XVII ECSMGE IN REYKJAVÍK
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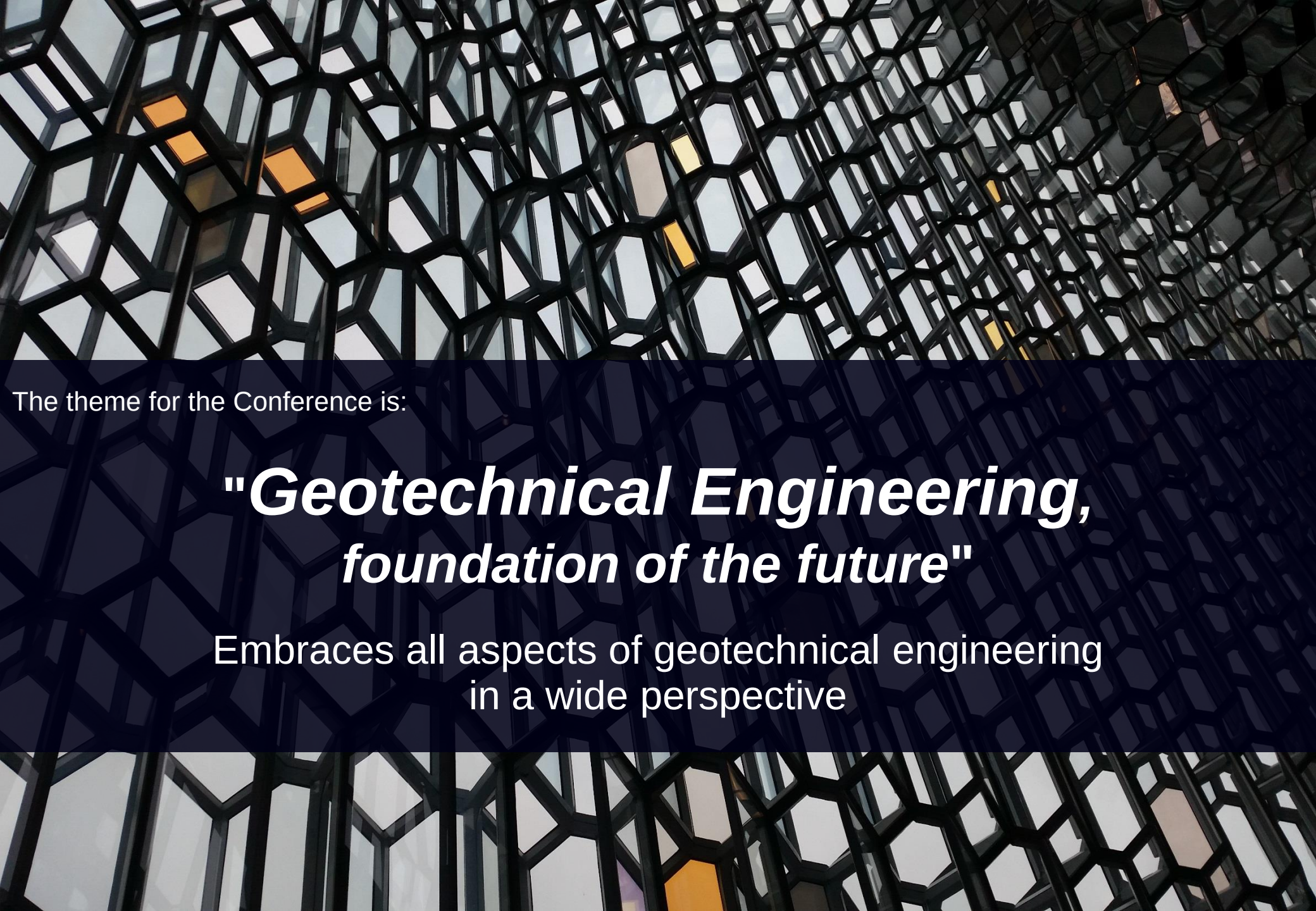
WELCOME TO ICELAND

The Icelandic Geotechnical Society welcomes the XVII European Conference on Soil Mechanic and Geotechnical Engineering to Reykjavik Iceland in 2019

