



UNIVERSITY OF PÉCS
MEDICAL SCHOOL

ENFSI – APST 2025
5th - 8th May, 2025
Pécs, Hungary

OFFICIAL INVITATION

On behalf of the ENFSI APST Working Group Steering Committee and
the Department of Forensic Medicine, University of Pécs
we are happy to invite you to the

12th APST Working Group annual meeting in

Pécs, Hungary

5th – 8th of May 2025

Programme and sessions

1. Call for presentations and posters

Poster or oral presentation, it's your choice!

The success of our Annual Meeting depends on each one of you. Your contribution is crucial. No matter whether you are experienced or not yet working in the field. It's not necessarily extraordinary cases, nor high impact academic research. All facets of the APST activities are welcomed - such as general casework, execution and suggestions of practical routines, short-term experiments, and advanced research. We invite you to either give an oral presentation (of no longer than 15 minutes) or a poster presentation.

We will try to keep a balance between case-related and scientific-research related presentations. Present your most important/curious/memorable case or share the results of your experiments/research with the rest of the group. It will be very interesting and informative to share with your colleagues so feel free to share your knowledge in this safe environment.

In addition to the oral presentations, we will hold an interactive poster session, where an author facilitates a short presentation and dialogue about the topic of the poster (of no longer than 5 minutes).

Do not worry about whether your cases are exciting enough or not, or if your research is not at the cutting edge, your participation is always highly appreciated!

The steering committee wants to involve as many of our members as possible, so we are keen to receive your abstract submission by the **9th of March** (please see abstract submission form attached).

2. Unidentified Forensic Object (UFO) session

We would very much like to organize a **"UFO" session**, where we can discuss and debate any unclear issues in a max of 5 minutes (with or without slides) to present an unidentified or unknown object to you with photographs or topics to discuss with the other participants. The session is intended to introduce colleagues but will also provide the opportunity for more extensive discussions later on (free time/coffee breaks/lunch/dinner).

Needless to say, all personal and confidential data such as names, places etc. should be removed from any written material.

3. Workshops (WS)

We will also organize two WS on nhDNA and Soil&morphology&diatoms (please see Provisional Program). WS chair positions for the nhDNA workshop are open, and you are welcome to present your proposal. Contact the steering committee (APST@enfsi.eu) for more information.

4. Business meeting

As always, we will also have a business meeting (see Provisional Program). Please note that if there will be a vote, then each participating laboratory/institute has one vote.

Brief program outline:

The meeting will start at 9:00 on May 6th and will conclude at 12:00 on May 8th.

Monday 5th May	18:30-21:00	Registration and Get Together reception at the Venue
Tuesday 6 th May	08:30-9:00	Registration
	09:00-17:00	Plenary and Oral sessions, Discussion of Proficiency tests
	18:00-20:00	Social program
Wednesday 7 th May	9:00-12:00	Workshops
	13:30-14:15	Lecture of the Invited Speaker
	14:15-15:30	Oral sessions, poster, <i>UFO</i> sessions
	16:00-21:00	Field workshop and conference dinner
Thursday 8 th May	9:00-11:30	Oral sessions, business meeting, closing session

Abstract submission:

You can contribute to the meeting with following options:

- Oral presentation (15 minutes and 5 minutes questions)
- Poster (5 minutes)
- *UFO* Session (max 5 minutes/slides where you can present unidentified or unknown to you photos or topic to discuss it with the other participants)

Please use the separate abstract submission form and send it to contact@apst2025.eu. **Please note that the book of abstracts will be freely available at website of the conference (www.apst2025.eu).** Abstract submissions per person should not exceed one oral and one poster submission.

Registration:

The meeting is open for delegates from ENFSI-laboratories (members) and non-ENFSI-laboratories (associated members). Others may attend the Annual Meeting as guests with the permission of APST Steering Committee. Those wishing to attend as guests should contact us to declare their interest (APST@enfsi.eu).

To register for the Annual Meeting, fill in the attached registration form and send it by email to the organizing committee contact@apst2025.eu

Registration fee:

The registration fee includes use of Conference rooms and materials, Get Together reception (5th May), Cultural program (6th May), Field workshop and dinner (7th May), four coffee breaks and three lunches (6th – 8th May).

	“Regular”	“Late Registration”
<input type="checkbox"/> ENFSI Members	175 EUR	275 EUR
<input type="checkbox"/> ENFSI Associate Members and Guests	210 EUR	310 EUR

Deadlines

Abstract submission – 9th of March

“Regular” registration – 9th March (participation fee must be paid by **28th March**)

Final deadline for registration – **17th April**, (participation fee must be paid by **28th April**)

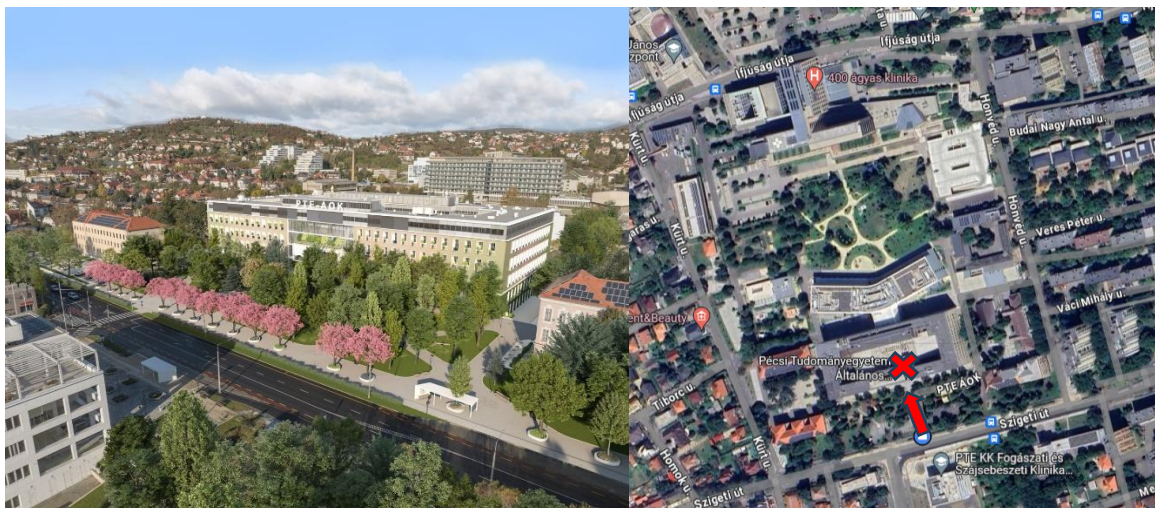
Payments can **only** be made via bank transfer. There will be no possibility to pay during the meeting, neither cash nor by card. After registration you will receive an invoice with further bank account details. Printed invoices will be issued **only** upon timely request.

