

Grenoble, Tuesday the 14th of October 2008

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Grenoble – LPSC Application To the ECRIS'10 Organisation

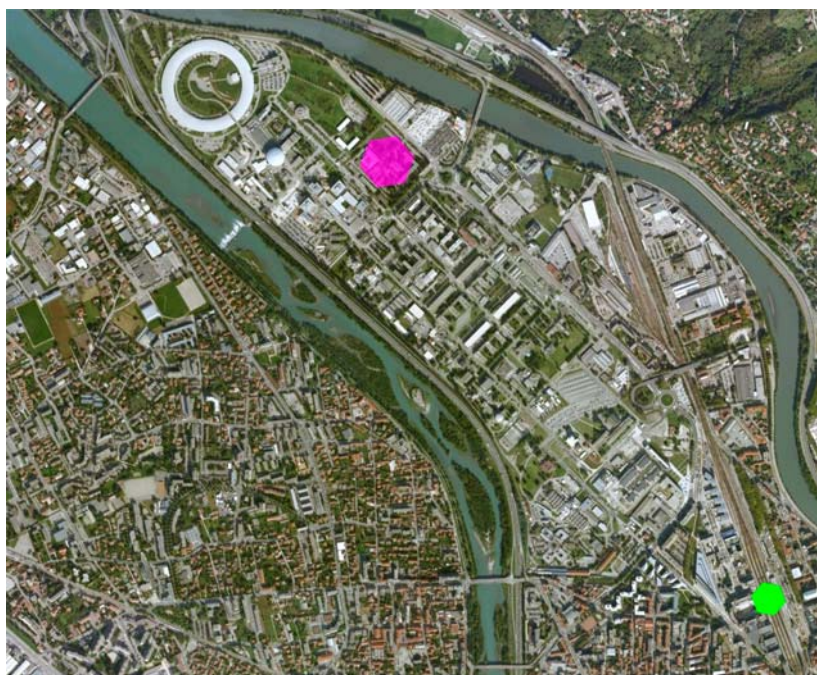


Best period for the meeting

The best period for the meeting would be the last week of august 2010. Weather is usually still warm (20-25°C during the day) and sunny. Also, this period allows us to negotiate the hotel accommodation rates. The month of September is very busy in Grenoble, hotels are usually full and it should be avoided. The workshop scenario is based on 3.5 days of work + 0.5 day of excursion.

Workshop Venue

The workshop will be held directly at the Laboratoire de Physique Subatomique et de Cosmologie (<http://lpscwww.in2p3.fr/>). LPSC is located at the north west of Grenoble in the Scientific Polygon area, very close to the ESRF synchrotron facility (see the ring on the picture). LPSC is located 2.5 km from the train station, where the main hotel offers are concentrated. The regular bus lines 30 (4 bus/hour) and 34 (6 bus/hour) drives you from the train station to the lab in 10 minutes. The ticket price is today 1.4 €(or 11.2 €10 tickets). It is possible to walk to the lab following the Isère river (consider 40 minutes to do so).



Location of LPSC (pink hexagon up left) and Grenoble train station (green hexagon down right).

The LPSC amphitheatre is equipped with a large video screen and projector and offers WIFI connection to participants. A computer room will be installed close to the amphitheatre. Posters will be installed directly in the hall in front of the amphitheatre doors.



LPSC amphitheatre (left). Cafeteria located directly under the amphitheatre (lunches).

Accommodations

Grenoble area is both a tourist and a business place. A large number of hotels is available. Typical Grenoble hotels have been contacted; table 1 summarises the estimated rates expected for 2010. Prices indicated do not include possible future rate reductions (except Hotel Novotel***). Rate negotiation would start if LPSC application is accepted. One can see that the prices are ranging from 58€/day(**) to 210€/day(***) (breakfast and taxes included). Hotels foreseen are located at a 10 minute walk from the historical centre. Trams can bring you even faster to the centre if you don't wish to walk. The historical Grenoble centre offers a large amount of restaurants, shops, bars and even a few Irish pubs (English spoken). The price of a regular French meal in restaurants is in the range 15-35€(taxes included).

Table 1: list of typical hotel rates in Grenoble. All Taxes included.

Hotel name	Web Site	Room rate 2010	Breakfast 2010	WIFI
Hôtel Gloria	www.hotel-gloria-grenoble.com	50.16 €	7.15 €	2
Hôtel des Alpes	www.hotel-des-alpes.fr	58.30 €	8.25 €	6
Hôtel de l'Institut	www.institut-hotel.fr	60.50 €	8.25 €	1.50
Suisse et Bordeaux	www.hotel-sb-grenoble.com	52.14 €	7.70 €	
Hôtel de la Bastille	www.hotel-bastille.fr	55.00 €	7.70 €	
Hôtel Terminus	www.terminus-hotel-grenoble.fr	74.80 €	12 €	
IBIS	www.ibishotel.com	71.50 €	8.80 €	
Balladins	www.pizzalolo.fr	82.50 €	7.70 €	
Mercure	www.mercure.com/fr	174.90 €	17.40 €	
Park hotel	www.park-hotel-grenoble.fr	192.00 €	17.60 €	free
Novotel	www.novotel.com/fr	120 €	15.90 €	
Europole	www.hoteleuropole.com	122 €	14.30 €	

Excursion

An excursion will be proposed on Wednesday afternoon. Three coaches will take us after the lunch at the LPSC. 3 scenarii are possible.

The Castle of Vizille

First, one coach can bring you to the Vizille castle, located 30 min from LPSC, where you will visit the museum of the French Revolution which started in this city! The Vizille Castle has kept its original park. It is opened to public and a nice walk can be done under large tree alleys surrounded by mountains.

<http://www.musee-revolution-francaise.fr/Index.html>



The Vizille castle, where the French revolution really began...

