

Accessibility Guide - Budapest



5th

International Scientific Congress on
Spinal Muscular Atrophy

BUDAPEST

11th — 14th March 2026

Welcome & Contact

Dear SMA Community,

We are delighted to welcome you to Budapest for the 5th SMA Europe International Scientific Congress on Spinal Muscular Atrophy!

Budapest is a city where history meets modern life. Over the past years, accessibility has improved significantly, especially in renovated venues and newer public transport lines. Still, as with many historic European cities, some challenges remain. Lifts may occasionally be out of service, pavements uneven, or ramps steeper than expected. Therefore, we advise you to bring your own mini-ramps if you have those!

This guide was created to help you plan with confidence. It highlights accessible travel options, practical tips, and personal recommendations from our team on the ground in Budapest.

Budapest is a city for explorers and adventurers, and we are convinced that with the spirit of exploration, togetherness, and joy, we will enjoy a wonderful time as a community.

Our aim is simple: to make you feel welcome, supported, and ready to enjoy both the Congress and the city.

Your SMA Europe team

Please note that your main accessibility contact for the Congress is:

Tímea Tóth (Timi)

accessibility.support@sma-europe.eu

SMA
EUR
OPE



Table of Contents

Welcome & Contact.....	2
Quick Facts	6
Getting to Budapest.....	6
1. By Car.....	7
2. By Air	7
3. By Rail	7
4. By Coach Station.....	9
5. By Taxi.....	9
Public Transport from the Airport.....	9
1. 100E Airport Bus	9
2. Minibus Shuttle Services.....	10
Accessible Travel Options - From the Airport to the Congress Venue	10
1. Private Accessible Transport	10
2. Renting a Wheelchair-Accessible Vehicle	10
3. Accessible Airport Shuttle Services	11
4. Public Transport (Partially Accessible)	11
5. Accessible Taxis.....	11
Public Transport - What to expect	12
1. Buses.....	12
2. Trams	12
3. Metro.....	12
Where to Stay - Wheelchair-Accessible Hotels Near the Congress Venue	14
Additional Hotel Options	16
Wheelchair-Friendly Tourist Attractions in Budapest.....	17
1. Buda Castle District	17
2. Hungarian Parliament.....	17
3. St. Stephen's Basilica	17
4. Margaret Island	18
5. Heroes' Square & City Park	19
6. Széchenyi Thermal Bath.....	20
7. Danube Promenade & Shoes on the Danube Memorial	21
8. MOL Tower & Kopaszi Gát	22

Personal Mobility	23
Contact	23

Quick Facts

- **Wheelchair users + 1 companion:** free on most public transport (don't forget to have a companion card if you have one).
- **While most buses are equipped with built-in ramps, some older vehicles may not have them.** However, many of these are fitted with portable ramps that the driver can deploy upon request. As the Congress venue is located in an older area, you may encounter such vehicles more frequently. It is recommended to ask the bus driver about ramp availability rather than skipping the bus.
- **Fully accessible taxis:** not available. Semi-accessible taxis require independent transfer to a seat.
- **Most reliable airport → hotel/venue option for non-transfer users:** pre-booked ParaTrans or rental WAV (wheelchair-accessible vehicle).
- **Useful apps:** BKK FUTÁR (official public transport planner) and Route4U (wheelchair-accessible navigation by wheelchair users)
- **Bring a small portable ramp if possible.** It can save time at curbs or older entrances.
- If you wish, **SMA Europe offers the creation of an exclusive WhatsApp channel for those living with SMA and travelling to Budapest**, so you can coordinate and share information and, potentially, the transport options while attending the Congress.

Other options & disclaimer: Arrangements are ongoing with private individuals who own fully accessible vehicles and are willing to help. Details will be published soon, and the list will be available to all Congress attendees. However, attendees will be responsible for arranging their own transport, as this will not be organized by SMA Europe. Since this type of transport is being offered by private individuals and volunteers, it should be considered a *“private accessible transport option support among friends.”*

Note: In Budapest, **“accessible taxis”** often **mean you must transfer independently**. Powered wheelchairs usually cannot be accommodated.

Timi's Advice: Always allow extra time when using public transport. Sometimes the first bus or tram won't be accessible, but the next one usually will.

