

#### Travel advisory for the

## 123rd IEEE Region 8 Committee Meeting

#### Bordeaux, France, 19-20 October 2024

Please check the latest information at the meeting homepage: 2024-October - Bordeaux

## 1 Basic information about Bordeaux/France

Bordeaux is a port city on the river Garonne in the Gironde department, southwestern France. Its Port of the

Moon is UNESCO World Heritage Site for its historic outstanding urban and architectural ensemble. Bordeaux is a world capital of wine as many <u>châteaux</u> and <u>vineyards</u> stand on the hill-sides of the <u>Gironde</u>, like Mecca for wine lovers.

- Population: Bordeaux 259,809 (in 2020), metropolitan population of 1,376,375
- Currency: Euro
- Time zone: Central European Summer time zone (CEST = GMT / UCT + 2). Daylight saving time end last Sunday in October.
- **Telephone:** The France telephone calling prefix is: +33.
- Units of measure: The metric system.
- Electricity: Power plugs and sockets of type E are used (socket compatible with plug types C, E & F). The standard voltage is 230 V / frequency 50 Hz.





# 2 The venue hotel Renaissance Bordeaux (Marriott International, Inc.)



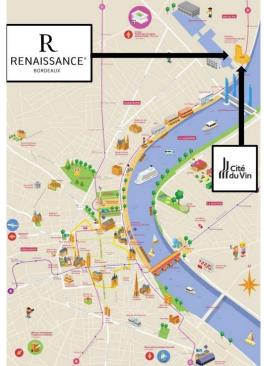
Google maps link: Renaissance Bordeaux Hotel

**Address:** Renaissance Bordeaux Hotel, 16 rue de Gironde, 33300 Bordeaux, France Service commercial: +33 5 33 52 13 54

Direct line: +33 5 33 52 13 87

Web page: renaissancebordeauxhotel.com

Tramway stop « Cité du Vin » line B





## 3 How to get from the Bordeaux airport/train station to the hotel

All registered meeting participants will receive <u>Transports Bordeaux Metropole</u> public transport (tram / bus / boat) passes **valid for 3 days (72h)**. Each participant will receive personalized code for the dematerialized tickartes about 1 month before the event. Please download and install the TBM M-ticket and mobility App from <u>Google Play</u> or <u>App Store</u>.



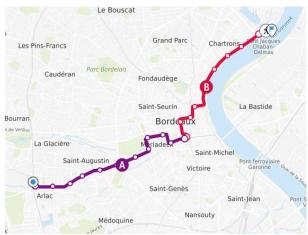
One TBM trip (tram, bus, bat3) cost: €1.80. Schedules: Monday to Sunday from 5:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m., with a tram every 10 minutes.



Tram lines A, B, C, or D

Arriving by plane from the International Airport of Bordeaux Mérignac: Take tram line A directions Floirac or Lormont / transit at station "Hôtel de Ville" to tram line B direction Claveau or Berges de la Garonne and stop at "La Cité du Vin" tram station, or the next one "Rue Achard", the hotel is 300 m away. The tram line A stop is located in front of the express car park just in front of airport terminals near Hall B.

Arriving by train from the main station "Gare Saint Jean": Take tram line C directions Parc des Expositions or Gare de Blanquefort (Blanquefort) or take tram line D – direction Cantinolle (Eysines) or Hippodroome / transit at station "Quinconces" to tram to tram line B direction Claveau or Berges de la Garonne and stop at "La Cité du Vin" tram station, or the next one "Rue Achard", the hotel is 300 m away.



Bordeaux Airport to Renaissance Bordeaux Hotel
Google Maps



Gare St Jean to Renaissance Bordeaux Hotel
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By Taxi: Uber and Bolt taxi service is available in Bordeaux. Lyft is not operating in France.

A list of other taxi companies operating at the exterior access level of Hall A at Bordeaux Airport can be found on the airport website: <a href="https://www.bordeaux.aeroport.fr/acces-transports/taxis">https://www.bordeaux.aeroport.fr/acces-transports/taxis</a>. An average journey to the city center will cost you around €30 during the day and €45 at night; example of fees (may vary): Venue – airport: 40 € Venue – Train Station "Gare Saint-Jean": 30 €.



