

Practical Information for the Meeting at Toulouse

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How to reach Toulouse

By Air: Toulouse-Blagnac International Airport is located just 9 km northwest of the Toulouse city center. Many international airlines, including Air France, British Airways, Lufthansa, easyJet and Aer Lingus operate regular flights to Toulouse from destinations across France and Europe. Toulouse is just an hour from Madrid, 1 hour 20 minutes from London, and an hour from Paris. More than 30 daily flights operate between Toulouse and Paris only.

More Information available at: <http://www.toulouse.aeroport.fr/US/>

By Rail: Toulouse has a good rail networks connecting it to major cities of France, which in turn connect it to international destinations in Europe. High-speed TGV trains connect Toulouse to London, Paris, Lille and other major cities of France and Europe. You can travel by Eurostar from London Waterloo to Paris or Lille, and then switch to the French SNCF network to reach Toulouse.

By Road: Toulouse has a good network of roads, connecting it to major destinations across France and Europe. Toulouse is easily accessible by road from Paris, Madrid, Barcelona, Geneva, Bordeaux, Montpellier, Lyon, Marseille, Nice and other cities of Europe. Euroline buses operate regular services between Toulouse and major destinations across Europe, including London, Barcelona and Paris.

How to get to LAAS

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Arriving to Toulouse by plane at Toulouse Blagnac Airport:

- a) **by taxi:** half an hour drive for 25-30 euros approximately
- b) **by bus:** take the airport shuttle bus to the city centre (30 minutes, 4 euros), Stop at Allées-Jean Jaures (near Place Wilson) or at Place Jeanne-d'Arc, then board bus N°10 going to "Stade Struxiano" bus terminal. From there, board bus N°68 (7:35, 8, 8:35, 9:05, 10, ...) up to LAAS bus stop (45 minutes)

Additional information about airport shuttle bus timetable available at:

<http://www.toulouse.aeroport.fr/fr/pageEdito.asp?UIDcNode=78FC748B&UIDcRoot=812C44C3&IDPAGE=315>

Arriving by Rail at Toulouse Matabiau:

- a) **by taxi:** 15 minute drive – 15 euros approximately
- b) **by bus:** go to Rue Alsace Lorraine, then board bus N°10 going to “Stade Struxiano” bus terminal. Then board bus N°68 (7:35, 8, 8:35, 9:05, 10, ...) up to LAAS bus stop

Arriving by car in Toulouse:

- a) through the east bound ring road to Montpellier, exit 19, then toward FOIX–TARBES, exit 20: Complexe Scientifique de Rangueil
- b) through the southbound ring road, exit 20: Complexe Scientifique de Rangueil

Additional information on buses and timetables available at:

<http://www.connex.tisseo.fr/horaires/>

Accommodation

Downtown hotels are situated close to "Place Wilson", "Place Jeanne d'Arc" or "Place du Capitole". Choosing a hotel in the city will give you easy access to the wide range of activities the city offers.

For your reservation, please contact DIRECTLY the hotel of your choice mentioning LAAS, and confirm your reservation by fax.

ACCOMMODATIONS LIST in TOULOUSE CITY-CENTER

Prices subject to change regarding seasons 2006

(See attached map for the location of the hotels)

HOTEL MERCURE ATRIA*** Boulevard Lascrosses 31000 Toulouse tél : 05 61 11 09 09 fax : 05 61 23 14 12 E-mail : H1585@accor.com web : http://www.mercure.com rate : 105/143 euros breakfast 12 euros	HOTEL MERCURE WILSON*** 7, Rue Labeda 31000 Toulouse tél : 05 34 45 40 60 fax : 05 34 45 40 61 E-mail : H1260@accor.com web : http://www.mercure.com rate : 129/173 euros breakfast : 12 euros, garage : 11 euros
HOTEL HOLIDAY INN (CAPOUL) *** 13, Place Wilson 31000 Toulouse tél : 05 61 10 70 70 fax : 05 61 21 96 70 E-mail : hi@capoul.com web : http://www.hotel-capoul.com rate : 115/230 euros	Best Western Hotel LES CAPITOULS*** 29 Allées Jean Jaurès 31000 Toulouse tél : 05 34 41 31 21 fax : 05 61 63 15 17 E-mail : contact@hotel-capitouls.com web : http://www.bestwestern.fr rate : single 110 euros, double 124 euros, breakfast included
HOTEL DE PARIS*** 18, Allées Jean-Jaurès 31000 Toulouse tél : 05 61 62 98 30 fax : 05 62 73 34 09 web : http://fr.federal-hotel.com/hotel_hotel-de-paris-toulouse_10926.htm rate : single 62 euros, double 68 euros breakfast included	GRAND HOTEL RAYMOND IV*** 6 rue Raymond IV 31000 Toulouse tél : 05 61 62 89 41 fax : 05 61 62 38 01 E-Mail : hotel.raymond4@wanadoo.fr web : http://www.hotelraymond4-toulouse.com/ rate : 90/145 euros, breakfast : 10 euros

