

Dear SLC Chaperones,

Our 20th annual Student Leadership Conference is quickly approaching. We are looking forward to meeting your students on September 26th. Thank you for your willingness to bring your student delegates to this conference.

The conference will begin with registration on Wednesday the 26th from 2:00-5:00 pm. Dinner will begin at 5:00 pm followed by the evening program and activities. The conference will end with the evening session on Friday, September 28th. Please do not plan to leave before Saturday morning so that your group can participate in the closing session Friday night. The last planned meal at the camp will be breakfast on Saturday morning. If your group would like to stay at the camp longer, it must be directly arranged with the camp and at your expense.

This year our keynote speakers are Ken Rudolph, Laci Demeter, Dan Bishop and Paul Madsen speaking on the theme of “The Path of Leadership” based on Proverbs 3:5-6, with specific applications to real life leadership.

Besides the plenary sessions, the conference will include workshops, student-led discussion groups, school-to-school interaction time and quiet times for school debriefing, along with great fellowship and fun every day.

Please be aware that the Student Leadership Conference may not reinforce the theological or lifestyle perspectives from your culture or denomination. This conference includes many school groups from a variety of perspectives within the Christian community and it is our privilege to be able to fellowship together and learn from each other in this unique setting! It is YOUR responsibility as a chaperone to prepare your students for this setting and to set your own standards of dress, speech and behavior. ACSI Europe staff have set basic behavioral guidelines and will work to provide a safe and Christ-centered environment which encourages positive interaction between all participants.

Connecting to SLC – We are enrolling all SLC participants in our Moodle platform at <http://moodle.acsieurope.org> for networking, information and discussions. Encourage each one in your group to connect to our SLC page on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/SLCEurope> Our Twitter account is [@acsieurope](#) and Instagram hashtag: [#slc_europe](#) The program booklet draft is available as a download from our SLC page: <http://acsieurope.org/slc>

Conference details and logistics information - Remember that we expect your arrival at Zanka before 17:00 on Wednesday, September 26. Registration is open from 14:00 in the main lobby with signs to help guide you. **Please see more details below.** Remember that you will need to bring the [SLC Medical Consent Form \(pdf\)](#) with you and send us any missing names or birth dates immediately.

Student Workshops - We have a great selection of workshops available for students this year. Your students should decide as a group how to make the best use of these valuable learning times! A survey will be available so that we can estimate the interest in each workshop for our presenters. Each workshop is designed for 20-30 participants and chaperones have other workshops available during this time designed for their needs. THE SURVEY LINK will be on the Moodle platform (see link above). *Chaperones are not permitted to attend student workshops.*

Chaperone Workshops: We always offer workshops to chaperones. This is important, especially for new chaperones or those who are developing a student leadership program in their schools. We will also take time to evaluate the conference and pray together during the student discussion times. All chaperones are encouraged to participate.

Student Discussion groups - We will have 40 student discussion groups that each have 8 students. These groups are essential to the success of the conference and will be a key point of contact for discussion, reflection, prayer and support. Please encourage your students to begin praying for those in their group by name. A draft of the discussion groups will be ready by Sept. 10 online and links sent to you by email. Training for student discussion group leaders is required.

Discussion groups meet immediately after each main session to discuss the material presented, work to apply it to their lives and pray for each other. The role of each participant is very important! A student leader will be assigned to facilitate each discussion, but it is everyone's responsibility to contribute and share in our common language of English. Please take time to talk with your students using the information in our SLC Student Preparation document. The student discussion leaders must be at the orientation at 18:30 on Wednesday (Sept 26) which will be in the "Galeria" upstairs just outside the theater in the Sports Complex. Roslyn Barnes will be the student discussion group coordinator again this year. Please write to her with any questions at roslyn_barnes@acsi.org Online training begins August 27 on our Moodle site to prepare group leaders for this role.

NOTE: Please be aware that all student members of your school group will be distributed between several discussion groups. These groups (from different schools) are encouraged to spend time together during the school interaction time on Thursday afternoon.

School Interaction Time - Each student discussion group is assigned a color and number (Red, Blue, Green or Yellow from 1-10) and your students will be getting to know students specifically from 9 other schools in their discussion groups. To further encourage and facilitate the interaction of schools, we ask that you plan to spend the free time on Thursday afternoon together with the other schools in your color group. This can be done with games, activities, music, drama, conversation and even prayer. You and your students should lead these times. You will also be meeting with your color group for the all school debrief time on Friday evening (4 groups of 90 people each). We will publish these groups with contact information and send by email by Sept. 10.

