# An Invitation to join us for our Brno 2003 conference.... Why?

#### **Firstly**

Brno - the historic capital of Moravia - the beautiful countryside - the wine and food and hospitable people - the unique atmosphere of culture, cuisine and Middle European civilisation.

### Secondly

The chance to meet mathematics educators from all over the world (44 countries in our last conference) working at the frontier of innovation and presenting their new ideas in the teaching of mathematics.

#### **Thirdly**

After Cairo-Egypt, Amman-Jordan, Zajaczkowo-Poland, Palm Cove-Australia and Sicily-Italy, another conference dedicated to meeting together and working for the betterment of mathematics education world-wide. This means working with and for our students and fellow-teachers.

### **Fourthly**

A chance to find out more and work with the international SuperCourse Project which has writers and writing teams world-wide to produce what we hope will be super materials for students and teachers of mathematics, in many languages including Arabic, English, Polish, Italian and German.

### **Fifthly**

To see and discuss the most recent technology useful for the teaching of mathematics. On display will be our two major sponsors - **CASIO** graphic calculators (with the launch of **Class Pad 300**) and **AUTOGRAPH** software, as well as Greygum, Design Science, Epsilon, VSG Enrichment, and other helpful technology for the teaching of mathematics.

### Sixthly

To participate in a programme specially designed to be useful and practical. In addition to many varied and interesting papers and three Plenary addresses by prominent mathematics educators, there will be Workshops, small and personal Working Groups, and the Creative Forum of Ideas.

#### Seventhly

There will be a Special Teachers Day on Saturday at which "local" teachers from the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Poland and Hungary will be attending the conference and attending sessions in their own language, as well as meeting and mingling with conference participants throughout the day.

#### **Eighthly**

To meet, talk, work, eat and drink with old and new friends and colleagues from around the world in a relaxing and beautiful environment. To enjoy the Gala Dinner together and also a full-day Excursion in Moravia to see the historic sites and sample the local food and wine!

We hope to see you in Brno in September 2003!

Professor Fayez Mina

Dr. Alan Rogerson

Professor Ivan Meznik

### **Second Announcement**

### The Mathematics Education into the 21st Century Project,

in cooperation with

The Union of Czech Mathematicians and Physicists
The Hong Kong Institute of Education
The Third World Forum
Masaryk University, Brno

ALMA (Teacher Training Centre, Poland), EuroMaths, Greygum Software, MathMagic, SNM (Polish Association of Teachers of Mathematics), VSG Enrichment, Wholemovement and locally organized by

The Faculty of Business and Management, Brno University of Technology under the auspices of

The Rector of Brno University of Technology, Prof.RNDr.Ing.Jan Vrbka,Dr.Sc. announce our

### **Sixth International Conference**

"The *Decidable* and the *Undecidable* in Mathematics Education!"
Hotel Continental, Brno, Czech Republic, Sep 19-25, 2003
Major Sponsors: CASIO & Autograph

You are invited to attend another very special conference in the heart of Europe in the historic city of Brno, the second largest city in the Czech Republic and the regional capital of Moravia, famous for its beautiful countryside, its castles and its wines and food. The time and place were deliberately chosen to encourage teachers and mathematics educators from around the world to communicate with each other about the challenges and paradoxes offered by **The Decidable and the Undecidable** in **Mathematics Education** - a tribute to Kurt Godel who was born and grew up in Brno. The Chairman of the Local Organising Committee for Brno 2003 is **Professor Ivan Meznik** of Brno University of Technology.

This conference follows our first five successful Project Conferences: next to the pyramids in Cairo in 1999, in the historic splendour of the Holy Land in Jordan in 2000, a magical country retreat in Poland, and where the Great Barrier Reef meets the rainforest in Australia 2001, and on the beautiful coast of Sicily in 2002.

