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# CHEP 2018

## SOFIA, BULGARIA

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# Outline

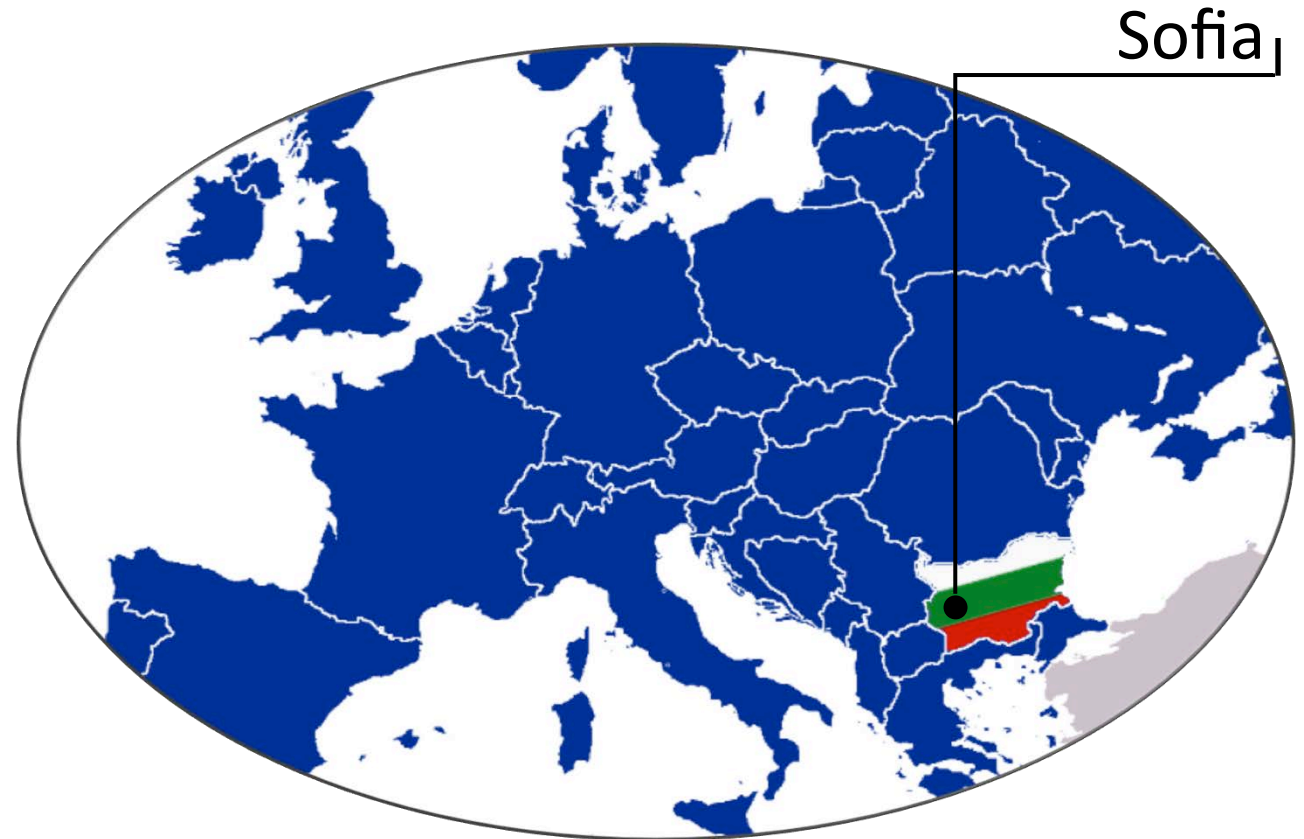
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# Venue



# Bulgaria

- EU member since 1 Jan 2007
- Involved in many international collaborations
- Has very rich history, beautiful nature & delicious traditional food
- Most of the public places such as coffee shops, restaurants and hotels offer free Wi-Fi access
- [More here](#)



Currency: Bulgarian Lev  
Alphabet: Cyrillic







# Bulgaria in (N)HEP

Bulgaria is one of the JINR founders and a CERN member state since 1999.

