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Greetings from NC Greece

Dear Delegates,

On behalf of the National Committee, it is a great pleasure to welcome you all to the 85th World Library and Information Congress of IFLA in Athens, Greece which will take place from August 24 to August 30, 2019.

The theme "Libraries: dialogue for change" invites the Library and Information Science international community to discuss, re-examine, re-think and re-interpret the role of libraries as promoters of change. Dialogue is the utmost expression of democracy, the basis for the freedom of expression and information and thus, the gear for a better future. Libraries serve as open, free, democratic, inclusive and participatory meeting places and mediators between knowledge and people.

In an era of rapid changes in the socio-economic-technological sphere, libraries ought to define their role as information providers, promoters of reading, settlers for the community they serve, key players in innovation, and leading actors for changes in the society. Libraries and society need to be in a constant, open dialectic relationship. This will lead to well-informed citizens facilitating progress and development, implementing the UN Agenda for Sustainable Development and leading to prosperity in all fields of the democratic society.

Greek libraries are also in a nodal point re-examining and re-defining their role, developing and promoting new information services, establishing collaborations and networks, incorporating cutting edge technologies, all with the view to meet the constantly changing needs of their audiences. Greek libraries face the challenges with optimism and work towards embedding new technological evolutions along with changes brought by a multicultural society.

The National Committee will propose a programme for visiting more than 60 libraries of all types, not only in the greater Athens area but in other cities around Greece as well, combining them with excursions to the archaeological and cultural sites found nearby.

Here, in Athens, the cradle of democracy and the World Book Capital for 2018, Delegates will have the unique opportunity to discuss, under the light of the Temple of Athena (Parthenon), the challenges for our profession in the new millennium. In Athens, the first public library in history with the main objective of storing, preserving, and disseminating the written heritage was founded, almost
Greetings from NC Greece

the same time as the birth of Democracy, Philosophy, Science, and Theatre. The contemporary face of the city, including the new premises of the National Library of Greece, will offer the opportunity to examine the past, present, and future of libraries in a continuous line, connecting different periods of history in the bright highway of our profession.

The summer in Athens is a unique experience. The proximity to the sea where the visitor can enjoy the clear waters of Argo-Saronic Gulf; the Athens Festival with its vast cultural programme with performances varied from ancient Greek Theatre to post-modern music concerts; the vivid night life; the multicultural neighbourhoods which can offer almost everything even to the most demanding traveler. We are sure that Delegates of the IFLA World Library and Information Congress will have the opportunity to explore the city’s life and live a part of the Athenian culture and atmosphere.

We look forward to welcoming you to the country that fosters open dialogue and discussion.

Sincerely,

Christina Kyriakopoulou  
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The Minister of Culture and Sports invites you

Dear Delegates,

On behalf of the Ministry of Culture and Sports, I would like to welcome you to the 85th IFLA World Library and Information Congress and Assembly (IFLA WLIC), which will be held in Athens in August 2019, in an event that follows the nomination of the city of Athens as the UNESCO World Book Capital in 2018.

We are indeed very proud that the National Library of Greece and the Association of Greek Librarians and Information Scientists are ready to host such a prestigious international event in Athens, at Megaron (the Athens Concert Hall), a high-quality standards conference and cultural venue that safeguards the success of the IFLA Congress.

The main objectives of the 85th IFLA WLIC in Athens are promoting libraries and librarianship at the local, regional and international level; providing an opportunity for Greek libraries and library professionals to exhibit, share and learn from best practices in the fields of information management and innovation; interaction of library and information services with social, cultural and economic development; and the development of equal opportunities for all vis-à-vis education and culture, with the inclusion of the physically and/or socially disadvantaged and of the cultural immigrants.

Furthermore, Athens, as a city, and Greece as a whole, find themselves in the middle of a true recovery and regeneration process, after a long period of economic downturn. The nomination of Athens as the UNESCO World Book Capital provides a unique opportunity for international sharing of experiences, best practices and innovation in the fields of culture and books. Our internationally renowned cultural heritage sites and infrastructure, including the Parthenon, the New Acropolis Museum, the National Archaeological Museum, the new National Library and all the city’s major archaeological, Byzantine and contemporary art museums and exhibitions, in addition to its tourism and accommodation capacities, provide a unique environment for a fulfilling participation and ensure the success of hosting the IFLA WLIC in Athens.
The Minister of Culture and Sports invites you

The experienced personnel of the Ministry and its related organisations will help to make your stay in Athens beneficial and creative in the best possible way.

We look forward to welcoming you in Athens.

Sincerely,

Lydia Konioroudou
Minister of Culture and Sports
Dear Delegates,

It was a great pleasure for us to find out you selected Athens as your host for the World Library and Information Congress (WLIC) 2019, a flagship event for your industry providing a networking platform for professionals from across the globe.

Athens is a shining example of how a city can tap into initiatives and networks to drive growth and come up with attractive solutions for its residents and visitors, those who want to invest and create. Against all adversities, we have been working intensively towards building coalitions that showcase our great potential and outstanding attractions.

