



3rd Conference of the Association of Hungarian-American Academicians



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Amerikai Magyar Akadémikusok
Társasága



***April 5-7, 2018
Washington, DC***



Friday, April 7, 2017 1:00-8:00 PM
Consulate General of Hungary (223 East 52nd Street, New York City)



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3RD Conference of AHAA/AMAT: Scientific & Business Meeting

April 5-7, 2018 – Washington D. C.

Embassy of Hungary (1500 Rhode Island Ave, N.W. Washington DC 20005)

<http://washington.kormany.hu/>

Program

Thursday, April 5, 2018

- Arrival & registration at hotel
- 3:30 pm: AHAA/AMAT leadership meeting, Embassy of Hungary (invitation only)
- 6:00 pm: Reception, The Cosmos Club (2121 Massachusetts Avenue, NW), all welcome

Friday, April 6, 2018

- 8:30 am: Arrival at the Embassy
- 9:00 am: Welcome addresses
- 9:20 am: Scientific presentations
- 12:40 pm: Lunch
- 1:40 pm: Scientific presentations
- 4:30 pm: Business meeting (all welcome)
- 5:30 pm: Signing ceremony of contract between HAS and American-Hungarian scientific organizations
- 7:00 pm: Dinner at the Embassy of Hungary

Saturday, April 7, 2018

- 10:00 am: AHAA/AMAT leadership meeting, Embassy of Hungary (invitation only)
- Visit Washington DC many cultural sites including the Cherry Blossom Festival
<https://cherryblossomwatch.com/2018-cherry-blossoms/>

Sunday, April 8, 2018

- Departure or more cultural visits



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Embassy of Hungary

Scientific presentations, Friday April 6, 2018,

Welcome & introduction

- 9:00 am **Laszlo Szabo**, MD, Ambassador of Hungary to the United States
Sandor Szabo, MD, PhD, Past President, AHAA/AMAT
Laszlo Zaborszky, MD, PhD, President, AHAA/AMAT
Zoltan J. Acs, MA, PhD, Local organizer

Morning Session: Chairs **Istvan Mody** & **Nicholas S. Bodor**

Economics and Geography

- 9:20 am International migration into Europe – An old-new challenge from the Afro-Asian neighborhood.
Karoly Kocsis, *Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest*
- 9:40 am The global cost of protectionism: A general equilibrium approach for evidence-based policy design.
Csilla Lakatos, *The World Bank Group, Washington, DC*
- 10:00 am The black swan: How 22-year olds create \$22 billion companies in 22 months.
Zoltan J. Acs, *George Mason University, Arlington, VA*

Mathematics, Physical and Earth Sciences

- 10:20 am Graphs and geometry. **Laszlo Lovasz**, *Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest*
- 10:40 am What is integer programming and what is it good for?
Egon Balas, *Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburg, PA*
- 11:00 am *Coffee break*

11:20 am Recent progress in magnetic confined fusion research.
Miklos Porkolab, *MIT, Cambridge, MA*

11:40am Another wave of smart machines.
Janos Sztipanovits, *Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN*

Medical Sciences

12:00 am The 'broken heart' syndrome: From an unfinished Molnar play to modern pathology.
Gabor J. Tigyi, *University of Tennessee, Memphis, TN* and **Sandor Szabo**, *University of California, Irvine, CA*

12:20 pm Development of precision biomarkers for neurodegenerative diseases through the visible portion of the brain: The retina.
Ivan Bodis-Wollner, *State University of New York, Downstate Medical Center, Brooklyn, NY*

12:40 pm *Lunch*

Afternoon Session: Chairs **Sandor Szabo** & **Gabor J. Tigyi**

1:40 pm Recent advances in rational, retrometabolic drug design.
Nicholas S. Bodor, *University of Florida, Gainesville, FL*

2:00 pm The current resurrection of Lysenkoism in Russia.
Miklos Muller, *Rockefeller University, New York, NY*

2:20 pm Avarian viruses and vaccine development.
Eva Nagy, *University of Guelph, Guelph, ON, Canada*

2:40 pm Follow your gut: The science behind the microbiome.
Dorotya Nagy-Szkal, *Columbia University, New York, NY*

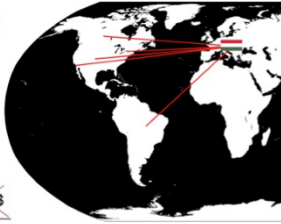
3:00 pm *Coffee break*

Biology, Neurobiology and Neurology

3:20 pm The basal forebrain cholinergic system in MCI and Alzheimer's disease.
Laszlo Zaborszky, *Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ*

