



# LOGISTICAL NOTE #2

UNESCO Headquarters and  
Paris information

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2024 CONFERENCE ON  
**EDUCATION DATA  
AND STATISTICS**

## Practical information

### Engagement Day

Tuesday, 6 February 2024, 10:00 – 12.30 and 14:00 – 17:30

### Conference on Education Data and Statistics

7-9 February 2024, full day

### Venue

UNESCO Headquarters, 125 avenue de Suffren 75007 Paris



### Access and registration

- **Access to the Conference is via the UNESCO entrance at 125 avenue de Suffren 75007.**
- Registration will be open from 9:00 to 17:00 on 6 February 2024 and from 08:00 to 09:30 on 7-9 February 2024.
- At the entrance of UNESCO Headquarters, please present your national passport and the INDICO QR code which has been emailed to you when you registered. If you did not receive the QR code, please contact the Secretariat.
- For security purposes, the Conference badge is required to gain entry to the UNESCO premises and meeting rooms during the Conference, and must be visibly worn at all times.
- All areas at UNESCO Headquarters are accessible for people with reduced mobility. Do not hesitate to contact reception staff if necessary. Lifts can be found in Ségur Hall.

## Simultaneous interpretation

The official languages of the Conference are English, French and Spanish

## WIFI

All Headquarters premises are covered by a wifi network.

**Server:** HQ AIR-PUB

**Username:** hq-air

**Password:** uneswifi

## Voltage

The power plug sockets are of type E, the standard voltage is 230 V.



## Water dispensers

You can fill our bottle at the water dispensers available in front of Room II on the ground floor.

## Cloakrooms

Cloakrooms are available near Room I.

## Medical service and infirmary

UNESCO Headquarters: 2nd floor, at the end of the yellow corridor

Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. - 6.30 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Tel.: + 33 1 45 68 08 67

Email: [service.medical@unesco.org](mailto:service.medical@unesco.org)

## Lost and found

If you have lost or found something, please contact the Reception or Security.

## Banking services and ATM

Banking services and an ATM are available on UNESCO premises at Société Générale, located near the main entrance of the Fontenoy Building, behind the UNESCO Book and Gift Shop.

## Restaurant services at UNESCO Headquarters

### Cafeteria, 7th floor (lunches)

Monday-Friday, noon - 2:30 pm

### Restaurant, 7th floor (lunches)

Monday-Friday, noon-2.30 p.m.

Reservation recommended:

+33 6 72 28 20 53

### Bar, 7th floor

Monday-Friday: 8h30 a.m.-5 p.m.



*View from the 7th floor restaurant*

## Other options for lunch (near UNESCO)

Name	Category	Address	Contact
Monop'	Supermarket	126 avenue de Suffren, 75015 Paris (2 min walk, in front of UNESCO)	01 40 65 07 61
Naturalia	Organic supermarket	38 Av. de la Motte-Picquet, 75007 Paris (15 min walk)	01 45 51 10 10
Le Suffren	Traditional brasserie, fish and seafood	84 Av. de Suffren, 75015 Paris (7 min walk)	01 45 66 97 86
L'Escudella	French bistrot	41 Av. de Ségur, 75007 Paris (6 min walk)	09 82 28 70 70
Felix	Modern bistrot	79 Av. de Ségur, 75015 Paris (2 min walk)	01 82 10 57 23



## UNESCO book and gift shop

Official souvenirs and UNESCO publications are available at the UNESCO Book and Gift Shop.

At the entrance of the Fontenoy Building Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.





# UNESCO Headquarters



Located near the Eiffel Tower, right in the heart of Paris, the iconic UNESCO Headquarters is a treasure of modern architecture and the fruit of collaboration between several iconic architects of the twentieth century such as Bernard Zehrfuss, Marcel Breuer and Pier Luigi Nervi.

The Y-shaped design was conceived by three architects of different nationalities under the direction of an international committee. Nicknamed the 'three-pointed star', the entire edifice stands on 72 columns of concrete piling. It is world famous, not only because it is the home of a well-known organization but also because of its outstanding architectural qualities.



Three more buildings complete the headquarters site. The second building, known affectionately as the "accordion" with a pleated copper ceiling where the plenary sessions of the General Conference are held. The third building is in the form of a cube. Lastly, a fourth construction consists of two office floors hollowed out below street level, around six small sunken courtyards.

Visiting UNESCO, you will cross the emblematic rooms and halls of this "house of peace" made of glass and concrete like the Japanese garden of Isamu Noguchi or the meditation space of Tadao Ando.