We know our unique history and heritage juxtaposed with our contemporary vibe and the vivid cultural scene is a rare combination that makes Athens stand out. For the last few years, the City of Athens has been actively investing in promoting cultural initiatives to create unique experiences. We have brought together more than 40 cultural institutions to establish the Athens Culture Net, a culture and arts network for residents, visitors, the artists and the institutions that makeup Athens’ vibrant contemporary scene.

We co-hosted the renowned documenta 14 art fair, which brought 400,000 visitors to the city, to embolden our international positioning and our strategic pursuit to make our city a contemporary cultural destination. The culmination of our efforts was, of course, Athens being named the Emerging Cultural City of the Year for 2017 at the Leading Culture Destinations Awards in London. At the same time, Athens has become one of the most popular destinations in conference tourism, due to the wealth of services and know-how of our meeting industry professionals.

Your conference comes at a wonderful conjuncture for our great city. For the last few months, Athens has been gearing up to become UNESCO’s World Book Capital City for 2018. Our motto “Books Everywhere” highlights how we plan to celebrate a year of book-related events across town including reading happenings, seminars and conferences, workshops and competitions, activities for adults, children and events focusing on vulnerable groups like migrants and refugees.
At the same time, after years of preparations, our Greek National Library has made the journey into a new era. Hundreds of thousands of books have been moved into their new home, the contemporary Library housed at the impressive Stavros Niarchos Foundation Cultural Center.

Contemporary libraries are the arks for learning in our knowledge-based economies. We, at the City of Athens, view culture and knowledge as drivers for growth and sustainability, fields that mobilize the most extrovert and dynamic parts of society. We are very happy that Athens will be the host of such an important international meeting. We look forward to welcoming you to our great city, in the footsteps of some humanity’s greatest thinkers.

Sincerely,

Georgios Kaminis
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Important Information

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As the leading international body representing the interests of library and information services and their users, we place libraries on the global stage and help them develop.

We are the global voice and the largest brain trust of the library and information profession. We have an active network of more than 1,400 Members – leading associations and institutions from the library field – in over 140 countries around the world, 850 active volunteers, and well-established relations with the UN and other international organisations. Together with our Members, we work to set the professional agenda and develop standards for providing high-quality library services, to improve equitable and meaningful access to information, knowledge and cultural heritage resources, and to place this work at the heart of policy, from the local to the global level.

We do this by creating strategic alliances; enhancing professional education; developing professional standards; disseminating best practices; advancing relevant scientific and professional knowledge; and undertaking and supporting advocacy for libraries at all levels. We are committed to enabling all members of the Federation to engage in, and benefit from, our activities without discrimination.

We embrace the principles of freedom of access to information, ideas and works of imagination and freedom of expression embodied in Article 19 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. We hold that people, communities and organisations need universal and equitable access for their social, educational, cultural, democratic and economic well-being, and to achieve sustainable development.

The National Library of the Netherlands, located in the Hague, generously hosts our headquarters.

To advance the interest of our members, we:

- further accessibility, protection, and preservation of documentary cultural heritage;
- support a library and information profession which anticipates, responds, and continuously innovates to address the needs of communities worldwide;
- drives high standards in library and information services and professional practices;
- encourage widespread understanding of the value and importance of quality library and information services in the public, private and voluntary sectors;
- promote libraries as vital institutions that enhance people’s lives and contributes to sustainable development through equitable access to information and knowledge;
- advocate for the best policies for libraries at all levels, through collaboration between headquarters, volunteers and members.
Congress Venue

Megaron Athens International Conference Centre (MAICC), offers the finest facilities, stunning aesthetics and cutting-edge technology. A landmark in the centre of Athens, MAICC has a total offering of 143,000 square metres and a choice of 18 meeting spaces, combined with an expansive exhibition and foyer areas totalling 12,000 square metres. The Centre’s total capacity is 6,000 Delegates, with the largest meeting room accommodating close to 2,000 people. Relay systems in the main auditoria allow for the transmission of live sessions from one hall to another. Wireless Internet is available throughout the Centre.

Amongst the main auditoria are the Christos Lambrakis Hall (Friends of Music) (1,960 theatre style), the Alexandra Trianti Hall (1,500 theatre style), the Banqueting Hall, which is circular (650 theatre style), the Dimitris Mitropoulos Hall (450 theatre style) and the Nikos Skalkotas Hall (380 theatre style). These are complimented by a wide range of break-out rooms with capacities ranging from 25 to 180, depending on set-up style.

Banqueting space facilities are many and varied throughout the building.

Major luxury hotels are in close proximity, many within walking distance, and the Centre is near major museums as well as fine shopping and dining areas.

The new Athens Metro has a station next to the Centre and it is a mere 35 minutes on a direct line to the Eleftherios Venizelos International Airport. This is complemented by car parking for 750 and a plethora of taxis, trams and buses directly outside the Centre.

Core Congress Dates

24–30 August 2019

The Opening Ceremony will take place at the Lambrakis Hall on Sunday, 25 August 2019.

Exhibition

IFLA will also hold a trade exhibition at the Megaron Athens International Conference Centre (MAICC) in conjunction with the World Library and Information Congress. Attendees are invited to visit the exhibition which will be open from the afternoon of Sunday, 25 August 2019 until Wednesday, 28 August 2019. Final opening hours will be included in the Congress Programme.

