

CARGESE INTERNATIONAL UTLS SCHOOL

3-15 October 2005
at the Institut d'Etudes Scientifiques de Cargese

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Travel to Ajaccio:

If you have the option of a flight arriving in Nice, this is the easiest solution as you will not have to change airports (most of you should be able to find direct flights to Nice). See www.nice.aeroport.fr

Those of you travelling from the United States and from other international destinations may have no option but to fly through Paris, arriving in Roissy Charles de Gaulle airport. As all flights to Ajaccio leave from Paris Orly airport (Orly West terminal), you will have to transfer to this airport. See "How to get from Paris Charles de Gaulle airport to Orly airport"

You can use either the RER or an Air France bus. The transfer using the bus should take between 1 to 1.5 hours if traffic is only slightly congested (mid-day during the week and on Sunday before 16h00). The transfer using the RER has one connection, and takes about the same time as the bus, but is more reliable at busy hours (ticket machines or cashier at CDG take credit cards but it will save you time to have a few spare euros).

Those of you travelling from Italy or the south of France might find it easier to travel by ferry (see [SNCM](#) and [Corsica Ferries](#)). The ferry from Italy arrives at Bastia and students/lecturers who wish to be picked up by the shuttle in Ajaccio will have to make their own way there by bus or train, or arrange their own transport to Cargese from Bastia (car rental available with ADA who have an arrangement with the Institute)

Travel from Ajaccio to Cargese:

Shuttles from Ajaccio to Cargese will be arranged for the Monday 3/10 and Saturday 15/10 and their times will depend on arrival times of students and lecturers. Students and lecturers are encouraged to arrive on Monday morning by noon or early afternoon if possible. But those arriving from the US may find this difficult - in this case a shuttle will be arranged for a later pick up on Monday evening. People arriving by ferry will be collected at the marine station if needed.

Please could you let Marguerite Gascoine (m.b.gascoine@reading.ac.uk) know your arrival/departure times in Ajaccio and flight number. This is important to plan the shuttles in advance and to make sure that we collect you, even if your flight is delayed.

Programme of lectures:

A first draft of the programme is being finalised and will be posted on the website in due course.

Visas:

For those who will need visas to enter France, please could you let Marguerite Gascoine (m.b.gascoine@reading.ac.uk) know giving :

- full name,
- home address,
- nationality and
- passport number.

A letter of invitation will be sent out by the organisers.

Accommodation:

Students have already given their choices of accommodation when registering. More practical information on accommodation can be found at the website:

<http://cargese.univ-corse.fr/Pagesa/indexe.html>

There are a range of options:

Camping on the seashore:

The campsite on the seashore around the Institute has recently been improved! The shower block has been renovated, the camping sites have been levelled and cleared of bushes and camping equipment is available (free of charge) for 12 people.

This includes tents, sleeping bags and mattresses – please let us know if you would like to make use of this equipment. Campers are not allowed to cook around their tents (for risk of fire), but the terrace of the Institute is available for this (there are tables at your disposal). Students must bring their own cooking equipment.

Price per night: 3.50 EUR, including breakfast in the Institute.

Shared rooms in apartments / houses:

These apartments are situated either in Cargese village or around the Institute (places at the Institute are limited). Students can either have a shared double room, or a single room in apartments or houses, sharing the kitchen and bathroom.

Price per night for shared room: 15 EUR

Price per night for single room: 20 EUR

Price for individual apartment: from 30 EUR per day

(Breakfast is not included in these options)

Apartments are supplied with bedlinen (including towels, sheets and blankets).

Hotel in Cargese village:

You should expect to pay around EUR 46 per night – this depends on the hotel you are staying at. Breakfast is included in this price. All hotels are in the village of Cargese. Hotel bookings will be made by the Institute if you have requested a hotel room.

Please note:

Payment of accommodation must be settled in Cargese with the Institute directly (credit cards accepted), and in the case of the hotel, to the hotel directly.

Please let the organisers know if there is **any change in this booking** as soon as possible, including details of any **accompanying persons**.

If you are requesting to stay in a **shared room/apartment**, please indicate your preferences – smoking/non-smoking, vegetarian, or any other information about you which you think would be useful for the Institute to allocate rooms in the best possible way. If you would like to share with any particular person, please also let us know.

Please note:

The village is a 2 km trail from the Institute - you will need to come with a lamp/torch and some walking shoes if you are staying in Cargese village. There are a limited amount of rooms available at the Institute.

Banking:

There are 3 ATMs in Cargese to pick up Euros locally.

There is one bank at Cargese, but **travellers cheques cannot be cashed at this bank** – this can only be done at the Credit Agricole, in Ajaccio (Place de Gaulle).

Registration fee:

These fees (for those who are concerned) must be paid in Cargese – unfortunately only cheques from a French bank or cash can be used for this payment.

Lunches:

Most students will have the lunches included in their “local cost” formula. For others, the cost of lunches during the course will come to EUR 128 for the 10 days at the Institute (Monday 3/10 and Sunday 9/10 not included). This can be settled directly with the Institute during your stay at Cargese.

Tourism:

A bus trip into the interior of the island is usually organised for the Sunday. There is also the possibility to arrange a boat trip to Capo Rosso, Girolata and Scandola peninsula, which is well worth the expense if the weather is nice.

Car Rental:

There is a very small Europcar agency in Cargese (see the website: www.europcar.com). The Institute also have an agreement with ADA (in Ajaccio and Bastia).

