

Information for participants



52nd Session of the IPCC

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I. INTRODUCTION

At the kind invitation of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the fifty-second session of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) will take place at the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) Headquarters, in the city of Paris, France from 24-28 February 2020. The registration of participants to this session will open on 23 February 2020, from 4 to 6 p.m., from 8:00 a.m. on the 24th and as of 9:00 a.m. from 25-28 February 2020.

NOTE – This guide will provide participants with useful information on visiting Paris and attending the above mentioned meetings. Participants are advised to read it carefully and contact us in case of questions.

II. VISITORS TO PARIS

1. General and cultural Information about Paris

Paris is the cosmopolitan capital of France. It is one Europe's largest cities, with 2.2 million people living in the dense, central city and almost 12 million people living in the whole metropolitan area.

Since the 17th century, Paris has been one of Europe's centers of arts, science, fashion, commerce, finance.

Located in the north of France on the River Seine, Paris has the reputation of being a romantic city, brimming with historic associations and remaining influential in the realms of culture, art, fashion, food and design.

A large part of the city, including the River Seine, is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The city contains numerous iconic landmarks, such as the Eiffel Tower, the Arc de Triomphe, the Cathedral Notre-Dame, the Louvre Museum and the Moulin Rouge, making it the most popular tourist destination in the world with 46.7 million tourists in 2015.

2. International Airports

Two International airports are located around Paris: the Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport and the Paris Orly Airport.

Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport also known as Roissy Airport is the largest international airport in France. It is named after Charles de Gaulle (1890–1970), leader of the Free French Forces during the Second World War, founder of the French Fifth Republic and President of France from 1959 to 1969.

In 2016, the airport handled 65,933,145 passengers, thus making it the world's tenth-busiest airport in terms of passenger numbers.

Paris Orly Airport is an international airport serving as a secondary hub for domestic and overseas territories flights. Prior to the construction of Charles de Gaulle Airport, Orly was the main airport of Paris. Even with the shift of most international traffic to Charles de Gaulle Airport, Orly remains the busiest French airport for domestic traffic.

3. Time Zone

Paris time zone in winter is UTC + 01:00 hours.

4. How to request a visa

Please check on the French Government website, if a visa is needed to enter France:

<https://france-visas.gouv.fr/>.

Participants who need a visa to enter France must have a passport which is valid for at least three (3) months beyond the expiry date of the requested visa. These delegates are invited to go through the following process:

A/ Pre-register using the IPCC online registration system. In the pre-registration portal, please include all the mandatory information below **only if visa is needed**

(If you are a Member of a National Delegation): Name of the Country

(If you belong to an Observer-Organization): Name of the Observer-Organization

Country of residence

Nationality

Surname

First name

Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY)

Passport number

Expiration date of the passport (DD/MM/YYYY)

Email-address

Phone number

Remarks

B/ Based on this information, the secretariat will send you a personal invitation letter to be used only for visa purpose. Once you have received the personal invitation letter, contact the appropriate consular authorities and provide them with the invitation letter along with all requested documents.

III. Weather

The average temperature in Paris, France in March is 4 °C. Afternoons are generally warmer with average high temperatures reaching 7 °C.

IV. Health requirements/medical services

Up-to-date information on international travel and health requirements are provided by the World Health Organization (WHO) at the following websites:

<http://www.who.int/ith/en/>

<http://www.who.int/countries/fra/en/>

Participants shall make their own arrangements for life, health and other forms of insurance as they consider appropriate. Participants should ensure to have their insurance card or certificate, with international coverage, with them when travelling.

No specific vaccines are required to visit France.

V. Foreign currency

Currency exchange services are available at International Airports as well as in all banks. The local currency is the Euro (€). Most businesses, tour operators, airlines and hotels accept major credit cards and American Express traveler's cheques.

The average exchange rate in € is as follows:

1 USD = 0.90 €

1 CHF = 0.92 €

VI. Airline reservations

Many international airlines operate regular services to and from Paris. Participants are advised to secure their return bookings prior to their departure for Paris. If this is not possible, they should make firm return bookings immediately upon arrival in Paris.