IFLA Congress Communication

IFLA will communicate news items through several channels before and during the Congress, such as the IFLA Mailing List, a pre-
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Congress newsletter and social media. During the Congress, Facebook will be the main channel for Congress news: www.facebook.com/IFLAWLIC
Please be aware that you do not need a Facebook account to be able to read the posts.

IFLA WLIC 2019 Website

Information regarding the Congress will be frequently updated on the IFLA website. We recommend visiting the IFLA website regularly to keep up-to-date with the latest news and information regarding IFLA WLIC 2019:
https://2019.ifla.org

Congress Tours

A selected company will offer tours before, during and after the Congress, where guests have the chance to visit Athens and Greece. To learn more about the tours, have a look at:
https://2019.ifla.org
Hotel Reservations

Information regarding the Congress will be frequently updated on the IFLA website. We recommend visiting the IFLA website regularly to keep up-to-date with the latest news and information regarding IFLA WLIC 2019: https://2019.ifla.org.

Please be aware of fake websites that try to sell hotel accommodation. Always make sure that you are on the original IFLA-owned website.

Reservations

All room reservations have to be made directly with the hotel by sending the official hotel booking form with the booking code “IFLA 2019” and with full credit card details. The booking cannot be processed without the credit card details. Please take note that your hotel reservation is not complete if you don’t return the completed and signed form to the hotel of your choice. Please find the hotel overview and more information on the Congress website. Telephone reservations will not be accepted.

Changes & Cancellations

All changes and cancellations must be sent in writing (fax or email) to the hotel directly. For the exact cancellation dates please have a look at the relevant hotel booking form. After this date, the full value of the reservation indicated on the hotel reservation form will be charged under all circumstances. For a reduction in the length of stay or in the case of a no-show, no refunds will be made. No-shows will be released at 09.00 the following day, and the accommodation will not be refunded. If you have any changes please contact the hotel directly. If you do not have the contact details with you we will be happy to help you at the registration counters.

Confirmation & Invoice

The confirmation and the invoice of the hotel booking will be sent out by the hotel or given to you upon check-out.

Payment

All charges for accommodation and extra costs must be settled by each guest upon departure directly at the hotel. Please note that some rates may be subject to service charge and / or VAT. If you would like to pay in advance by bank transfer please contact the hotel directly.

Alternative Accommodation

Delegates are welcome to book their own accommodation other than the accommodation service offered by the Congress Secretariat.
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- Transfer to line M3 at Syntagma station in direction of Doukissis Plakentias / Airport  
- Exit at Megaro Moussikis station | 3,0 km |
| 9   | Ilisia              | 4     | 130                   | 150                   | 10 minutes                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 0,7 km                       |
| 10  | NJV Arthens Plaza   | 5     | 200                   | 220                   | 10 min. with public transportation:  
- Take line M3 at Syntagma station in direction of Doukissis Plakentias / Airport  
- Exit at Megaro Moussikis station | 1,9 km |
| 11  | Novotel Athen       | 4     | 144                   | 154                   | 24 min. with public transportation:  
- Take line M2 at Larisis St. station in direction of Elliniko  
- Transfer to line M3 at Syntagma station in direction of Doukissis Plakentias / Airport  
- Exit at Megaro Moussikis station | 3,7 km |
| 12  | Wyndham Grand Athens| 5     | 150                   | 170                   | 20 min. with public transportation:  
- Take line M2 at Metaxourghio station in direction of Elliniko  
- Transfer to line M3 at Syntagma station in direction of Doukissis Plakentias / Airport  
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## Congress Outline

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Please be aware that the outline is different from the 2018 edition. The Opening Session is on Sunday instead of Saturday.

**PC** = Professional Committee  
**GB** = Governing Board  
**SC** = Standing Committee
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**Exhibition 08:30 – 17:30 | Poster Sessions 09:30 – 17:30**

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Satellite Meetings

IFLA Professional Units often organise a number of interesting Satellite Meetings prior to or just after the IFLA World Library and Information Congress.

One, two, or three day meetings are held either in the host country or in countries in the region.

More details of the Satellite Meetings which will be organised in connection to the Congress in 2019 can be found on the Congress Website: https://2019.ifla.org
Definitions

K.I.T. Group GmbH Association & Conference Management is the Professional Conference Organiser appointed by IFLA for the IFLA World Library and Information Congress, 24–30 August 2019 in Athens, Greece. The organiser leads the Congress Secretariat and is responsible for registration services, hotel accommodation, sponsorship opportunities, exhibition management and the logistics for social events.

General Terms & Conditions for Registration

These General Terms and Conditions are valid for each attendee registered for the IFLA World Library and Information Congress, 24–30 August 2019 in Athens, Greece. Any person, delegate, accompanying person, student, media representative, speaker or exhibitor is considered an attendee.

Congress Registration

The registration deadlines are as follows:

Early Registration Fee Deadline:
15 May 2019, 24:00 CET

Standard Registration Fee Deadline:
20 August 2019, 24:00 CET

Onsite Registration:
From 23 August 2019

Only fully completed registrations will be accepted. The Registration Fee is based on the date of the receipt of the registration and the payment in full in accordance with the deadlines mentioned above. Should one deadline be missed, the next applicable fee will be charged automatically. The registration will only be confirmed upon receipt of payment in full.

