# Logistic Information for the 23<sup>rd</sup> IOCCG Committee Meeting and 31<sup>st</sup> IOCCG Executive Meeting CNR Headquarters, Rome, Italy 6-9 March 2018

## **Meeting Details**

The 23<sup>rd</sup> annual IOCCG Committee meeting will take place from 6 - 8 March 2018, and will be followed by the IOCCG Executive meeting on Friday 9 March 2018 (Executive members only). The meeting will be hosted by CNR and ESA, and will take place at the CNR Headquarters in Rome, Italy (Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche, 7 Piazzale Aldo Moro, 00185).

#### **Visa Information**

Citizens of certain countries will require a Schengen visa in order to enter Italy (see <a href="https://www.schengenvisainfo.com/who-needs-schengen-visa/">https://www.schengenvisainfo.com/who-needs-schengen-visa/</a> for a list of countries) whereas others may not require a visa for stays less than 90 days. You are advised to contact your nearest Italian Embassy or Consulate to confirm whether or not you require a visa to enter Europe. If you require a letter from the host organisation for visa purposes, please contact our host Rosalia Santoleri (rosalia.santoleri@artov.isac.cnr.it).

## **Getting from the Fiumicino Airport to Rome**

Several international airlines fly directly to Rome's "Leonardo da Vinci - Fiumicino Airport", one of the busiest airports in Europe. The airport is located in Fiumicino, 35.0 km (22 mi) west of Rome's historic city centre.

The easiest way to reach the city centre is to take the <u>Leonardo Express train</u> from the Fiumicino Airport railway station (Italian: Stazione di Fiumicino Aeroporto) located directly opposite Terminal -1, which provides a non-stop service linking the Fiumicino Aeroporto with **Roma Termini** railway station. The journey takes 32 minutes, and operates every 15 to 30 minutes from 6.23 a.m. to 11.23 p.m. The cost is 14€ per person one way (you can purchase tickets at the ticket counter or newsstand, or from the multilingual touch-screen "Biglietto Veloce" ("Fast Ticket") machines. Remember to validate your ticket before boarding the train using the small green machines at the end of each platform. For the return journey, the Leonardo Express departs from platforms 23 and 24 of Rome's Termini station.

# **How to reach CNR Headquarters (Meeting Venue)**

The Termini station is about 1.5 km from the CNR Headquarters (7 Piazzale Aldo Moro, 00185), so it is possible to reach the meeting venue by foot, following the itinerary shown below (or see <a href="https://www.cnr.it/en/node/217">https://www.cnr.it/en/node/217</a> for more details on how to reach CNR Headquarters).



#### **Accommodation**

There are many different accommodation opportunities in Rome close to CNR Headquarters (7 Piazzale Aldo Moro, 00185), and to the main train station. All the hotels listed below are within 5 to 10 minutes walking distance to the meeting venue and have an agreement with CNR for reduced rates. The closest is the Hotel Ateneo Garden Palace. You can reserve a room via email or phone (remember to mention that you are attending a meeting at CNR and request a reduced rate). You must provide credit card information to retain the booking. Online booking via the hotel website also offers competitive rates if you book early.

**Hotel Ateneo Garden Palace** \*\*\*\* (Special rate =  $^{\sim}125$  euro/night single use room, including breakfast, 300 m to CNR) Via dei Salentini 1/3, Rome, Italy.

Tel: +39 06/4440042. Fax: +39 06/4453621.

Email: info@ateneorome.com

Website: <a href="http://www.ateneorome.com/">http://www.ateneorome.com/</a>

**Hotel Laurentia** \*\*\* (~110 euro/night including breakfast, 450 m to CNR)

Largo degli Osci, 65, Roma, Italia.

Tel: +39 06/4450218. Fax: +39 06/4453821 Website: http://www.hotellaurentia.com/

Best Western Hotel Globus \*\*\* (105 euro/night including breakfast, 1.2 km to CNR)

Viale Ippocrate, 119 - 00161 - Roma (RM) **Tel**: +39 06 4457001 - **Fax**: +39 06 4941062

Website: <a href="http://www.globushotel.com/en/home-page.aspx">http://www.globushotel.com/en/home-page.aspx</a>

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#### Weather in Rome

March is the beginning of spring in Rome so the weather is somewhat unpredictable ranging from cold, blustery, rainy days to blue skies with mild temperatures. Check out the weather forecast before you go: <a href="https://www.theweathernetwork.com/it/weather/lazio/rome">https://www.theweathernetwork.com/it/weather/lazio/rome</a>

# **Currency in Italy**

The currency used in Italy is the Euro. There are 8 different Euro coin denominations and 7 different Euro bill denominations in circulation. Each member state decorates their own coins, but all coins are interchangeable within the countries. Bills are denominated in 500, 200, 100, 50, 20, 10 and 5, and they vary in colour and size. With the euro in constant flux, please see <a href="https://www.oanda.com">www.oanda.com</a> for up-to-date exchange rates (at the time of writing 1 Euro = \$1.17 USD).



# Power and Appliances, Italy

The electric power supply in Italy, as in the rest of Europe, is 220 volts, with a frequency of 50 Hz per second. The power sockets are of type F and L (see below) - a suitable power adapter may be required to connect to the normal Italian two (or three) round-prong power sockets.

