

## Disclaimer

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## Airport ↔ Catania transportation

Adapted from

Catania-Fontanarossa Airport, is an international airport in Sicily located about 4.3 km southwest of Catania. It is the busiest airport in Sicily and in 2015 handled more than 7 million passengers.

Travelling to and from the airport is easy, due to its vicinity to the city center.

**Airport shuttle:** There is a shuttle service with **AMT Alibus** from Catania International Airport to the city center and the main train station. The bus goes every 20 minutes, from 5.00 AM to midnight. **The ticket costs 4 euro** and is valid for 90 minutes, but you have to validate it in the electronic ticket machine on the bus. You can buy it at the airport, chash on the bus, by POS, by UP MOBILE, in AMT points and in many hotels.



- The Journey trip is circular. Alibus has 20 stops and the total trip duration for this route is approximately 50 minutes in normal traffic conditions. Relevant stops (and very roughly estimated

journey times) are: Aeroporto (0), Archi uscita Porto (10') , Train Station East (15'), Viale (25'), Bellini West (27'), Stesicoro (29'), Train Station West (35'), Dusmet (40'), Aeroporto (50').

- The bus stop closest to Benedettini (12' walking) is [Stesicoro](#). Via Etnea is the main road of Catania and there are three stops (Viale, Bellini West and Stesicoro). Alternative stops are Archi (20') and Dusmet (17').
- Buses start from the Airport (old building) from 04:40 to 24:00 every 25 minutes. If you miss the last bus you still have the taxi or you can pre-order a transfer.

**Taxi services** – Taxis are available from Catania airport and you will find them in front of the terminal building, Arrivals area. However, **to avoid being scammed, we suggest to use only the authorized taxi service called Radio Taxi Catania**. You can even call them (+39095330966) or book the taxi online, using the mobile app. The price starts from € 18, depending on the location. They will pick you up/leave at the Departure Area (1-st floor) of the Airport.

**Renting a car at Catania airport** – There are several car rental companies located at and around the airport, mostly local companies and three larger companies – Sixt, Budget and Hertz. There is also Avis rental company, located a bit away from the terminal building (1.4 km), next to the Catania International Airport Hotel. The easiest way to rent a car is to compare the prices [on the following link](#), save time and book online.

## ***Before starting to discuss about meals***

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Please let us know your dietary requirements!!!!

## ***Lunch in the Benedettini zone***

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[Trattorie zona Plebiscito](#) – several and very close. They serve typical meal based on horse meat, but not only. The most popular one is “Da Achille”. “La terrazza del Barone” offers several alternatives.

[Trattorie via Crociferi](#) – < 10' walk. Possible suggestions: pizza at “Il Solaio” or a larger choice at “Pizzeria Locanda Cerami”, “Nievsky” (via Alessi), “Trattoria Da Nuccio” (via Penninello).

[Trattorie Piazza Mazzini](#) – Possible suggestions: “Vecchi sapori” and “La Pizzeria”

## ***Dinner at walking distance from Benedettini***

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Besides the above ones,

[Trattorie Castello Ursino](#) – Possible suggestions: “Cavaliere Roxy”

[Trattorie Teatro Massimo](#) – Possible suggestions: “Trattoria Casalinga Nino Mannino”, “Joyce Irish Pub”

[Trattorie Duomo](#) “Ambasciata”, “Antica Marina” “Sicilia in Bocca”, mainly fish restaurants, booking necessary.

[Vico S. Barnaba](#) – very close to Benedettini, opened at dinner, very recommended but booking necessary.

[Via Santa Filomena](#) – [Click here for suggestions](#)

But this is only a small sample, as you will see.

## ***Walking from Benedettini to Palazzo della Cultura***

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It takes less than 15'. [have a look to the map.](#)

**Monastero dei Benedettini di San Nicolò L'Arena** → Piazza Dante Alighieri, 32 → Head east toward Piazza Dante Alighieri (5 m) → Turn left to stay on Piazza Dante Alighieri (29 m) → Turn right to stay on Piazza Dante Alighieri (70m) → Continue onto Via Quartarone (100 m) → Turn left onto Via Vittorio Emanuele II. Destination will be on the right (850 m) → **Palazzo Platamone**

## ***Technical info for presentations and posters***

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The schedule of the Conference is tight therefore we would prefer to use a single PC with presentations in "standard" format (**Microsoft Power Point or in pdf format**). Please let us know in advance if you prefer a different solution, e.g. using your laptop. In this case consider that for the projection **only the VGA port** is available, and that to stay on the safe side **bring along your connector**.

### Power plugs

Poster frames have size m 2.4 X 0.95 therefore posters size should be A0 portrait

Printing poster in Catania not far from Benedettini: [Eliografia Sicilia · Graphic Designer](#). It is the closest place, neither the fastest nor the best.

## ***Administrative infos for IQIS receipts and for Y-IQIS refund***

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### **Regular participants to IQIS:**

In order to receive your fiscal receipt at the registration desk we have to know in advance some information for the receipt header (**before Sept. 13**). To this end, please login at the Conference's webpage and go to "My Profile". You will find a large text box where you should indicate what we need for the header:

- To whom it should be delivered (Surname & Name or Institution)
- Address and State
- Fiscal code (Only for Italians)

For regular Participants also joining the Etna tour/dinner, please indicate the option you prefer for the receipt/s:

- Option A (= a single receipt with no specification)
- Option B (= a single receipt with details of the costs and VAT)
- Option C (= two separate receipts for fee and tour/dinner)

If you do not provide the above informations, in order to get the receipt you will have to contact directly the Agency Uzeda before the end of the Conference, and receipts will be sent by email after the end of the Conference. This of course will take some time.

### **Young participants to IQIS:**

Young Participants will be partially or totally supported by the Schwinger foundation. For administrative reasons this support cannot be erogated directly. The University of Catania will **refund the expenses only if:**

– We can prepare a receipt for you **within September 13**. To this end, please login at the Conference's webpage and go to "My Profile". You will find a **large text box where you should indicate what is needed for the header** of the fiscal receipt (Surname & Name or Istitution, Address and State, Fiscal code only for Italians). You will receive the fiscal receipt at the registration desk.

– You must give back to us the above **fiscal receipt** at the registration desk together with: the **form you will receive by email** compiled with additional data, a paper **copy of your identity document and fiscal code** (for Italians)

The above operation should be concluded when registering at the registration desk. The documentation will be immediately presented to the Offices for refund. Please consider that if we do not manage in doing everything at the registration, refund will become so difficult that to a good approximation it can be considered impossible.

## *Map of Benedettini site*

Adapted from DISUM-UNICT

