



## Scent Showcase

20-21 June 2019 | Athens, Greece

Information for participants

# INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

## TRANSPORTATION

### FROM/TO THE AIRPORT TO/FROM CITY CENTRE

Athens International Airport is located 33km southeast of Athens and is easily accessible via Attiki odos, a six-lane motorway constituting the Athens City Ring Road. It is also accessible by public transportation (see all options at the official website [here](#)). The most convenient and comfortable ways to commute from/to the airport are by Metro or by Bus (€6/way). See all tickets and fares [here](#).

Taxis are available at the designated Taxi waiting area located at Exit 3 of Arrivals Level (see [here](#)).

#### **Metro to city center (Syntagma square):**

*Metro Line 3* links the airport to the city center. Trains run every 30 minutes, 7 days a week and the trip lasts around 40' min. See the Athens Metro timetable to the airport [here](#) and the Metro Map [here](#).

#### **Bus to city center (Syntagma square):**

EXPRESS Bus routes service is provided on a non-stop basis seven days a week including holidays (24/7 operation). All buses disembark passengers at the **Departures Level** (inbound trips to airport) and depart from the **Arrivals Level** (outbound trips from airport). BUS tickets are sold at the info/ticket-kiosk (located outside the Arrivals between Exits 4 and 5), or onboard (ask operator) at no extra cost. See all bus connections [here](#).

*Bus X95: Syntagma - Airport* is the one that takes you directly to the city center. Travel time is estimated around 50'-60' min. Always allow sufficient time to travel as traffic conditions may cause delays.

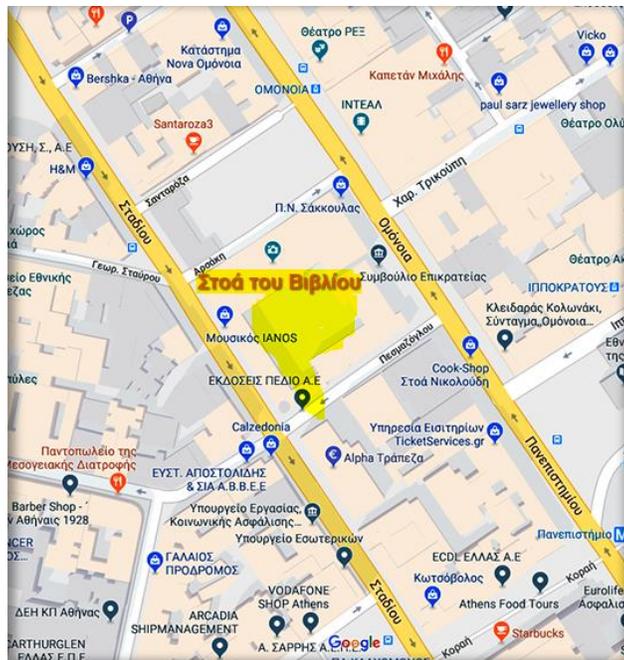
**NOTE:** Estimates are given for reference only. Journey time depends always on prevailing traffic conditions. Passengers are advised to allow sufficient time for their transfer from/to the airport.

### AROUND THE CITY CENTRE

Metro has two available lines (line 2 red & line 3 blue) and train has one line (line 1 green). Some useful links regarding the public means of transport can be found here below:

- Metro and Tram network map: [http://stasy.gr/fileadmin/pages\\_material/metakinitheite/maps/Hartis\\_Diktyou\\_Gramm\\_on\\_1\\_2\\_3\\_en.jpg](http://stasy.gr/fileadmin/pages_material/metakinitheite/maps/Hartis_Diktyou_Gramm_on_1_2_3_en.jpg)
- Metro and Tram stations and routes: [http://www.stasy.gr/index.php?id=52&no\\_cache=1&L=1](http://www.stasy.gr/index.php?id=52&no_cache=1&L=1)
- Timetables (metro and tram lines): <http://stasy.gr/index.php?id=67&L=1>
- Information about tickets and travel cards: <http://stasy.gr/index.php?id=8&L=1>

## ACCESS TO CONFERENCE VENUE



Pesmatzoglou 5, 10564, Athens

Access to the venue both by metro line 1 and metro line 2 is quite easy.

- From OMONOIA square **Green Line 1 & Red Line 2**: From Omonoia square, it will take you 4' minutes to walk to the conference venue.
- From MONASTIRAKI square: Take the **green line (line 1)** from MONASTIRAKI metro station (metro line 1 / **direction to "KIFISSIA"**) and get off at "Omonoia" metro station. From there it will take you 4' minutes to walk to conference venue.
- From SYNTAGMA square: Take the **red line (line 2)** from SYNTAGMA metro station/ direction to "ANTHOUPOLI", get off at PANEPISTIMIO station.



