

Wirth Alumni Network Meeting

Wirth Institute for Austrian and Central European Studies
May 14–16, 2026, Budapest, Hungary



MEETING PROGRAM

Final

Thursday, May 14

6.00 PM – 8.00 PM

Danube River Cruise & DINNER

meeting point and time: **17.30 PM** [Budapest, Jászai Mari tér 2, 1137](#). Port 2.

Boat name: Szentendre

Welcome drink and dinner (buffet-style) by WAN, other drinks at own expense

Friday, May 15

09.30 AM

OPENING (ELTE, Faculty of Humanities, Institute of Ethnography and Folklore – Library, Museum krt. 6-8, Ground floor, 22., 1088 Budapest)

Meeting registration & hellos

09.45 AM – 12.30 PM

WAN BUSINESS MEETING ELTE, Faculty of Humanities, Institute of Ethnography and Folklore – library, Museum krt. 6-8, 1088 Budapest)

09.45 – 10.45 Quo Vadis WAN? Pt. 1: Collecting Ideas (facilitated by Joachim)

10.45 – 11.00 Coffee Break

11.00 – 12.15 Quo Vadis WAN? Pt. 2: Steps to the Future (facilitated by Joachim)

12.15 – 12.30 Concluding Discussion

12.30 PM – 1:30 PM

LUNCH (ELTE, Faculty of Humanities, Institute of Ethnography and Folklore – library, Museum krt. 6-8, 1088 Budapest)

Catered by Műhely Café (sandwiches, pastry, fruit)

1.30 PM – 4.00 PM

WAN GENERAL ASSEMBLY ELTE, Faculty of Humanities, Institute of Ethnography and Folklore – library, Museum krt. 6-8, 1088 Budapest)

1.30 – 2.00 WAN board report

2.00 – 2.30 Discussion on the next meeting in 2028

2.30 – 2.45 Coffee Break

2.45 – 3.15 Discussion of motions

3.15 – 3.45 Election of a new WAN board

3.45 – 4.00 Closing remarks

5.30 PM – 7.30 PM

DINNER

Location: **Arquitecto PiPit** (Ötpacsirta u. 2, 1088 Budapest)

Saturday, May 16

9.00 AM –10.00 AM

BREAKFAST MEETING of the new and old WAN board

(new and old members of the WAN board only)

Location: **Centrál Grand Cafe & Bar** (Károlyi utca 9., 1053 Budapest)

10.00 AM – 11.00 AM

MORNING COFFEE (at own expense)

Location: **Centrál Grand Cafe & Bar** (Károlyi utca 9., 1053 Budapest)

11.00 AM onwards

FREE PROGRAM

Suggestions:

Museum of Fine Arts

(Heroes' Square, Dózsa György út 41)

One of Hungary's top museums, with impressive European masterpieces, Egyptian collections, and temporary exhibitions. Great for art lovers.

<https://www.mfab.hu/>

Museum of Ethnography

(Dózsa György út 35)

A spectacular modern building showcasing Hungarian and international folk culture with interactive exhibitions.

<https://www.neprajz.hu/en/>

House of Music Hungary

(Olof Palme sétány 3)

A stunning modern building with immersive exhibitions about the history of music and interactive sound experiences.

<https://zenehaza.hu/en/exhibitions-level>

Central Market Hall

(Vámház boulevard 1-3)

Great place to try Hungarian food, buy paprika, local wines, and souvenirs

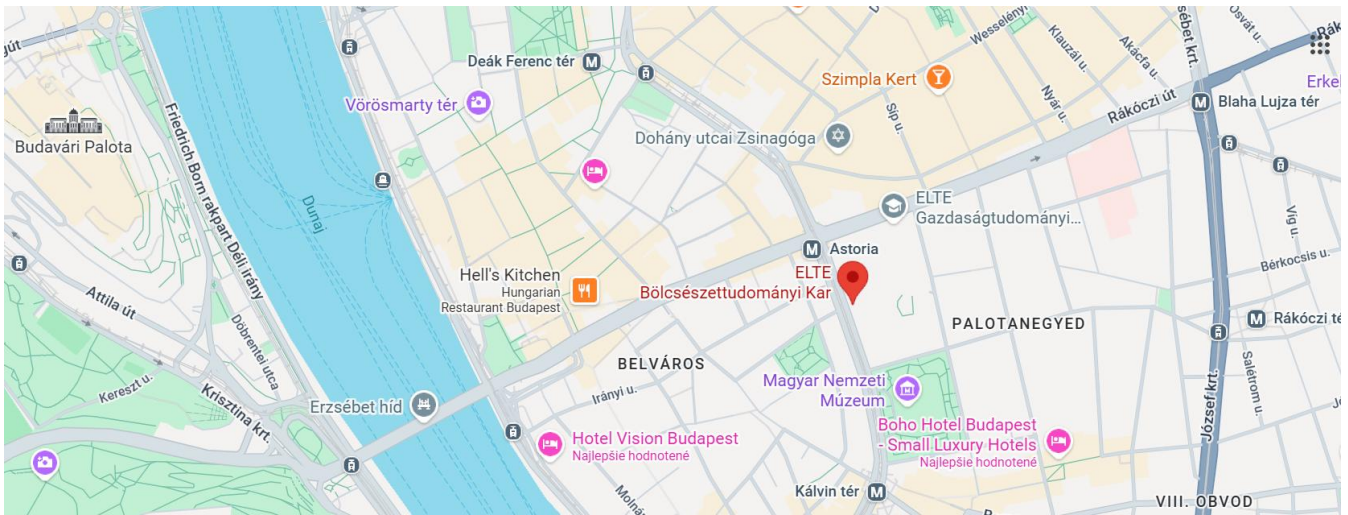
Svábhegy & Normafa & Elizabeth Lookout Tower

A beautiful green area in the Buda Hills with panoramic views over Budapest. Perfect for a relaxing walk, hiking, or sunset photos.

Elizabeth Lookout Tower: The highest point in Budapest with an amazing 360° view of the city and surrounding hills. Only 25 minutes by bus from Széll Kálmán Square.

<https://normafapark.hu/english>

**MEETING VENUE – Eötvös Loránd Tudományegyetem (ELTE Univeristy), Faculty of Humanities (BTK)
Institute of Ethnography and Folklore
Múzeum krt. 6-8, Ground Floor, 22. Budapest 1088
<https://www.btk.elte.hu/en/units/institute-of-ethnography-and-folklore>**



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