<p>HOTEL MERCURE MATABIAU*** Boulevard Pierre-Semard 31000 Toulouse tél : 05 34 41 36 70 fax : 05 34 41 36 71 E-mail : H1259@accor.com web : http://www.mercure.com rate : single 81 euros, double 91 euros breakfast 10 euros</p>	<p>HOTEL CASTELLANE** 17, Rue Castellane 31000 Toulouse tél : 05 61 62 18 82 fax : 05 61 62 58 04 E-Mail : castellanehotel@wanadoo.fr web : http://www.castellanehotel.com rate : 64/68 euros breakfast : 7 euros</p>
<p>HOTEL MERMOZ*** 50, Rue Matabiau 31000 Toulouse tél : 05 61 63 04 04 fax : 05 61 63 15 64 E-mail information@hotel-mermoz.com web : http://www.hotel-mermoz.com rate : single 85/95 euros breakfast : 12 euros</p>	<p>HOTEL DU TAUR** 2, Rue du Taur 31000 Toulouse tél : 05 61 21 17 54 fax : 05 61 13 78 41 E-Mail : contact@hotel-du-taur.com web : http://www.hotel-du-taur.com rate : single 49/57 euros breakfast included</p>
<p>HOTEL WILSON SQUARE** 12 Rue d'Austerlitz 31000 Toulouse tél : 05 61 21 67 57 fax : 05 61 21 16 23 E-mail : contact@hotel-wilson.com web : http://www.hotel-wilson.com rate : 56 euros, 77 euros breakfast included</p>	<p>HOTEL de BRIENNE*** 20 Boulevard Maréchal-Leclerc 31000 Toulouse tél : 05 61 23 60 60 fax : 05 61 23 18 94 E-mail : direction.hoteldebrienne@wanadoo.fr web : http://www.hoteldebrienne.com rate : 77/91 euros breakfast : 10 euros</p>
<p>HOTEL VICTOR HUGO** 26, Bd de Strasbourg tél : 05 61 63 40 41 fax : 05 61 62 66 31 E-Mail : contact@victorhugo-hotel.com web : http://www.victorhugo-hotel.com/ rate : single 47 / 51 euros, double 59 / 62 euros breakfast 7 euros</p>	<p>HOTEL PHOENICIA*** 7 Boulevard Bonrepos 31000 Toulouse tél : 05 61 63 81 63 fax : 05 61 63 02 06 E-mail : hotel.phoenicia@wanadoo.fr web : http://www.hotel-phoenicia-toulouse.com/ rate : 65 euros, breakfast included</p>
<p>HOTEL ALBERT 1er** 8, Rue Rivals 31000 Toulouse tél : 05 61 21 17 91 fax : 05 61 21 09 64 E-Mail : toulouse@hotel-albert1.com web : www.hotel-albert1.com rate : 47/100 euros breakfast : 10 euros</p>	<p>HOTEL LE TRIANON WILSON** 7, rue Lafaille tél : 05 61 62 74 74 fax : 05 61 99 15 44 web : http://perso.wanadoo.fr/hoteltrianon/ E-mail : Hotel-Trianon@wanadoo.fr rate : single 48 euros, double 58 euros breakfast included</p>
<p>HOTEL IBIS CENTRE** 2, Rue Claire Pauilhac 31000 Toulouse tél : 05 61 63 61 63 fax : 05 61 63 07 46 E-Mail : H1429@accor-hotels.com web : http://www.ibishotel.com rate : 57/73 euros breakfast : 6,50 euros</p>	<p>HOTEL SAINT SERVIN** 2, Rue Saint-Bernard 31000 Toulouse tél : 05 61 21 73 08 fax : 05 61 22 49 61 web : http://fr.federal-hotel.com/hotel_hotel-saint-servin-toulouse_11354.htm rate : 50/90 euros breakfast : 8 euros, garage 9 euros</p>

HOTEL DE FRANCE** 5, Rue d'Austerlitz 31000 Toulouse tél : 05 61 21 88 24 fax : 05 61 21 99 77 E-Mail : contact@hotel-france-toulouse.com web : http://www.hotel-france-toulouse.com rate : 51/75 euros breakfast : 6 euros	HOTEL CROWNE-PLAZA**** 7, Place du Capitole 31000 Toulouse tél : 05 61 61 19 19 tél : 05 61 61 19 13 email : hicptoulouse@alliance-hospitality.com Web : http://www.crowneplaza-toulouse.com Room « Tradition » : 155€* 175 €** Room « Club Plaza » :185 €* 205€** breakfast ncluded Inclus pour une personne * Special rate: Friday - Saturday - Sunday ** Special rate Monday - Tuesday - Wednesday–Thursday
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You can find other accommodation information at:

<http://www.toulouse-tourisme.com/english/hebergements/index.lasso>

<http://www.promotoulouse.com/english/hotels/index.lasso>

About Toulouse

Toulouse, the capital of the Midi–Pyrénées region, is located on the Garonne river, in a plain midway between the Mediterranean sea and the Atlantic ocean. With a population of 740 000, it is now the fourth largest city in France. Its international airport places it an hour from Madrid, an hour and twenty minutes from London and an hour from Paris.