We OFFER

- A professional program
- Excellent facilities for a conference
- Excellent hotels and food
- Excursions in the beautiful nature of Iceland

MEET IN REYKJAVÍK
Reykjavík Convention Bureau



The theme for the Conference is:

"*Geotechnical Engineering, foundation of the future*"

Embraces all aspects of geotechnical engineering
in a wide perspective

GEOTECHNICS IN ICELAND CAN BE PROBLEMATIC

SLOPE INSTABILITY IN GRANULAR SOIL

TUNNELLING IN WEAK ROCK

UNEXPECTED WEAK LAYER

AND UNEXPECTED HOT WATER
350 l/sec 65° C

STRAIGHT CROSSING
Dept in seawater 4 – 14 m on top of 10 – 15 m
of silty clay at seabed.

FLOATING ROAD ON PEAT AND NEW BRIDGE

12,8 km new road, settlement up to 3.0 m, estimated fill due to settlement is 300.000 m^3

Why REYKJAVIK ICELAND

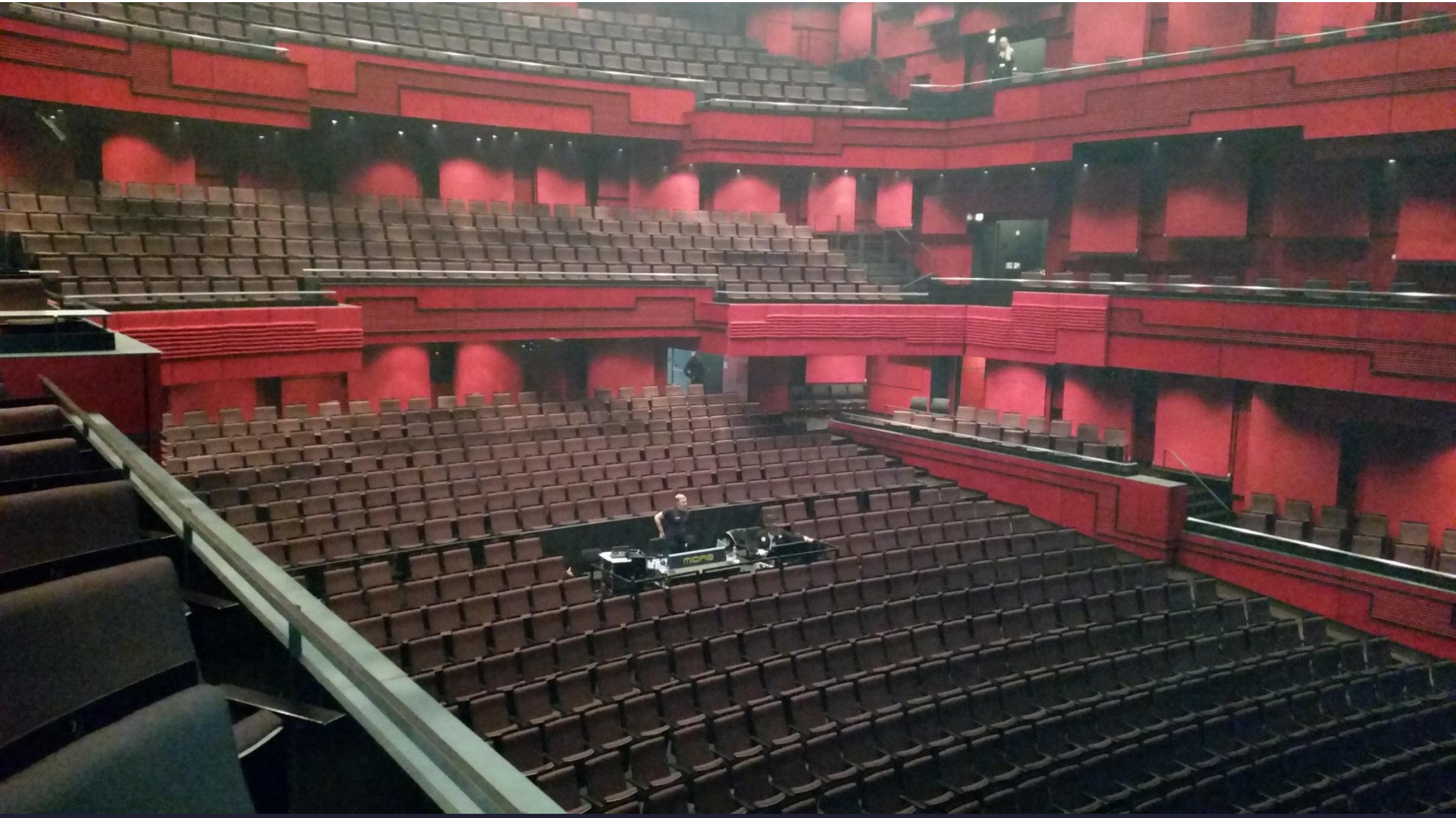
We offer our guests a venue unlike many others, in the center of friendly city surrounded by inspiring nature.