Participation in CERN experiments:

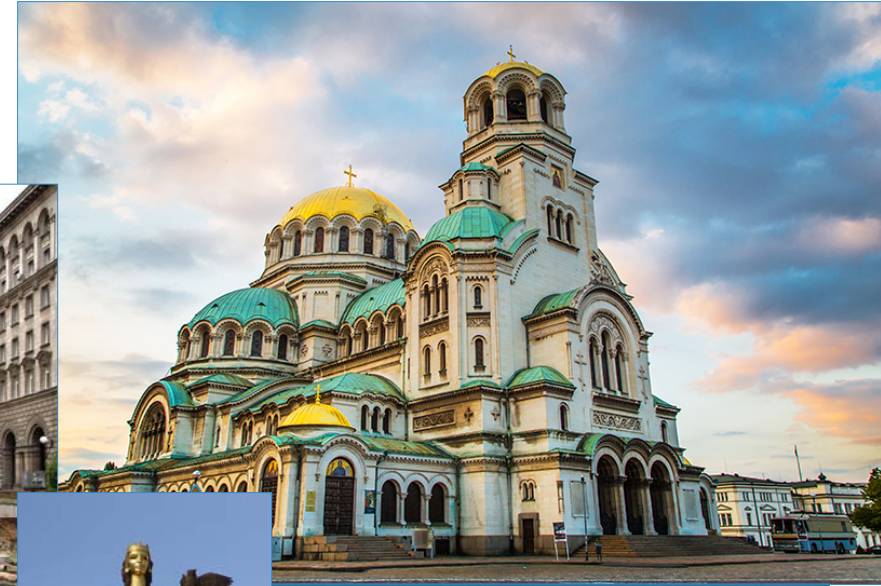
- CMS, ALICE, NA48, NA49, NA61, NA62, nTOF, OPERA, ISOLDE, HARP

Collaborating institutes:

- Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski
- Institute for Nuclear Research and Nuclear Energy (INRNE), Sofia
- Institute of System Engineering and Robotics, Sofia (*Associate CMS*)
- Institute for Advanced Physical Studies (IAPS) (*Associate ALICE*)

# Sofia

- Bulgaria's capital city with a population of 1.3 M
- It's in the [top 10](#) best places for business start-ups in the world
- An old city having many historical places and thousands of years of history
- International IT companies in Sofia: HP, IBM, VMware, Telerik, Microsoft





# National Palace of Culture (NDK)

Sofia CHEP 2018 will take place on 4 levels of the conference center at halls close to each other and spacious enough for the large number of people attending the sessions.

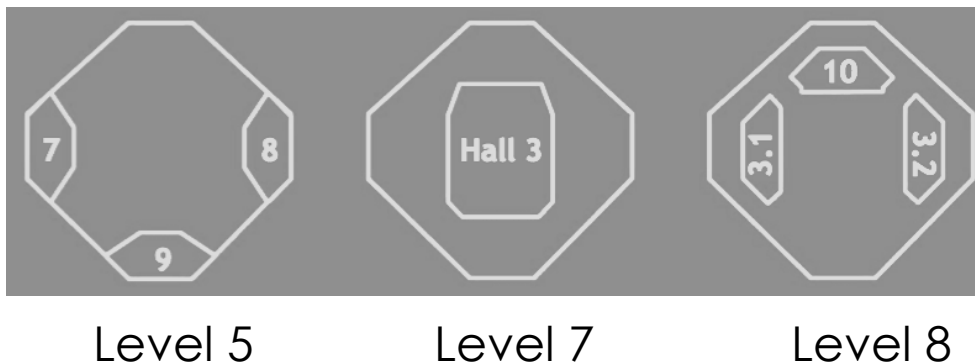




# Conference halls

NDK offers 6 Mbit/s per device Wi-Fi. The conference will be held in 7 halls:

- Plenary sessions - Hall 3
- Parallel sessions - Halls 3.1, 3.2, 7, 8, 9, 10.
- Poster sessions - foyers on level 5
  - 800 sq.m (hosts 400-500 posters)