Getting to Budapest

SMA Europe is thrilled to welcome scientists, young researchers, clinicians, and healthcare professionals from around the world to the **5th International Scientific Congress on Spinal Muscular Atrophy**, set to take place in **Budapest, Hungary, from 11 to 14 March 2026**. As part of our commitment to creating an inclusive and welcoming experience for all attendees, we have prepared this guide to help you navigate accessibility in Budapest with confidence and ease.

Budapest is a city of rich history, stunning architecture, and a unique blend of old and new. Over the years, significant efforts have been made to improve accessibility across the city, and many public spaces, hotels, and attractions are now marked as wheelchair friendly. However, like many European cities with historic infrastructure, some challenges remain, especially in older districts and within parts of the public transport system.

While venues may be listed as accessible, the conditions can vary. Lifts may temporarily be out of service, ramps might be steeper than expected, and some pavements or pathways could be uneven or obstructed. **We recommend planning, whether you are booking the accommodation, arranging transport, or exploring the city. Calling in advance or checking reliable online resources for up-to-date accessibility information can help avoid inconvenience. If you travel with a small portable ramp, you may find it helpful in certain situations.**

Public transportation in Budapest is free of charge for wheelchair users, providing valuable support. However, accessibility can still be inconsistent. Not all buses, trams, or metro vehicles are fully accessible, so you may need to wait for a suitable option. When using public transport, we suggest factoring in a little extra time and being prepared for occasional delays.

To assist with planning your routes and navigating the city, the following tools may be helpful:

- [BKK FUTÁR](#) - the official public transport planner for Budapest
- [Route4U](#) - an accessibility map and navigation app developed by wheelchair users
- Google Maps' recommendations are also very useful in Hungary

With careful preparation, the right tools, and a flexible mindset, you can enjoy all that Budapest has to offer. We hope this guide supports a smooth and memorable experience during your time at the congress and in this beautiful city.

We are committed to ensuring that your journey to the city—and the congress venue—is as smooth and accessible as possible. Budapest is a city of great cultural richness and architectural beauty. While strides have been made to improve accessibility, especially in newer developments, certain challenges still exist, particularly in transport infrastructure and historic areas. This guide is designed to support you in navigating your arrival and travel **to the Congress Center**, our venue for the congress.

1. By Car

All of Hungary's motorways and most of the main roads radiate from the capital. The M1, M3, M5, M6 and M7 are toll motorways. Road signs conform to continental standards. 24-hour emergency roadside assistance is available from the Magyar Autóklub by dialling 188.

2. By Air

Ferenc Liszt International Airport (BUD) is located approximately 16 km southeast of Budapest's city centre and offers direct flights from all major European capitals, typically with flight durations of under two hours.

The airport's **Terminal 2** is divided into **2A and 2B**, serving both full-service and low-cost airlines. The terminals are connected by the **Sky Court**, featuring a variety of retail outlets, restaurants, and VIP lounges.

Once landed, travellers can reach the city by taxi, minibus, public transportation, or car rental. All major car rental agencies operate in the arrival halls.

3. By Rail

Budapest is well-connected by train, with frequent **Railjet** services to **Vienna every 1-2 hours**. The city also maintains strong domestic connections via **InterCity trains**.

International rail services operate from three main stations:



- Keleti (Eastern Station)
- Nyugati (Western Station)
- Déli (Southern Station)

MÁV Direct: +36 1 444 4499 (international), +36 40 49 49 49 (domestic)

Web: www.mav-start.hu

4. By Coach Station

International and domestic coach services arrive and depart from **Népliget Coach Station**. It serves as a hub for many regional and international bus routes.

- **Information:** +36 1 382-0888
- **International ticket sales:** +36 1 219-8063
- **Web:** www.volanbusz.hu

5. By Taxi

If you prefer a direct journey, semi-accessible taxis are available but must be requested specifically. However, it should be noted that **in Budapest, there are no fully wheelchair-accessible taxis**.

Főtaxi, the taxi company with the longest tradition in Hungary, will transport passengers between the terminals and Budapest. Taxi drivers speaking at least one foreign language are in service with 'A' category large cars under five years old. All cars are equipped with a POS terminal; therefore, bank cards are also accepted. Reservations can be made in person at the Főtaxi booths located at the exits at Terminals 2A and 2B. At the taxi rank in front of the stands, a line of taxis continuously awaits passengers.