#### 4 Social events

#### Friday, 18 October 2024, 19:00h – Welcome reception and dinner

Welcome Dinner will take place in our Gina Restaurant Rooftop on the 9th floor (privatized) offering a panoramic view on the city of Bordeaux. Buffet style (with tables of 6 to 8), drinks package (1/3 win, waters, coffee and tea). Menus: Allergies and diet restrictions need to be highlighted during meeting registration.

#### Saturday, 19 October 2024 and Sunday, 20 October 2024

**Breakfast:** will be served at the Gina Restaurant Rooftop from 6:30am to 10:00am on weekdays and from 7:00 am to 10:30 am on weekends.

Lunch: on the Restaurant Gina rooftop (privatized), buffet style with drinks (1/4 win, waters, tea and coffee).

#### Saturday, 19 October 2024,

17:30–19:00 Sightseeing: Wine museum Cité du Vin, permanent exhibition + Belvedere restaurant wine testing 19:30–23:00 Gala Dinner: River boat "Les Bateaux Bordelais" cruising 2:00h along the Port of the Moon and the UNESCO façades. Aperitif service, seated dinner with Garonne menu Terres D'Estuaire, festive drinks package.

#### GINA, A UNIQUE 360° ROOFTOP IN BORDEAUX

Renaissance Hotel opened since June 2021 and already elected as one of the 100 most beautiful in the world by the Hotel & Lodge Awards 2022, For the Bordelais people, the Rnaissance Bordeaux Hotel is a rooftop which became one of the most festive and gastronomical landmark of the city. Code name: Gina. Particular sign: an open 360° plunging view onto the city and the Cité du vin, the famous lifting bridge, the river and the old town which unveil under a new perspective. On the ground floor, a coffee shop in between the lobby and a hidden oasis: the silo's garden. At the percolator, the baristas are masters of Latte Art. On the 9th floor, a restaurant and a bar, each with a suspended panoramic terrace, opened summer to winter, for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Our chef, Franco RECCE will offer you an (amazing) Italian gastronomy: mozzarella tasting, antipasti plates, pizzas and other classics of the best trattorias, and will also be able to select the best local products for the most hungry.

#### A POOL IN THE SKY

It is a unique privilege. Swimming above the city with a view above its most beutiful monuments. The pool of the Renaissance Hotel is on the 9th floor of the building. This suspended bay, heated partly with the kitchen's heat allows you to appreciate a postal card on which you will be able of see the Pont d'Aquitaine, the Cité du Vin and the lifting bridge of Chaban Delmas, in sea coast atmosphere. And for the

# Rooftop: Restaurant, Cocktail bar and Indoor Pool



Views of Bordeaux, river and the Cité du Vin

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# Gina Restaurant, up to 150 guests in cocktail style

100 seats inside (258m²), 60 seats outside (100m²)





# Gina Cocktail Bar, up to 50 guests in cocktail style 50 seats inside (114m²), 60 seats outside (70m²) + Possibility to privatise the pool area for cocktails up to 80 guests total







#### Les Bateaux Bordelais,

A journey along the water, a gourmet getaway, a walk where time stands still











#### 5 Climate in Bordeaux

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**Weather in October:** As <u>Bordeaux</u> slides into <u>October</u>, the inevitable autumn chill takes hold. Temperature highs start to show a sharper decline, averaging around 20°C (68°F), and the nights become progressively colder. Moderate rainfall is also a characteristic feature of October weather. Despite this, the city manages to retain a handsome amount of sunshine hours, providing bright days that enliven the colorful fall foliage.

**Temperature:** Start of October in Bordeaux brings a slight shift in the average high-temperature, dipping a bit from <u>September</u>'s moderately hot 24.4°C (75.9°F) to an agreeable 20°C (68°F). Bordeaux's average low-temperature for the month of October records at a fresh 11.3°C (52.3°F).

Humidity: In October, the average relative humidity is 76%.

**Rainfall:** In Bordeaux, in October, it is raining for 11.9 days, with typically 28mm (1.1") of accumulated precipitation. Throughout the year, in Bordeaux, there are 143.7 rainfall days, and 355mm (13.98") of precipitation is accumulated.