The Brno Conference is organised by the Mathematics Education into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Project - an international educational initiative whose coordinators are Dr. Alan Rogerson (Poland) and Professor Fayez Mina (Egypt). Since its inception in 1986, the Mathematics Education into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Project has received support and funding from many educational bodies and institutions throughout the world. In 1992 UNESCO published our Project Handbook "*Moving Into the 21st Century*" as Volume 8 in the UNESCO series *Studies In Mathematics Education*.

The Mathematics Education into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Project is dedicated to the improvement of mathematics education world-wide through the publication and dissemination of innovative ideas. Many prominent mathematics educators have supported and contributed to the project, including the late Hans Freudental, Andrejs Dunkels and Hilary Shuard, Bruce Meserve and Marilyn Suydam, Alan

Osborne and Margaret Kasten, Mogens Niss, Tibor Nemetz, Brian Wilson, Tatsuro Miwa, Henry Pollack, Werner Blum, Roberto Baldino, Waclaw Zawadowski, and many others throughout the world.

Information on our project and its future work can be found on the following webpages.

http://math.unipa.it/~grim/21project.htm Our Project Home Page

http://math.unipa.it/~grim/egypt.pdf Egypt Conference site

http://math.unipa.it/~grim/jourdain Jordan conference site

http://math.unipa.it/~grim/cairms Australia conference site

http://math.unipa.it/~grim/palermo2002 Sicily Conference site

Filippo Spagnolo, Palermo, is webmaster for the above sites. Krys Bestry is webmaster for our Polish Superkurs Home Page and Zajaczkowo Planning Meeting webpage <a href="http://superkurs.republika.pl/">http://superkurs.republika.pl/</a> (in Polish - but with pictures!) See also: <a href="http://www.vsg.edu.au/egypt99/">http://www.vsg.edu.au/egypt99/</a> and <a href="http://www.cdnalma.poznan.pl">www.cdnalma.poznan.pl</a> for more information about our project and its work.

For the Brno conference itself, at <a href="http://www.math.muni.cz/matheduconf.sept2003">http://www.math.muni.cz/matheduconf.sept2003</a> there is a local Website in Czech and English, and CEBUS travel have at <a href="https://www.conference.acebus.cz">www.conference.acebus.cz</a> a special tourist Website for our conference.

The Mathematics Education into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Project has the following National Representatives: Associate Professor Madiha Mohamed Abd El- Rahman Egypt, Dr. Reda Abu-Elwan Oman, Assistant Professor Othman Alsawaie UAE, Associate Professor Noor Azlan Ahmad Zanzali Malaysia, Professor Angel Balderas Mexico, Dr. René Berthelot France, Dr. Cinzia Bonotto Italy, Gail Burrill USA, Professor Indira Chacko Zimbawe, Prof Dr.Erik De Corte Belgium, Prof. Dr. Franco Favilli Italy, Professor Gunnar Gjone Norway, Professor Doctor Gunter Graumann Germany, Pam Hagen Canada, Dr. Marjorie Henningsen Lebanon, Dr. Hanan Innabi Jordan, Professor George Malaty Finland, Prof Dr. Ivan Meznik Czech Republic, Willy Mwakapenda Malawi/South Africa, Dr. Maria Luisa Oliveras Spain, Chris Ormell UK, Assoc Prof Lionel Pereira-Mendoza Singapore, Dr. Medhat Rahim Canada, Dr. Fatimah Saleh Malaysia, Dr. Maher Y. Shawer USA, Professor Anthony Sofo Australia, Dr. Filippo Spagnolo Italy, Teresa Vergani Portugal, Professor Derrick Young South Africa, Professor Wacek Zawadowski Poland.

### **Conference Committee Structure**

### **International Program Committee**

**Chairman** Dr. Alan Rogerson, International Coordinator of the Mathematics in Society Project (Poland). Prof Khaled Abuloum, University of Jordan (Jordan).

Professor Roberto Baldino, UNESP (Brazil).