Iceland is one of the most geologically active locations in the world with volcanoes, lava fields, hot spots, earthquake activities, geothermal areas and glacial outburst.

This has created both challenging geotechnical environment and magnificent scenery that is hard to find somewhere else.

The VENUE

HARPA, the new Reykjavík Concert Hall and Conference Centre, greatly boosts the infrastructure capability within Reykjavík City



HIGH TECH

HARPA has excellent ability to host large conferences and offers modern facilities for presentations, meetings & exhibition.

HARPA The main hall, Eldborg, seatings for 1600 people

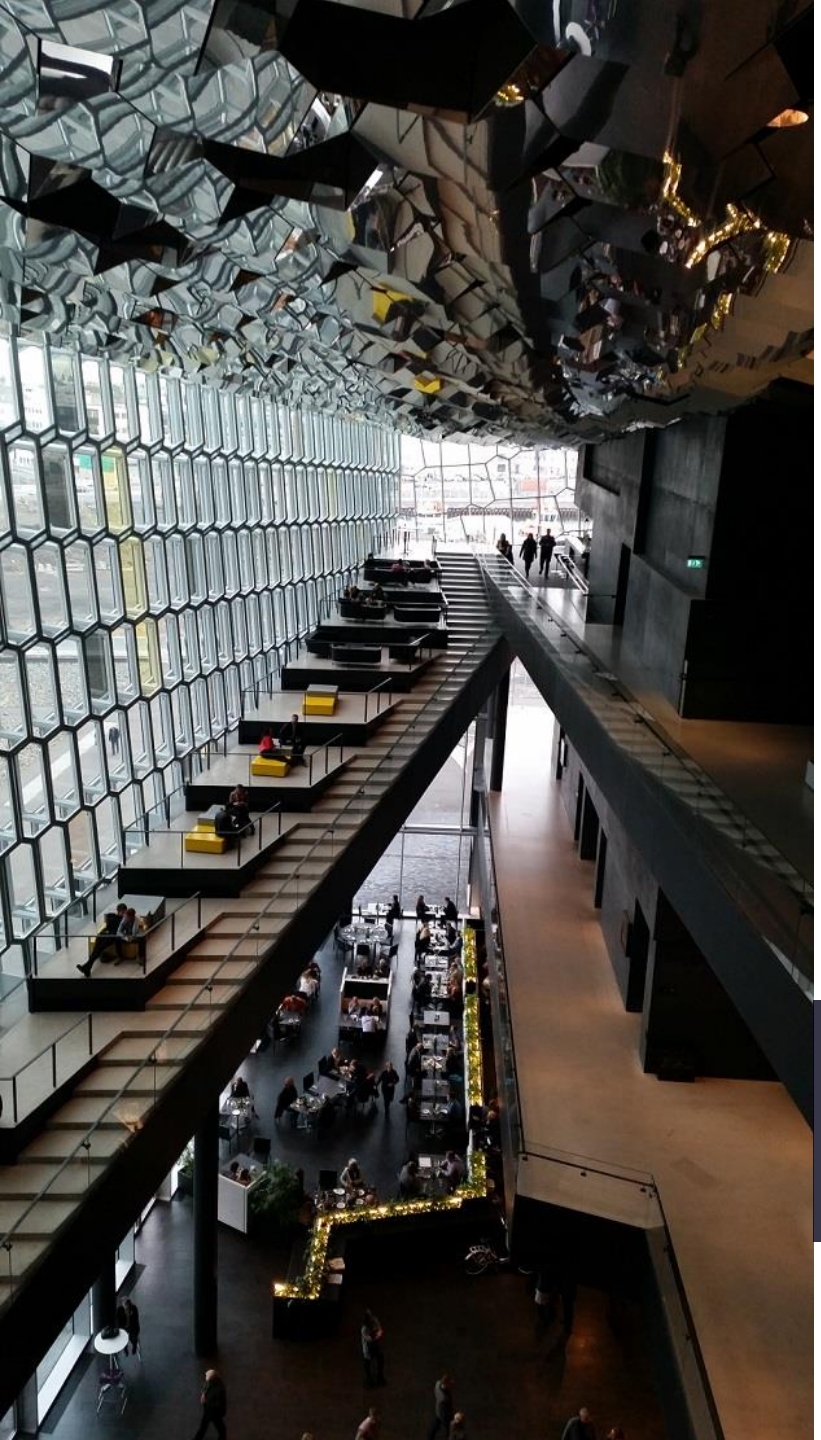
HARPA
Kaldalón

then five other halls with seatings from 130 to 840 people and several meeting rooms which could be available for board and committees meetings.

- **Bay on 1st floor** **1000 m²**
- **North Pier on 1st floor** **300 m²**
- **Eyri on 2nd floor** **300 m²**
- **Harpa Corner 2nd floor** **450 m²**

EXHIBITION, AVAILABLE SPACE 2050 m²

EXHIBITION IN HARPA



Organizing Committee
Executive (3)
Core Members (8+)

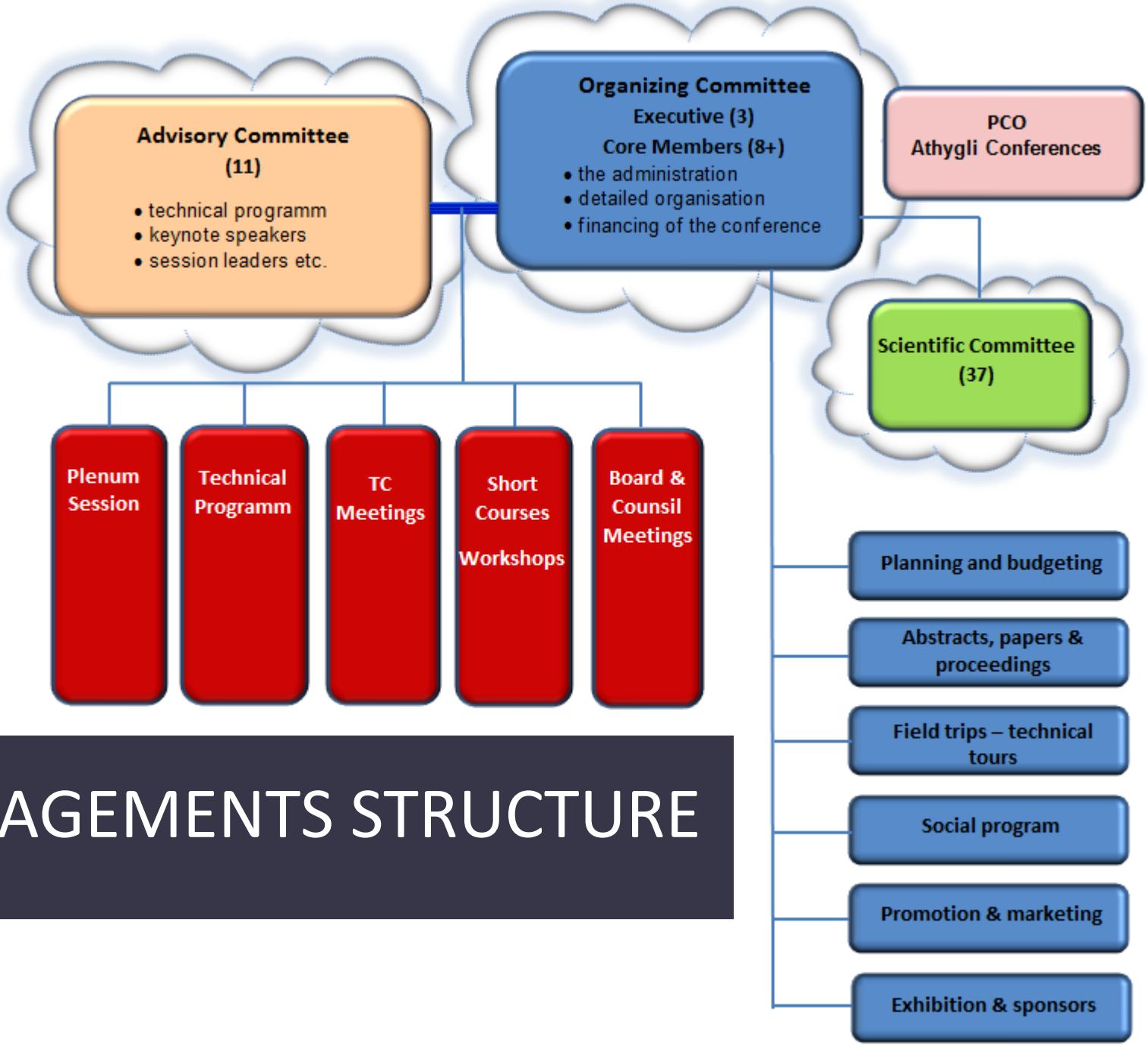
Advisory Committee
(11)

