







# International Poplar Commission 27th session

#### **TRAVEL & PRACTICAL INFORMATIONS**

# Visa, regulatory supporting documents

- For residents of the European Union: no visa is required.

- For non-EU resident: a visa may be required depending on the country and length of stay.

By this link you can find out if you need a visa or not: <u>https://france-visas.gouv.fr/en/visa-wizard</u>

To participate in a conference as part of your professional activity, you must fulfill a few conditions mentioned on this link : <u>https://france-visas.gouv.fr/en/business-travel</u>

Be sure to apply for your Visa as quickly as possible.

In France, for participants in "major events" who do not reside in the EU, the French government offers a visa facilitation service. To take advantage of this service, please contact the IPC secretariat, which will request the necessary information, which it will then pass on to the French government IPC 27<sup>th</sup> Session organization.

### **Vaccination**

Some vaccinations are recommended, but no vaccinations are required. <u>https://www.pasteur.fr/fr/centre-medical/preparer-son-voyage/france</u>

# <u>Travel</u>

#### Insurance

Please consult your organization or the responsible unit organizing your travel to ensure you have a valid insurance covering your travel to France.

#### Travelling to Bordeaux: Loss/delay of baggage

In case of any baggage loss or delay, it is responsibility of the air company, so please complete the required formalities at the airport.

You are advised to travel smart by ensuring that you have a change of clothing in your hand luggage which will be useful should you lose or experience delays in obtaining your luggage. Additionally, at

the point of boarding your connecting flight, kindly request the respective airline staff to confirm that your luggage, as indicated in the boarding pass, is indeed loaded onto the aircraft.

#### Public transport in Bordeaux

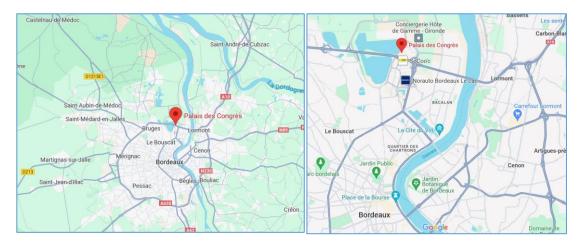
Bordeaux has a significant bus and tram network throughout the urban community. Follow this link to see all the information on this network : <u>https://www.infotbm.com/en</u>

From the airport, it is possible to reach the "Palais des congrès" and nearby hotels in 1 hour at any time of the day, by taking tram A, change at "Porte de Bourgogne", then tram C (direction "Bordeaux Parc des expositions").

From the SNCF station, it is possible to reach the "Palais des congrès" and nearby hotels in half an hour at any time of the day, by taking tram C (direction "Bordeaux Parc des expositions").

### Hotels next to the meeting session.

Adress of the meeting session : Palais des congrès Avenue Jean Gabriel Domergue 33300 Bordeaux



Preferential rates have been negotiated with hotels marked with a green asterisk. To access it, follow the directions in green italics.

#### IMPORTANT : It is advisable to make reservations early to guarantee reasonable rooms and prices.



Distance from "Palais des Congrès" : all hotels are 300-600 meters far, except n° 4 and n°10 (1200 m)

Pullman Bordeaux lac Av. Jean Gabriel Domergue, 33300 Bordeaux +33 556696666 https://all.accor.com/hotel/0669/index.fr.shtml

Novotel Bordeaux Lac Av. Jean Gabriel Domergue, 33300 Bordeaux +33 556436500 <u>https://all.accor.com/hotel/0403/index.fr.shtml</u> To benefit from a preferential rate with a -15% discount on the day's displayed rate, click on the link below: https://all.accor.com/lien\_externe.svlt?goto=rech\_resa&destination=0403&sourceid=IPC24&dayIn=20&monthI n=10&yearIn=2024&nightNb=6&preferredCode=IPC24&merchantid=par-accorFR