- 3:40 pm Partial seizures on the road to Alzheimer's. I
Istvan Mody, *UCLA, Los Angeles, CA*
- 4:00 pm: Genome engineering in crops by sequence-specific nucleases.
Pal Maliga, *Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ*
- 4:20 pm *Break*
- 4:30 pm *Business meeting*
- 5:30 pm *Signing ceremony of contract between HAS and American-Hungarian scientific organizations*
- 5:40: pm *Free time*
- 7:00 pm *Gala dinner*





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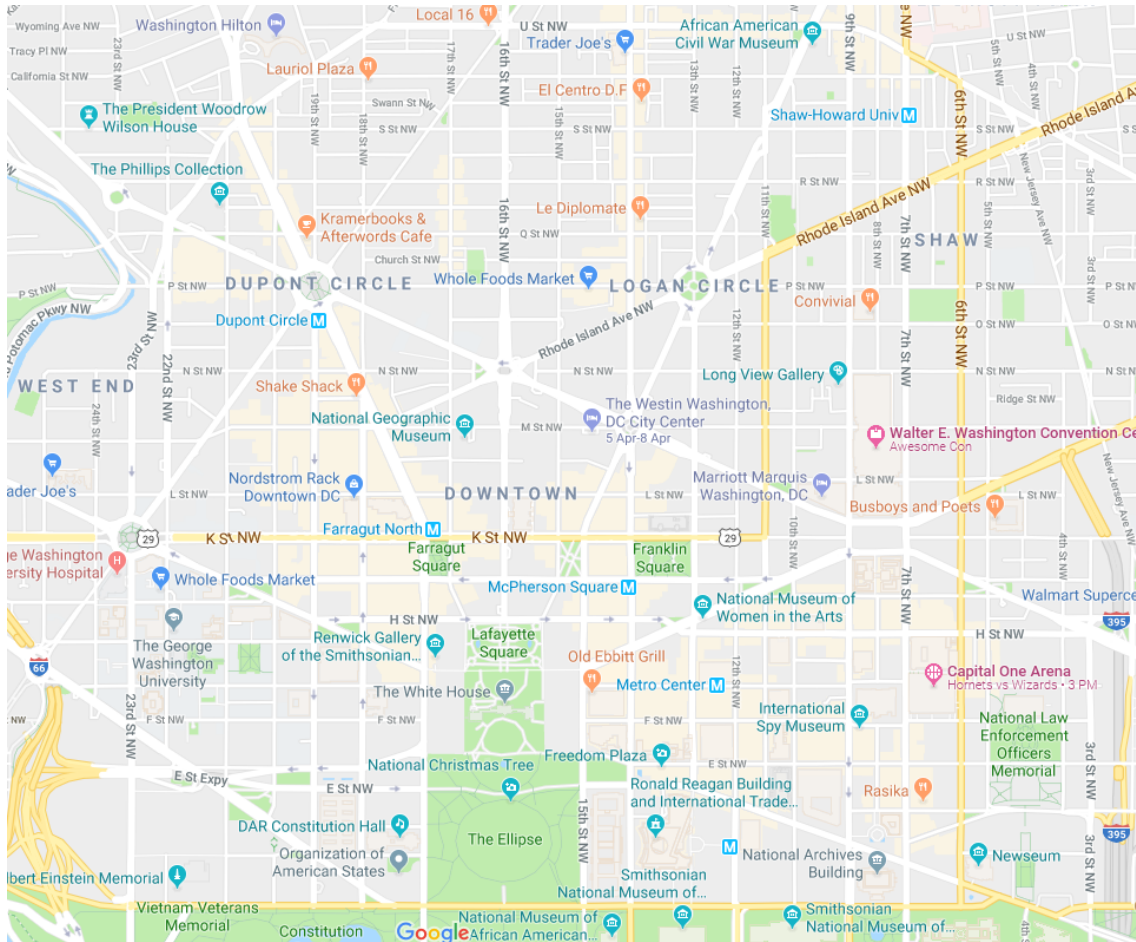
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<http://www.ahaa-amat.org/>

NOTES

Washington, DC (Dupont Circle, Rhode Island Ave. area)



Washington, DC (metro map)