Scientific Committee
(37)

PCO
Athygli Conferences

CONFERENCE MANAGEMENT

MANAGEMENTS STRUCTURE



BUDGET – DELIGATES FEE

Delegates type	Early bird	Standard	At conference
ISSMGE member	700	800	850
Non-member	770	880	900
Student	150	200	200
Exhibitor	250	250	250
Accompaning person	200	200	200
Gala dinner and excursions will be optional.			
Gala dinner	**115**		
Technical excursions A	**100**		
- Technical excursions B	200		
- Technical excursions C	300		

Why REYKJAVÍK

> Reykjavik is hip, it´s cool, it´s small but offers everything that large cities do. Good hotels, good food, good nightlife, good music and the nature is only a few steps away

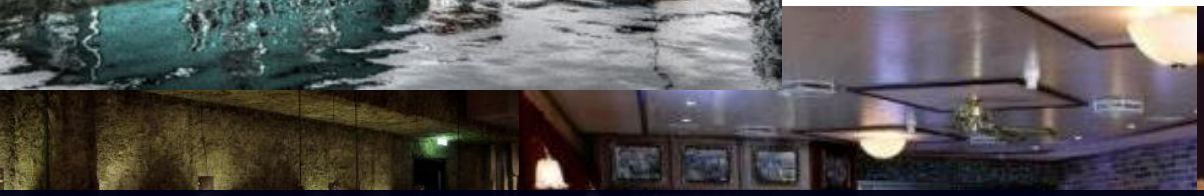
ECO - friendly

In Reykjavík you will find the world's largest geothermal heating system. Meaning less pollution and emission of greenhouse gases.

Various restaurants - good cousine

- High class restaurants
- Fishermen's huts
- Grill or steak houses
- Chinies, Indians
- Pubs
- The Hot Dog stand - 1937

„The concoction, called humarsupa, is straightforward, traditional, glaringly honest, delicious and the first thing you should eat when you arrive in town.“



PRICE COMPETITIVE

Price indexes indicate that Reykjavík is a favorable choice

See more on:
www.visitreykjavik.is

CULTURAL

Long lasting cultural and art history in Iceland ranging from the old Viking Sagas towards international artists like **BJÖRK**, **SIGURRÓS** & **OF MONSTERS AND MEN**

PEACEFUL

The Imagine Peace Tower by Yoko Ono.
Iceland ranks no 1 on the Global Peace index

