

# THE VISUAL AND THE SYMBOLIC IN WESTERN ESOTERICISM

University of Szeged, July 6-10, 2011  
PROGRAM OVERVIEW

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**July 6, Wednesday** Venue: Rector's Palace, Dugonics tér 12. Atrium and Aula

Arrival. Registration from 15:30–18:00 and every morning of later days

16:00–18:00 Sightseeing in Szeged (optional)

Meeting point: in front of the Rector's Palace

18:00–19:00 Welcome reception

19:05–19:30 Official opening

by Prof. dr. Gábor Szabó, Rector of the University; ESSWE Presidential address

by Prof. dr. Wouter Hanegraaff (University of Amsterdam)

19:30–20:30 Plenary talk 1

**July 7, Thursday** Venue: Faculty of Arts, Egyetem u. 2.

Plenaries and Members' Meeting: Auditorium Maximum, Second Floor

Sessions, coffee breaks and book display: Groundfloor, left from main entrance

Session A: Faculty Conference Room; Session B: Classroom 3; Session C: Classroom X.

09:00–10:30 Session 1

10.30–11:00 *Coffee Break*

11:00–11:50 Plenary 2

12:00–13:30 Session 2

13:30–14:30 *Lunch Break*

14:30–16:00 Session 3

16:00–16:30 *Coffee Break*

16:30–18:30 Session 4

18:45 Presentation of the ESSWE Thesis Prize by **Prof. Andreas Kilcher** of the selection committee. (Auditorium Maximum)

19:00 ESSWE Members' Meeting. (Auditorium maximum)

20:00 Reception

Venue: Szeged Centre of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Somogyi u. 7.

(Dom Square) Opened by **Prof. dr. Sándor Csernus**, Dean of Faculty of Arts

**July 8, Friday** Venue: Faculty of Arts, Egyetem u. 2.

09:00–10:30 Session 5

10.30–11:00 *Coffee Break*

11:00–11:50 Plenary 3

12:00–13:30 *Lunch Break*

13:30–15:30 Session 6

16:00–17:30 Guided tour by Erzsébet Szőkefalvi-Nagy, curator of the rare book collection of the Somogyi County Library's holdings of esoterica. (Venue: Dom Square)

18:00 Optional conference dinner:

*Fish-souping and Grill Party 8 kms from Szeged, transfer by hired coaches which leave from before the Szeged Centre of the Academy (Somogyi u. 7.)*

Venue: Borostyán Birtok, a picturesque country inn, hunting lodge and riding park with a bed and breakfast, 8 km from the city center of Szeged. Further information:

**July 9, Saturday** Venue: Faculty of Arts, Egyetem u. 2.

09:00–10:30 Session 7

10.30–11:00 *Coffee Break*

11:00–11:50 Plenary 4

12:00–13:30 *Lunch Break*

13:30–15:00 Session 8

15:00–15:30 *Coffee Break*

15:30–17:00 Session 9 (Conference closes)

**July 10, Sunday**

EXCURSION TO BUDA CASTLE LABYRINTH AND THE BUDAPEST

HISTORY MUSEUM (the presently underground medieval palace of the Hungarian kings)

**Program**

Coach leaving Szeged at 8:30 a.m. Travel time about 2.2 hours.

Visit to Buda Castle Labyrinth. Luggage may be left on the coach.

Lunch in a small restaurant next to the Labyrinth. Menu includes Hungarian goulash soup, a pair of sausages with mustard, and a glass of beer or a soft drink.

At about 2 p.m., participants may either take the coach to Budapest city center and proceed to their own destinations, or continue with György Szönyi to the Budapest History Museum for about one hour.

