





Council of Europe Conference "Democracy in Action"

Learning & Teaching Resources in Democratic School Practice

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Practical Information Note



VENUE

Royal Olympic Hotel, Athanasiou Diakou 28, Athens, Greece, 11743

Tel. +0030 210 9288400

ACCOMMODATION - HOTELS IN ATHENS

There are several suggestions for your stay in Athens either close to Syntagma Square or the Acropolis Museum area. All hotels recommended are within 5-10 minute walking distance from the conference venue and close to Plaka, Monastiraki, the Acropolis Hill and Museum and many other historical sites and monuments. Moreover, the suggested hotels are close to a Metro Station (Syntagma or Acropolis station) and also give you the opportunity to find many places to go shopping and spend an enjoyable time just a breath away. It should be kept in mind that the hotel situation in the city centre may be difficult during summer season so early bookings are therefore advisable. You may find the following list useful for booking a hotel.

1. NJV Athens Plaza

2 Vas. Georgiou A, Constitution Square, Athens, 105 64, Greece www.njvathensplaza.gr tel. +0030 210 3352400

2. Acropolis Select

Falirou 37-39, Athens, 11742, Greece <u>www.acropoliselect.gr</u> tel. +0030 210 9211610

3. Electra Hotel Athens

<u>5 Ermou, Athens, 105 63, Greece</u> www.electrahotels.gr tel. +0030 210 3378000

4. Niki Athens Hotel

Nikis Street 27, Athens, 150 57, Greece www.nikiathenshotel.com tel. +0030 2103220914

5. The Athenian Callirhoe Exclusive Hotel

32 Kallirrois Av. & Petmeza Str., Athens, 117 43, Greece www.tac.gr tel. +0030 2109215353

The most important attractions and monuments of the city of Athens are just around the hotels we have recommended. You can take a look at the map below just to have an idea:



TRANSPORTATION

Suggestions for your transfer from Athens Airport

1. <u>By Taxi</u>

The colour of taxis in Athens is yellow. When exiting Athens Airport (Eleftherios Venizelos) you will find taxis waiting between Exit 2 and Exit 3 at the arrival area. The fare from Athens airport to Athens city centre is fixed:

- Day time (05:00-24:00) Athens Airport to Athens city: 38 €
- Night time (24:00-05:00) Athens Airport to Athens city: 54 €

The price includes totally everything. Luggage charge, tolls fee, VAT, meter start, airport charge etc. So, you don't have to pay anything more than the above. The same fixed fares apply when you pick a taxi from Athens centre to go to the airport. The transfer from the airport to the centre of the city takes 25 minutes approximately, depending on the traffic especially during day time.

2. By Metro

Athens Metro connects Athens Airport with Athens City including **Athens City Centre (Syntagma)** (see map below). The trip from the Airport to Athens City Centre (metro station Syntagma) takes 40 minutes. The metro departs from the airport every 30' min.

- One-way ticket for one person: 10.00 €
- Return ticket for one person: 14.00 €

If you finally choose a hotel near the Acropolis Metro Station or Syntagma Metro Station, you will board the Metro from the Airport Station and either get off at Syntagma Station or at Syntagma Station you switch lines in the direction of Elliniko and get off at the first Station, the Acropolis Station. The estimated time from the Athens International Airport to the city centre is 60 minutes.



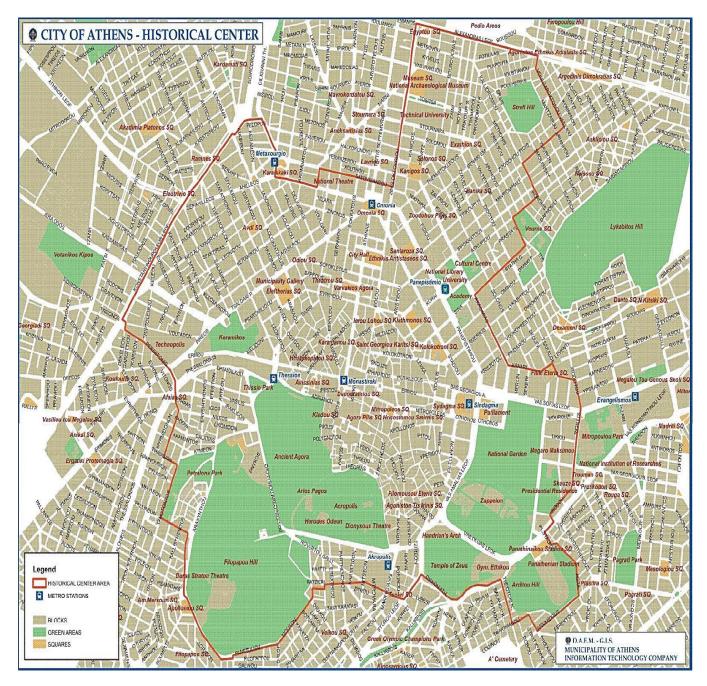
3. <u>By bus</u>

There are four different bus routes starting from Athens airport. They are available 24 hours a day - 7 days a week. The buses leave every 30 to 60 minutes depending on the route. Tickets are available from the bus drivers, from the ticket kiosk at the bus departure area and from all the metro stations around Athens, and they cost 6.00 euros (there are only one - way tickets).

If you would like to take the bus from Athens airport, you may use the route X95 Syntagma-Airport, which takes you to the centre of Athens (Syntagma Square). It runs every 15 minutes and the bus station is located between Exits 4 and 5 at the arrivals level.

If you finally choose a hotel near the Acropolis Metro Station, you take Bus X95 until Syntagma and then Metro line 2 with direction to Agios Dimitrios and get off at Acropolis station.

Map of the historical centre of Athens



CONFERENCE VENUE

The Conference is going to be held at the Royal Olympic Hotel, Athanasiou Diakou 28, Athens, Greece, 11743, Tel. +0030 210 9288400.

The hotel is 100m away from the Acropolis metro station and you can get there by walking along Athanasiou Diakou Street.

https://www.royalolympic.com/athens_center_hotel/