Student Action Plan - Our conference includes the preparation of a "Student Action Plan" that each school will present to their letter grouping on Friday evening. You can use this time creatively, but each school will be limited to 5 minutes. These plans should be tailored to the specific needs of your school.

School Posters - Schools are encouraged to bring a poster which introduces their school visually to other participants. These can be exchanged between schools of your choice for continuing prayer and connections over the coming year.

Prayer - Please remember to take time with your student team EACH week to pray for the conference, for our speakers, for our workshop leaders, for our student discussion groups and leaders, for health and safety before and during the conference. Please pray for each student who comes to SLC that they will recognize God's call on their life and come to know Jesus, to love Jesus and to serve Jesus.

ATTACHMENTS or INCLUSIONS:

[SLC Medical Consent Form \(pdf\)](#) - **REQUIRED** for EACH student, with the **Medical Consent Coversheet** – (allergies, special health concerns) – to be completed by chaperone and handed in at registration.

[SLC Preparation Guide](#) – preparing your students for their time at SLC

[SLC student prep template](#) – a worksheet guide for students to help them prepare mentally and culturally for their time in Hungary

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May God bless you as you prepare for the conference, and we will see you soon in Hungary!

Paul Madsen
SLC Director, ACSI Europe

OTHER IMPORTANT NOTES:

1. **Items participants should bring:**
 - a. Bible
 - b. Towels, soap, and toiletries (sheets are provided by the camp)
 - c. Alcohol-based hand disinfectant (if available). ACSI will also provide.
 - d. Umbrella, rainy weather gear (outside walking is necessary)
 - e. Insect repellent (especially because of ticks)
 - f. Warm clothes as weather can get cold this time of year (usually 10 – 20 Celsius)
 - g. **Poster with photos of school life.** This will be displayed throughout the conference. At the end, your students may wish to exchange your poster with another school's as a reminder to stay in touch.
 - h. **MEDICAL CONSENT FORMS** – this form **MUST** be filled out and signed for **EACH** student. We also need the summary statement from you as the chaperone. These must be turned in when you register. If any student has a **serious health concern** potentially resulting in an emergency situation (e.g. asthma, severe allergies, seizures), please let us know **before** the conference.
2. **Charter Bus Service** is available from Budapest. This must be reserved at registration! Please contact us if you need more information or have not given us your itinerary.
3. **A Student Service Team** will be helping with various tasks throughout the conference. They are directly responsible to the ACSI staff, but are also available to chaperones as you might have need.
4. **Please, see the [SLC Preparation Guide](#)** which provides further suggestions for how to work with your student team and prepare them for the conference.
5. **Worship at SLC** – The purpose of the worship time at SLC is to focus on the Lord, giving Him our praise and declaring our desire to serve and honor Him. Please note that the music style is contemporary and includes elements of praise, worship, and commitment to Jesus. Inform your students that the style or type of music may not be what they commonly hear in their church. For the purpose of a consistent worshipful atmosphere and due to the limited amount of practice time **we are only able to use very few students.**
6. **Chaperones will meet** during the first Student Discussion Group session on Wednesday evening to discuss important issues. Some details will be included in your conference book.
7. **School Debriefing Sessions** are scheduled each evening and are very important for the fellowship and unity of your school team. Please follow the suggestions for this time and use it well!
8. **The Conference Schedule** is included below by way of reference. More details will be available in the conference booklet and on the Moodle platform.
9. **Balaton Area Information**, current weather can be accessed via this website: http://www.holiday-weather.com/lake_balaton/forecast/seven-day/
10. **Special dietary needs** (e.g. food allergies, vegetarian) should be forwarded to acsieurope@acsi.org ASAP.
11. **Extra nights at the conference center** must be arranged individually by you. If you plan to be in Hungary before or after the conference time, please secure your housing or contact us for help.
12. **Payment Information:** All conference fees must be paid by credit card, bank transfer by Wednesday, Sept. 26. If you make a bank transfer before the conference, please print a confirmation **PROOF OF PAYMENT** to bring with you or pay in cash (EUR or HUF).
13. **Questions** write to paul_madsen@acsi.org or acsieurope@acsi.org

Violation of these guidelines will be viewed seriously.