Dr. Andy Begg, Senior Lecturer in Mathematics Education, University of Waikato (OU/New Zealand).

Dr. Donna F. Berlin, Mathematics, Science, and Technology Education, The Ohio State University (USA) Prof. Dr. Werner Blum, University of Kassel (Germany).

Professor Ubiratan D'Ambrosio, Emeritus Professor of Mathematics, Campinas/UNICAMP, (Brazil). Professor Bruno D'Amore, University of Bolgna (Italy).

Professor Dr. Tilak de Alwis, Southeastern Louisiana University (USA)

Prof Dr William Ebeid, Emeritus Professor, Faculty of Education, Ain Shams University (Egypt).

Prof. Omar Hassan El Sheikh, University of Jordan (Jordan).

Professor Paul Ernest, Professor of the Philosophy of Mathematics Education, University of Exeter (UK). Prof. Dr. Gabriele Kaiser, Hamburg University (Germany).

Dr. Madeleine J. Long, Program Director, American Association for the Advancement of Science (USA).

Prof Dr Fayez Mina, Dept. of Curriculum & Instruction, Faculty of Education, Ain Shams University (Egypt). Prof Nicolina Malara, University of Modena (Italy)

Prof Dr M. Ali M. Nassar, Director of Planning Center, Institute of National Planning (Egypt).

### The Mathematics Education into the 21st Century Project

#### **Proceedings of the International Conference**

The Decidable and the Undecidable in Mathematics Education Brno, Czech Republic, September 2003

Professor Lionel Pereira Mendoza, Associate Professor, National Institute of Education (Singapore).

Professor Angela Pesci, University of Pavia (Italy)

Prof. Medhat Rahim, Lakehead University, Faculty of Education (Canada).

Professor Filippo Spagnolo, University of Palermo, Sicily, (Italy).

Professor Dr. Alicia Villar Icasuriaga, Instituto de Profesores "Artigas" (IPA), Montevideo, (Uruguay)

Dr. Arthur L. White, Mathematics, Science, and Technology Education, The Ohio State University (USA)

Professor. Wacek Zawadowski, Warsaw University (Poland).

### **Local Organizing Committee**

#### Chairman:

Prof.Dr. Ivan Mezník, Pro Dean, Faculty of Business and Management, Brno University of Technology **Local Conference Secretary:** 

Dr. Zuzana Chvátalová, Faculty of Business and Management, Brno University of Technology

Prof. Dr. Jan Chvalina, Head, Department of Mathematics, Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Communication, Brno University of Technology

Prof. Ing. Jiří Dvořák, Faculty of Business and Management, Brno University of Technology

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Assoc.Prof. Dr. Jaromír Vosmanský, Faculty of Science, Masaryk University Brno

### **Conference Organisation**

The conference programme in outline is:

Friday Sep 19: Arrivals & Welcome Reception (19.00 on). Includes food and drink.

**Saturday Sep 20:** First Working Day. Includes Official Opening Ceremony, Open Forum of Ideas and Special Teachers Day Sessions in Czech/Slovak & Polish.

**Sunday Sep 21:** All-day Conference Excursion from 9am to midnight, includes all meals, a visit to the famous Macocha caves, to several castles and to a wine cellar with a folkloric group.

Monday Sep 22: Second Working Day

**Tuesday Sep 23:** Third Working Day

Wednesday Sep 24: Fourth Working Day and Gala Dinner,

Thursday Sep 25: Fifth working day, morning only, lunch and farewells.

The Conference Working Sessions will include:

- Plenary Speechs
- Paper Presentations
- Working Group Meetings
- Workshops
- Open Forum of Ideas
- SuperCourse Meetings for General Information and for Writers

#### **Special Teachers' Day - Saturday**

Saturday will be a special Local Teachers Day in Brno with separate sessions in Czech/Slovak, and Polish if enough teachers register. Please get in touch if you would like to attend or if you can help us with contacts in those countries. We offer a special programme in the respective languages at a very low cost in order to encourage as many "local" teachers as possible to attend. In order for this idea to

succeed we do need help and contacts so please inform your local teacher colleagues in the four countries bordering the Czech Republic as well as the Czech Republic itself.

