

EUROPEAN MANAGEMENT ISSUES

INTERNATIONAL FIELD SEMINAR

March 13 - MARCH 22, 2009

BERLIN

KRAKOW

BUDAPEST

ALL TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

March 13 - Friday

Depart from Fargo

** UNITED 6026 DEPARTS AT 1:10 PM

March 14 - Saturday

Arrive in Berlin and proceed to Berlin Hotel Excelsior

** LH218 SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE AT 12:25 PM

2:30 PM Local orientation meeting. At the conclusion of the meeting Dr. J will take interested persons to the currency exchange office and point out the location of an internet cafe and a grocery store.

6:00 PM Group Dinner at the Hard Rock

March 15 – Sunday

** Breakfast included

9:30 AM City Tour organized by Sevrin & Kuhn (The tour will depart from the Ku'damm.) You will be shown the exact location Saturday night on the way to dinner. Tour lasts 3 hours and will take you by the major sites in West and East Berlin.

Afternoon Free Time

6:15 PM Dinner at a local German restaurant

March 16 – Monday

** Breakfast included

9:30 AM Depart the hotel for walk to, and tour of, some major Berlin sites with focus on East Berlin and the route of the Berlin Wall. The route will take us past Kaiser Wilhelm church, the Berlin Zoo, the Tiergarten, Potsdamer Platz, one block of the original wall, the Topography of Horrors, Checkpoint Charlie Museum, Unter den Linden street, the Reichstag, and the Adlon Hotel (extra credit if you can tell the group of the importance of the Adlon Hotel!).

The official tour will conclude in East Berlin near the Reichstag. You are on your own for dinner and the return to the hotel.

**** You will want to think about organizing your packing tonight and get at least a few hours sleep as we must get on the train to Krakow in the morning.

**** **ALSO, PLEASE CHECK WITH THE FRONT DESK TO BE SURE THAT THERE ARE NO CHARGES ON YOUR BILL – SUCH AS PHONE CHARGES.**

March 17 – Tuesday

** Breakfast included

*** **BE SURE YOU HAVE YOUR PASSPORT. DO NOT PACK IT.**

8:15 AM **DEPART THE HOTEL** FOR THE HAUPTBAHNHOF

*** **Don't wait until the last minute to come down to the lobby of the hotel. There is only one elevator and it holds no more than two persons with luggage.**

We will take EC 241 from Berlin to Krakow today.

*** It will be important for the men in the group to be ready to load the luggage onto the train car. The train does not stop long at the platform and we are all loading into two cars - 18 onto one car and 10 on a second car. We should utilize both ends of the car and then move to our seats.

*** The trip to Krakow is over 10 hours long. EC 241 is scheduled to include a dining car but last year it was "missing". **I recommend that you consider taking some food along with you (assuming that you like to eat on a regular basis). You will be able to purchase food at the train station prior to our departure.**

7:44 PM Arrive in Krakow and proceed to the Hotel Polski. We will be met at the train by Bob (Boguslaw Kwapien) who may take some of the group luggage but we will all walk to the hotel. Most of us will be pulling our luggage.

Because of the size of our group we may have to split into smaller groups for dinner. I will try to get as many as possible into a Chopski restaurant tonight.

March 18 – Wednesday

** Breakfast included

9:30 AM Depart for Auschwitz

Today we will tour Auschwitz and Birkenau, two concentration camps. We will have lunch at Auschwitz before traveling the short distance to Birkenau. We will not have guides for our visit. It is best to tour these camps in small groups so that you can see what is of most interest to you. **Smaller groups are also more conducive to giving these sites the reverence they deserve.**

At the conclusion of our time at the concentration camps, we will return to Krakow to take a tour of the Wieliczka salt mine with our own English speaking guide. (The guide has already been reserved.)

7:30 PM Group dinner at the Wentzel restaurant.

***** CHECK WITH THE FRONT DESK TO CLEAR ANY ROOM CHARGES**

March 19 - Thursday

** Breakfast included

Morning - Free time to explore Old Town Krakow, buy souvenirs, etc.

***** BE SURE YOU HAVE YOUR PASSPORT – DO NOT PACK IT**

Travel to Budapest – mode of transportation yet to be determined.

8:00 PM Dinner at a restaurant near the hotel.

March 20 - Friday

9:30 AM Private tour of Budapest with an English speaking guide.

12:30 PM Conclude tour and lunch at the Kiraly Restaurant on the Buda side of the Danube River.

2:15 PM Walk back to the hotel, taking the funicular enroute.

3:00 Free time for the rest of the day - optional walk to an old market.

March 21 - Saturday

FREE DAY - remember, if you plan to shop, many stores close early on Saturday.

***** CHECK WITH THE FRONT DESK TO CLEAR ANY ROOM CHARGES**

March 22 – Sunday

***** BE SURE YOU HAVE YOUR PASSPORT. DO NOT PACK IT**

We will depart for Fargo today. Exact times for leaving the hotel will be announced.

LH 344 – DEPARTS AT 6:20 AM

Will travel through Frankfurt and Chicago to arrive back in Fargo at 10:02 PM