- ◆ Practice behavior that keeps you safe and under control (e.g. recreation time), is respectful of the camp property and is considerate of others at all times. Be respectful of adults because they are here to guide and encourage you.
- ◆ Be respectful and modest with your choice of clothing. Sweatshirts may be provided to cover inappropriate or insufficient clothing.
- ◆ Sign out and return any borrowed recreation equipment (otherwise you will need to pay for replacements).
- ◆ Remain on the grounds throughout the conference.
- ◆ Stay out of rooms of the opposite sex.
- ◆ Avoid smoking and other harmful practices.

MEDICAL ISSUES AND MEDICAL CONSENT FORMS:

-- **SICK STUDENTS MUST STAY HOME!** This especially applies to those with potentially infectious diseases, e.g. flu-like symptoms of fever, cough and sore throat.

-- **Medical insurance coverage** and [Medical Consent Forms](#) are required for conference participation and emergency medical treatment. Injuries and illnesses can occur, and we want to make sure that treatment is not delayed.

-- We will have a nurse and **first aid** available on site full time with a doctor available on call.

-- **Insurance** should cover not only necessary examinations and treatment, but also cover any transportation arrangements and other related costs if a student needs to stay behind.

-- **Citizens of the European Union** are usually entitled to basic medical treatment in Hungary and are covered by the medical insurance of their own country, but there is a form that needs to be filled out for this before you leave your country. Please inquire about this form at your local authorities. We will still need the medical consent forms from every student.

PLEASE BE AWARE – Tick-borne encephalitis is a problem in Central Europe. Many school students are routinely immunized against this serious virus. With the colder weather and clothing that more completely covers, we do not expect any tick problems. As a precaution, however, we advise everyone not immunized for this disease to use a tick repellent spray such as “Off” on shoes, socks and pant legs anytime they will be in the woods or fields. The ACSI staff plans to have a few containers of repellent available for those unable to bring their own.

WASPS / there have been occasional issues with wasps. If any of your students has a known severe allergy to wasp or bee stings, and has an epinephrine pen, have them bring it along. We will also have some emergency supplies, but it helps a lot if a student has their own epi pen.

Emergency phone numbers:

Paul Madsen, SLC conference director: +36 30 748 3588

Laci Demeter, ACSI Europe director: +36 30 201 4375

Anna Kenyeres, Conference coordinator / secretary: +36 20 911 0002

Agi Jordanidisz, Assistant coordinator: +36 30 473-3838

Conference nurse: +36 20 287 7980

If you get lost by car, it is best to call Paul or Laci.

How to get to the conference site:

Address and Contact Info:

Erzsébet Üdülőközpont és Tábor Zánka
 Külterület hrsz 030/13, Zánka 8251, Hungary
 Telephone: (+36) 87 568 500

By Public Transportation:

<i>Deli railway station</i>	<i>Or Kelenfold railway station (add 7 min. from Deli timetable)</i>	<i>Nepliget Bus Station</i>
<i>(Deli pályaudvar)</i>	<i>(Metro 4, end of line)</i>	<i>(Nepliget metro station)</i>
<i>get off at Zánkafürdő</i>		<i>get off at Zánka Gyermekváros</i>
recommended departure times:		
12:30 (arrives: 15:13)	12:37 (arrives: 15:13)	12:15 (arrives: 15:25)
change: 1 (Székesfehérvár)	change: 1 (Székesfehérvár)	change: 1 (Veszprém)
check websites for more details and times:		
http://elvira.mav-start.hu/elvira.dll/uf		http://menetrendek.hu

If you arrive by **airplane** at Liszt Ferenc Airport, Budapest then you can take either train or bus from Budapest to Zánka. Both stations can be easily accessed by public transportation. Of course you can take a taxi or the Airport Shuttle within Budapest, as well. The local bus no. 200E departs from between Terminals 2A and 2B, its final destination is the terminal station of Metro 3, called Kőbánya-Kispest (see bus schedule: <http://www.bkk.hu/apps/menetrend/pdf/2005/20130501/10.pdf>).

The Intercity Bus Station is located at Népliget metro station. It is the fourth station on Metro 3. If you choose the train, you have to go to metro station: Kálvin tér, there change to Metro 4, and get off at the last station, Kelenföld vasútállomás. You need to buy public transportation tickets that are usually sold at metro stops and major public transportation centers. If you buy a pack of 10 tickets (GYŰJTŐJEGY), you save money and you may validate one ticket for each member of the group. Tickets may be validated on the buses and trams, with a red or orange device. On the metro, the orange devices are at the entrance of the station, please validate when entering the station (no device on the metro train itself) and keep your tickets until you leave the destination station. When you change between the two metro lines, you don't need a new ticket. It is also possible to buy a day pass for a group of 5 people, which saves money if you would use 4 or more tickets per day.