The Saturday Special Teachers Day will include:

- a visual multi-lingual exhibition of materials and software from all over the world
- special Exhibitions and workshops from our two Major Sponsors, CASIO and Autograph
- special sessions in each language in parallel with the conference programme
- the opportunity for teachers to meet and mingle with participants from 40+ countries in coffee breaks and lunch
- attendance fee for the day of 400 KCZ for lunch, two coffee breaks and all conference materials
- an informal farewell reception from 17.00-18.00 to which all participants are invited
- the possibility of staying on for the Sunday Conference Excursion for a cost of 47 euro.

All participants in the Local Teachers Day are also warmly invited to attend both the **Conference Welcome Reception** at 20.00 on Friday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, and the **Conference Opening Session** on Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. Transport to/from Brno for the day should be arranged personally. It is also possible to stay one/two nights in The Continental Hotel, please email <u>arogerson@vsg.edu.au</u> for further details.

### Special Teachers Day Detailed Programme Friday Sep 19

Arrivals & Welcome Reception (19.00 on - includes food and drink)

#### Saturday Sep 20

- 9.00 Hotel Continental Opening Ceremony
- 10.30 11.00 Hotel Continental Coffee break
- 11.00 12.30 Hotel Continental Exhibition and presentation of teaching materials and technologies
- 12.30 13.30 Hotel Continental Lunch
- 13.30 15.00 Lectures Masaryk University Dept. of Mathematics Building (nearby).
- 15.00 15.30 Hotel Continental Coffee break
- 15.30 17.00 Lectures Masaryk University Dept. of Mathematics Building (nearby).
- 17.00 18.00 Hotel Continental Informal farewell gathering all welcome!

**Sunday Sep 21 (Optional)** All-day Conference Excursion from 9am to midnight - cost 47euro to be paid separately.

### **SuperCourse**

The new International Innovative Project - SuperCourse - began work in 2001 and now has writing teams and writers throughout the world. Our First International Conference for SuperCourse was held in June/July 2001 in Zajaczkowo, Poland. Brno 2003 will be the next opportunity for new participants to find out all about this project and its future work. SuperCourse writers attending Brno 2003 will have an opportunity to meet, plan and write in separate groups for English, Italian, Arabic and possibly German versions. For more details please email arogerson@vsg.edu.au

Work is continuing internationally for SuperCourse. Two years draft text books have already been completed in Poland on schedule in December 2002 and we look forward to continuing this work with our sponsors and writing teams in 2003. A Resources Book in English and in Arabic has already been published by the SuperCourse Arabic Group in Cairo and is available throughout the Arab world!

### The Mathematics Education into the 21st Century Project

Our project is an international FORUM for the interaction of both researchers and teachers; innovation is our immediate concern but we also have some special interests: maths for living, humanizing maths

education, equity and ethnomathematics, the effective use of new educational technology in the classroom, adopting new paradigms...etc. Our accumulated and current experiences are represented by the four volumes of conference proceedings (in addition to our UNESCO handbook). There are a more than 40 years of reseach-in-action behind our project work - going back to the vast didactic innovations of SMP and other projects in the 1960s in the UK, initiatives in Holland and Scandinavia, Australia, Brazil, etc in the 1970s and 1980s, and many other major innovative projects in the world. Our Project has tried to learn as much as possible from as many people as possible with the aim of IMPLEMENTING these innovative ideas in our work, and now in SuperCourse. Those who have read the seminal works of Polya, Kuhn, Lakatos, Wittgenstein and Freire will see how much our Project owes to those creative thinkers in its scientific underpinning.

