

Practical information

The colloquium will be held in the **city center** on Monday, June 8: Musée Saint-Raymond (1 ter place Saint Sernin) and Salle du Sénéchal (17 rue Rémusat), in "**Le Mirail**" – University of Toulouse on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, June 9, 10, and 12, and in **Albi** on Thursday, June 11 (transportation provided).

Please note that there are three "Universities" (ancient faculties) in Toulouse; the one you are concerned with is: University of Toulouse 2 Le Mirail, recently renamed as University of Toulouse 2 Jean Jaurès. Le Mirail ("mirror" in Occitan) is the name of an area.

Transportation in Toulouse

Public transportation is very practical. The company operating it is named Tisséo.

<http://www.tisseo.fr/en/home>

Metro stations are the best orientation points. Using google maps, find the metro station closest to your hotel. The train station Toulouse-Matabiau is connected with metro line A. Metro tickets (also valid for trams and busses) can be purchased in ticket machines located in the entrance hall of the metro. The ticket "10 déplacements" (10 trips, € 13.40) is the most convenient for participants staying more than two days. This ticket is not "personal" in the sense that you can share it with someone (as in Barcelona). In this case, you validate it twice. "Déplacement" means one trip (including connections), not the use of one means of transportation.

How to get

- FROM THE AIRPORT TO THE CITY CENTER (to your hotel)

Tram T2 to Arenès + metro: it is the most economical and practical means (no risk of traffic jam). The tram station is located in front of the terminal C building. Recommendation: buy a ticket "10 déplacements" (10 trips) in the ticket machine (€ 13.40) – you will need it for getting to Le Mirail. You have to validate your ticket on board. Get off the tram at the "Arenès" station (not at "Arenès romaines") where you find connections with the metro lines A and B (there are escalators and lifts). The entrance is on your left hand side. You have to validate your ticket in the tourniquet in order to enter the metro but it counts as a connecting journey, not as another trip. The tram runs every 15 min. (00, 15, etc.), the journey takes 20 min. For getting to the city center (e.g. metro A station Capitole), count 45 min.

NB. During the trip by tram, you can see remains of a Roman amphitheatre between the stations Ancely and Arenès Romaines, on your left hand side.

When travelling back to the airport, make sure that you are taking the Tram 2, direction Airport, not Tram 1.

Airport shuttle bus: goes to the train station Toulouse-Matabiau. It is more expensive (€ 8 one way) but can be practical – it depends on the location of your hotel. The shuttle bus stops at Compans Caffarelli (metro line B), Jeanne d'Arc (line B), Jean Jaurès (lines A and B), and Matabiau train station. It runs every 20 minutes.

You can also take a taxi. There is surcharge for luggage. Be aware of the fact that there are traffic jams in Toulouse as in other cities.

- FROM THE AIRPORT TO THE CITY CENTER (to the opening session on Monday)

Tram T2, get off at Arenès, take the metro A direction Balma, get off at Capitole station.

Or: Airport shuttle bus, get off at Jeanne d'Arc.

- FROM THE AIRPORT TO THE UNIVERSITY LE MIRAIL

Tram T2, get off at Arenès, take the metro A direction Basso Cambo, get off at "Mirail Université".

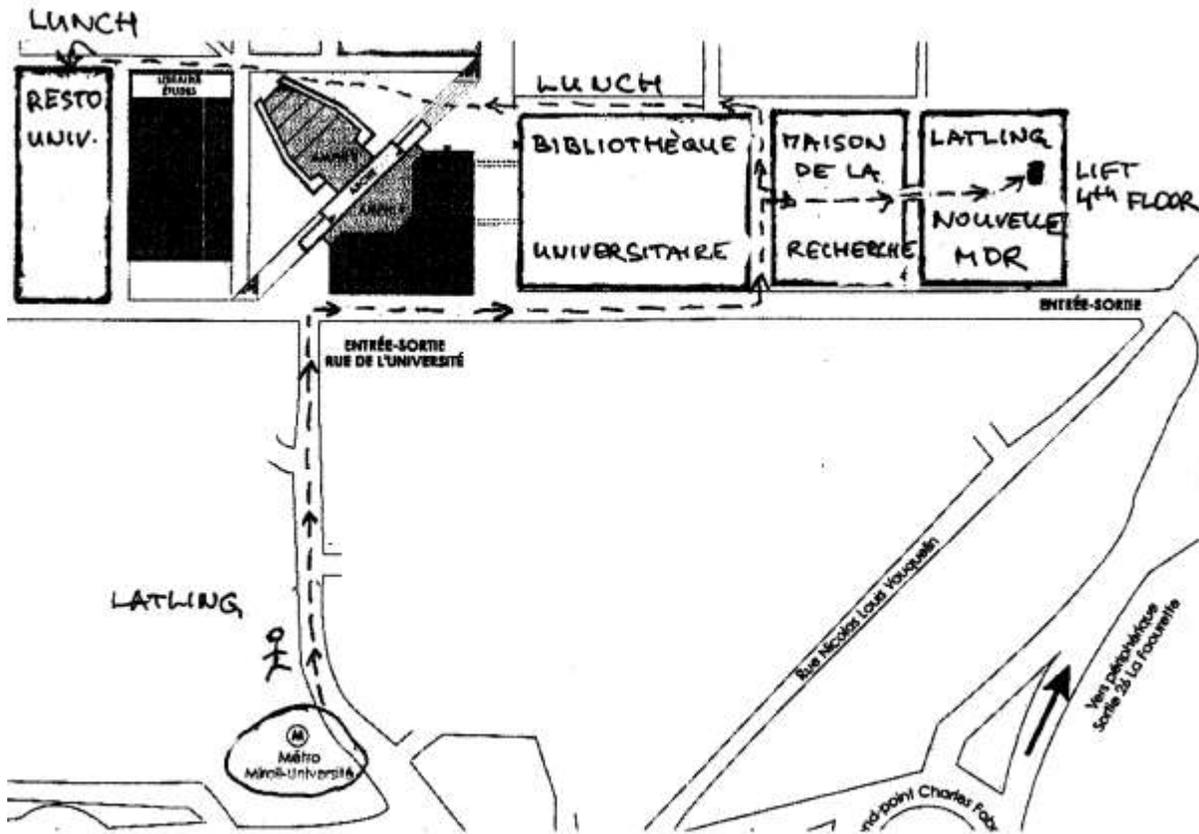
If you take a taxi, tell the taxi driver that you are going to the University Le Mirail, main entrance. It costs around € 23.

- FROM THE CITY CENTER TO THE UNIVERSITY LE MIRAIL

Take metro line A, direction Basso Cambo, get off at “Mirail Université”.

The metro in Toulouse has not much capacity (trains are very narrow) but it is very frequent: it runs every 2, maximum 3 minutes. It can be crowded; in such a case, you will have to wait for the next train. Journey from Esquirol station to Mirail Université takes 8 minutes. There is a bus nr 14 that makes the same journey as the metro A – in case the metro is not functioning.

Map: From metro line A “Mirail Université” to the Nouvelle Maison de la Recherche” (indications will be provided)



Have a nice trip!