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### ACCOMMODATION (GENERAL INFO)

In general, the most convenient areas to stay at the center of Athens are MONASTIRAKI/PLAKA (historic city center), SYNTAGMA (Constitution Square, Hellenic Parliament and National Gardens), KOLONAKI (high end day/night life area), OMONOIA/PANEPISTIMIO (Historic Building of the university of Athens – convenient location) and AMPELOKIPOI (mostly residential) area, all at a short distance from the center, as they provide direct access to the main city attractions. See here below more specific public transportation information:

- OMONOIA/PANEPISTIMIO area: closest metro station “PANEPISTIMIO” **red line (line 2)** and train station “OMONOIA” **green line (line 1)** and **red line (line 2)**
- MONASTIRAKI/PLAKA area: closest metro “MONASTIRAKI” **blue line (line 3)** and “ACROPOLIS” **red line (line 2)** & train station “MONASTIRAKI” and **green line (line 1)**
- SYNTAGMA area: closest metro station “SYNTAGMA” **blue line (line 3)** and **red line (line 2)**
- KOLONAKI area: closest metro “EVANGELISMOS” and “SYNTAGMA” **blue line (line 3)**
- AMPELOKIPOI area: closest metro stations “PANORMOU”, “AMPELOKIPOI” and “MEGARO MOUSIKIS”, all **blue line (line 3)**

### ACCOMMODATION SUGGESTIONS

#### OMONOIA/ PANEPISTIMIO (close to Conference Venue)

- [Hotel Titania](#): located at OMONOIA area, right in the heart of the Historical and Commercial Centre of Athens, 5' walk from OMONOIA metro station
- [Hotel Kubic](#): located at OMONOIA area, right in the heart of the Historical and Commercial Centre of Athens, 5' walk from OMONOIA metro station
- [Art Hotel Athens](#): located at OMONOIA area, right in the heart of the Historical and Commercial Centre of Athens, 5' walk from OMONOIA metro station

#### MONASTIRAKI/PLAKA

- [A for Athens](#): within walking distance from the main Athenian attractions, the picturesque old town of Plaka, archaeological sites, shopping areas, cafés and restaurants, and a minute's walk from MONASTIRAKI metro station (lines 3 and 1), offering spectacular view to the Acropolis from its rooms and roof garden

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- [Amalia Hotel](#): located at SYNTAGMA area, next to Constitution Square and the National Gardens, SYNTAGMA metro station (3' walk) and close to all historical sites of the city of Athens, new Acropolis Museum, Acropolis and other cultural sites, shopping areas, cafés and restaurants as well as the picturesque old town of Plaka.

#### KOLONAKI

- [COCO-MAT Hotel Athens](#): located at the KOLONAKI area, a vibrant day and night time district with high-end shops.

#### AMPELOKIPOI

- [Athinais Hotel](#) located at AMPELOKIPOI area, within walking distance from MEGARO MOUSIKIS metro station, which is just 2 stops away from Syntagma.
- [Best Western Plus Embassy Hotel Athens](#): located at AMPELOKIPOI area, within walking distance from MEGARO MOUSSIKIS metro station, which is just 2 stops away from Syntagma.
- [Athens Zafolia Hotel](#): located at AMPELOKIPOI area, within walking distance from AMPELOKIPOI metro station, which is just 3 stops away from Syntagma.
- [President Hotel Athens](#): located at AMPELOKIPOI area, within walking distance from AMPELOKIPOI metro station, which is just 3 stops away from Syntagma.

## TRAVELLING TO GREECE

General information available here <http://www.gtp.gr/travelinfo.asp>

## SIGHTSEEING AT THE CITY CENTER

Check the following useful links:

- Ministry of Culture & Sports <http://odysseus.culture.gr/h/3/eh30.jsp>
- 24 hrs in Athens [http://www.visitgreece.gr/en/main\\_cities/24\\_hrs\\_in\\_athens](http://www.visitgreece.gr/en/main_cities/24_hrs_in_athens)
- Acropolis rock <http://acropolisrock.com/>
- Acropolis Museum <http://www.theacropolismuseum.gr/en>
- Ancient Agora/ Plaka Ancient Athens on foot [http://www.visitgreece.gr/en/touring/on\\_foot/on\\_foot\\_ancient\\_athens](http://www.visitgreece.gr/en/touring/on_foot/on_foot_ancient_athens)
- Zappeion Megaro <http://www.zappeion.gr/en/index.asp>
- Museum of Cycladic Art <https://cycladic.gr/en>
- Benaki Museum <http://www.benaki.gr/index.asp?lang=en>



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- National Archaeological Museum of Athens <https://www.namuseum.gr/en/>