# **TRAVEL INFORMATION**





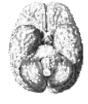
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# 25<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF THE NEUROSCIENCES

**Rennes**, France





- Currency : The official currency of France (and therefore Rennes) is the Euro (€). Most of the restaurants, shopping centers, hotels, etc. accept credit cards.
- Language: The official language of the ISHN meeting is English. French is the language spoken in Rennes. English can be spoken in some restaurants and hotels, but it is advised to bring along a French-English dictionary or an electronic translator.
- **Passports and Visas:** For attendees requiring additional entry documentation, **advance travel planning** and **early visa application** are important. All attendees should review the website below and/or contact their local embassy to determine what, if any, **travel documents** they will need to travel to France.

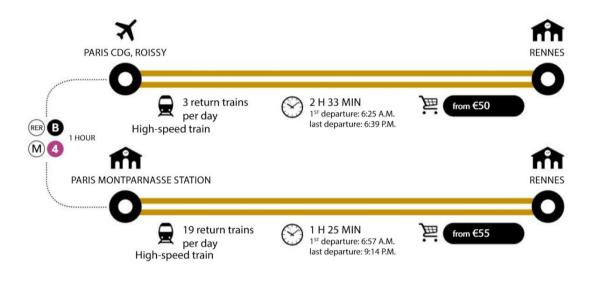
The Official Visa Website for France: <u>https://france-visas.gouv.fr/en\_US/web/france-visas/</u>

- **Personal Insurance :** It is recommended that all attendees take out a **personal travel and health insurance policy** for their trip to the ISHN meeting in Rennes.
- Phone Calls: In order to make a call to a landline phone in Rennes from abroad, first enter the country code (0033) and then the area code for Rennes (02). The rest of the dialed number consists of 8 digits.
- **Public transport:** Don't stick to taking taxis (which are expensive in France). Instead, try to use public transportation such as train, buses, or subways.
- **Temperature:** In Rennes, you are most likely to experience good weather during the month of July with pleasant average temperatures that fall between 20 degrees Celsius (68°F) and 25 degrees Celsius (77°F) –even though we had higher temperatures in the past years. On average, the warmest month is July.
- **Tipping:** Tipping in France isn't required and there is no set rule for how much to tip. It is solely up to you.
- VAT: The sales tax on goods and services in France is known as the Value Added Tax (VAT). The standard VAT rate in France is 20%. Restaurants and fast-food outlets will charge 10% VAT.
- Voltage: In France, the standard electrical voltage is 230 volts and the frequency is 50Hz. You can use your electric appliances in France if the standard voltage in your country is between 220 240V.

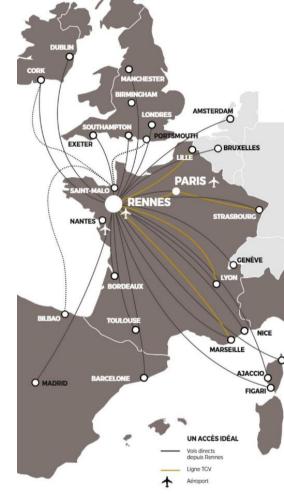


 Getting to Rennes by train: Thanks to the LGV network (high-speed rail network for TGVs), Rennes is 90 minutes away from Paris, departing from Gare Montparnasse or 2h30 departing from Roissy-Charles de Gaulle airport (41 different trains that run between Rennes and Paris each day, with one out of two being express routes).

Train: <u>https://en.oui.sncf/en/</u>



 Travel to Rennes by air: Rennes airport is an hour away from Roissy-Charles de Gaulle airport by air. Direct flights run to Rennes from France's major cities every day (Paris, Bordeaux, Toulouse, Marseille, Nice, Lyon), but also from a number of major European cities (London, Southampton, Birmingham, Exeter, Manchester, Dublin, Cork, Madrid, Barcelona, Amsterdam, Rome, and more). The Rennes-Saint-Jacques airport is 20 minutes away from the city center (bus C6 or taxi).