Our project's very strong positive approach to communication and collaboration is a central objective of the conferences, to put teachers and researchers in contact and to recruit both to our international SuperCourse work. That is why we do not restrict our conference ONLY to research papers, in the end we are a conference dedicated to INNOVATION, and this often includes many significant new ideas and classroom experiences from teachers.

### **Invited Plenary Speakers**

Professor Nicolina Malara (University of Modena, Italy) "Promoting teachers' changes: examples from an educative process".

Dr. Filippo Spagnolo (University of Palermo, Italy) "Fuzzy Logic, Fuzzy Thinking and the teaching/learning of mathematics in multicultural situations".

Prof. Miloš Druckmüller and Dr.Dalibor Martišek (Brno University of Technology, Czech Republic) "Mathematical principles of graphic systems".

In addition, we ae planning an Open Plenary Session with invited contributions from around the world.

### **Working Groups**

Working Groups will be small and focussed on a specific Topic. To ensure that this works well, all DISCUSSION sessions will be separate from the working group paper presentations, to the benefit of both. Please examine carefully the list of Working Groups below and decide which would interest you most. The Working Group Leader will circulate beforehand a Position Paper to summarise the present state of the art in that Topic and to guide and stimulate the constructive discussions. It is also expected after the conference that each Working Group will produce a summary paper which will be circulated before our next Project Conference to continue progress in each Working Group. Please note that Working Group Topics below are PROVISIONAL and some may be merged or not held if there are insufficient papers and interest.

#### Possible Working Groups Topics and Leaders (provisionally) are:

- 1. ERIK DE CORTE, GEORGE MALATY "Powerful learning environments for mathematics problem solving".
- 2. GAIL BURRILL, SILIO RIGATTI "Statistics and Probability"
- 3. GARY FLEWELLING, RUDIGER VERNAY: "Rich Learning Tasks"
- 4. ANTHONY SOFO, "Technology in the classroom"
- 5. GILA HANNA, LIV GRONMO: "Equity"
- 6. GUNTER GRAUMANN, HANAN INNABI: "General Aims of Mathematics Education"
- 7. IVAN MEZNIK "Applications"
- 8. FRANCO FAVILLI, BEVERLY FERRUCCI: "Ethnomathematics"
- 9. ANGELA PESCI, KRYSIA DALEK: "Classroom focussed research, how do kids learn"

- 10. WACEK ZAWADOWSKI, MARJORIE HENNINGSEN, JAROMIRVOSMANSKY, Teacher Education and Development
- 11. Computer Graphics, Visualisation and Manipulatives
- 12. ...Fringe Ideas in Mathematics.

### Workshops

We are planning to hold as many **hands-on workshops** as possible. Please let us know if you would like to hold a workshop, what topic you will present, and how this will fit into the conference theme. Please let us know ASAP as the number of workshops may be limited.

### **Open Forum of Ideas**

Part of the first day of the conference will be devoted to an open "Forum of Ideas" in which ALL participants are invited to display their materials and software in all languages in a continuous exhibition throughout the conference area. This was the theme for our very successful first day of the 2001 Zajaczkowo and 2002 Sicily meetings so we are repeating the formula! If you would like to exhibit/display in the Open Forum of Ideas PLEASE bring with you as much material and software as possible of yours or others (preferably visual) and we will provide space for it. Please bring your own PC if you wish to display software. Posters are also welcome. The objective of the session is to provide a smorgersboard of the best things available around the globe in an open continuous session that allows all participants to circulate and visit and talk to the presenters that most interest them.

### **Social Programme**

The **Welcome Reception** will be a splendid affair (with food and drink) held in the beautiful Rektorate Building 2 minutes walk from the hotel. A unique local musical event is planned to entertain us during the Reception!

The **Gala Dinner** will be held in a beautiful venue overlooking the city and will also feature a special musical treat.