Note: It should be noted that there are no fully accessible taxis available; transportation is only possible if the passenger can transfer independently to the seat. This level of service is considered accessible in Hungary. Travelling with a powered wheelchair can be particularly challenging, as the vehicles are not equipped to accommodate them.

In case you plan to make use of Főtaxi, we suggest downloading the app, with which you can easily book a taxi.

Recommended Providers

- **Főtaxi** - Official airport taxi partner; offers semi-accessible vehicles upon request at the taxi desk or via phone.
- **Royal Services Hungary** - They have some cars with bigger baggage space. One manual wheelchair plus two luggage can be fitted easily. They can be reached by phone to book: +36205050250.
- **Bolt** - Common in Budapest but does **not guarantee** accessibility.

Pros: Fast and convenient, minimal transfers.

Cons: More expensive; most vehicles do not have lifts or ramps—transfers are necessary.

Web: www.motorway.hu

Public Transport from the Airport

1. 100E Airport Bus

Passengers can take Bus 100E, which connects both Terminal 2A and 2B with Deák Ferenc tér, the city centre's main transit hub. This direct route is timed to match flight arrivals and departures.

- **Ticket Price:** 2,200 HUF (approx. €5.60)
- **Further Info:** www.bkk.hu

Note for Wheelchair Users: The 100E bus service is **partially accessible**, and not every vehicle may accommodate wheelchair users. Please refer to the Accessibility section below for more reliable options.

2. Minibus Shuttle Services

The Airport Minibus offers a shared door-to-door transfer service. Passengers heading to similar destinations share the ride, making it cost-effective and convenient.

- Vehicles accommodate **8-50 passengers**
- Equipped with **dual air conditioning** and **free Wi-Fi**
- Departures are coordinated with flights

Bookings can be made:

- At the Airport Shuttle-Minibus Desks
- Online (at least 24 hours in advance)
- Through travel agencies or by calling the call centre

Web: www.airportshuttle.hu

Accessibility Note: Not all minibuses are wheelchair accessible. If you require specific assistance, we recommend checking out the fully accessible transport options in the next section.

Accessible Travel Options - From the Airport to the Congress Venue

The venue is located at **Alkotás u. 63-67, 1123 Budapest**. Below are the most reliable transport options, evaluated based on accessibility, convenience, and cost.

For accessibility, we specifically considered whether the transportation is suitable for people living with SMA, including features such as step-free access, wheelchair ramps or lifts, sufficient space for mobility devices, and trained staff assistance where needed.

1. Private Accessible Transport

For those requiring fully accessible vehicles (no transfer needed), ParaTrans offers a tailored solution. Their vehicle accommodates up to 4 wheelchair users and is suitable for travellers who cannot transfer.

Service: [ParaTrans](#)

Pros: Genuine accessibility; no transfer required.

Cons: Only one vehicle available, **book well in advance**.

2. Renting a Wheelchair-Accessible Vehicle

If independence is a priority, you may consider renting a fully accessible vehicle.

Recommended Company: <https://www.akadalymentesautok.hu/>

Pros: Full autonomy; no dependence on public schedules.

Cons: Expensive; requires a valid driving licence and confidence navigating in a foreign city.

Final Tips and Recommendations

- **Book early**, especially for fully accessible transport like ParaTrans.
- If **transferring is manageable**, shuttles or taxis may offer a good balance of convenience and cost.
- If you are **comfortable with a few challenges**, public transport is budget-friendly and increasingly accessible.
- **Bring a portable ramp**, if you have one—it can make a big difference in navigating less accessible areas.

3. Accessible Airport Shuttle Services

Some airport shuttle companies offer wheelchair-accessible vehicles. These must be booked in advance to ensure the appropriate vehicle is provided.

Recommended Services

- **MiniBUD Airport Shuttle** - Offers pre-bookable services with limited accessibility. Wheelchair users must be able to transfer (or be transferred) to a seat; vans do not have ramps or lifts.
- **BudTransfer** - Provides private transfer services under similar conditions.

Pros: Door-to-door service, generally punctual, support with luggage.

Cons: Requires advance booking; not suitable for all wheelchair users due to lack of ramps/lifts.