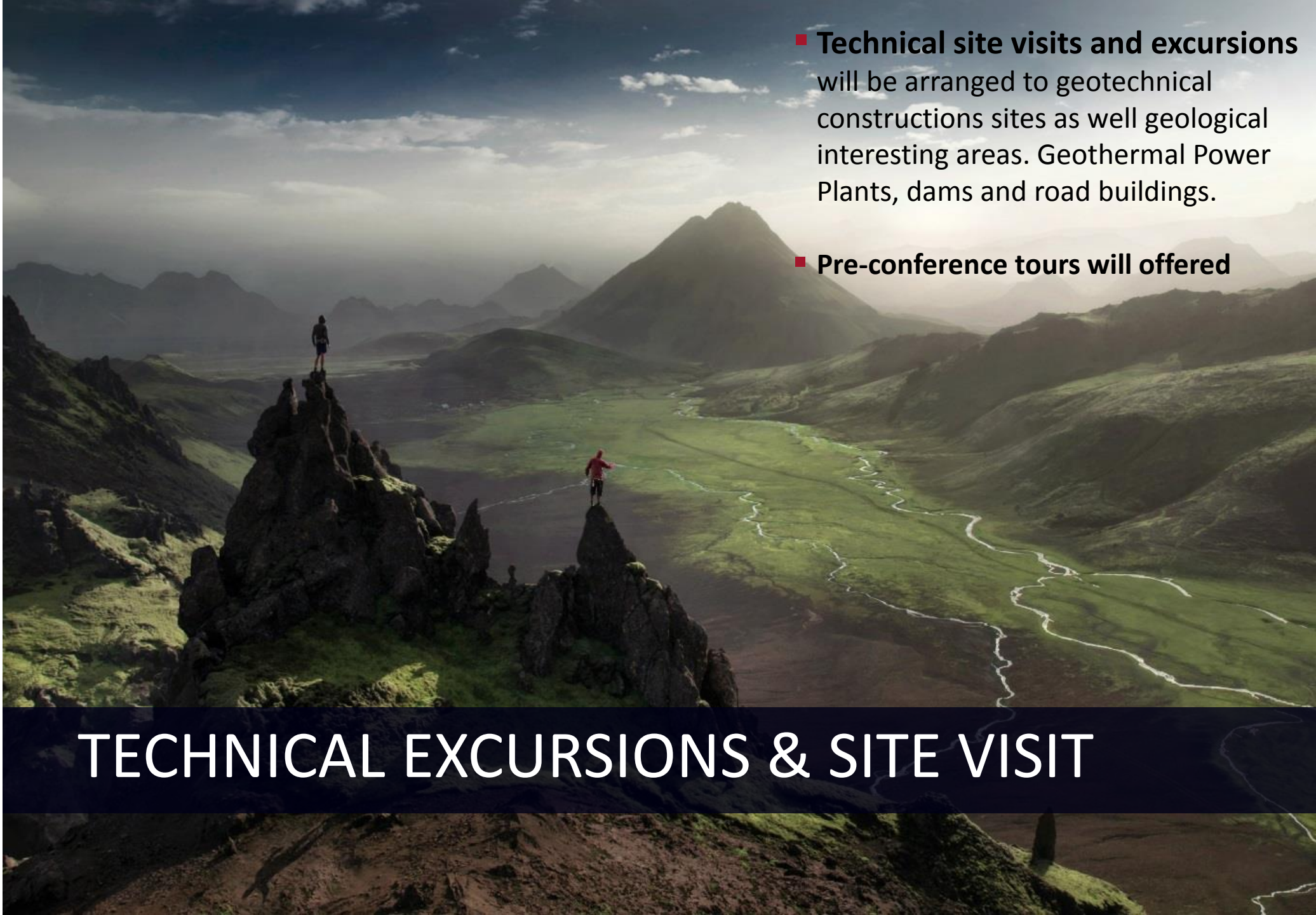
HOTELS

Number of hotels in various price categories near the conference venue

ACCESSIBILITY

The international airport serves as a hub between Europe and USA providing a wide selection of direct connections and high frequency

On average in August 2015 were 65 scheduled flights a day from Keflavik



TECHNICAL EXCURSIONS & SITE VISIT

- **Technical site visits and excursions** will be arranged to geotechnical constructions sites as well geological interesting areas. Geothermal Power Plants, dams and road buildings.

