

Dear participants,

Here are some helpful hints for the EURADOS Training Course on the European Technical Recommendations for Monitoring Individuals Occupationally Exposed to External Radiation (RP 160) held in Azienda Ospedaliero Universitaria Careggi in Firenze, Italy from 24 to 28 April 2017



Venue

Aula Pasquinelli room, inside the Careggi University Hospital. It is a big hospital, from the website you can download the hospital map:

www.aou-careggi.toscana.it/internet/images/docs/file/CartaWEB_GRANDE_luglio2015_1.pdf

Aula Pasquinelli is located in building 15 (*Piastra dei Servizi*).

To find the exact location, you can digit *Firenze viale S.Damiano* in Google Maps.

Flights

Firenze has an own airport (*Firenze Peretola*) but it is not very big. If you don't find easily flights to Firenze you can look for flights to Pisa (*Pisa Galileo Galilei*) airport, that has good connections by bus (visit www.terravision.eu) or by train (visit <http://www.trenitalia.com/> , look for connections from *Pisa Aeroporto* to *Firenze Santa Maria Novella* stations).

Trains

Firenze is very well served by train, so train could be a valid option for the travel.

The italian website for trains is <http://www.trenitalia.com/>.

The main station is *Firenze Santa Maria Novella*, but there is also *Firenze Rifredi*, at walking distance from the hospital.

Hotels

Firenze is a very touristic town so it is full of hotels, for all types and costs. If you are looking for an hotel in the city centre there are plenty. There are also other hotels or residences at walking distance (20 minutes or less) from the hospital.

Local transportations

Taxis are available, the fare from the airport to the hospital should be about 20 €, more or less the same to the city centre.

There are buses, the website is <http://www.ataf.net/>. From the airport to the train station *Santa Maria Novella* there is a special line (*volainbus*), from the station to the hospital you have to get the line 14C, all bus stops are numbered, the stop for the closest side of the hospital is n° 35 (*Monna Tessa*) that leaves you very close to building 15.

You can buy tickets in coffee shops and wherever you see the bus logo *...ataf*. You can also buy the ticket via SMS. Visit website for fares and other information.

The hospital is at walking distance (about 20 minutes) from the train station *Firenze Rifredi*. With the bus ticket you can get the train connecting the main station *Santa Maria Novella* with *Rifredi*. With this option you can gain an order of magnitude: bus connection is about 30 minutes, train connection about 3 minutes.

Notice: There are important works to build in Firenze a new transportation system, with surface trains, so now the town is full of works, especially around the hospital, and there are often changes in bus tracks. If in April will be important changes to these news, these will be inserted in the website, to keep you informed.

Tips

- The whole hospital is covered by a public Wi-Fi network (*Firenze Wi-Fi*).
- In Italy there are mainly three electric plugs: best thing is to show you pictures



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- Currency in Italy is Euro
- Weather in the end of April in Firenze is usually very pleasant, but could be rainy, sometimes heavily.
- Despite to current thinking, in Firenze not particular attention to thieves, not different than in all European towns
- According to current thinking, you eat well almost everywhere. Avoid places close to touristic attractions