VII. Hotel accommodations



HOTELS NEAR UNESCO (INDICATIVE LIST)

Price (euros): \$ = below 100 | \$\$ = 100-150 | \$\$\$ = 150-200 |
\$\$\$\$ = above 200 per night

		Walking distance		
Best Western Hotel Eiffel Cambronne***	46, rue de la Croix Nivert, Paris 15	10 mn	\$	
Hôtel Eiffel Turenne**	20, avenue de Tourville, Paris 7	14 mn	\$	
Hôtel Bailli de Suffren***	149, avenue de Suffren, Paris 15	3 mn	\$\$	
Hôtel de France Invalides***	102, boulevard de la Tour Maubourg, Paris 7	11 mn	\$\$	
Hôtel Eiffel Petit Louvre***	1, rue de Lourmel, Paris 15	16 mn	\$\$	Close to the Eiffel Tower
Hôtel Tourisme Avenue***	66, avenue de la Motte-Picquet, Paris 15	9 mn	\$\$	
Ibis Tour Eiffel Cambronne***	2, rue Cambronne, Paris 15	6 mn	\$\$	520 rooms
First Hotel****	2, boulevard Garibaldi, Paris 15	6 mn	\$\$\$	
Hôtel Ares Paris****	7, rue du General de Larminat, Paris 15	9 mn	\$\$\$	

Hôtel La Comtesse by Elegancia****	29, Avenue de Tourville, Paris 7	13 mn	\$\$\$	
Hôtel Le Marquis****	15, rue Dupleix, Paris 15	9 mn	\$\$\$	
Hôtel de la Motte Picquet***	30, avenue de la Motte Picquet, Paris 7	16 mn	\$\$\$	
Hôtel Duquesne Eiffel***	23, avenue Duquesne, Paris 7	4 mn	\$\$\$\$	
Hôtel le Tourville****	16, avenue de Tourville, Paris 7	14 mn	\$\$\$\$	
Hôtel Le Walt****	37, avenue de la Motte Picquet, Paris 7	10 mn	\$\$\$\$	
Hôtel Villa Saxe Eiffel****	9, Villa de Saxe, Paris 7	7 mn	\$\$\$\$	
Le Cinq Codet*****	5, rue Louis Codet, Paris 7	9 mn	\$\$\$\$	Luxury hotel
Mercure Paris Tour Eiffel Grenelle Hôtel****	64, boulevard de Grenelle, Paris 15	9 mn	\$\$\$\$	77 rooms
Pullman Paris Tour Eiffel****	18, avenue de Suffren, Paris 15	16 mn	\$\$\$\$	430 rooms

Participants are requested to contact the hotel directly **as soon as possible** to book their rooms.

VIII. Transportation

The recommended hotels are within walking distance to the venue of the meetings. Please note that participants must make their own transport arrangements in order to attend the meetings at the UNESCO Headquarters.

Participants should also make their own transportation arrangements from the International Airports and railway station to their respective hotels. To get to the City center, participants may take taxis, buses or trains.

How to get to UNESCO Headquarters



Bus

28: "Fontenoy-UNESCO" bus stop (5mn) 82: "Ecole militaire" bus stop (10 mn)
80: "Ecole militaire" bus stop (10 mn) 87: "Duquesne-Lowendal" bus stop (10 mn)
92: "Ecole militaire" bus stop (10 mn)



CLOSEST MÉTRO STATIONS

Séguir (1 mn), Cambronne (5 mn), Ecole militaire (10 mn)



ARRIVING BY AIR

From Charles de Gaulle Airport (1h30) , take the Airport Shuttle to "Etoile Champs-Élysées", then:

- Take a taxi to UNESCO;
- or take the métro to "Cambronne" (line 6), and walk to 125, avenue de Suffren (6 mn);

From Orly Airport (56 mn), take the Airport Shuttle to "Gare Montparnasse", then;

- Take a taxi to UNESCO;
- or take the metro to "Cambronne" (line 6), and walk to 125, avenue de Suffren (6 mn);



ARRIVING BY RAIL

There are five major train stations serving Paris. On arrival, take a taxi to 125, avenue de Suffren; or take the métro to "Séguir", "Cambronne", or "Ecole militaire", and then walk to 125, avenue de Suffren.



IX. Internet services

Free wireless internet access is available in all conference and meeting rooms and in the public areas. The credentials and details to access the Wifi will be made available at the venue.

X. Catering services

There are two restaurants with the UNESCO Headquarters that participants may wish to use.

There are also many restaurants and cafeterias offering a large variety of food and beverages, within walking distance of UNESCO.

XI. Electricity, electric plugs and sockets

The electric power in France is 230V running at 50Hz and the plug types used are either type E, type C and type F (if it has an additional pinhole).

Delegates are strongly encouraged to carry their own adapters for use with laptops and other electrical appliances as the Secretariat will not be able to provide these. In case of need, adapters can be purchased from shops in the city dealing in electronic and electrical items.



Type E: This socket also works with plug C. Plug F will work if it has an additional pinhole