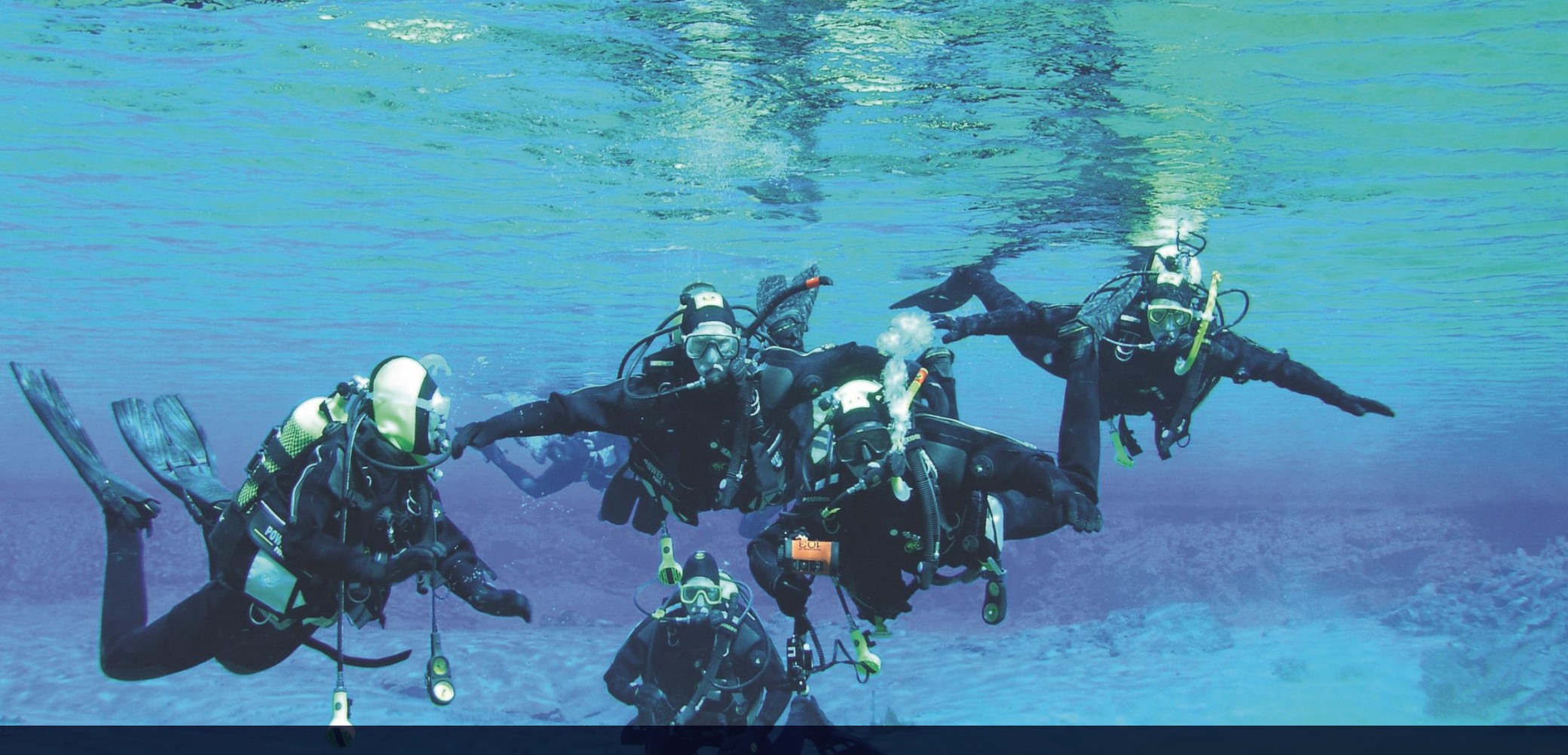
- **Pre-conference tours will offered**

UNPREDICTABLE

THE BLUE LAGOON

EXPLORE THE DIVERSITY

FREEDOM



DIVE IN SILFRA THINGVELLIR NATIONAL PARK

in a fissure between the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates

RIVER RAFTING

CAPTURE THE ENERGY

"Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take,
but by the moments that take our breath away"

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Thank you

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