Information for Participants of the Summer School on
Islam & Science
Paris, Aug. 22-31, 2014

Workshop Hall

Espace Moulin
48 rue du fer au Moulin, 75005 Paris
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Participants’ Hotel

HOTEL KYRIAD ITALIE GOBELINS
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Speakers’ Hotel
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Metro Station: Les Gobelins (Line 7), or Saint Marcel (Line 5)

Your Arrival

Arrival at Paris Charles De Gaules Roissy Airport

To go to the hotel:
- You can take the Air France bus, which can be found at each terminal’s exit. Take the bus to the last station (Les Invalides), and from there take a taxi for less than € 10.
- You can also take the RER (the train/metro for the suburbs); use the Massy-Palaiseau line, get out at the Luxembourg station, and from there take a taxi for less than € 10.
  - For the Bus or the RER, please make sure you buy your ticket at the nearby counter before boarding.
- If you are pressed for time, you may take a taxi directly to the hotel; it will cost you between € 50 and € 90 depending on the hour and the traffic.
  - If you arrive between 6 and 9 AM or between 4 and 7 PM, we advise you to take the bus or the RER, as a taxi may take 2 hours to reach the hotel.
  - If you do take a taxi, please do not take the “black taxis” (they are very expensive), but rather go to the Taxi station, outside the terminal.
  - Please have some cash as not all taxis accept credit cards.
Arrival at Paris Gare du Nord (Train Station)

To go to the hotel:
- By Metro: Directly on Line 7 from Station ‘Gare du Nord’ to Station ‘Les Gobelins’, then a taxi (very short trip).
- By Taxi: If you are pressed for time or arrive late in the evening, you may take a taxi directly to the hotel (please have some cash as not all taxis accept credit cards).

Your Hotel
- Participants will share twin rooms. If you wish to share your room with someone specific, please inform us ahead of time; otherwise we will distribute participants by gender and country of origin.
- Breakfast will be served in the Workshop Hall (Espace Moulin), as the hotel breakfast is not Halal (and is thus not paid by the organizers).
- On Aug. 22 (start of the workshop), please be at the reception of the hotel around 4:30 pm. One of the organizers will come and lead you (walking) to the workshop hall for the start of the summer school. Those who will arrive later than that will be picked up later by one of the organizers.

Meals
In general, meals (lunch and dinner) will be served in the workshop hall (Espace Moulin). In some instances, dinner will be taken outside, as some outings are planned. Details will be given later.
All meals are guaranteed to be Halal (certified by Muslim organizations in France).
Prayers
The Great Mosque of Paris is nearby, at a walking distance: 5 min from the workshop hall and 15 minutes from the hotels. Please see the map below.
Address of the Mosque: 39, Rue Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, Paris, tel: 01 45 35 97 33
Visits / Outings

1. Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle

2, Rue Buffon, 75005 Paris; tel: 01 40 79 56 01
We will walk, as per the map below.

2. Cité des Sciences et de l'Industrie or Palais de la Découverte (To Be Decided)

- Cité des Sciences de et de l'Industrie: 30, avenue Corentin-Cariou – 75019 Paris
- Palais de la Découverte : Avenue Franklin Delano Roosevelt – 75008 Paris

We will take the bus.

Free outings
The workshop hall and the hotels are in the center of Paris.

You can go out in the evening, after the summer school lectures and activities, as sunset in Paris in late August is around 8:45 pm.

Most noteworthy/touristic sites are within 10 to 30 minutes by bus or metro from your hotel; metros run until about midnight. Advice can be given to you by the organizers once you arrive.

Please be careful about pick-pockets (stealers in metros and crowded places). There are many of them, they are youngsters, and they go in groups. Never carry your passports or valuables with you in outings.

Other than pick-pockets, Paris is rather safe. You can go out at night without worries, although we advise girls to go out in groups.
Weather
The temperature in Paris in August ranges from 15 to 24 degrees C (60 to 75 Fahrenheit), with average rainfall of 55 millimeters (2.2 inches). You are thus advised to bring a jacket and/or an umbrella.
Air conditioning is rather rare in Paris, except in shopping centers and some hotels. The workshop hall does not have A/C.

Mobile Phones
Using prepaid cards will allow you to make local and international calls at low cost.
We recommend the following operator: Lebara mobile [http://www.lebara.fr/?isoCode=en_GB](http://www.lebara.fr/?isoCode=en_GB)
There are two ways to purchase a Lebara SIM card: on the website or at retail outlets (newspaper kiosques, supermarkets, etc.).

Internet Access
Internet access via wi-fi is available and free in both hotels and in the conference room.

Electric Outlets
In France, electric outlets have two holes and a prong (see the pic below)

You will thus probably need an adapter (see below)
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