4. Public Transport (Partially Accessible)

Budapest's public transport network is improving, but not all lines and stations are fully accessible. Multiple transfers may be needed.

Suggested Route

- **Bus 100E** - Airport Express (partially accessible, some buses with low floors).
- **Metro M2 (Red Line)** - Limited accessibility; not all stations are barrier-free
- **Metro M3 (Blue Line)** - Accessible and has elevators on all stops
- **Bus 8E** - Fully accessible, modern low-floor buses.

Pros: Budget-friendly (wheelchair users travel for free).

Cons: Transfers may involve barriers; delays are possible due to limited accessible vehicles/stations.

5. Accessible Taxis

If you prefer a direct journey, semi-accessible taxis are available but must be requested specifically. However, it should be noted that in Budapest, there are no fully wheelchair-accessible taxis.

Főtaxi, the taxi company with the longest tradition in Hungary, will transport passengers between the terminals and Budapest. Taxi drivers speaking at least one foreign language are in service with 'A' category large cars under five years old. All cars are equipped with a POS terminal; therefore, bank cards are also accepted. Reservations can be made in person at the Főtaxi booths located at the exits at Terminals 2A and 2B. At the taxi rank in front of the stands, a line of taxis continuously awaits passengers.

Note: It should be noted that there are no fully accessible taxis available; transportation is only possible if the passenger is able to transfer independently to the seat. This level of service is considered accessible in Hungary. Travelling with a powered wheelchair can be particularly challenging, as the vehicles are not equipped to accommodate them.

In case you plan to make use of Főtaxi, we suggest downloading the app, with which you can easily book a taxi.

Recommended Providers

- **Főtaxi** - Official airport taxi partner; offers accessible vehicles upon request at the taxi desk or via phone.
- **Royal Services Hungary** - They have some cars with bigger baggage space. One manual wheelchair plus two luggage can be fitted easily. They can be reached by phone to book: +36205050250.
- **Bolt** - Common in Budapest but does **not guarantee** accessibility.

Pros: Fast and convenient, minimal transfers.

Cons: More expensive; most vehicles do not have lifts or ramps—transfers are necessary.

If you have any specific needs or would like personal support in planning your trip, please don't hesitate to [contact](#) the SMA Europe team. We are here to support you in making your congress experience in Budapest as pleasant and exciting as possible.

Public Transport - What to expect

Budapest has made notable progress in improving public transport accessibility, though some challenges remain. Here's a quick overview of what to expect:

1. Buses

The most accessible public transport option. Most BKK-operated buses are low-floor with ramps and designated wheelchair spaces. They also feature audiovisual stop announcements. Some less-frequent routes may still have older buses, and not all stops are fully accessible.

2. Trams

Partially accessible. Modern low-floor trams operate on lines 4, 6, and mostly 1, but some older models still run on other lines like 2. Not all tram stops are wheelchair friendly.

3. Metro

Limited accessibility, with many stations lacking lifts or ramps. The newer M4 (green line) is fully accessible. Lines M2 and M3 are partially accessible, while M1 is not recommended for wheelchair users.

4. Suburban Rail (HÉV)

Mostly inaccessible due to high platforms and few lifts. Only some stations on the H5 line have ramps.

5. Boats

Many public boats offer wheelchair access and provide a scenic travel option along the Danube. However, some docks lack accessibility, and boats can be crowded during peak times.

Tickets & Discounts

Wheelchair users and one companion travel free on most public transport. Discounts are available for other disabilities; carry proof, such as the EU Disability Card.

Useful Apps & Websites:

- **BKK Futár:** Real-time transit and accessibility updates
- **Route4U:** Wheelchair user-focused navigation
- **BKK:** bkk.hu
- **Accessible Budapest:** accessibudapest.hu

Where to Stay - Wheelchair-Accessible Hotels Near the Congress Venue

When choosing accommodation, you can also use platforms such as booking.com to explore further options. Below, we highlight a selection of hotels where we could gather accessibility-specific information. We focus on practical tips beyond what is available on the hotels' websites.

Novotel Budapest City

Location: Alkotás utca 63-67, directly connected to the Congress Centre

Features: 2 wheelchair-accessible rooms, step-free access, fitness centre, pool, free Wi-Fi, buffet breakfast.