Each participant will receive electronic confirmation of their registration. If the maximum attendee capacity is reached, the organisers reserve the right to refuse any registration.

To be eligible to register for the Congress, attendees must be at least 18 years old. Attendees may be asked to present an official identity card stating their age.
## Registration Information

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All prices, categories and dates are indicative and subject to change.

* IFLA Membership Code requested.
** Student ID or official letter from the University must be provided.
**The Registration Fee for Regular Delegates includes:**

- Admission to the Congress, the sessions, the Poster Area and the Exhibition
- Congress material
- Opening / Closing Session, social and cultural events
- One local half-day library visit (based on availability)

**The Registration Fee for Accompanying Persons includes:**

- Admission to the Poster Area and the exhibition
- Opening / Closing Session, Social and Cultural Events
- Half-day sightseeing tours
- One local half-day library visit (based on availability)

No access to the sessions apart from the Opening and Closing Session. Only one Accompanying Person can be registered per delegate.

**The Registration fee for One-day Registrations includes:**

- Admission to the Congress, the sessions, the Poster Area and the Exhibition on the day of registration
- Congress Material / Day Bag
- Opening / Closing Session, social and cultural events on the day of the registration if they are held on-site at the Congress Venue
- One local half-day library visit (based on availability)

All IFLA Members are entitled to register at published member rates - just be certain to include your IFLA Membership Code on the Registration Form. If you do not know your Membership Code, please contact membership@ifla.org. However, if you are a member of a national association which is a member of IFLA, please contact your national association for the correct Membership Code. This code should be entered on the registration form.

To be able to register as a student, you must present a proof of full-time enrolment at a recognized university or college for both the time of registration and during the Congress.

To register as a media representative, please contact K.I.T. Group at wlic2019registration@kit-group.org in order to receive a media registration form. There is no registration fee for accredited media representatives. However, to register as a media representative, you must submit a copy of your official press card.

**Group Registration**

Group registrations will be accepted for a minimum of 10 participants. Please contact K.I.T. Group for further information: wlic2019registration@kit-group.org.
Accessibility & Assistance

Delegates who require special assistance related to accessibility are welcome to contact K.I.T. Group at: wlic2019registration@kit-group.org to discuss the possibility.

Congress Material

If the Registration Form and full payment are received no later than the Early Registration Deadline (15 May 2019), a Congress Bag is included in the Registration Fee for Full Delegates, Students, Speakers and Media Representatives.

If the Registration Form and/or full payment are received after the Early Registration Deadline, the Congress Secretariat cannot guarantee that a Congress Bag will be available. Day Delegates receive a Day Bag. All Congress Materials will be handed out onsite at the Congress Bag Counter.

Accepted Methods of Payment

All registration fees should be paid in advance in EUR and made out to K.I.T. Group.

1. Credit Card: Visa, AMEX or MasterCard are accepted. Credit cards are debited in EUR.

2. Bank Transfer: please be certain that all bank fees are covered by the submitting account and that the payment is free of charge for the receiver account. Please mention your first and last name and “WLIC 2019” on the bank transfer. Payment by bank transfer is only possible until 1 August 2019. Only credit card payments will be accepted after that date.

Letter of Confirmation / Payment Receipt

A letter of confirmation/payment receipt will be sent by email once the Congress Secretariat has received the fully completed Registration Form and the related payment. Please bring this confirmation to the Congress venue and go directly to the Registration Self Check-In Terminals. The barcode on this document will allow you to print your Congress name badge.

General Information

In addition to the payment receipt, general City and Congress information will be sent to all Delegates by email approximately four weeks prior to the Congress in addition to being available on the Congress website. This will provide information and advice helping you to prepare for your visit to Athens, Greece and attendance at IFLA WLIC 2019. Please be certain to submit your email address when registering.

Letter of Invitation

Individuals requiring an official Letter of Invitation can request one through the Congress website.
The Letter of Invitation does not financially obligate the Congress Organisers in any way. All expenses incurred in relation to the Congress are the sole responsibility of the attendee.

**Visa Requirements**

It is the sole responsibility of the attendee to take care of his/her visa requirements. Attendees who require an entry visa must allow sufficient time for the application procedure. Attendees should contact the nearest embassy or consulate to determine the appropriate timing of their visa applications. It is recommended to apply for a visa at least 3 months in advance of the Congress. When the registration has already been paid, the registration fee minus a handling fee of 50 EUR will be refunded after the Congress (maximum 2 weeks later) if the visa was applied for in time, and proof of this, together with an official notice from the embassy confirming that a visa could not be granted, is forwarded to the Congress Secretariat.

**Certificate of Attendance**

A Certificate of Attendance for all Regular Delegates will be sent by email after the Congress and will not be available onsite.

**Cancellation Policy**

Notification of cancellation must be made in writing and sent to the Congress Secretariat Registration Department by email or fax. If the written notification of cancellation is received before 15 May 2019, the paid registration fee less an administration fee of 50 EUR will be refunded. No refunds will be made for cancellations received after this date. Credit will not be given for unattended events or early termination of attendance.