By Car:

Take the M7 out of Budapest then take highway 71 (exit 90) toward **Balatonfüred**. Go 57 km to the camp on the right side of the highway (1 km before the town of Zánka).

Address: Külterület hrsz 030/13, Zánka 8251, Hungary; GPS: N46.88111, E17.70993

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/>

Airport Flight Confirmation: +36 (90) 181 818 (premium rate phone number)

Airport Mini-bus (from airport to Budapest area hotels or transport hubs): You can find their fees on the website http://www.bud.hu/english/passengers/access_and_parking/by_airportshuttle/ Phone: +36.1.550.0000. There is more useful info at: <https://www.tripadvisor.com/Travel-g274887-c165968/Budapest:Hungary:Airport.To.City.Metro.Taxi.Shuttle.html>

Taxi: from the airport, you can use Zona taxi, which is the official taxi company of the airport. From the city, we suggest calling City Taxi on +36-1-2111-111 (from cell phone) or just 2111-111 (from a land-line phone in Budapest). They have English speaking operators and a price policy for all of their drivers – and you can usually pay by credit/debit card as well.

2018 Conference Schedule - DRAFT

WEDNESDAY: September 26

- 14:00 - 17:00 Registration (Administration Building Lobby)
Get Settled in Rooms / Tour Grounds of Camp
- 17:00 - 18:30 Dinner
- 18:30 - 19:00 Discussion Group Leaders meet in Galeria – Sports Complex**
- 19:00 - 20:15 **GENERAL SESSION I—Worship Time and Opening**
(Theater Room – in Sports Complex)
- 20:30 - 21:30 Get Acquainted and Discussion Groups I (in the Gymnasium)
Chaperones Meet in Galeria
- 21:30 - 22:00 Snacks (in the Galeria)
- 22:00 School Debrief Time (each school separately)

THURSDAY: September 27

- 7:00 Personal Devotions
- 7:15 - 8:30 Breakfast
- 8:45 - 10:15 **GENERAL SESSION II—Worship Time and Plenary (Theater Room)**
- 10:15 - 11:15 Discussion Groups II (in the Gymnasium or outside)
Chaperones Meet in Galeria
- 11:30 - 12:30 Workshop Session “A” - *Chaperones’ workshop in Galeria*
- 12:30 - 14:00 Lunch
- 14:00 - 16:00 School Interaction Games and Activities (groups assigned by color)
- 16:15 - 17:15 Workshop Session “B” - *Chaperones’ workshop in Galeria*
- 17:30 - 18:30 Dinner
- 19:00 - 20:30 **GENERAL SESSION III—Worship Time and Plenary (Theater Room)**
- 20:30 - 21:30 Discussion Groups III (in the Gymnasium or outside)
Chaperones Meet in Galeria
- 21:30 - 22:00 Snacks (Galeria)
- 22:00 - 23:00 School Debrief Time (in your chosen locations)

FRIDAY: September 28

- 7:00 Personal Devotions
- 7:15 - 8:30 Breakfast
- 8:45 - 10:15 **GENERAL SESSION IV—Worship Time and Plenary (Theater Room)**
- 10:15 - 11:15 Discussion Groups IV (in the Gymnasium or outside)
Chaperones Meet in Galeria
- 11:30 - 12:30 Workshop Session “C” - *Chaperones’ workshop in Galeria*
- 12:30 - 14:00 Lunch
- 14:00 - 16:00 Free Time Games and Activities (Sport Fields, Lake and/or Gymnasium)
- 16:00 - 17:30 School Debrief Time (in preparation for the Group Debriefing Time)
- 17:30 - 18:30 Dinner
- 19:00 - 20:15 **DEBRIEFING IN 4 COLOR GROUPS (Residency Main**
Meeting Rooms, Buildings 1, 3, 5 and 7)
- 20:15 - 20:45 Snacks (Galeria)
- 21:00 - 23:00 **WORSHIP TIME and WRAP UP SESSION —Final Challenge (Theater Room)**

SATURDAY: September 29

- 7:00 Personal Devotions
- 7:15 - 8:30 Breakfast
- 8:30 - 9:30 Move out of rooms and departure

****Please leave room keys at your residency building’s front desk****