HOSTING CITY – TOULOUSE

Nested between the Mediterranean, the Atlantic at the foot of the Pyrenees mountains and bordered by Spain, Toulouse is one of the most vibrant cities in France enjoying sunny weather all year long. A must stop when in the region, Toulouse is a city of students, a centre of cutting-edge European technology and the capital of the good life.

“La Ville Rose” (Pink City) gets its popular name from the small bricks made from local terra cotta used in many of its historical buildings. Passed down through 2000 years of art and history, the Capitole always leaves the visitors in awe in front of its richly painted ceremonial rooms. Its 17th century “Canal du Midi” links the Garonne to the Mediterranean Sea and can be travelled by boat, bike or on foot. In this city where a feeling of human warmth is always felt, visitors can enjoy a relaxed stroll or bike ride through the narrow historic streets to explore the treasures of its architectural heritage.

Place du Capitole, Toulouse, France.
MEETING VENUE

The meeting will be held in Météo France
Address: 42 Avenue Gaspard Coriolis
31000 Toulouse
Website: http://www.meteo.fr/cic/

ACCOMODATION

Block bookings have been organized in the following hotels.
Please note the deadline for reservations depends on the hotel. Reservations made after the specified deadline will depend on availability.

Hôtel Pullman Toulouse Centre *****
84 Allée Jean Jaurès
31000 Toulouse
Tel.: 00 33 (0)5 61 10 23 51
Website: https://www.accorhotels.com/fr/hotel-1091-pullman-toulouse-centre/index.shtml

Rate:
100 rooms have been block booked until 15 June 2019.
Single rooms: 145€/night, breakfast included, city tax (3,30€/day/person) not included.
Double rooms: 164€/night, breakfast included, city tax (3,30€/day/person) not included.

Booking procedure:
Via email: fill in the booking form attached to the email and send it to H1091-RE@accor.com
Via phone: contact Emmanuel Martinez at +33 (0)5 61 10 23 51 and indicate booking code IPCC

Hôtel Mercure Wilson ****
7 Rue Labeda
31000 Toulouse
Tel.: 00 33 (0)5 34 45 40 60

Rate:
30 rooms have been block booked until 24 July 2019.
Single rooms: 120€/night, breakfast included, city tax (2.53€/day/person) not included.
Double rooms: 135€/night, breakfast included, city tax (2.53€/day/person) not included.

Booking procedure:
Contact person: Emilie RENOUF.
Via email: fill in the booking form attached to the email and send it to H1260-rd@accor.com
Via phone: 00 33 (0) 5 34 45 40 60 and indicate booking code IPCC-Météo France.

Hôtel Mercure St Georges ****
Rue St Jérôme
31000 Toulouse
Tel.: 00 33 (0)5 62 27 79 79
**Hôtel Mercure Centre ***
17 Rue Saint-Georges
31000 Toulouse
Tel.: 00 33 (0) 5 61 31 29 02

**Rate:**
40 rooms have been block booked until **24 July 2019**.
Single rooms: 120€/night, breakfast included, city tax (2.53€/day/person) not included.
Double rooms: 135€/night, breakfast included, city tax (2.53€/day/person) not included.

**Booking procedure:**
Via email: fill in the booking form attached to the email and send it to h0370-fo@accor.com
Via phone: 00 33 (0) 5 62 27 79 92 and indicate booking code IPCC-Météo France

**Hôtel Novotel Wilson ****
15 Place Wilson
31000 Toulouse
Tel.: 00 33 (0) 5 61 10 70 70

**Rate:**
40 rooms have been block booked until **15 June 2019**.
Single rooms: 105€/night, breakfast included, city tax (2.53€/day/person) not included on week-ends
130€/night, breakfast included, city tax (2.53€/day/person) not included during the week
Double rooms: 115€/night, breakfast included, city tax (2.53€/day/person) not included on week-ends
140€/night, breakfast included, city tax (2.53€/day/person) not included during the week

**Booking procedure:**
Via email: fill in the booking form attached to the email and send it to h8505@accor.com
Via phone: 00 33 (0) 5 61 10 70 70 and indicate booking code IPCC-Météo France

**Hôtel Ibis Centre ***
2 Rue Claire Pauilhac
31000 Toulouse
Tel.: 00 33 (0) 5 61 63 61 63

**Rate:**
90 rooms have been block booked until **24 July 2019**.
Single rooms: 65€/night, breakfast included, city tax (1.65€/day/person) not included.

**Booking procedure:**
Via email: fill in the booking form attached to the email and send it to h1429-rd@accor.com
Via phone: 00 33 (0) 5 61 63 61 63 and indicate booking code IPCC-Météo France. Name of the contact: Julie CYPRIEN.
TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM THE MEETING VENUE

Transportation to/from the meeting venue to/from downtown will be organized by our host on a daily basis. Details will be communicated at a later stage.

