



ERN-EYE WORKSHOP ON GENETIC TESTING

October 10th to 12th 2018



Azienda Ospedaliero Universitaria Careggi
Largo Brambilla 3
Florence, ITALY



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ERN-EYE, dedicated to rare Eye Diseases, has been launched in March 2017. After a first workshop last autumn in Mont Ste-Odile, France, we are pleased to invite you to the second ERN-EYE workshop in Florence, Italy, from the 10th to 12th October 2018. Hosted by our Italian colleague, Dr Andrea Sodi, this major event will allow us to discover the beautiful city of Florence.

This ERN-EYE workshop will be mainly dedicated to genetic testing and will allow the publication of a white paper on genetic testing for rare eye diseases in the European Union, coordinated by the chairs of the TWG6 genetic testing group, Prof. Graeme Black and Prof. Frans Cremers.

This workshop is the opportunity for all members to meet together and take part in the discussion and the work of the network.

PARTICIPANTS

- ERN-EYE members
- Invited EXPERTS (non ERN): Speakers/experts

EXPENSES

Travel and accommodation are funded by ERN-EYE within the EC reimbursement procedures for registered participants after agreement of the management team (limited number of funded participants).

Travel costs will be reimbursed up to a ceiling of 400€/participant, accommodation up to a ceiling of 120€ per night.

PROGRAM

Plenary session will start at 2.00 PM (local time) on the Wednesday 10th and will end at 12.00 AM (local time) on the Friday 12th. Meeting rooms will be available for working groups from the 10th in the morning. We will have plenary sessions and working groups sessions. The detailed program will be updated regularly on the ERN-EYE website (available from Summer 2018).

VENUE

[Careggi University Hospital](#)

Largo Brambilla, 3
50134 Firenze, Italy

HOTELS

Book your room as soon as possible as Florence is heavily demanded during this season !

You can book the hotel of your choice, following ones were recommended to us:

- [HÔTEL BOCCACCIO](#), Via della Scala n ° 59 Florence - Tel +39 055 282776
- [HOTEL CARAVAGGIO](#), Piazza Indipendenza n ° 5 Florence - Tel +39 055 496310

WEATHER

In October, the average temperature for the city begins at 19°C, created by highs of 24°C during the daytime and lows of 14°C after dark. At this time of the year, the city enjoys an average of seven hours of daily sunshine. The probability of rainfall occurring during this month averages at 36% and increases as the month develops.

HOW TO REACH CAREGGI HOSPITAL

BY CAR :

There are parking places in front of the hospital.

GPS:

- Latitude: 43.8038293
- Longitude: 11.246578

BY BUS

About 25 minutes from the railway station. Bus number 14.

About 45 minutes from the international airport. The Florence-airport connection is guaranteed by a shuttle service. "VOLAINBUS" is the shuttle that connects the Busitalia station (via Santa Caterina da Siena near the SMN station) with Florence's Vespucci airport. The cost of the ticket is € 6.00 by purchasing a one-way ticket, € 10 by purchasing a ticket for a return trip. The journey takes about 20 minutes, the bus frequency is every 30 minutes.

BY TAXI

About 25 minutes from the station. The fare from the Florence Railway station is about 15-20€.

About 45 minutes from the international airport. The fare from the airport is a fixed price of 10 €.

The taxis in Florence are white, can be called by phone or contacted directly in the appropriate parking areas located in different parts of the city. The connection between the Vespucci airport and the hotels in the historic center has a fixed price of € 22.00.



HOW TO TRAVEL TO FLORENCE

BY AIR:

Florence's Vespucci airport is only five kilometers from the city center and connects the Tuscan capital with most major European cities (Amsterdam, Barcelona, Brussels, Bucharest, Frankfurt, Geneva, London Gatwick, Madrid, Monaco, Paris Charles de Gaulle and Vienna) and with several Italian cities, like Bologna, Cagliari, Catania, Milan (Malpensa), Olbia, Palermo, Rome (Fiumicino), Turin and Verona.

The airport is connected with the city center by VOLAINBUS, a service provided by BUSITALIA - SITA Nord. This is a shuttle service between the airport terminal and the center of Florence: no intermediate stops are made except in the outskirts of the railway station. The cost of the ticket is € 6.00 by purchasing a one-way ticket, € 10 by purchasing a ticket for a return trip. The journey takes about 20 minutes, the bus frequency is every 30 minutes from 5.30am to 8.30pm (then every hour until 0.30).



BY TRAIN :

Located in the middle of the Italian peninsula, Florence is on the main Milan-Rome railway axis that connects the northern city with the capital and the south.

The main station of Florence is Santa Maria Novella (abbreviated Florence SMN). Located in the city center, less than 5 minutes from the Duomo, it is strategically close to the major tourist attractions of Florence. The station is also one of the main arrival and departure points for buses that connect the city center with other parts of the city and its surroundings. There are regional inter-regional and high-speed trains and international lines.

The fast trains are those of Trenitalia (Le Freccie) and Italo. Average journey times to/from Milan are 1h40; to/from Bologna 0h35, to/from Rome 1h32; to/from Naples 2h35. All tickets for fast trains require reservations.

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