# Conference halls (parallel sessions)

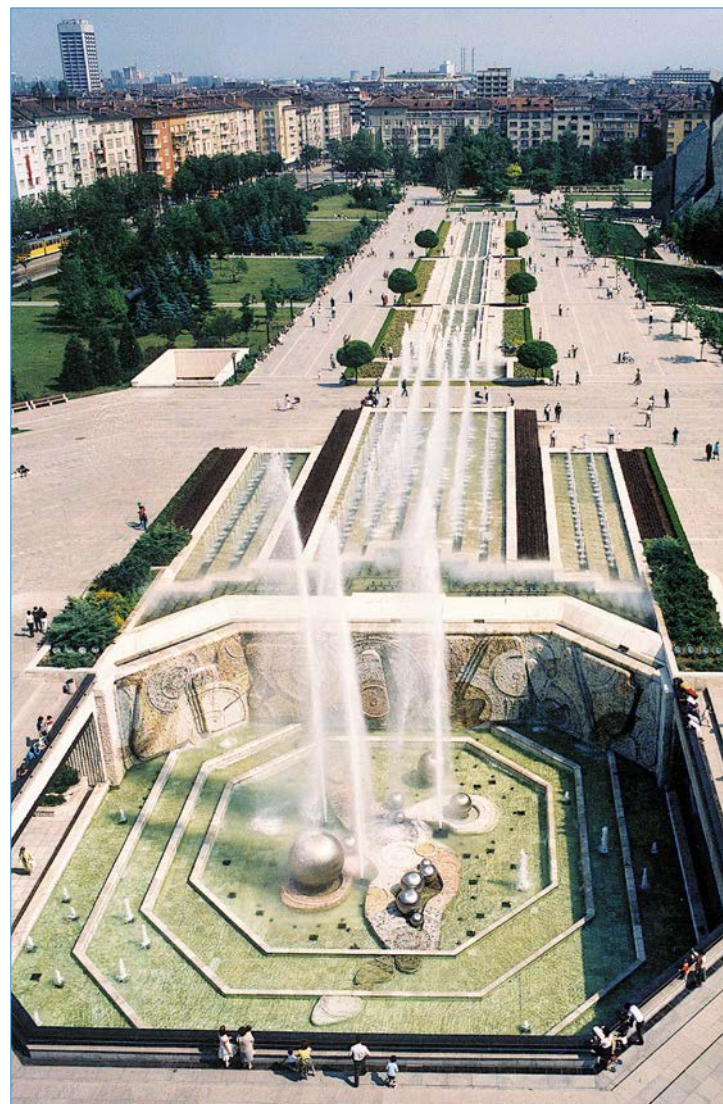




# Welcome drink



National Historical Museum



NDK foyer  
on level 6 & 7  
and the  
panoramic  
balcony on  
the last floor



# Conference dinner

Sofia Inter Expo Center





# Conference dates & WLCG

- CHEP 2018 will take place on **23-27 April, 2018**
- The WLCG Workshop is planned for 21-22 April 2018 in Hilton Sofia



