



PROPOSAL FOR CULTURAL PROGRAMME

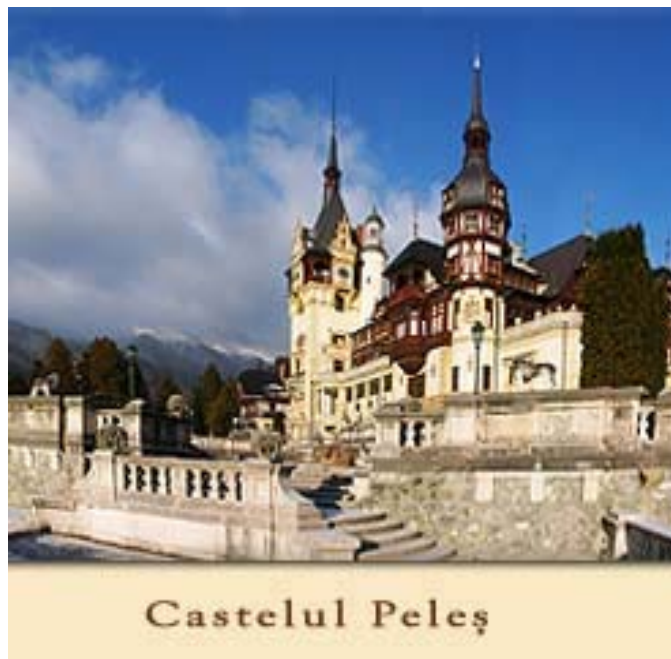
21 of June 2008 – Program for EBC delegates and guests

08.45 - Meet in JW Marriott Hotel hall

09.00 – 20.00 Trip Bucharest – Sinaia – Bran – Braşov – Bucharest and lunch included
(Visiting Peles Castle - Sinaia, Dracula Castle- Bran and Black Church- Brasov)

- Coach Mercedes, Scania, Neoplan, 49 seating+1,
- romanian guidebook - english language
- entry tickets for: Peleş Castle, Bran Castle (Dracula Castle) and Black Church (Braşov)

Peleş Castle - the castle in Peles Valley, the summer residence of Romanian royalty, was built during the rule of Carol I (1866-1914) and today it is an important national monument of XIX century Europe. Several other buildings, annexed to the castle, were built simultaneously: Pelidor Castle, The Guard's Chambers, The Foisor Hunting House, the Electrical Power Plant and the "Sipot" Villa. Due to the electrical plant in the Peles Valley, Peles Castle was the first European castle entirely lit by electrical current.



Bran Castle - situated near Bran and in the immediate vicinity of Brasov, Romania, is a national monument and landmark. In addition to its unique architecture, the castle is famous because of persistent myths that it was once the home of Vlad the Impaler, a famous or infamous medieval warlord; however, there is no evidence that he ever lived there. According to most accounts, the Impaler spent two days in the Bran dungeon, as the area was occupied by the Ottoman Empire at the time. Because of the (disputed) connections between Vlad and the fictional character Dracula, the castle is marketed to foreign tourists *as Dracula's Castle*.



The Black Church - The imposing building in the centre of Braşov was built during the 14-15th century. The construction started in 1383. The proportions of the Gothic church laid out on the construction plan were huge: 89m long, 38m wide and 42m high. It is said that before the huge fire there were 22 altars beside the gilded main altar which was decorated with silver statues. Due to the walls blackened by the fire the church became to be known as the Black Church.

The cathedral is a major symbol of Braşov, and a museum open to visitors of the city center. A Lutheran service is held each Sunday for the small German community in the city.



Lunch - including 1 palincă and 1/2 wine-pers

Restaurant Grădiştei Quay – Bran – Moeciu

TOTAL COSTS 70 euro/per

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