Mercure Rue Du Grand Barail, Quartier du Lac, 33300 Bordeaux +33 556433672 https://all.accor.com/hotel/0551/index.fr.shtml

Résidence All Suites Appart Hôtel \* Rue du Prof Georges Jeanneney, 33300 Bordeaux +33 535310101 <u>https://www.allsuites-apparthotel.com/residences-hotelieres/all-suites-appart-hotel-bordeaux-lac</u> *Rate code available for booking now on our website above. Participants must enter the reservation code IPCOCTOBRE2024 in the promo code box in order to benefit from a rate with 15% reduction on the price of the room. Please note our prices may change depending on demand.* 

Ibis Bordeaux lac \* Rue du Petit Barail, 33300 Bordeaux +33 556509650 https://all.accor.com/hotel/0356/index.fr.shtml

Make the reservation at the link above. After the reservation dates, enter the promo code: CIDPEU This code is valid from 16 to 26/10 inclusive. For stays of more than 5 nights, you will need to make 2 reservations as we cannot record stays of more than 5 nights, we will ensure that the customer keeps the same room depending on availability. The code requires prepayment but the reservation can be canceled 7 days before the date, in the event of cancellation within the deadline we will refund the amount incurred. It is possible to book from today until 10/10/2024.

Sure Hôtel 1 Rue du Grand Barail, 33300 Bordeaux +33 556505000 https://surehotel-bordeaux-lac.com/

Contact Hôtel Le Provençal Rue du Petit Barail, 33300 Bordeaux +33 556503973 https://www.contact-hotel.com/hotel-france/1525/hotel-le-provencal-bordeaux.htm

Ibis Budget Bordeaux Lac Centre Hôtelier Du Lac, Rue du Petit Barail, 33300 Bordeaux +33 892683249 https://all.accor.com/hotel/3085/index.fr.shtml

Première classe Bordeaux nord le lac Quartier du Lac, Rue du Prof Georges Jeanneney, 33000 Bordeaux +33 892707166 https://bordeaux-nord-le-lac.premiereclasse.com/fr-fr/

### Other accommodations solutions.

There are other accommodation solutions in the city center of Bordeaux. Please note that from the center of Bordeaux ("Place des Quinconces") and the "Palais des Congrès", there is a direct tram line (tram C, direction "Bordeaux Parc des expositions") which allows you to reach the "Palais des Congrès" in 20 minutes.

### Places to visit, and other information

For tourist information on Bordeaux, please click here : <u>https://www.bordeaux-tourism.co.uk/practical-information/brochures-maps-guides</u>

### Food and water

Please note the following:

- Lunch and tea/coffee will be provided during the days (22 to 25) of the meeting.
- Dinners and other meals should be taken care of by attendees (except for the Gala dinner)
- Tap water is drinkable. It is free in restaurants and bars.

For the lunch and tea/coffee, kindly specify your dietary requirements by September 30th. We will do our best to accommodate your requests.

# Health, Safety and Security

#### Medication and emergencies

Basic medications will be available, for example for headaches, stomach aches, etc. If you regularly take medications, we encourage you to bring enough of them, as well as your prescriptions. In case of emergencies, there are emergency services in Bordeaux.

#### Security guide

Bordeaux is safe and secure. You are simply invited to take the necessary precautions to avoid theft.

### Weather and clothing

Bordeaux is under oceanic influence. At the end of October, the climate is mild (minimum 10°C maximum 19°C), with always a risk of rain. The weather can be very changeable in the same day.

#### Voltage & Electrical Plugs

The current in France has a voltage of 230 V with a frequency of 50 Hz. The sockets are European, type E.

### Contacts et support

Travel and Visa assistance : <u>IPC-Secretariat@fao.org</u>

Registration : <a href="mailto:secretariat@iefc.net">secretariat@iefc.net</a>

General enquiries : eric.paillassa@cnpf.fr

Field trip : <a href="mailto:eric.paillassa@cnpf.fr">eric.paillassa@cnpf.fr</a>