The train to La Mure

The second coach can bring you to the tourist train of La Mure. Gorgeous panoramas are waiting for you from the first electrified train in the world (1906). The train will start from StGeorges de commiers (316m) to la mure (882m), the trip lasts for 1H30.

<http://www.trainlamure.com/pages/en/6/chemin-de-fer-de-la-mure.html>



The train of La Mure

The Moucherotte climb

For those willing to make some sport, depending on the number of participant (20 is ideal), a third coach will drive you to 1000 metres altitude where you will start a 3-4 hour roundtrip trekking to reach the top of a mountain facing Grenoble valley. Your climbing effort will be rewarded by a beautiful view of the Alps Chain and the Grenoble valley beneath. This option strongly depends on the weather condition and requires a reasonable health condition of the participants. Good walking shoes are required, along with hot clothes in a bag, just in case.



The "three maidens" rocks with, the Moucherotte behind.

Banquet

The banquet should be organized in the Bastille Fort, located 250m above the Valley. The restaurant offers a panoramic view over the city. You can either climb by foot to the restaurant or use the “Télépherique” (cable car) to reach the fort.

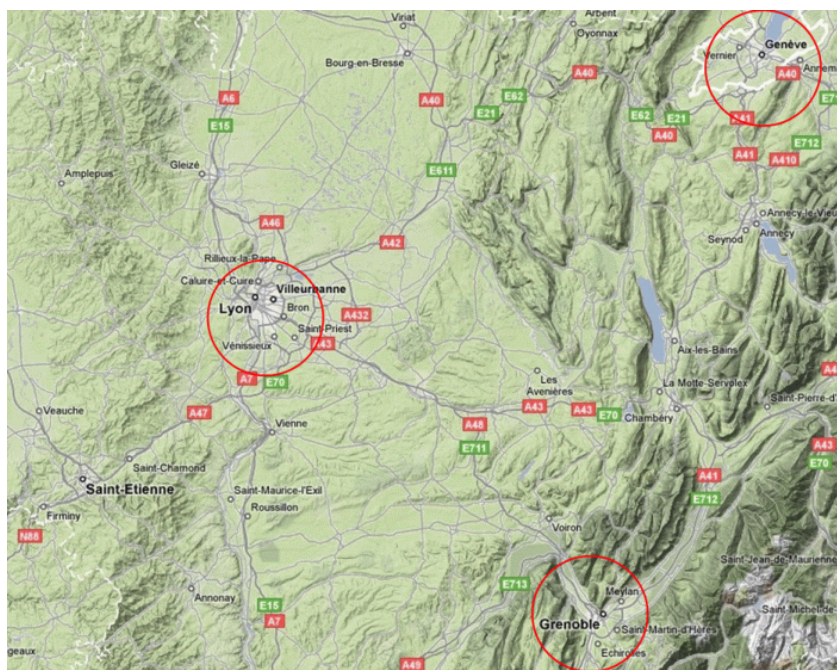


the Bastille cable car



*Panoramic view from one of the Bastille Fort restaurants.
The Moucherotte mountain is behind.*

Transportation



View of the Rhone-Alpes Region: Lyon, Grenoble and Geneva are visible on the map.

LYS Airport

The Lyon Saint Exupery International Airport (LYS) is the most convenient way to come to Grenoble. There, a shuttle bus (http://www.satobus-grenoble.fr/index_en.html) will bring you directly in 1 hour to the Grenoble train station. A departure is scheduled every hour, 7 days a week. The roundtrip will cost you 30€ Discounts are proposed for students (<25 years) and seniors (>65 years).

GVA Airport

Depending on your country of departure, The Geneva International Airport can be a more convenient alternative to the LYS airport. The AEROCAR shuttle bus can drive you directly to the Grenoble train station for 69 €

(<http://www.gva.ch/Portaldata/1/Resources/fichiers/voyageurs/aerocar.pdf>). The travel duration is 2h30. Only 3 rotations per day, so be careful! Also, you need a valid Swiss visa to use that option. Alternatively, you can take the train (2 hours) from Geneva train station.

GNB Airport

The Grenoble Isère Airport (GNB) is the closest to Grenoble. Its activity is mainly driven by winter tourism, but some international regular lines are available. The airport is expanding periodically, so have a look to its website (<http://www.grenoble-airport.com/-GENERAL-PUBLIC-AREA-.html>) and look if something can interest you. 3 coach rotations are available per day. The transfer to Grenoble takes 30 minutes.

TGV Train from Paris

If you wish to visit Paris before or after the workshop, there is a direct high speed train connection between Paris (“Paris Gare de Lyon”) to Grenoble. The travel takes 3 hours. The

cost of a ticket Grenoble-Paris is roughly 75€ Train tickets must be booked before your departure (<http://www.tgv-europe.com/index.html> : sorry, it's written in french...).

Companions

Grenoble offers a set of interesting museums: The 'Musée de Grenoble' has the biggest collection in France after the ones in Paris, from ancient to modern arts.



Other recommended museums can be found on the tourism office website (http://www.grenoble-isere-tourisme.com/accueil_eng.htm) as the *musée de la résistance et de la déportation*, archeological museum, Dauphiné Museum... The museums are often free of charge. Regular bus lines can bring you to the nearest ski resort within one hour. There, during summer time, you can enjoy very nice view and walk along one of the numerous official trekking paths proposed.

Conference fee

The conference fee includes:

- 7 coffee breaks,
- 4 lunches,
- a welcome cocktail on Sunday evening (in a hotel),
- the excursion,
- the conference dinner.

The conference fee based on this scenario is summarized in the table below. We propose a cheap price for students in order to push students to attend the meeting.

Table 1 : Registration fee

students	150€
Early registration	300€
Late registration	350€