Toulouse is pink and green: old pink bricks and green gardens with lots of pretty fountains and even barges going trough the "Canal du Midi". Already bustling 2000 years ago, the city boasts a rare architectural and artistic heritage including in particular the Basilica Saint–Sernin (11th century), Saint–Etienne's Cathedral (12th century), the Church and Cloister of the Jacobins (13th century) and the Capitol (18th century).

The city is southern in atmosphere and climate – winters are mild and summers hot – but tends to be compared more often with either Florence or Barcelona than the French Riviera. Its lively, cosmopolitan atmosphere is also due in part to the presence of some 100,000 students, Toulouse boasts the second largest university population after Paris. After the First World War, the town came back to life : in less than a century Toulouse has grown from a small provincial town to one of the most active business and high–tech centers in France.

Toulouse, a rich and beautiful city, is famous for its aeronautical and space achievements, its university founded in 1229, its laboratories and research centres.

This city owes its name "Ville Rose" to the colour of the bricks covering the walls, which glitter under the blazing sun. It combines a strong living spirit with a brilliant past and can unveil the gist of its beauties while jealously hiding less familiar treasures.

Toulouse is constantly building the future but is also a real heaven for the

strolling passer-by who just wants to muse in a cloister or on a terrace outside a cafe or restaurant till very late at night. Toulouse also lives to the sound of rhythm and music, with a subtle mix of Italian and Spanish influences.

Toulouse has combined its traditional and contemporary taste for art and entertainment. The Capitole Theatre has a high reputation for music and opera. The many café-théâtres, cinemas, jazz bars, and concerts in the beautifully restored Halle aux Grains offer a wide range of performances and entertainment

The gastronomy of Toulouse has much in common with that of neighboring Gascony to the west and Dordogne and Perigord to the north and places emphasis on a wide range of duck and goose products.

Whether your interest is in sampling the local specialities, finding a good ethnic restaurant from all over the world or simply buying a sandwich, you will find the right place to go.

Information on Toulouse can be found on:

http://www.promotoulouse.com/english/toulouse_mp/toulouse.lasso

<http://www.toulouse-tourisme.com/english/>

You can also directly contact: Office du Tourisme, Donjon du Capitole, 31000

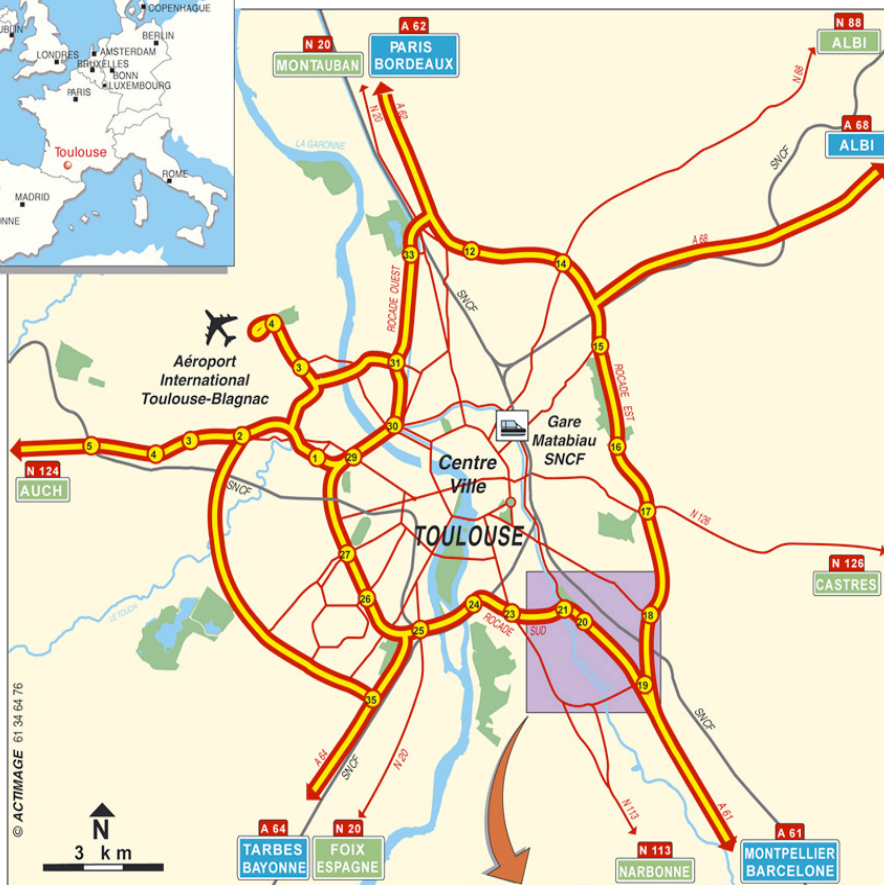
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