### **Our Major Sponsors**

The Conference wishes to thank our continuing Major Sponsors CASIO and Autograph who will be exhibiting their excellent educational technology throughout the conference and also holding hands-on workshops. The Brno 2003 Conference is very proud to be launching the innovative CASIO CLASS PAD 300 - this exciting new technology developed by CASIO will be released this year and will be strongly featured at the Brno Conference. Class Pad 300 is a hand-held calculator/computer with many new inbuilt features and programmes which will be useful in the classroom for the teaching of mathematics

### **Call for Papers**

We welcome papers that deal with ALL aspects of mathematics, statistics and computer education and relate to innovative ways to help students and teachers deal with the problem of making mathematics more "alive", more "realistic" and more "accessible". This could take the form of a paper on

- -problem solving
- -use of technology
- -new ways of assessment
- -ways of dealing with cultural differences
- -overcoming gender and social barriers
- -improving the curriculum
- -using the statistics of everyday life

- -effectively utilizing new paradigms in teaching and learning
- -applications of mathematics and modelling in the real world
- -rich learning tasks
- -computer graphics
- -teacher education
- -and so on...

Those wishing to present a paper should send an abstract indicating what area of mathematics education their topic falls under and in what specific way their paper will relate to the theme of the conference. The official language of the conference (and of the proceedings which will be published before the conference) will be English.

### **Revised Deadlines for submitted papers:**

Late abstracts should be sent NOW or as soon as possible, and complete papers before **July 15th**, **2003**. Please note that papers can only be included in the final program and printed in the Proceedings if received from participants who have **already registered** for the conference **and have paid the registration fee**.

### Format for submitted papers

The paper must be in the form of a Microsoft Word Document sent ONLY by email attachment, OR (ONLY if email is NOT available to you) on an IBM PC formatted disk by registered airmail to: Dr. Alan Rogerson, ul LISTOPADOWA 1/45, 60-153 POZNAN, Poland.

Papers must be **single spaced**, **Times New Roman font**, size **12** and must be **NOT longer than 6 pages (please do not send papers in smaller fonts!)** Please make sure there are NO editing or correcting programs still active. Please ensure there are **NO MACROS**, **NO** headers, **NO** Footers and **NO** page numbers. **ALL** non-text items in the paper (diagrams, graphs, etc) **MUST** be included in the body of the text in the appropriate places. PLEASE check, BEFORE you send it, that your paper prints out correctly using Microsoft Word (we have had problems with this in the past). Please ensure that your document is **virus free** by using McAfee or Norton anti-virus scans.

### (PLEASE BE SURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS, OTHERWISE YOUR PAPER WILL BE RETURNED TO YOU FOR CORRECTION)

### **Displays & Exhibition**

There will be a resouces display and commercial exhibition throughout the conference. Please get in touch immediately if you wish to display educational or commercial materials, as space is limited. Sponsors in Brno will include:

- CASIO
- Autograph,
- Design Science Inc
- Grevgum Software
- VSG Enrichment
- The Hong Kong Institute of Education
- SNM
- Wholemovement

### Registration

The registration and participation fee will cover ALL lunches & coffee breaks, all conference documents, welcome opening reception, all day Excursion, and a Special Gala Dinner. Apart from Friday, Sunday and Wednesday nights, dinners are NOT included in the registration fee. We have deliberately left these evenings free so that participants can sample if they wish the many and varied pubs and restaurants in the old city of Brno, or you can have a la carte dinner in the Hotel Continental. There is also a special Beer Party planned for Conference Participants by CEBUS travel for one evening. This is extra to the programme and will need to be reserved with them and paid for individually.

The **Conference Excursion** from 9am to midnight on the 21<sup>st</sup> will include all meals, a visit to the famous Macocha caves, to several local castles and to a wine cellar with a folkloric group.

