Subject: Welcome information from MATE, Hungary

Details on entering the country and the start of the academic year – August 17th, 2021

Dear Student,

Congratulations on your being accepted by **Hungarian University of Agriculture and Life Sciences.**

On behalf of the Management of **Hungarian University of Agriculture and Life Sciences, MATE International Relations Team** is happy to welcome you soon. To provide you with assistance, this message is to guide you with the current rules and regulations which apply in our country connected to Covid-19.

After the receipt of your Letter of Acceptance, you can start to arrange your visa process and the preparations for entering Hungary. Our university is getting prepared for **an offline academic year** at the moment; however, future governmental regulations are to be obeyed. The academic year begins on 6th September with our Orientation Week. Classes for 1st year students start on 13th September. In case you cannot arrive until the beginning of the orientation events, join our streaming of some of the events. The recorded videos will be available on our website and "Administration Days" will be held once a week in September.

As the situation is uncertain, you are advised to check the following links to update yourself regarding Covid-19 state of emergency legislation that might impose continuous changes from one week to another.

The official website of Hungarian Police - Information on general rules of border crossing

Our university website is constantly being updated, check it frequently, please.

Visit our PCR-testing and quarantine webpage to get updated. Details on quarantine accommodation and obligations towards the Police are also provided above. On vaccination and immunity card, get yourself updated frequently. New governmental decrees are expected to be issued at any time. To enter Hungary, you will need a document called **Annex 1**. As being an Erasmus emPLANT+ student, **you need to send** this excel file for data processing as soon as possible to international@uni.mate.hu with the following **subject line: Annex1-data_Erasmus emPLANT+_YOUR FULL NAME_date of arrival**. Your Annex 1 document will be sent to you soon.

Regarding WELCOME INFORMATION, read our webpage for further details (arrival in Hungary, visa, accommodation, transport from the airport, mentoring system, social media sites, etc…).

Please, note that Erasmus emPLANT+ students **are provided accommodation in the dorm in Gödöllő**. If you haven't done it yet, please, contact your dorm coordinators urgently at dorm.godollo@uni-mate.hu. Apply for accommodation via the **Hostel Application Form.** If there is **any change** about your planned arrival date, **you are obliged to inform the dormitory within the shortest possible time. Your booked room in the dorm will not be saved for you for more than 5 days after your registered date of arrival,** since there is a huge demand for dormitory places. **You should also inform the quarantine hotel, your Registrar's Officer and MATE IR Team within the shortest possible time.** All students are required to fill in the **Arrival Form** to inform our Institution and the dormitory of the details of their arrival. Those who will study at Szent István Campus – Gödöllő are entitled to a free ride from our partner hotel to the dormitory.

We hope this welcome letter could help you at this point. Soon, another information letter will be sent to you via email. If the inserted links are not active in our letter, copy the following link into your browser for the same letter in pdf format on our website: https://uni-mate.hu/en/current-students/welcome-information

We are looking forward to meeting you in Hungary.

Kind regards,

MATE International Relations Team