UNESCO contains many remarkable works of art. As soon as the architectural plans for the site at the Place de Fontenoy had been approved, UNESCO commissioned a number of great artists to create works to adorn the future premises. In some cases, the works are also intended to evoke the peace that the institution has sought to establish and preserve throughout the world.

## Works of art

UNESCO has established, since its creation in Paris, a notable and diverse collection of artworks, including those of Picasso, Miró, Arp, Appel, Afro, Matta, Calder, Chillida, Giacometti, Moore, Tamayo, Soto, Vasarely, Cruz-Diez and many more, and now boasts over 500 works. This collection has continued to expand over the years, thanks to the generosity of Member States, who wished to enrich and highlight the Headquarters of the Organisation while respecting the capacities and constraints of its architectural surroundings.

The UNESCO Headquarters currently possess the richest artistic heritage among the United Nations bodies. The works currently exhibited in the UNESCO buildings bear witness to the richness of artistic diversity in the world, which stretches out over more than 6000 years of history. You can view the collection here: [www.unesco.org/artcollection](http://www.unesco.org/artcollection)



*Walking Man I*, Alberto Giacometti



*The Fall of Icarus*, Pablo Picasso





# Paris practical guide



## Transport

### From the airports

- **Taxi.** From Charles de Gaulle - Roissy International and Paris-Orly airports, the journey to UNESCO Headquarters and surrounding hotels will take approximately 45-60 minutes in normal traffic. A taxi flat fare (forfait) to UNESCO Headquarters is €62 from Charles de Gaulle - Roissy International, and €35 from Paris-Orly.
- **Public transport.** From Charles de Gaulle - Roissy International, RER B (two stations within the airport zone: Terminal 1 and 3, and Terminal 2 -TGV) will connect you to the Paris metro system in approx. 35 mins. Cost: €11.45. From Paris-Orly, ORLYVAL + RER B will connect you to the Paris metro system in approx 25-30 mins. Cost €14.10.

### Nearest bus stations to UNESCO

- Bus 28 and 86: Duquesne-Lowendal (7 mn)
- Bus 80: Cambronne (8 mn)
- Bus 82: Général de Bollardière (8 mn)

### Nearest metro stations to UNESCO

- Line 10: Ségur (5 mn)
- Line 6: Cambronne (8 mn)
- Line 8: Ecole Militaire (15 mn)

For further information: <https://www.ratp.fr/en>

### VELIB' bike sharing system

The Vélib' Metropole provides 20,000 bikes in self-service, in classic version (green) or with electric assistance (blue). Docking points are spread throughout the capital. You can use them with or without subscription.

### Taxis

You can find taxis by calling the reservations center of one of these companies:

- Taxis G7: + 33 1 41 27 66 99
- Alpha Taxis: + 33 1 45 85 85 85

You can also call the nearest taxi rank to UNESCO Headquarters:

Ecole Militaire: + 33 1 47 05 00 00

On arrival, the meter will already show a certain amount. That amount, which corresponds to the price of the journey made to pick you up, is charged to you.

There are three rates, according to the time and distance from the city center:

- Rate A (day): In Paris, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday to Saturday;
- Rate B (night): 5 p.m.-10 a.m., Monday to Saturday, but also on Sunday, 7 a.m.-midnight, and public holiday, as well as for Orly and Roissy Airports;
- Rate C: in Paris, Sunday, midnight-7 a.m., and outside Paris, 7 p.m.-7 p.m., as well as on Sunday and public holidays.



## Weather

The weather in Paris in February is cold with temperatures between 3°C and 8°C, warm clothes are a must.

It may be quite sunny during the day, but mornings and evenings will be cold.

You can expect rainy days in Paris during the month of February. It's a good idea to bring along your umbrella

Check the Paris weather forecast on the website of [Météo de Paris](#).

## Exchange rates

Local currency is the euro.

US \$1 = €0.901

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## Going out in Paris

Visit the official website of the [Paris Convention and Visitors Bureau](#) to learn about ongoing events and discover good addresses.

[Time Out Paris'](#) website (also in [French](#) and in [Spanish](#)) is a good resource as well.

## Department stores

From the metro station Ségur, line 10 will take you directly to **Le Bon Marché** (metro station: Sèvres-Babylone) or to the **Beaugrenelle Shopping Mall** (open also on Sunday, metro station: Charles Michel), which are both near UNESCO.

Buses 80 and 28 will take you to Saint Lazare train station, which is only a few minutes' walk from famous shopping malls **Au Printemps** and the **Galleries Lafayette**, both on Boulevard Haussmann.

