

14th Asia Pacific Satellite Data Exchange and Utilisation Meeting 26th North America-Europe Data Exchange Meeting

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Montréal, Canada

Information Sheet

Venue

The Joint 14th Asia Pacific Satellite Data Exchange and Utilisation Meeting and 26th North America-Europe Data Exchange Meeting will be held in the first floor meeting room at the Biosphère located at 160, Chemin Tour-de-l'Isle, Île Sainte-Hélène, Montréal, Québec.

<http://www.ec.gc.ca/biosphere/default.asp?lang=En&n=E1C6BC4A-1>

Airport and travel to downtown

Montreal-Pierre Elliott Trudeau International Airport is located 20 km west of downtown Montréal. Taxi and bus services operate between the airport and downtown Montréal. Taxis are offered at a fixed fare of \$40. The 747 bus line also runs from the airport to the central bus station which is very close to the two hotels proposed for the meeting. The fare is \$10.

For more information:

<http://www.admtl.com/en/access/transports>

Currency

The local currency is the Canadian Dollar (**CAD**). The exchange rate is around 0,66 **EUR** and 0,75 **USD**.

Time Zone

Montréal is in the Eastern Daylight Time (EDT), which is GMT – 4 hours.

Weather and Climate

http://weather.gc.ca/city/pages/gc-147_metric_e.html

http://climate.weather.gc.ca/climate_normals/results_1981_2010_e.html?stnID=5415&lang=f&StationName=montreal&SearchType=Contains&stnNameSubmit=go&dCode=1

Travel to the Biosphère

The hotels (Auberge le Pomerol and Gouverneur Hotel Place Dupuis) are located only a few minutes' walk from the BERRI-UQAM Metro station. To get to the Biosphère, you need to take the yellow line towards "LONGUEUIL-UNIVERSITE DE SHERBROOKE" and exit at station "JEAN-DRAPEAU". Once outside the station, you will easily recognize the characteristic mesh sphere of the Biosphère, which is about 200m from the Metro station.

You can buy Metro tickets at the BERRI-UQAM Metro station. There are many options, but here are two:

- 10 trips on a card at \$26.50: The per-trip cost is \$2.65 instead of \$3.25.
- Weekly pass at \$25.50: This transit fare is valid from 5 a.m. on Monday until 11:59 p.m. on Sunday and is also valid on the P.-E. Trudeau/Downtown shuttle (747).

More info at <http://www.stm.info/en/info/fares/transit-fares>

Internet access

Internet access will be available for the duration of the meeting through public Wi-Fi offered by the Biosphère (no password restriction).

Lunches and meeting dinner

The Biosphère is located on Sainte-Hélène Island and there is no restaurant at the Biosphère or nearby. The Met Service of Canada will provide complimentary lunches, beverages and snacks during the meeting.

On Wednesday night, we have organized an optional dinner at the "Restaurant de l'Institut" (<http://www.ithq.qc.ca/en/restaurants/restaurant-de-linstitut/>). The cost of the dinner, \$40, will be at participant's charge. We will ask to confirm your presence, and the number in your party, on the first day of the meeting.

Other useful information

<http://www.tourisme-montreal.org/>

<http://calendrier.espacepourelavie.ca/gardens-of-light-583739>

<http://www.fitzandfollwell.co/>