

How to get to your hotel from Athens airport

The easiest way is probably to take the Metro. When you arrive at the airport, you should exit the main terminal building, cross the road, take the lift to the upper level, cross a long corridor and you will arrive at the Metro station. You'll see the metro signs (m). Trains run every 30 mins (5' and 35') from 6.35 to 23.35. One way tickets cost 8 euro and can be purchased at the station. Please remember to validate your tickets before going down the stairs to the metro. The journey takes about 40 mins. There is only one direct (blue) line and the direction is "Egaleo". You should get off at Syntagma station. When there, follow the exit signs. The first ground level exit you'll see is "Syntagma Square" but you ignore it!! and walk straight down the long corridor to the left where you'll see another exit sign "Grande Bretagne/Panepistimiou". Follow the sign for the "Grande Bretagne" exit. Walk down the street past Grande Bretagne hotel.

- If you are staying at **Athens Plaza hotel**, the hotel is at the end of that road to your left.
- If you are staying at **Astor hotel** cross the street ahead (Stadiou St.) and walk straight. This is Karageorgi street (or Karageorgi Servias – it's the same) where Astor is (16 Karageorgi St.).
- If you are staying at **Electra hotel** cross the street ahead (Stadiou St.), turn left and walk past the cafes. The next street (parallel to Karageorgi) is Ermou where Electra Hotel is (5 Ermou St.).

You can also take a bus (X95) to Syntagma Square. They run 24 hours every 15-30 mins (depending on the time). The bus takes about an hour and costs 5 euro. Tickets can be bought from the bus driver or the ticket kiosk at the bus departure area, which is located between Exit 4 and Exit 5 at the arrivals level.

You other option is to take a taxi. There is a taxi rank located between Exit 2 and Exit 3 at the arrivals level. Taxis in Athens are yellow. It should cost around 50-60 euro between 12.00 and 5.00 at night and 35-40 euro at all other times. It's a good idea to ask the taxi-driver in advance about how much it will cost and perhaps also say that you need a receipt (apodiksi). The trip should take about 40 mins.

How to get to the venue

To get to the venue, walk back to the metro exit you arrived and turn left to Panepistimiou Street. Walk down Panepistimiou and in about 5-7 mins walk you'll see on your left three neoclassic buildings. The university is the middle one where both amphitheatres and the senate room are.

If you don't like walking, you can take the metro (direction Anthoupoli) and get off at the next station (Panepistimio, it means university). Any of the exits (Vivliothiki or Akadimia) will lead outside the three neoclassic buildings. The university is the middle one where both amphitheatres and the senate room are.

There will be students at the entrance to direct you.

Please see following maps. They will be provided in print in your conference pack.

Athens metro (M/m)



Centre of Athens