**Name Change**

A handling fee of 50 EUR will be charged for every name change to an existing Congress registration. A new Registration Form for the substitute attendee should be submitted, as well as a proof for the reduced fee if applicable. Name changes will only be accepted until the Standard Registration Deadline indicating clearly the new and old name. After the Standard Registration Deadline (20 August 2019), all name changes must be carried out onsite.

**Lost Name Badge**

The name badge must be worn at all times during the Congress. Access to the Congress facilities will not be granted without a proper name badge. If an attendee loses, misplaces or
forgets the name badge, a handling fee of 50 EUR will be charged for a new name badge. Upon handing out a new name badge, the lost badge will become invalid.

Modification of the Congress Programme

The Congress Secretariat and the Congress Organiser reserve the right to modify the Congress Programme, which is published as an indication only.

Cancellation of the Congress

In the event that the Congress cannot be held or is postponed due to events beyond the control of the Congress Organisers (force majeure) or due to events which are not attributable to wrongful intent or gross negligence of the Congress Organisers, the Congress Organisers cannot be held liable by attendees for any damages, costs, or losses incurred, such as transportation costs, accommodation costs, financial losses, etc. Under these circumstances, the Congress Organisers reserve the right to either retain the entire Registration Fee and to use it for a future Congress, or to reimburse the Delegate after deducting costs already incurred for the organization of the Congress and which could not be recovered from third parties.

General Terms & Conditions for Library Visits

All Library Visits require pre-registration and are based on a minimum of 10 attendees. Should the minimum number of attendees not be reached, the Congress Secretariat reserves the right to cancel the tour. Notification of cancellation must be made in writing and sent to the Congress Secretariat by e-mail.
For the last few years, Athens has been rising as Southern Europe’s most exciting city-break destination. Of course, the classic sights have drawn a crowd for centuries. But beyond the Acropolis and awe-inspiring antiquities, there are new cultural landmarks, a dynamic art and design scene, and a glittering coastline where urban regeneration projects are underway. The city’s appeal as a tourist destination is flourishing, thanks to new infrastructure and cultural attractions, an expanding transportation network, more green spaces, and the unification of the city’s main archaeological sites.

You can stroll along the cobblestone, pedestrian-only path that envelops Europe’s largest Archaeological Park for a close-up view of some of the world’s most significant ancient treasures, with first and foremost the Acropolis. Or you can choose to catch the tram to the coastline that stretches 120 kilometres for a walk or a swim along the Athens Riviera and beaches.

A unique combination of the old and the new set up against a spectacular Mediterranean landscape; a world-famous past, an exciting present. Ancient and brand new at the same time, Athens inspires and seduces its visitors, leaving its mark on their hearts and minds. Surrounded by a lining of stunning seas and mountains, this travel-friendly city is filled with gems just waiting to be discovered.

Renowned archaeological sites; modern and classical art museums and galleries; opera houses; spas; elegant shops, restaurants and bars; street markets and bazaars; outdoor cinemas and 300 sun-drenched days are all to be found in Athens!

Athens has more than 275 hotels, 137 theatres, 67 cinemas, 50 museums, 2 concert halls, over 180 bars and 75 clubs. It also boasts an award-winning airport (Athens International Airport) that, since its opening in 2001, has seen an annual growth of 7%, currently serving 80 international destinations.
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Airport

The Athens International Airport S.A. (AIA), one of the most modern and functional airports in the world, opened in 2001, marking the onset of a new era for air transport in Greece. Thanks to its favourable geographical location at the crossroads of three continents, state-of-the-art infrastructure and top-notch service, AIA has earned the trust of passengers, as well as numerous international distinctions and awards. Today, it constitutes one of the major gateways to Southeastern Europe.

During its 17 years of successful operations, the airport has served almost 260 million passengers through 3.0 million flights. With over 70 distinctions throughout the 17 years of its operation, distinguishing it as one of the best airports in the world across its diverse range of activities, AIA maintains one of the best airport terminals in Europe, equipped with state-of-the-art systems, featuring user-friendly orientation and comfortable waiting areas, offering top quality services, and making each moment at the airport a pleasant experience for the travelers, their meeters and greeters, and the airport’s visitors, who are frequently surprised with an unexpected programme of live events in the terminal area. According to the surveys conducted at the airport, our passengers and visitors highly appreciate the airport’s ambience, the courtesy of staff, the fine offers of over 120 quality shops, restaurants & cafés in the Airport Shopping Centre, as well as an attractive and highly convenient Retail Park located within the Airport compound.

Airport Transfers

There are several ways to go to and from the airport.

Metro

Take Metro Line 3 (Agia Marina – Douk. Plakentias - Athens International Airport), which connects the Athens airport with the city centre. Trains run every 30 minutes, 7 days a week from 6:30 to 23:30. The trip from/to the Airport to Syntagma station (Athens center) lasts approx. 40 minutes.