Novotel has agreed that additional ordinary rooms can be rearranged to better fit wheelchair users' needs.

There will be one SHARED accessible room available for all wheelchair users between approximately 9AM to 9PM to use the toilet or shower. Pre-booking of timeslots might be necessary.

Rates: From €129/night (single) | Double Room €143/night

Parking: €15/day

Getting to the hotel from the airport: From the Ferenc Liszt International Airport (BUD), you can take a Bus 100E from Budapest Airport → Deák Ferenc tér
Bus 8E or 112 from Deák Ferenc tér → BAH-csomópont

Getting to the Congress Venue from the hotel: Novotel Budapest Congress Center (The Congress Venue) is in the same hotel's building and can be accessed without going outside.

Cancellation: Details not confirmed - recommend checking directly

Check-in: from 15:00

Check-out: until 12:00

Accessibility: Fully step-free, no public transport needed

Note: Bathrooms are not accessible in these rooms.

Timi's Advice: Ideal for maximum convenience. But rooms are in high demand—reserve very early and double-check bathroom details.

Mercure Budapest Castle Hill

Location: Krisztina körút 41-43, approx. 2 km from Congress Centre

Features: Modern rooms, buffet breakfast, free Wi-Fi

Accessibility: 1 wheelchair-accessible room, step-free lobby

Getting to the hotel from the airport: From the Ferenc Liszt International Airport (BUD), you can take a Bus 200E from Terminal 2 to Kőbánya-Kispest. Take M3 metro (Blue Line) from Kőbánya-Kispest

to Déli pályaudvar. From Déli pályaudvar, it's about 500 m (6-7 min) walk—to the hotel on Krisztina körút.

Getting to the Congress Venue from the hotel: From the hotel, walk or roll approximately 5 minutes to the Mikó utca bus stop. Take a Bus 16 or 116 (both low-floor and wheelchair accessible) and travel to Széll Kálmán tér. At Széll Kálmán tér, transfer to Bus 105 or Tram; 17, 19 or 41 in the direction of MOM Park / Csörsz utca. For the accessible tram transport, make sure following the screens at the stops show a small wheelchair symbol for the accessible vehicles. Lines 4-6 are fully accessible. Get off at Csörsz utca stop. The Novotel Hotel is located approximately 2 minutes away on foot or by wheelchair.

Parking: €15/day

Cancellation: Free up to 14 days before arrival. No refunds afterward.

Check-in: from 15:00

Check-out: until 12:00

Timi's Advice: Good balance between accessibility and city exploration.

Ibis Budapest Castle Hill

Location & Features: Similar to Mercure Castle Hill, a budget-friendly option

Accessibility: Basic step-free access, 1 accessible room

Getting to the hotel from the airport: From the Ferenc Liszt International Airport (BUD), take the bus 200E from Terminal 2 to Kőbánya-Kispest. Take M3 metro (Blue Line) from Kőbánya-Kispest to Déli pályaudvar. From Déli pályaudvar, it's about 500 m (6-7 min) walk—to the hotel on Krisztina körút.

Getting to the Congress Venue from the hotel: Walk/roll (~5 min) to Mikó utca stop. Take the Bus 16 or 116 (low-floor, wheelchair accessible) to Széll Kálmán tér. Transfer to the Bus 105 or; Tram 17, 19 or 41 toward MOM Park / Csörsz utca. For the accessible tram transport, make sure following the screens at the stops show a small wheelchair symbol for the accessible vehicles. Lines 4-6 are fully accessible. Get off at Csörsz utca stop – Novotel is ~2 min away.

Room Rates: Single Room €109/night | Double Room €123/night

Parking: €15/day

Cancellation: Free up to 14 days before arrival. No refunds afterward.

Check-in: from 15:00

Check-out: until 12:00

Timi's Advice: Budget-friendly choice but always reconfirm bathroom set-up.

Ensana Thermal Margaret Island

Location: Quiet island setting, 10 km from Congress Centre

Features: Thermal spa, wellness, free Wi-Fi

Accessibility: 3 wheelchair-accessible rooms, flat terrain, elevator access

Getting to the hotel from the airport: From the Ferenc Liszt International Airport (BUD): Bus 100E → Deák Ferenc tér

Metro M3 → Nyugati pályaudvar

Bus 26 → Palatinus fürdő (Margaret Island)

From the stop, it is a brief walk or roll to the hotel.