Rennes Bretagne Airport: <u>https://www.rennes.aeroport.fr/en</u>

• Travel to Rennes by road: If you're driving, Rennes is three and a half hours away from Paris (via the A11 and A81), an hour away from Nantes, four and a half hours away from Bordeaux and five and a half hours away from Lille.

More info: <u>https://www.tourisme-rennes.com/en/organize-my-trip/the-practical-informations/getting-to-rennes</u>

Travelling by **bus and metro/subway** in Rennes: <u>https://www.tourisme-rennes.com/en/organize-my-trip/the-practical-informations/travelling-by-bus-and-metro-in-rennes</u> (a 5-day pass will be given during the meeting)

### Accomodation



There's accommodation options to suit all profiles in Rennes: budget hotels, high-end establishments, youth hostels, inns, camp sites or tourism residences. We advise you to **book an hotel located in the city center, or near a subway station**.

More than 80 million people visit France every year, a good portion of them in the summer months : be sure to book your trip (travel & accommodation) in advance !

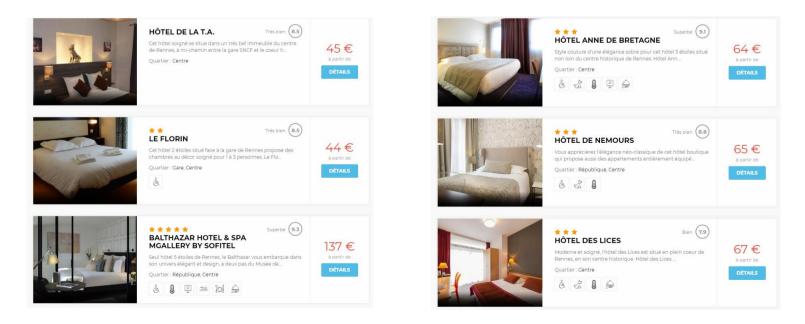
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Some suggestions:



INTERNATIONAL YOUTH HOSTEL



**Find your hotel**: <u>https://hotelarennes.com/hotel-rennes-centre</u>; https://www.tripadvisor.fr/Hotels-g187103-Rennes Ille et Vilaine Brittany-Hotels.html

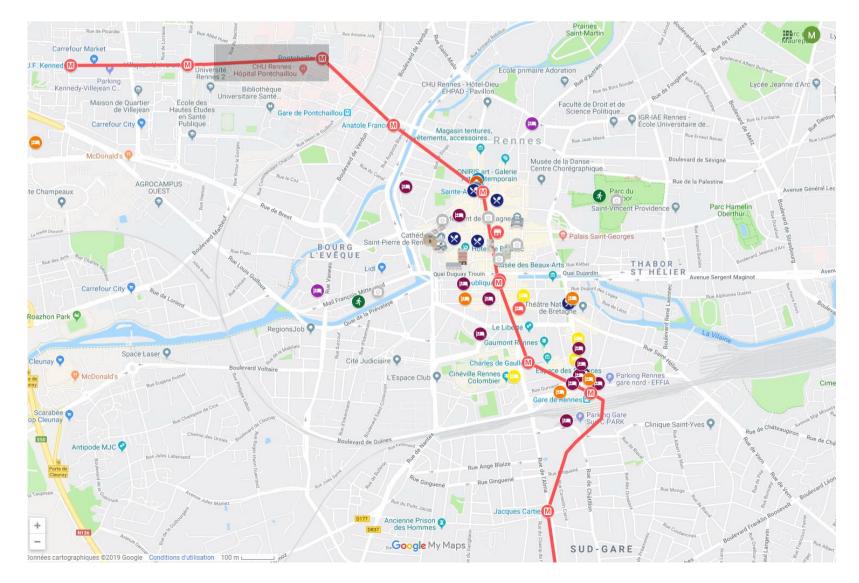


#### Amphithéâtre du Centre Cardio-Pneumologique (CCP) CHU Pontchaillou 2 Rue Henri le Guilloux 35000 Rennes





- 140 seats
- Access points: car/taxi, bus & subway : 2 min from the subway (Subway station: Pontchaillou) and < 10 min from downtown (subway or by road)</li>



# See you in

# **Rennes** July 7 –11, 2020

# Any question ?



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