24-hour Express Buses

ExpressBus routes directly connect Athens (city center & greater area) and Piraeus (port) with the Athens International Airport (AIA) “Eleftherios Venizelos”. The service is provided on a non-stop basis seven days a week including holidays (24/7 operation). All buses drop off passengers at the Departures Level (inbound trips to airport) and depart from the Arrivals Level (outbound trips from the 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.
There are four routes:

**X93: Kifissos KTEL (long-distance buses)**
Station – Airport
Direct Connection to the intercity bus (KTEL) terminals KIFISOS and LIOSION. Link to suburban rail station at: KIFISIAS

**X95 : Syntagma – Airport**
Direct Connection to Syntagma Square at Athens city center. Link to Metro Line 2 station at: SYNTAGMA. Link to Metro Line 3 stations at: NOMISMATOKOPEIO, ETHNIKI AMYNA, SYNTAGMA. Link to tramway routes at: SYNTAGMA

**X96 : Piraeus – Airport**
Direct Connection to Piraeus central passenger port terminals. Link to metro line 1 stations at: N.FALIRO (ISAP N.FALIRO), PEIRAIAS. Link to suburban rail station at: PEIRAIAS. Link to tramway routes at: PLATEIA GLYFADAS, EDEM, FLISVOS

**X97 : Eliniko Metro Station – Airport**
Direct Connection to ELLINIKO metro station. Link to Metro Line 2 stations at: AG.DIMITRIOS, DAFNI

One-way travel time estimates: X93 (65’ minutes), X95 (60’ minutes), X96 (90’ minutes), X97 (45’ minutes). Allow sufficient time to travel as traffic conditions may cause delays. Estimates are given for reference only. Journey time depends on traffic conditions. Passengers are advised to allow sufficient time for their transfer from/to the airport.

**Suburban Railway/ Proastiakos**
The suburban railway (Proastiakos) connects the Athens Airport with the Athens Central Railway Station (Larissis Station) and the Acharnai Railway Center, and through them to the National Railway network. The suburban railway departs every 15-25 minutes from the Athens Airport railway station to Plakentias station, where you can change trains and continue to the city center (Metro Line 3 to Egaleo), using the same ticket.

**Current timetables:**
Airport – Kiato / Kiato – Airport
Kiato – Patras bus connections
Piraeus – Athens – Halkida line

**Taxi**
Taxis are available at the designated Taxi waiting area located at Exit 3 of Arrivals Level. A taxi from the airport to the city centre (inner ring) costs a flat rate of 35 EUR from 5:00 to midnight, and 50 EUR from midnight to 5:00. The charge is determined by the time of arrival at the destination and includes all applicable surcharges and extras.

**Bank**
Major international banking institutions, credit card companies and ATMs in and around Athens are plentiful and easy to access. Banks are open to the public Monday through Thursday 08:00
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to 14:30 and Fridays 08:00 to 14:00, except on public holidays. The “Open24” Bank (Eurobank) is open mornings and afternoons, as well as on Saturdays. Foreign currency may be exchanged for Euros at most Greek and foreign banks and at exchange bureaus located in the city center and the Athens International Airport. Bring your passport when exchanging money as you will need it for the transaction. Traveler’s checks and credit cards issued by major companies are also widely recognized and accepted as a means of purchasing items in Athens.

Climate

Athens is an ideal year-round city destination with comfortable and favourable climate conditions for travel and sightseeing. Rainfall is minimal and there are over 300 days of sunshine a year. Summers (June through August) are dry and hot with temperatures ranging from 78° to 94°F, or 20° to 34°C. Seasonal winds, known as Meltemi, may accompany some hot days. September is often considered the ideal month for both urban activities and nearby island day trips with temperatures ranging from 70° to 83°F, or 20° to 28°C.

Culture

A walk around Athens will reveal many important ancient sites from the classical and the Roman times. Museums feature awe-inspiring exhibits illustrating myths, legends, history, defeat, life, love and death in the birthplace of western civilization. In this city, archaeological research and collective works never cease. Treasures from bygone eras are continually coming to light and we gain a wider understanding of the historical evolution of the Attica region with every new discovery. Athens is loaded with archaeological sites, museums, Byzantine churches, urban sculptures and libraries, and important buildings that tell a different story about this unique land. At the same time, you can get acquainted with the Greek modern and contemporary art browsing in the area’s small galleries and art spaces: a vibrant reflection of contemporary Greek life.

Currency

Greece has been a full member of the European Union since 1981 and its currency is the Euro (€). All major credit cards are widely accepted in Greece.

Electricity

Electric current is 230V AC (50Hz). Appliances from North America need a transformer and those from England need an adaptor.
Emergency Numbers

- Police: 1033
- Emergency: 100
- Tourist Police: 171
- Airport Police: 210 3536919
- Fire Emergency: 199
- Ambulance: 166
- Poison Control: 210 7793777
- Aids Help Line: 210 7222222
- Hospitals, pharmacies: 14944
- SOS Doctors: 1016
- Road Side Assistance – ELPA: 10400
- Traffic Police of Athens: 210 5284000
- Greece’s international calling code is +30.

Entertainment

Greece is internationally known for its vibrant nightlife with Athens, its capital, holding the reins! Athens is an ideal destination for those who wish to have fun and unwind, leaving stress and problems behind. Often described as the city that never sleeps, Athens has a unique and multidimensional nightlife, offering unforgettable moments! It is a real must-live experience with a great variety of all kinds of entertainment, whether it be dance clubs, little cozy bars, restaurants, theatre, cinemas and the famous live stages known as bouzoukia. Are you searching for bars and clubs that will be open until the morning light to dance all night long to the rhythm of both local and international music? Do you want to have dinner even after midnight, or give yourself the chance to watch a drama performance at an ancient theatre? Then Athens by night is the answer!