Getting to the Congress venue: From the hotel, walk or roll approximately 2 minutes to the Szállodák bus stop. Board Bus 26 (low-floor, wheelchair accessible) and travel to Jászai Mari tér. At Jászai Mari tér, transfer to Metro Line M3 at Nyugati pályaudvar station. Take Metro Line M3 in the direction of Déli pályaudvar and get off there. From Déli pályaudvar, transfer to Bus 105 or; Tram 17, 19 or 41 and continue to Csörsz utca stop, located adjacent to the Congress Venue (Novotel Hotel). For the accessible tram transport, make sure following the screens at the stops show a small wheelchair symbol for the accessible vehicles. Lines 4-6 are fully accessible.

Room Rates: Single Room €133.50/night | Double Room €151.50/night

Parking: Outdoor €15/day | Garage €21/day

Cancellation: Free up to 3 days before arrival. 1-night fee after.

Check-in: from 15:00

Check-out: until 11:00

Timi's Advice: Perfect if you want a spa-style experience during your stay.

Additional Hotel Options

- **Up Hotel Budapest** - Fitness centre, terrace, welcoming atmosphere
- **Aquaworld Resort Budapest** - Spacious rooms, wheelchair accessible
- **Kempinski Hotel Corvinus** - Luxurious with accessible rooms
- **Hotel Moments Budapest** - Stylish design, wellness area
- **Hotel Clark** - Fitness centre, stunning views near Buda Castle
- **Prestige Hotel** - Elegant rooms, Michelin-starred restaurant
- **Hilton Garden Inn Budapest City Centre** - Modern, roll-in shower

Wheelchair-Friendly Tourist Attractions in Budapest

Budapest is a beautiful city with a rich history, stunning architecture, and vibrant cultural life. While accessibility can be a challenge in some older parts of the city, many wheelchair-friendly attractions are worth visiting. This guide lists the best accessible tourist spots and provides detailed directions from the Novotel Budapest Congress Centre.

1. Buda Castle District

Why Visit? A UNESCO World Heritage Site with stunning panoramic views, including Buda Castle, Matthias Church, and Fisherman's Bastion.

Accessibility Features

- Wheelchair-accessible paths and lifts are available.
- Matthias Church has an accessible entrance.
- Fisherman's Bastion lower terrace is accessible via a ramp

How to Get There from Novotel Budapest Congress Center

- Bus 8E to Ferenciek tere.
- Bus 16 (wheelchair-accessible) to Szentháromság tér.

Website: <https://budacastlebudapest.com/visit-buda-castle-with-a-wheelchair/>

2. Hungarian Parliament

Why Visit? One of Budapest's most famous landmarks, offering accessible guided tours.

Accessibility Features

- Step-free entrance at the Visitor Centre.
- Lifts are available inside.
- Free entrance for disabled visitors and one companion.

How to Get There from Novotel Budapest Congress Centre

- Bus 8E to Ferenciek tere.
- Metro M3 to Kossuth Lajos tér.
- Alternatively, take Tram 2 along the Danube.

Website: <https://www.parlament.hu/en/web/visitors>

3. St. Stephen's Basilica

Why Visit? One of Hungary's most important religious sites, with lift access to the dome for panoramic city views.

Accessibility Features

- Wheelchair-accessible entrance via a side door.
- Lift access to the dome.
- Accessible toilets are available.

Note: It is recommended to contact the venue in advance to confirm and double-check the accessibility.

How to Get There from Novotel Budapest Congress Centre

- Bus 8E to Deák Ferenc tér.
- Short 5-minute roll/walk to the basilica.

Website: <https://www.bazilika.biz/en/>



4. Margaret Island

Why Visit? A peaceful green oasis in the Danube, perfect for relaxing walks, gardens, and fountains.

Accessibility Features

- Flat paths throughout the park.
- Electric rental vehicles (including accessible options).
- Step-free entrance to Palatinus Thermal Bath.

How to Get There from Novotel Budapest Congress Centre

- Bus 8E to Oktogon.
- Tram 4 or 6 to Margit híd.
- Cross the bridge or take Bus 26 (low floor) to the island.