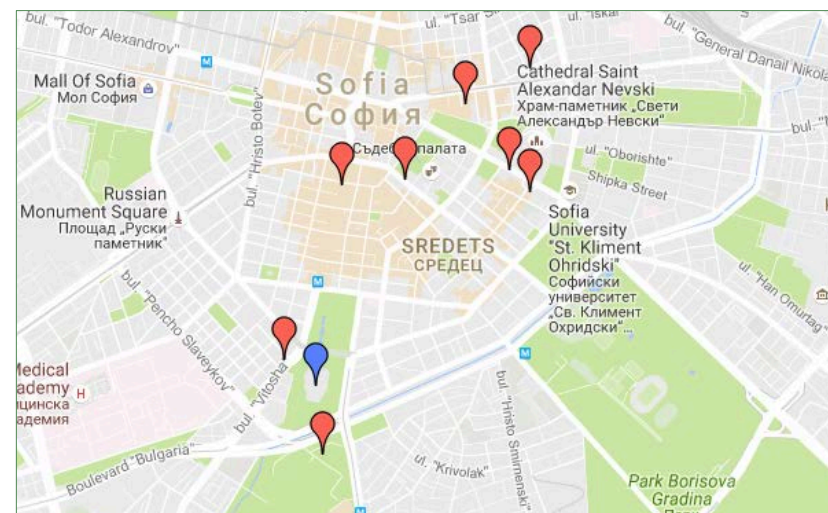
# Accommodation



# Hotels

Many 3, 4 and 5 star hotels are walking distance from NDK

- Prices are in the range of 50-120 EUR



# Tourist Information

# Transport

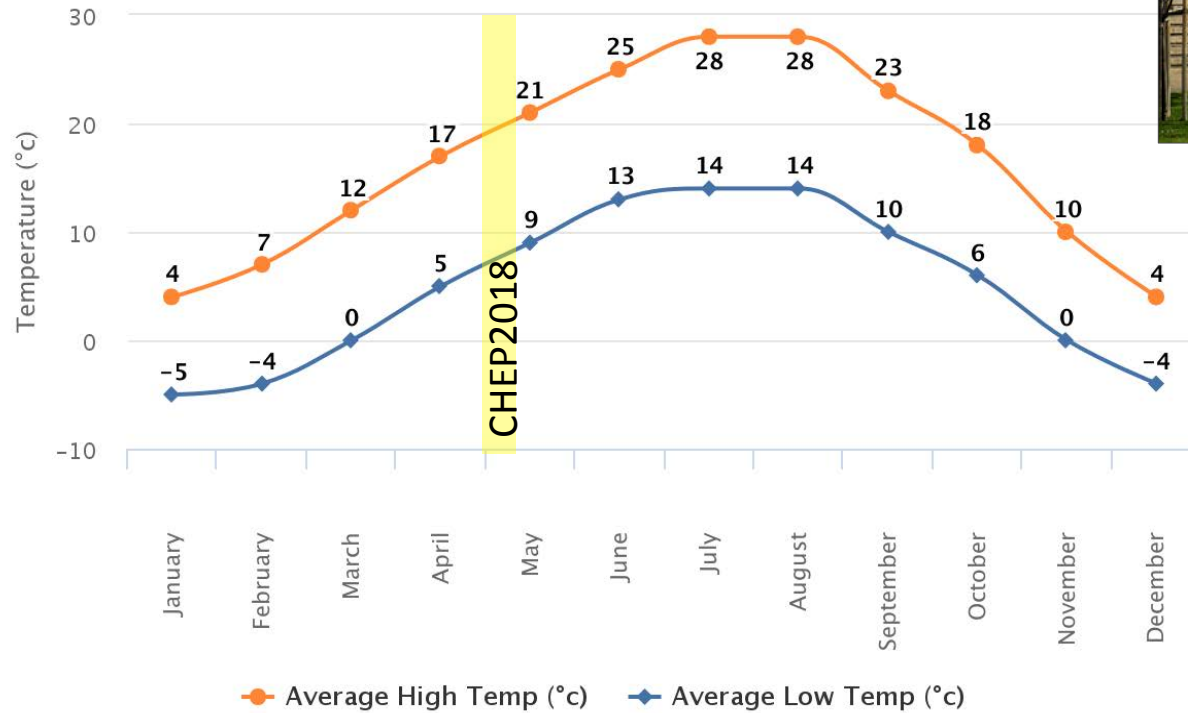
- Metro-serviced airport
- Direct flights from/to many airports
- 26 airlines fly to Sofia
- Most hotels have an airport shuttle service
- Rental cars
- Metro
- Public transportation
- [More details](#)





# Weather

Average Temperature (°C) Graph for Sofia





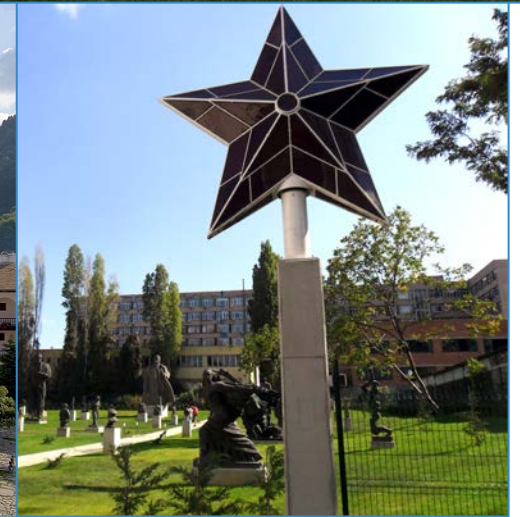
# Tours & visits

Possible organized tours:

- Sofia museum and church tour;
- Sofia food and pub tour;
- Sofia architecture walk;
- Sofia communist tour;
- Tourist bureau tours

Others:

- [Lonely Planet](#), [Wikitravel](#), [TripAdvisor](#)



# Organizers





# Local Organizers & Endorsements

- Institute for Advanced Physical Studies (IAPS)
- Sofia Municipality (SM)
- Plovdiv University (PU)
- Sofia University (SU)
- New Bulgarian University (NBU)
- Bourgas Free University (BFU)
- Institute for Nuclear Researches and Nuclear Energy (INRNE-BAS)
- Institute of information and communication technologies (IICT - BAS)
- NDK Conference Center (NDK)



# The team

## Active organizers:

- Vasil Vasilev
- Petya Petrova
- Peter Hristov
- Latchezar Betev (ALICE)
- Gancho Dimitrov (ATLAS)

## Special thanks to:

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- Alexander Penev (PU)
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- Anna Yaneva (CMS)
- Leandar Litov (SU)
- Stoyan Mishev (IAPS & JINR)
- Daniela Orozova (BFU)
- Todor Tchobanov (SM)
- Georgi Tekev (NBU)
- Zhechka Toteva (CERN-IT)



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# Thanks for your attention

We are looking forward to seeing you in 2018 in Bulgaria!