Greek Gastronomy

Eating in Greece is a treat for the senses! More and more people are learning to appreciate the delights and health benefits of the Mediterranean diet. Greek gastronomy has a recorded history of around 4,000 years, with special characteristics based on pure and unique quality goods of the Greek land: extra virgin olive oil, fresh seasonal vegetables, greens and herbs, crispy pies and delicious roasts, fresh fish and seafood. All of these have established the Greek cuisine as one of the top cuisines in the world. If you want to find its secrets, Greek cuisine has four good quality fresh ingredients in particular: correct use of flavorings (herbs), spices, the famous Greek olive oil, and simplicity. Throughout Athens, you will find a range of eateries representing the country’s gastronomic scene, from traditional tavernas serving good homely Greek cuisine to elegant restaurants serving up great dishes with a modern, creative twist. Moreover, Athens has many bar-restaurants and winebars, fast casual restaurants, and a wide choice of international cuisine to satisfy any visitor’s appetite. So when in Athens, get ready to discover that Greek cuisine has more than moussaka, souvlaki and
choriatiki to offer. It presents a wide variety of dishes that will utterly satisfy the gastronomic desires of both vegetarians and meat lovers!

**Health**

Emergency treatment is free to all visitors in public hospitals.

**Internet Access**

There are numerous internet cafés in Athens which are usually open all day long. Wi-fi hotspots are also available at the Airport El. Venizelos, at the Acropolis Museum, the National Hellenic Research Centre, the University Campus in Zografou and many more. Athens Wi-Fi is a wireless hotspot based on 802.11b/g (Wi-Fi). You can easily connect to the Internet while you are sitting on a bench or while enjoying your coffee. The connection is free provided that you choose the wireless network (SSID) athensWiFi and type the number which appears on your screen. The connection speed is quite fast and the capacity is 4Mbps. There is also a free wireless Internet network in selected metro and train stations in Athens, such as Syntagma, Panepistimio, Acropolis, Omonia, Piraeus, Neratziotissa and Doukissis Plakentias.

**Language**

The native language of the population is Modern Greek. English is widely spoken as a second language by the majority of Greeks, while French and German are also spoken to a good extent.

**Mobile phones**

Mobile phones automatically connect to Greek networks. You can also manually connect by choosing the option “network selection” on your mobile to get manually connected. Your roaming mobile phone operator will inform you about charges for local and international calls. Otherwise, you can always get a Greek mobile telephone number upon your arrival that you can use during your stay. You can buy a SIM card at any mobile phone shop and top up cards from the kiosks on the streets.

**Passports, Visas and Letters of Invitation**

Greece is part of the Schengen Area. The unified Schengen visa (C-type visa valid in Schengen states) entitles the holder to stay in the territory of all Schengen states.

The Schengen visa with limited territorial validity (C-type visa valid only in Greece or with validity excluded from a specified Schengen state/states) only entitles the holder to stay in the territory of the state/states for which it is valid.

What documents do you need when submitting a C-type Schengen visa application?
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1. Travel document:
   - valid at least three months after your planned departure from Greece/Schengen territory;
   - with at least 2 blank pages;
   - issued within the last ten years.

2. Completed and signed visa application form.

3. Biometric photo.

4. Visa fee.

5. Health insurance of at least EUR 30,000, valid in the entire Schengen territory.

6. Supplementary documents, confirming:
   - the purpose of the visit,
   - possession of accommodation;
   - possession of sufficient funds to cover the cost of entry, stay and departure from the Schengen territory or Greece;
   - willingness to leave Schengen territory after expiry of the visa.

The types and number of supplementary documents may differ depending on the consular office. Thus, we advise you to contact the relevant consulate to obtain full information concerning the documents needed when submitting a visa application. The consul of the Schengen state which is the main destination of your visit is always the consul competent to process your visa application.

If you are not planning to visit Greece at all, you cannot submit your Schengen visa application to a Greek consular office. If you are going to visit several Schengen states, a Greek consul will be competent to process your application only if Greece is the main destination of your entry into the Schengen territory or if Greece is the state in which you intend to spend most of your time.

If you intend to stay in the territory of Greece and/or any other Schengen states (during one or more visits) for a total of up to 90 days within a half-year period calculated from the date of first entry, or if you plan to pass through Schengen territory (by train, car or plane), you need to apply for a Schengen C-type visa.

For more information visit our MFA’s website: www.mfa.gr/en/visas/schengen-visas

Public Transportation

The best and fastest means of transport is the Metro. Running since 2000, it covers most of the city’s areas. Athenian passengers also use the older overground line of the metro system, as well as the tram, the suburban railway, buses and trolleys for their daily journeys.

Metro

The Athens metro consists of 3 lines and provides transfers to the tram, bus routes and suburban rail at hub stations. At peak hours, trains run every 5-6 minutes. The metro runs daily from 05:00 to 00:15. On Fridays and Saturdays, the operation of the metro (lines 2 & 3) is extended to 02:00. For more information on all public transport modes: call
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11185 and/or visit www.tfa.gov.gr.

