

BUSINESS/STUDY VISIT to United Kingdom



6–10 September 2021



SEERRIN
SOUTH EAST EUROPE RAIL RESEARCH AND INNOVATION NETWORK

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RAIL CLUSTER FOR SOUTH-EAST EUROPE

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Invitation/Poziv

**For RCSEE/SEERRIN business visit to United Kingdom
Za RCSEE/SEERRIN poslovnu posetu Ujedinjenom kraljevstvu**

**Date of visit/Datum posete
6–10 September 2021**

Organizers/Organizatori

South East Europe Railway Research and Innovation Network (SEERRIN)
Rail Cluster for South East Europe (RCSEE)
Rail Alliance
University of Birmingham (UoB)
Birmingham Center for Railway Research and Education (BCRRE)

A G E N D A

Day 1 – Monday 6th September

Flight to UK (Birmingham) from SEE region

Possible flights from Belgrade, Zagreb and Ljubljana depending on flight availability

Informal dinner in Birmingham (host: Alex Burrows, director of BCRRE / Rail Alliance)

Day 2 – Tuesday 7th September

Visit to leading exhibition of UK rail industry **Railtex/Infrarail fair 2021** at National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham (For 2021 event more than 650 exhibitors already announced their participation)

More details about the fair on <https://www.uk-railhub.com/2021/en/>

Day 3 – Wednesday 8th September

Visit to Birmingham Center for Railway Research and Education / University of Birmingham

- Introduction to BCRRE
- BCRRE Research Showcase
- Meetings with Rail Alliance Community

In the evening formal dinner hosted by BCRRE / Rail Alliance (with invited guests from UK Dept for International Trade, Rail Alliance members, etc)

Day 4 – Thursday 9th September

Industry Meetings (Birmingham City Centre):

- **HS2**, one of the biggest railway projects in Europe, more on <https://www.hs2.org.uk/>
- **Network Rail**, the leading infrastructure manager of Great Britain railway network, more on <https://www.networkrail.co.uk/>
- **Midland Metro**, the company that operates a light rail/tram system in the county of West Midlands, more on <https://westmidlandsmetro.com/>
- For companies interested in freight business visit to the **Freightliner** (<https://www.gwrr.co.uk/about/locations/freightliner-birmingham/>) can be organized or return to **Railtex/Infrarail 2021** for one more round of networking activities

Day 5 – Friday 10th September

Return travel to SEE region from Birmingham

Application conditions

- ✓ The price for a 5 day (4 nights) business/study visit to UK (with air transport from Belgrade, Zagreb or Ljubljana) for RCSEE members (with 15% of discount) per person is: **995,00 EUR**
- ✓ Price for all other companies (non-members of RCSEE) per person is: **1.175,00 EUR**
- ✓ Price for RCSEE members who independently organize air transport to/from Birmingham is **750,00 EUR**

Price includes:

- ✓ For passengers from Belgrade, Zagreb and Ljubljana: return airfare to Birmingham and back;
- ✓ An organized transfer within West Midlands and Birmingham (between the hotels and all the companies/fairs that will be visited);
- ✓ A four-day stay in the new wing of Edgbaston Park Hotel (4-star hotel);
- ✓ Organization and coordination of the entire journey including all points in the agenda;
- ✓ Performing the entry procedure for Railtex/Infrarail;
- ✓ Preparation of a short electronic brochure in English with basic data about all the companies/faculties/institutions that will take part in the delegation visit, which will be distributed to the all companies with which meetings will be held and Rail Alliance members;

Price does not include:

- Costs of obtaining a UK visa for business visitors
- Covid-19 testing costs which may be a condition for traveling
- All additional costs that airlines may require in case of flight changes after first booking and payment for airline tickets (as a consequence of Covid-19 pandemic crisis)
- Food and drink costs beyond the agenda given in this call

General notes:

- The organizer reserves the right to change the program or parts of this program;
- The organizer reserves the right to increase price in the case of increasing of airfare prices;
- Money transfer costs of registration fee will be covered from the payer

Travel payment, application deadlines and other conditions:

- Deadline for application is 20th July 2021
- For participation just fill application form from attachment and send on [welcome@rcsee.org](mailto:welcom@rcsee.org)
- The invoice for the registration fee will be sent after 20th July 2021.
- All applicants must be aware that this visit will be supported from the Department for International Trade of UK Government and realized with a high probability in spite of current Covid-19 pandemic. In the case that complete lockdown be introduced again and travel to UK delayed organizers will try to find first possible moment for realization of the mission. In that case, applicants will have to pay extra for the change of flight dates if the airlines do not make such a change free of charge.

