Welcome to the ICoNS - International Collaboration of Nurse Scholars Summer School 2019

The ICoNS Summer School 2019 will be held at Vilnius University in Vilnius, Lithuania from 13th to 19th of June. Lithuania is a small country in Northern Europe. Its cultural heritage, nature and people are inspiring. Vilnius is the capital of Lithuania and also the biggest city with 543 626 inhabitants. It is located in the eastern part of the country. Vilnius is the home of the President, the Seimas, the Government and the Supreme Court. Diplomatic missions, educational, cultural, financial, research, and healthcare institutions are based here. Vilnius is the biggest northernmost and easternmost city of Europe with especially evident influence of Western cultures in its architectural harmony. In 1994, the Old Town of Vilnius was inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List. More information about Lithuania and Vilnius can be found on the following websites:

- http://vilnius-tourism.lt/en/
- http://www.lithuania.travel/
- http://www.tourism.lt/en/
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WH9mTk1mxkI&fbclid=IwAR1ciwqTkWjbg1IEfSHgpbeTHRDKGmrc7EPLbCLuPjiTowU0NDdLw43JYZY

Vilnius University is one of the oldest and most famous establishments of higher education in Eastern and Central Europe. It was founded in 1576 and now it is the largest Lithuanian higher education institution. Vilnius University is an active participant in international scientific and academic activities. About 20 000 students study in Vilnius University, including more than 1800 international students. Faculties and other facilities of Vilnius University are spread around the city. Faculty of Medicine, founded in 1781, is located in Naujamiestis district, near the largest park in Vilnius called Vingis Park. More information about Vilnius University and Faculty of Medicine can be found on our website:

- https://www.vu.lt/en/
- http://www.mf.vu.lt/en

Map of the venue:

Venue: M. K. Čiurlionio g. 21, Vilnius, Lithuania

Accommodation:

There are many hotels located up to 5-15 minutes walking distance from the Vilnius University, Faculty of Medicine.

1) Rooms > *100 €*

- **Crowne Plaza Vilnius**, *+370 6 8268198,* http://www.cpvilnius.com/
  Distance to airport 7.4 km and venue 650 m
- **Novotel Vilnius Centre Hotel**, *+37052666200;* https://www.accorhotels.com/gb/hotel-5209-novotel-vilnius-centre/index.shtml
  Distance to airport 6.6 km and venue 2.1 km
- **Amberton Cathedral Square Hotel Vilnius**, *+370 5 210 7461,* http://ambertonhotels.com/en/
  Distance to airport 6.1 km and venue 2.2 km

2) Rooms *till 100 €:*

- **Reformatai Park Hotel, +***37063343379,* http://www.reformataiparkhotel.com/
  Distance to airport 6.2 km and venue 1.3 km
- **Ratonda Centrum Hotels**, *+37052120670,* http://www.ratonda.centrumhotels.com/
  Distance to airport 8.2 km and venue 1.4 km

3) Rooms from *28 €:*

- **Grata Hotel**, *+370 5 2683300,* http://www.gratahotel.com/en/
  Distance to airport 5.5 km and venue 550 m
- **Corner hotel**, *+ 37052102361,* http://cornerhotel.lt/
  Distance to airport 5.4 km and venue 900 m
- **Vilnius City Hotel**, *+37068987777,* https://www.vilnius-hotel.lt/
  Distance to airport 3.9 km and venue 1.6 km

* Room prices change every day, but often there are discounts

Travelling information:

To Vilnius you can travel by plane (all necessary information can be found on Vilnius Airport website https://vno.lt/en/). From the airport to the city center and the venue you can travel by public transport or by taxi. Vilnius Airport is located 7 kilometers from the city center, and the distance between the airport and the venue is about 5 km. Vilnius public transport starts operating after 5 a.m. on weekdays and after 6 a.m. at weekends; buses run until 10 p.m. There are several buses running from Vilnius Airport to city center (No. 1, No. 2, No. 3G, No. 88, for bus timetables visit www.stops.lt). Single ticket (when purchased in a bus) costs 1 EUR and travel time is about 15-20 minutes. From the airport, you can also travel by taxi. Taxi is the best option for those who arrive at night. It is cheaper to call a taxi by telephone. The taxi fare is from 1 EUR per kilometer in the city. Do not get surprised if you are charged a taxi fare (1 EUR) for getting on a taxi. By taking a taxi you can get to the city center in 15 minutes, and the journey cost about 12 EUR (all necessary information can be found here: http://www.vilnius-tourism.lt/en/information/transport/taxi/).

If you have any questions, please contact us:

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We all look forward to seeing you in our ICoNS Summer School!