Early-bird Registration (until Mar 30th, 2003): **300euro** 

From Apr 1st 2003: **350euro** 

Late Registration (after Aug 1<sup>st</sup>): **400euro** 

### The Accompanying Person fee is 250 euro

This includes ALL lunches and the following Partners Programme:

Sep 19 Welcome Reception

Sep 20 Invited to Opening Session, hotel lunch, CEBUS guided tour of Historic Brno.

Sep 21 All day Conference Excursion 9.00-24.00.

Sep 22 Hotel lunch and Free Day shopping/sight-seeing in Brno

Sep 23 CEBUS tour of Eastern Moravia: 09.00 -17.00 including lunch.

Sep 24 CEBUS Napoleon Tour: 10.00-16.00 including lunch, Gala Dinner.

Sep 25 Free time

OR EXTRA Cebus Tour to Vienna/Prague (to be reserved and paid for individually)

See the CEBUS webpage www.conference.acebus.cz for further details.

#### **Accommodation and Travel**

The conference will be held at the **Hotel Continental**, a modern and very comfortable 3-star Superior hotel in the very centre of the city. All rooms have en suite bathroom, phone, TV and minibar. The conference starts on **Friday**, **September 19**<sup>th</sup> with arrivals after 2pm, conference registration after 4pm and an evening Welcome Reception which will include food and drink (no formal work sessions until Saturday, September 20th). The conference will finish on **Thursday**, **September 25**<sup>th</sup> with lunch and departures.

All participants staying in the Hotel Continental MUST make ALL their reservations and accommodation bookings ONLY on the registration form below AND NOT DIRECTLY WITH THE HOTEL because the conference rooms are especially blocked for us.

You should pay for all your accommodation costs directly to the hotel at the end of the conference.

Price per standard ROOM per night for full participants and accompanying persons during the conference period (the SIX nights of 19-24 September) including breakfast is:

660czk - twin share per person per night – (about 22+ euro using 30czk= 1euro)

900czk - single room per person per night – (about 30+ euro)

### PLEASE NOTE THESE SPECIAL RATES ARE AVAILABLE ONLY FOR PEOPLE REGISTERED AND ATTENDING THE CONFERENCE OR REGISTERED AS ACCOMPANYING PERSONS.

### For a few days before and after the conference these special room rates will ALSO be available for all participants.

Participants travelling alone who wish to twin-share a room with other participants should request this in the form below. While we will do our best to meet all such requests, this cannot be guaranteed if the rooms are not available and **single rate may apply**. Please note that all reservations and room requests will be handled on a first-come first-served basis. All accommodation requests will be acknowledged within a week. We reserve the right to accommodate participants in other nearby hotels (at the same rate) in the unlikely event that the **Hotel Continental** rooms are all full.

A limited number of garage and outdoor parking places are available at the Hotel Continental - the cost is 110 and 170 czk respectively for each 24 hours. PLEASE advise me if you wish to reserve a place as places are limited, first come first served. There is also garage parking nearby (240 czk) and free and meter STREET parking (BUT at your own risk - we would advise you to pay for secure parking at night).

### Travel to and from Brno

Brno is easily accessible by plane, car, bus and train within Europe. Participants arriving on International flights at Vienna and Prague may make their own way to Brno or we MAY be able to organise special transport (estimated cost 25 euro one way) depending on time of arrival. For those travelling on Czech Airlines there is a special bus from Prague to Brno which we believe is free of charge (those NOT travelling on Czech Airlines the cost is 46 euro one way). Please check this with your travel agent if this applies to you! We will send all relevant information as soon as possible on how to get from Vienna/Prague to Brno - please note that however you travel, you will need to pay personally for travel (about 50 euro one-way bus ticket, more for train).