Website: https://www.budapest.com/city_guide/sights/margaret_island.en.html



5. Heroes' Square & City Park

Why Visit? One of Budapest's most famous squares, surrounded by museums, Vajdahunyad Castle, and Széchenyi Thermal Bath.

Accessibility Features

- Step-free access to Heroes' Square and the park.
- The Museum of Fine Arts has ramps and lifts.
- Széchenyi Thermal Bath has accessible pools with a lift.

How to Get There from Novotel Budapest Congress Centre

- Bus 105 from Királyhágó utca to Hősök tere.

Website: <https://www.szepmuveszeti.hu/en/>



6. Széchenyi Thermal Bath

Why Visit? Széchenyi Thermal Bath is one of the largest and most famous thermal bath complexes in Europe. Located in City Park, this iconic Neo-Baroque bath offers a relaxing experience in its thermal pools, saunas, and wellness areas.

Accessibility Features

- Wheelchair-accessible entrance.
- A pool lift is available for thermal pools.
- Step-free changing rooms.
- Staff assistance is available for guests with mobility difficulties.

How to Get There from Novotel Budapest Congress Centre

- Bus 105 from Királyhágó utca to Hősök tere.
- Roll/walk to the entrance of the bath.
-

Website: <https://www.szechenyibath.hu/>



7. Danube Promenade & Shoes on the Danube Memorial

Why Visit? A scenic riverside walks with stunning views of Buda Castle, Chain Bridge, and Parliament.

Accessibility Features

- Step-free pedestrian path along the Danube.
- Benches and rest areas are available.

How to Get There from Novotel Budapest Congress Centre

- Bus 8E to Ferenciek tere.
- Walk/roll to the promenade.

Website: <https://welovebudapest.com/en/toplists/danube-promenade-10-must-see-sights-along-the-river-in-budapest>



8. MOL Tower & Kopaszi Gát

Why Visit? The newly built MOL Tower is Budapest's tallest building, offering an accessible observation deck with breathtaking city views. Nearby, Kopaszi Gát is a peaceful, green peninsula with step-free walking paths, restaurants, and scenic riverside spots

Accessibility Features

- MOL Tower has a lift to the observation deck.
- Step-free paths throughout Kopaszi Gát.
- Accessible restaurants and cafés in the area.
- Benches and resting areas are available.

How to Get There from Novotel Budapest Congress Centre

- Bus 8E to Móricz Zsigmond körtér.
- Tram 1 to Lágymányosi Bridge (Kopaszi gát stop).
- Short roll/walk to the park and tower entrance.

Website: <https://molcampus.hu/en/>

Personal Mobility

If you have a **portable ramp**, bring it with you, as it saves you a lot of time and time.

Hoists

There are a few companies offering a hoist for rent. Keep in mind that the minimal rental fee is usually calculated for one month, even if you need it only for a few days. As the number of available hoists is limited, prepare in advance.

Recommended Hoist Companies

Avian Care

<https://aviancare.hu/gyogyszati-segedeszkoz-berles/elektromos-betegemelo/>

+36302001900

kapcsolat@aviancare.hu

Pro Klinimed

<https://www.pro-klinimed.hu/blog/elektromos-betegemelo>

+36301450111

info@pro-klinimed.hu

Humagor BT

<https://gyogyszati.hu/segedeszkoz-berles/termekek/minden-termek/page=1>

info@gyogyszati.hu

In Case of Emergency

If the worst-case scenario happened and your mobility device got damaged during the flight to Budapest, don't leave the airport without reporting it. A member of the AMS (airport assistance) staff will guide you through the process.

If you need technical support during your stay, contact Barnabás Rezső KOVÁCS at +36303383368.

Contact

Astrid Dedrie

sma-europe.events@medicongress.com

Timea TÓTH

SMA Patient who lives in Budapest

accessibility.support@sma-europe.eu (+36706109341 - in case of emergency only)

Our Congress Websites

<https://congress.sma-europe.eu/>

<https://www.sma-europe.eu/5th-international-congress-on-spinal-muscular-atrophy>

SMA Europe Social Media

- **LinkedIn:** @SMA Europe
- **Facebook:** @SMAEurope1
- **BlueSky:** @sma-europe.bsky.social
- **Instagram:** @SMAEurope