Please note:

- If there are major changes in the organization of the meeting, you will receive feedback of the status of your registration.
- Registration fees do not include insurance of participants against accidents, sickness, cancellation, theft, property damage or loss. Participants are advised to take adequate personal insurance.
- Please note: delegates are responsible for currency conversion costs and bank charges.

Meeting Venue:

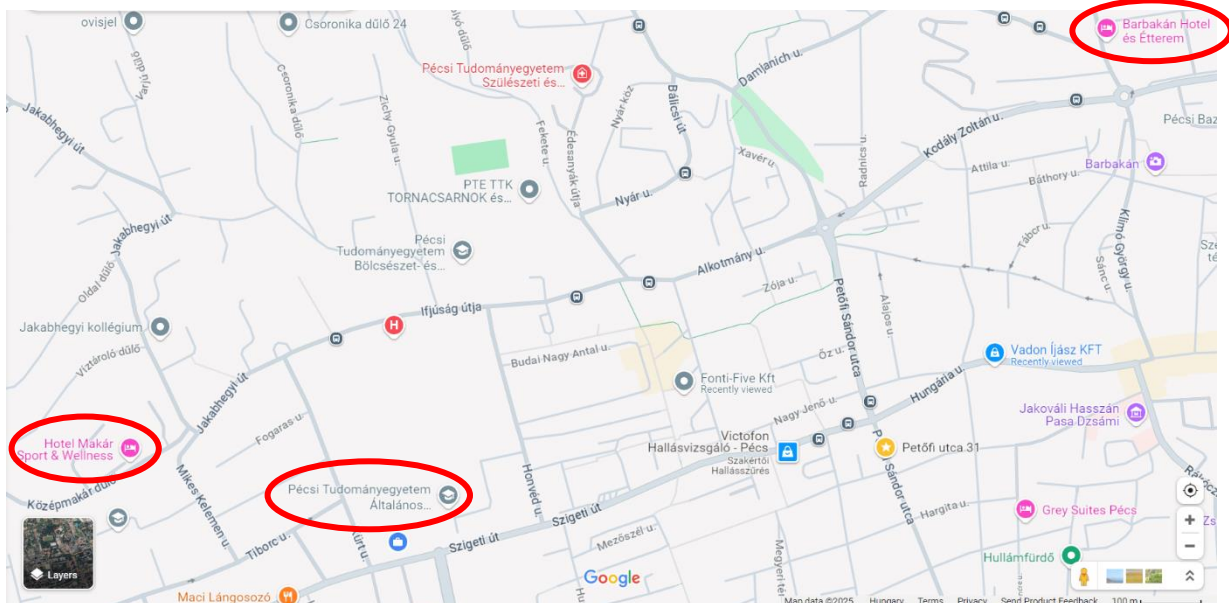
University of Pécs, Medical School. Pécs, Szigeti street. 12., main building



Accommodation:

The registration fee does not include accommodation. There is no official hotel of the conference, but there are two recommended ones.

- Hotel Makár. It is very close to the faculty (~200 m). Approx. 86 – 120 Euros/night, refer to APST during the booking process for a discount. <https://hotelmakar.hu>
- Barbakán Hotel is more affordable hotel, which is situated about 1.9 km from the conference venue, but only a few minutes walking distance from the town centre. Approx 50 Euros/night/person, no discount codes. <https://www.barbakanhotel.hu>



Transfer to Pécs from Budapest Airport:

Conference bus:

To facilitate the Airport transfer, we will rent a bus service. The plan that departure times will be:

- From Budapest Airport to Pécs: 2025. May 05. – 14:00 (trip length around 3 hours)
- From Pécs to Budapest Airport: 2025. May 08. – 12:30 (trip length around 3 hours)

In the registration form please indicate if you wish use any of these buses and when will your flight arrive/depart. The costs of these services are included in the registration fee.

If you plan to arrive earlier or leave later there are the following options, but the costs are not included in the registration fee.

Private airport shuttle services:

There are airport shuttle services to and from Pécs. The two biggest ones are:

- Mecsek Travel (<https://www.mecsektravel.hu/index.php/en/>)
- Travel 4 You (<https://travel4you.hu/en>)

You are advised to book your transfer a few weeks in advance!



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Public transport:

Take the 100E bus to Kálvin tér (square) then the M4 metro line to Keleti Pályaudvar (train station) (about 60 minutes). Check google maps.

From Keleti, there are trains every two hours during the day, length of the journey is 2 hours, 45 minutes if there are no delays. Train tickets can purchased in advance at <https://jegy.mav.hu/>. A little life hack: the 1st class ticket is just a couple of Euros more expensive, and with that ticket you are allowed to use business lounge at Keleti station with free food and beverages.