#### **Pre- and Post-Conference Tours**

A representative of CEBUS travel agency will be available throughout the conference to help with all local travel arrangements and with post-conference tours etc. A wide range of **Pre- and Post-conference European Tours** will also be available to Budapest, Krakow and Bratislava as well as to nearby Prague and Vienna. Please email CEBUS directly to make your personal arrangements with them. Please note the conference cannot accept ANY responsibility for these bookings and payments which you should make directly with CEBUS. Their details are:

Director Vaclav Horak, CEBUS, travel agency, Ltd, Behounska 19, 656 34 Brno, Czech Republic Tel: +420 542 217 898, +420 542 215 145, +420 542 210 046 Fax: +420 542 216 185

E-mail: info@acebus.cz and webpage www.conference.acebus.cz

### **General Information**

**Visas** may be required for entry to the Czech Republic, please **consult in good time** your Travel Agent and/or your local Consulate or Embassy to check the entry requirements in your case.

**Health & Personal Insurance** Neither the conference nor the Hotel are responsible for health or personal insurance. We strongly advise all participants to ensure that they have arranged adequate personal travel and health insurance while abroad. Your travel agent will be able to advise you.

**Climate and Clothing:** Late September in Brno means that the daily temperature range is warm/cool with a maximum of around 20°C. Be prepared for unseasonable wet or cold weather, however!

**Electricity** 240 volts AC. Please ensure you have a **correct adapter**, especially for your computer. **Banking and Currency:** Money may be exchanged at the airport, in hotels and in banks, PLEASE NOTE the currency in the Czech Republic is the Krown (NOT the euro - very approximately 30 czk = 1 euro =1.1US\$). PLEASE check rates on the day of travel as they fluctuate from day to day. **IMPORTANT NOTE** your accommodation expenses should be paid **TO THE HOTEL** at the end of

### Full Conference Registration Form - Brno September 19-25, 2003

Use **email Reply** to send or attach the completed form below to <u>arogerson@vsg.edu.au</u> OR **if email is not available** send **ONLY** by **registered airmail** to: **Dr. A. Rogerson, ul LISTOPADOWA 1/45, 60-153 POZNAN, Poland**,. All emails will be acknowledged, please re-send if you do not hear from us after a week.

Phone number in Poland for urgent or emergency messages **ONLY** is:

your stay in cash or by major credit card.

(international code) +48-61-6620528 (Tel/FAX) and +48-604426763 (Mobile)

### PLEASE ONLY USE THE FORM BELOW AND COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS

for registration, reserving accommodation and presenting papers.

irst Name:	
Family Name:	
Male/Female:	
Title:	
Affiliation/Organisation/Institution:	
Full postal address (including country and zip code):	
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Phone:	
Sax:	
Name(s) of accompanying person(s):	
would like to present a paper in sub theme ( ) with the title:	
am travelling alone and would like to have a <b>twin share</b> room with another participant <b>Yes/No</b>	
<b>OR</b> I would like to share a room with (name)(please choose either <b>twin</b> bed or <b>doub</b>	ole
edroom)	
OR I would like a single room	
Arrival Date	
Departure Date	
Total Number of nights required	
Flight Arrival Details: Date Flight Arrival Time	
Full Names of all accompanying persons resident in the hotel are as follows:	

### **Payment Details**

We regret payment by credit card is NOT possible, as this would have added 10% to the overall fee. PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH BY POST UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.

Please send total fee in EURO (NOT in US\$) to:

Name of Account: ALMA

Number of Account: 10801369-1290314-27003-894000

Name of bank: Pekao SA IVo Poznan

Address of bank: Pl. Wolnosci 17, 61-739 Poznan, Poland

Swift Code: PKOPPLPW

\*\*\*\*The recommended method is by electronic (SWIFT) transfer\*\*\*\*\*

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Cancellation of registration must be in writing or email to the address above. If the notification of cancellation is post marked **before Aug 1st** fees will be refunded, but reduced by 10% to cover administration and bank charges. Please note that **after Aug 1st no refund will be possible**, but the Conference Proceedings will be mailed to you by surface mail.

We look forward to hearing from you and to meeting and working with you in Brno 2003! Please get in touch if you have any questions or problems.