

Practical information

(Please see an updated version of this practical information on the [SG16 website](#).)

1. MEETING VENUE

Venue: The Couvent des Jacobins – Rennes Metropolis Convention Center

Address: Place Sainte-Anne
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France

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Website: www.centre-congres-rennes.fr/en/

Located in the heart of the historic centre of Rennes, close to over 4,000 hotel rooms, the *Couvent des Jacobins* has all the assets of a 21st century convention centre in a historic 14th century setting.

The *Couvent des Jacobins* is a historic building that has been renovated sustainably, and is equipped with all the facilities needed to host large-scale events of any format. It is also one of the few conference centres in France to be located right in the heart of the city. This central location allows everyone to enjoy the city of Rennes and Brittany.

The entire premises are fitted with state-of-the-art technical equipment and high-speed Wi-Fi.

2. HOTELS

Hotel	Distance to the conference venue	Min. by foot	Min. by public transport	Public transportation
Hotel Des Lices	260 m	4 min	-	-
Mama Shelter Rennes	450 m	6 min	-	-
Le Magic Hall	450 m	6 min	-	-
Le Nemours Rennes	800 m	10 min	6 min	Line A "République"
Mercure Rennes Centre Place Bretagne	800 m	10 min	7 min	Line A "République"
Mercure Rennes Centre Parlement	950 m	12 min	7 min	Line A "République"

3. PASSPORTS AND VISAS

3.1 Visa Information

A national of another EEA Member State (EEA citizens are nationals of the EU Member States, Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein) or Switzerland may enter France with a valid personal identity card or passport, and does not require an entry permit (visa) or residence permit.

Visit <https://france-visas.gouv.fr/en/web/france-visas/visa-wizard> to find out whether you need a visa or not.

3.2 Invitation letter

Delegates needing an invitation letter for visa purposes should first [register online on the ITU-T SG16 website](#) and receive approval from their focal point, then fill out the form available at <https://itu.int/en/ITU-T/studygroups/2022-2024/16/Documents/202404/Form-visasupport.pdf> and send it by e-mail to the meeting host (aylin.kip@afnor.org and nathalie.dasilva@afnor.org) together with a copy of the registration confirmation e-mail and of your passport. The meeting host will then process the request and send the letter of invitation by e-mail.

Delegates are urged to register early, in order to allow ample time to process the application.

4. TRANSPORTATION AND SITE INFORMATION

Coming to Rennes:

- By train: 1 hour and 25 minutes from Paris, 2 hours and 47 minutes from the Paris – Charles de Gaulle airport. Information & reservations on the [French National Railways website](#).
- By plane: Rennes is 1 hour by air from Paris – Roissy Charles de Gaulle airport, and 2 hours from the Orly airport. Daily direct flights from major French and European cities and easy access to European hubs in Paris, Lyon, and Amsterdam. More information on the [Paris airports website](#). There are also direct flights to the [Rennes Bretagne airport](#) from major French and European cities.
- By car: 3 hours and 30 minutes from Paris, 1 hour from Nantes.

Public Transport

The centre of Rennes is small enough to cover by foot. You can pick up a city map at a tourist information centre or in the train station.

By subway: Lines A and B, stop at « Sainte-Anne »

By bus: stop at "Couvent des Jacobins" or "République" (700m from the conference center)

More information on the [Rennes public transportation website](#).

5. LOCAL INFORMATION

5.1 Currency exchange

In France, the valid currency is the Euro (EUR). Currency can be changed at exchange offices and hotel receptions.

Please check the currency exchange rate in the local bank system or use the following link as a reference: <https://themoneyconverter.com/EUR/USD.aspx>.

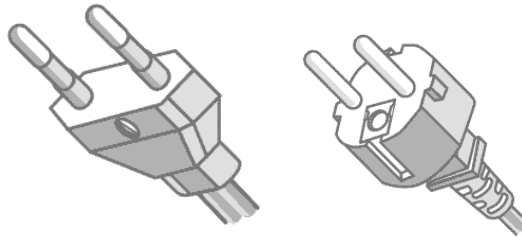
5.2 Climate

	Maximum temperature (°C)	Minimum temperature (°C)	Rain days
January	3.3	9.2	11
February	3	10.2	9
March	4.5	13.2	10
<i>April</i>	6	16	10
May	9.3	19.4	10
June	12.1	22.6	7
July	13.8	24.8	7
August	13.8	24.8	6
September	11.4	21.9	8
October	9.3	17.2	11
November	5.9	12.5	12
December	3.6	9.6	12

5.3 Time Zone: Central European Summer Time (CEST) GMT+2

5.4 Electricity

The standard voltage in France is 230 volts, 50 Hz AC with a round two-pin plug (European standard).



5.5 Emergency Numbers: In case the worst should happen, here are the most important telephone numbers in France:

Fire brigade:	18
Police:	17
Rescue/ambulance:	15

5.6 Business Hours

Banks

Mon-Fri: 09:00-17:00 hours.

Some banks close their offices between 12:30 and 13:45 and some are open on Saturdays.

ATMs – You can withdraw cash 24 hours a day from most of the ATMs around Ljubljana using MasterCard, Visa, CB cards.

Changing money – Currency can be changed at exchange offices and hotel receptions.

Post Offices

Mon-Fri: 09:00/9:30-18:30/19:00

Sat: 09:00/9:30-12:30

Museums and Galleries

Tue-Sun: 9:00/10:00 – 18:00/19:00

Mon: closed

Find the contact details for the museum you want to visit: <https://tourisme-rennes.com/en/>.

5.8 Restaurants

Tippling: In most service areas, such as restaurants, taxis, hairdressers etc., a tip is traditionally not expected.

- **Crêperie Sainte-Anne**

5 Pl. Sainte-Anne, 35000 Rennes

Opening hours:

Mon-Sat: 11:45 – 22:00

Sun: closed

- **La Bonne Nouvelle**

Opening hours:

Mon–Sun: 8:00 am – 1:00 am

For other restaurants, see <https://www.tourisme-rennes.com/restaurants/>.

5.9 Shopping

In Rennes, there are plenty of small stores selling a large variety of products and brands known worldwide.

A visit to the centre of the old town is the perfect opportunity to buy local products, art and handmade goods at the market.

Shops

The opening hours of shops are not strictly defined.

5.10 Meeting organizer Kenzler Conference Management

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