**Daylight:** In Bordeaux, the average length of the day in October is 10h and 58min. On the first day of October in Bordeaux, sunrise is at 08:00 and sunset at 19:42 CEST. On the last day of the month, sunrise is at 07:39 and sunset at 17:52 CET. **Note**: On Sunday, 27. October 2024, at 03:00, Daylight Saving Time ends, and the time zone changes from CEST to CET. Daylight Saving Time starts again on Sunday, 30. March 2025, at 02:00; consequently, the time zone reverts from CET to CEST.

**Sunshine:** In Bordeaux, the average sunshine in October is 7.6h.

**UV index:** The average daily maximum UV index in October is 4. A UV Index estimate of 3 to 5 represents a moderate threat to health from unprotected exposure to Sun's UV rays for the ordinary person. **Note**: The UV index of 4 in October translates into these instructions: Take precautions - Protection against sunburn is recommended. Direct Sun exposure should be minimized especially during midday when radiation is most intense. By wearing a generously brimmed hat, you can cut UV radiation exposure significantly.

Weather in Bordeaux in October 2024 Bordeaux Weather Forecast for October 2024, is based on previous years' statistical data 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 (2024) 2025 Oct Start Week On Sunday Monday October Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun 3 4 5 6 43 **Ca** +229 +23° +22° +23° +23° +21° night+16 night+17 night+16 night +17 8 9 10 11 12 13 **Ca Ca** +21° +22° +219 +21° +21° +22° +21° niaht+16 night +17 night +15 night+16° night+15° night +15° night +15° 15 16 17 18 14 19 20 +21° +21° +21° +20° +20° +20° +21° night+15 night+15° night+15 night+14° night +15 27 21 22 23 24 25 26 +19° +18° +20° +20° +20° +20° +20° night+13 night +13° night+13 night +14° night +14° night +15° 30 31 28 29 +18° +19°  $+19^{\circ}$ +19°

Weather based on statistical data

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## 6 Sightseeing Bordeaux

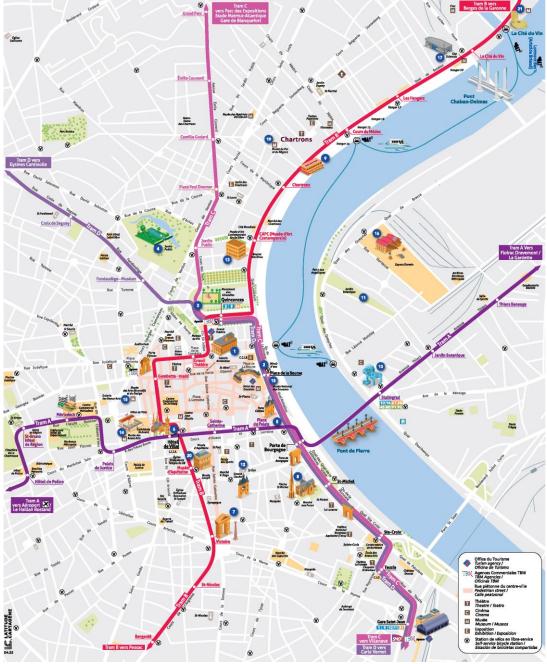
For sightseeing options please visit the web sites: Bordeaux Travel Guide <a href="https://bordeauxtravelguide.com/">https://bordeauxtravelguide.com/</a> Official Website of Bordeaux Tourism & Conventions <a href="https://www.visiter-bordeaux.com/en">https://www.visiter-bordeaux.com/en</a> Explore France – official tourism board website <a href="https://www.france.fr/en/destination/bordeaux/">https://www.france.fr/en/destination/bordeaux/</a>

https://www.visiter-bordeaux.com/en/bordeaux-citypass.html

Bordeaux CityPass: For those who wish to make the most of their stay, the Bordeaux CityPass is really the best. This pass is available for 24, 48 or 72 consecutive hours (Price 24H 35€ / pers.; 48H 45€ / pers.; 72H 52€ / pers.). There is a junior CityPass for 6-17 years old with the same benefits. Included: free visits to La Cité du Vin, Les Bassins des Lumières, 15 museums and monuments, unlimited access to tram, bus, river shuttle, 1 Bordeaux guided tour (to be booked at the tourist office).

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