Tram
Environmentally friendly, with a view of the Saronic Gulf, the tram connects the centre of Athens with the coastal suburbs. Four station hubs along its routes connect with the metro. Total waiting time during peak hours is a maximum of 8-20 minutes depending on the line. The tram operates from 5:00 to 00:00, while on Fridays and Saturdays, the tram operation is extended to 02:30. For more information on all public transport modes, call 11185 and/or visit www.tfa.gov.gr.

Buses and Trolleybuses
The Athens bus and trolleybus network is very extensive and provides connections of the Athens and Piraeus city centres with the most distant points in the metro area. In general, buses and trolleybuses run daily from 05:00 to 23:30. However, there are several core bus lines which extend their operation until 12:30 (please make sure that you check the timetable before travelling either by phone (11185) or at www.tfa.gov.gr). Airport Express Buses operate on a 24-hour basis connecting the Athens International Airport with the city centre (Syntagma Sq.), the Piraeus Port and the Intercity Bus Terminal (KTEL Kifisos). After midnight, services are also provided on four central bus routes (040, 500, 790 and X14) and one trolleybus (11). For more information on all public transport modes, call 11185 and/or visit www.tfa.gov.gr.

Hellenic Railways Organization (OSE)
Domestic and international departures from Athens and Thessaloniki with connections to major railways. For more information, call 1110 or +30 210 52 97 777 and/or visit www.trainose.gr.

Intercity Bus Company or Association of Bus Operators (KTEL)
The Greek bus companies, or KTEL, serve destinations around Greece. Almost every city and village has a local KTEL coach service with routes to main city centres and the capital. There are two bus terminals: Kifissou 100 serves the Peloponnese (+30 210 5124910) and western Greece; the Liossion 260 terminal serves central and northern Greece (+30 210 8317096). For more information, call 14505 or +30 210 88 08 000 and/or visit www.ktel.org.

Proastiakos (Suburban Rail)
This new high-speed rail system offers access to Irakleio and Neratziotissa, near the Athens Olympic Sports Complex. It also gets you to Kifissia, the hub of business in northern Athens, Doukissi Plakentias, an important urban residential area, Pallini and Kantza in the eastern part of the greater Athens area, and Koropi, a centre of industrial development. A new route to Corinthos has been launched with plans to extend the network with added
routes to Lavrio, Rafina, and Chalkida for easier mobility. It also serves Athens International Airport. The suburban rail runs daily from 06:00 until midnight. For more information, call 1110 or +30 210 52 98 829 and/or visit www.trainose.gr.

Shopping

If you come from a country outside the European Union and spend a minimum of 120 EUR on the same day in the same store, you can benefit from a tax refund. Ask for your invoice or receipt and the tax-free receipt. Do not forget to stamp your invoices or receipts at the airport. You can also find duty free shops at Athens International Airport and at the Port of Piraeus.

Time

Athens is in the Eastern-European time zone, which means it is two hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time. Additionally, Athens has daylight-saving time, meaning that during spring and summer (from March to October) the clocks are put forward one hour.

Tourist Information

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Tel.: +30 210 3217165 | www.sete.gr

Hellenic Federation of Tourism Enterprises
Tel.: +30 210 9245120 | www.poet.gr

Association of Licensed Tourist Guides
www.tourist-guides.gr

Urban Transport Organisation
www.oasa.gr

Athens International Airport
www.aia.gr

Flight information (all airlines)
Tel.: +30 210 3530000

Aegean Airlines
Tel.: +30 801 112 0000, +30 210 6261000
www.aegeanair.com
General Information A-Z

Greek Railway Company
www.ose.gr

Ministry of Culture
www.culture.gr

Region of Attica
www.athensattica.gr

The City of Athens
www.thisisathens.org

Hellenic Chamber of Hotels
Tel.: +30 213 2169900 | www.grhotels.gr

Hellenic Hoteliers Federation
www.hhf.gr

Athens Development and Destination Management Agency
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www.developathens.gr | www.thisisathens.org

Athens Convention and Visitors Bureau
Tel.: +30 210 3312002 | www.athenscvb.gr
There will be a number of local and non-local library visits on Friday, 30 August 2019. Updated details and descriptions will be available on the Congress website: [www.2019.ifla.org](http://www.2019.ifla.org).

### Library Visits with Online Pre-registration

#### Non-Local Library Visits (Full-day)

These are full-day visits travelling between 100km and 250km one way by bus. Participants will be charged a minimal fee to cover the transportation cost.

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<td>a. Hellenic American Education Foundation. Athens College - Psychiko College Library and “J.M. Carras“ Kindergarten Library</td>
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Library Visits with Onsite Registration

Local Library Visits (Half-Day)
These are half-day visits with no charge to participants.
Participants will use either public transportation (Local Library Visits #1 to #17) or walk to the libraries (Walking Tours #1 to #3 - no public transportation)
Registration will be available onsite at the Library Visit Counter located in the Registration Area.

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<td>b. The Biomedical Research Foundation of the Academy of Athens (BRFAA) Library</td>
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<td>b. Lyceum Club of Greek Women Library</td>
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