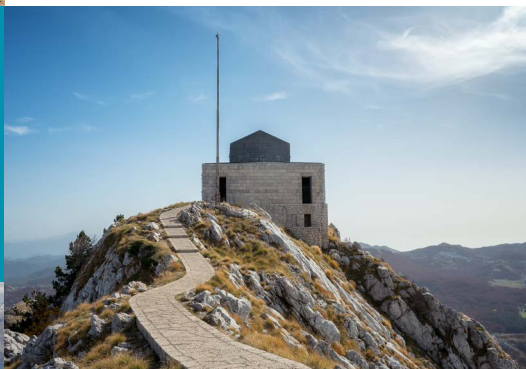
Montenegro became the first ecological state in the world, with the adoption of the Declaration in Žabljak on September 20, 1991.

Some of the most interesting cities of Montenegro include Budva, Kotor, Tivat, Cetinje. The capital of Montenegro is Podgorica.



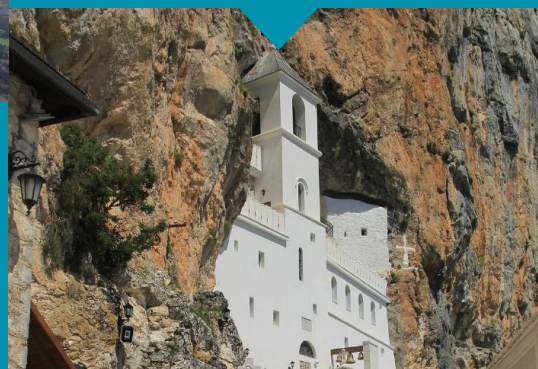
Boka Bay

the southernmost fjord
in the world



Ostrog Monastery

one of the largest Orthodox
shrines in the world. It is visited
by members of all faiths.



Lovćen National Park

offers breathtaking panoramic
views of the Boka Bay.

One of the oldest tree in Europe lives in Bar

This old olive tree is over 2,000 years old. For more than 1,000 years, most of the 100,000 olive trees in the municipality of Bar have existed.



Skadar Lake

the largest lake in the
Balkans.



Travel Guide



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