For all additional information's, please, do not hesitate to contact Rail Cluster SEE Team members on: +381 11 3472 133, +381 64 1999 98 or E-mail [welcome@rcsee.org](mailto:welcom@rcsee.org)

Notes: RCSEE is just the organizer of the delegation trip to United Kingdom in accordance with free will of good business partner who provide air tickets, joint accommodation and local transfers for business delegation. RCSEE is not a tourist agency and cannot take the responsibility of tourist agencies in accordance with positive legislation in EU or non-EU countries. During the business visit, each individual assumes full responsibility for their actions, the outcome of those actions, and any damages.

Uslovi za prijavljivanje

- ✓ Cena za petodnevnu (4 noći) poslovnu/studijsku posetu Ujedinjenom kraljevstvu (uključujući avio-transport iz Beograda, Zagreba ili Ljubljane) za članove Klastera (sa 15% popusta) po osobi je: **995,00 EUR**
- ✓ Cena za sve ostale koji nisu članovi Klastera je: **1.175,00 EUR**
- ✓ Cena za članove Klastera koji samostalno organizuju aero transport do/iz Birmingema je **750,00 EUR**

Cena obuhvata:

- ✓ Za putnike iz Beograda, Zagreba ili Ljubljane: povratnu avio-kartu do Birmingema;
- ✓ Organizovani lokalni prevoz u okrugu West Midlands i u samom Birmingemu (između hotela i svih kompanija/sajmova koji će biti posećeni);
- ✓ Četiri noćenja u Edgbaston Park Hotel-u (4 zvezdice);
- ✓ Organizacija i koordinacija čitavog puta, uključujući sve tačke navedene u agendi;
- ✓ Obavljanje procedura za ulaz na Railtex/Infrarail
- ✓ Priprema kratke brošure u elektronskoj formi sa osnovnim podacima o svim kompanijama/fakultetima/institucijama koje će učestvovati u poslovnoj/studijskoj poseti. Ova brošura će biti pre posete distribuirana svim kompanijama i članovima Rail Alliance (najveći britanski i svetski železnički klaster sa 756 članova) sa kojima će biti održani sastanci tokom boravka u UK.

Cena ne uključuje:

- Troškove pribavljanja poslovne vize za posetu Ujedinjenom Kraljevstvu
- Troškove testova za Covid-19 ukoliko oni budu uslov za realizaciju putovanja
- Sve dodatne troškove koje avio-kompanije mogu zatražiti u slučaju promena letova nakon prve rezervacije i izvršenog plaćanja za avio-karte (usled posledica Covid-19 pandemije)
- Troškovi hrane i pića koji nisu obuhvaćeni agendom putovanja

Važne napomene:

- Organizatori zadržavaju pravo da promene program ili delove programa (agende) putovanja
- Organizatori zadržavaju pravo da povećaju ukupnu cenu u slučaju povećanja cena avio-karata
- Troškove bankarskog transfera novca prilikom uplate kotizacije za putovanje snosi platilac

Plaćanje putovanja, rokovi za prijavu i ostali uslovi:

- Rok za prijavljivanje je 20. juli/srpanj 2021. godine.

Za prijavljivanje dovoljno je popuniti word formular iz priloga maila i poslati ga na adresu welcome@rcsee.org

- Fakturna za plaćanje kotizacije biće poslata posle 20. jula/srpnja 2021. godine.

- Ova poseta podržana je od strane Odeljenja za internacionalnu trgovinu Vlade Ujedinjenog Kraljevstva i zato će verovatno biti realizovana uprkos iskušenjima pandemije Covid-19. Jedino u slučaju uvođenja značajnih redukcija kretanja i ograničavanja poseta poslovnim događajima u Ujedinjenom Kraljevstvu može doći do odlaganja posete. Ako bude tako organizatori će pronaći prvi sledeći pogodan datum da se poseta realizuje. U tom slučaju, može se desiti da će prijavljeni putnici morati da doplate za promene termina avio letova, ukoliko avio-kompanije ne budu to učinile besplatno.

Za sve dodatne informacije možete kontaktirati tim Klastera železnica jugoistočne Evrope na sledeće kontakte:

+381 11 3472 133, +381 64 1999 98 ili E-mail welcome@rcsee.org

Napomena: Organizatori putovanja u Ujedinjeno Kraljevstvo imaju ulogu poslovnog partnera koji obezbeđuje avio-karte, zajednički smeštaj i lokalne transfere poslovnoj delegaciji. Oni nisu turistička agencija i ne mogu preuzeti odgovornost turističkih agencija u skladu sa pozitivnim pravom zemalja EU i drugih evropskih država. Tokom poslovne posete svaki pojedinac preuzima punu odgovornost za svoje aktivnosti, ishod tih aktivnosti i eventualnu štetu.