HOW TO GET IN TOULOUSE

By plane: Toulouse Blagnac Airport
An air-shuttle connects Paris with Toulouse daily in just 1h10, every 30 minutes.
56 international destinations (mainly Europe).
Toulouse Blagnac International Airport located 15 minutes from city centre
http://www.toulouse.aeroport.fr/en

Different options are available to reach downtown Toulouse from the airport:
- Tramway, line T2
  The T2 line offers a direct link between the airport and the city center of Toulouse.
  Tickets are available at self-service kiosks or from the TISSEO agency (front of Hall C - Arrivals level - door C2). The tickets used on the tram are the same as those used in the bus and in the subway.
  Route and time line: https://www.tisseo.fr/sites/default/files/Tisseo_ligne_T2web.pdf
  Price: https://www.tisseo.fr/les-tarifs/la-gamme
• Airport shuttle
The airport shuttle goes from Toulouse-Blagnac Airport to Toulouse Matabiau train station every 20 minutes. Journey time takes between 20 and 45 minutes depending on traffic.
In the airport, the bus stop is located on the ground floor (arrivals level - door C2). The cost of a single ticket is 8,00€. The same ticket can also be used on the tram, in the metro and in the bus over a period of 1h30.

• Taxi
Taxis are located on the ground floor, arrivals level between doors B3 (Hall B) and C1 (Hall C).

By train: Toulouse Matabiau Station
The SNCF Toulouse Matabiau station Toulouse is about 4 hours from Paris by high-speed train (TGV), 2 hours from Montpellier, and 2 hours from Bordeaux.
http://www.sncf.com/

Transportation in the City
Toulouse has an efficient public transportation system including underground (2 lines, A and B), tramways (2 lines, 1 and 2) and buses. Toulouse is also a human sized city so that the walk across the city center is about 30’ and the Capitol is at a 15’ walk from the edges of the city center. The city also has a cheap self-service bicycle system (vélo Toulouse) with many stations across the city.

Public transportation tickets need to be validated to the subway platforms and in each tram or bus. A same ticket allows to use 4 different lines over a period of 1 hour (1h30 if using the Airport Shuttle) from the first validation.

VISA & ENTRY INFORMATION
Processing times for visa applications vary depending on the visa office and the time of the year. Participants are encouraged to apply at least 12 weeks in advance of their departure date to ensure they receive the visa in time.

Participants should apply for a tourist visa.
The following national citizens are exempt from visa requirements to travel to France, for a stay of less than 90 days:
Countries of the European Union, Albania, Argentina, Australia, Bolivia, Bosnia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Croatia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Iceland, Israel, Japan, Macedonia, Malaysia, Mexico, Montenegro, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Panama, Paraguay, Serbia, Singapore, South Korea, Switzerland, Taiwan, United States, Uruguay, Venezuela.

For recent changes on exemption, please check here:

Citizens from other countries will need a visa to enter France. Visas can be requested on-line, via the following website:

If you require an additional letter from the host country for your visa application, please email the local contact indicating your name, your institute/university and your professional address to cic-secretary@meteo.fr

MEAL ARRANGEMENTS

Coffee breaks
Tea and coffee breaks will be provided by our host each day in the morning and in the afternoon. Drinking water will be available throughout the day.
Lunches
Lunches will be provided on site each day at participant cost.

CURRENCY

The local currency is the Euro (€). Exchange rates March 2019:

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HEALTH FACILITIES AND EMERGENCIES

The French healthcare system was ranked first worldwide by the World Health Organization. The Toulouse University Hospital is the fourth largest hospital in France in terms of its level of activity and is ranked the best hospital in France in a ranking established in 2012 by Le Point magazine and comprising more than 60 pathologies.

In case of emergency, dial:
- 15 for Health emergency
- 17 for Police
- 18 in case of Fire

OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

Local Time
The local time zone in Toulouse in August is Central European Summer Time (CEST) UTC/GMT +2 hours.

Local Working Hours
Offices and businesses are open from 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday. Shopping malls generally have longer opening hours and may be open until 8pm during the week and on Saturdays. Banks have shorter opening hours, often from 9.30am to 4pm, though sometimes later on a Friday. Many banks are closed on Saturday and Sunday, though some have limited services on a Saturday morning.

Tipping
All taxes and service are included. Tipping is not mandatory.

Weather
Toulouse is located in the south of France and enjoys a milder climate that doesn’t get too hot in the summer or too cold in the winter. During the warmest months of July and August, the temperature remains constant between 26-27°C.

Water
Tap water is safe to drink in Toulouse.

Smoking
Smoking in France is banned in indoor public spaces and workplaces (including hotel rooms, restaurants, bars, and casinos). If you wish to smoke, you must go outside or look for signs pointing out assigned smoking areas.
Voltage and frequency used in France are 220–240 V / 50Hz. Plug types: C and E/F.
If you’re coming from a country with different shaped pins, you’ll need to bring a plug converter with you.