



EWEC 2009: Practical Information: A-Z

Accommodation

Our online booking system is available [here](#), offering reduced rates on a range of hotels in Marseille.

Badges and conference materials

All participants will be provided with a badge upon arrival, which must be worn at all times whilst in the venue. You may also be required to show your badge at some social events. Conference delegates will not be allowed into session rooms without their badge.

Should you lose your badge, please go to the registration desks for assistance.

All participants will be provided with a bag containing event materials on arrival, subject to availability. An exhibition catalogue will be included inside the bag, and, for conference delegates, a final copy of the conference programme.

Catering

Please see the [floor plan](#) for the location of the catering areas.

Welcome coffee:

- 08:00 every morning

Coffee breaks:

- 10:30 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and

- 15:30 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

Buffet lunch

- 12:00 - 14:00 every day (only available to conference delegates and staff from exhibitor companies)

For those participants not entitled to the buffet lunch, a number of cash bars will be available at the venue. There are several restaurants in the vicinity of Parc Chanot, details of which can be found by downloading [this map](#). (141 kb)

Water will also be freely available around the conference venue.

Conference delegates

To attend the conference, register online at www.ewec2009.info or on site at the conference registration desk.

Registration fees are available on the [Registration page](#).

Conference dinner

The conference dinner will take place on Wednesday, 18 March 2009 at 20:00 in the "Palais de la Bourse".

Cocktails and canapés will be served, followed by the dinner.

You may purchase a ticket through the [Registration page](#), at the price of €120 (incl. VAT) per ticket.

Address:

9 place du Général de Gaulle
13001 Marseille

Shuttle buses to and from the venue will be available. For more detailed information please check the website closer to the event.

Dress code: smart

For more information see the Social event page.

Commercial opening hours in Marseille

Banks: Generally, banks in France are open on weekdays from 09:30 to 16:30. Most take a one-hour lunch break. Certain banks may also be open on Saturdays. Banks at the airport and main train stations open as early as 06:30 and close as late as 22:30.

Shops: Small shops and businesses tend to close for two hours at lunch, but stay open until later in the evening. Shopping malls in Marseille, such as the Centre Bourse, stay open all day, generally until 19:00. The standard closing day for shops is Sunday.

Markets: Marseille's open-air markets are generally held in the morning, from 08:00 to 13:00.

Conference reception

The conference reception will take place on Monday 16 March 2009 at 19:30 at the "Docks des Sud". This reception is free of charge for all conference delegates. A valid badge or confirmation e-mail must be shown at the entrance.


Address:

"Docks des Sud", 12 Rue Urbain V - 13002 Marseille

Shuttle buses to and from the venue will be available. For more detailed information please check the website closer to the event.

For more information see the Social event page.

Credit cards and cash

Cash points are widely available. Cash withdrawals may be made using your credit card. There are 3 cash points onsite at Parc Chanot, as well as a fourth one located just outside the venue.  [This map](#) (157kb) shows the location of these cash points.

All major credit cards are widely accepted in shops, restaurants etc. Foreign exchange facilities can be found at the airport, railway station and major banks.

Theft/loss of credit card

Eurocard-Mastercard: 0800 902 390

Visa: 0892 705 705

Diner's-Club: 0810 314 159

American Express: 01 47 77 72 00

Electricity

220-230 va/c, frequency 50Hz. Plugs have 2 male pins so visitors from some countries will need an adaptor.

Emergencies

Police Emergency: 17

Fire service: 18

Ambulance service: 15

Emergency doctor: 04 91 52 91 52

Anti-poison Centre: 04 91 75 25 25

Marine life saving service Crossmed: 04 94 61 71 10

Emergency traveller: 04 91 62 12 80

Foreign social security: 0 820 904 186

Pharmacy open 7 days a week: 04 91 91 63 10

(Pharmacie du Vieux Port - 4 Quai du Port – 13002)

Entry requirements

All visitors must be in possession of an identity card or a passport (or ID for Schengen member countries). Non-EU citizens require a valid passport to enter France. Visas are not required for citizens of the EU, the USA, Canada and most major countries.

Please contact your local French embassy or Consulate for further information.

 [List of embassies and consulates in France](#)

EWEA stand events

The EWEA stand (2532) will host a number of special events aimed at giving you an opportunity to meet EWEA's members and its staff, accompanied by a taste of some regional specialties.

Meet EWEA – Monday 16 March 16:30

Come and get to know the people behind the European Wind Energy Association and try some of the many varieties of Pastis, one of the most popular liqueurs in France and a specialty of Marseille.

EWEA members spotlight – Tuesday 17 March 16:30

Several high-level representatives from key member companies will share their experiences of EWEA membership with the event participants over a tasting of fine French wines and cheeses.

Focus on EWEC 2010 – Wednesday 18 March 16:30

The 2010 edition of EWEC will take place in Poland, one of Europe's emerging wind energy markets. Discover more about the event or book your exhibition stand, and sample some of Poland's famous vodka.

Exhibition

Please visit the [exhibition page](#) for general information about the exhibition or contact sh@ewea.org.

For details about the exhibition build-up, stand construction etc. exhibitors should refer to the exhibition manual or contact Dianne Wright at dianne.wright@inside-events.co.uk.

Exhibition Reception

The exhibition reception will take place on Tuesday 17 March 2009 from 17:30 at the Gamesa stand (1530) in Hall 1 and in the catering areas in Hall 2 and 3.

Cocktails and snacks will be served while you take the opportunity of networking with your peers!

The reception is free of charge to all conference delegates, exhibitors and exhibition visitors.

Exhibition Visitors

To visit the exhibition only, register online at <http://www.ewec2009.info> or on site at the exhibition registration desk.

Registration fee:

1 day exhibition visitor pass: 20€

An exhibitor visitor pass includes access to the exhibition and the job fair, but does not include lunch or access to the conference sessions.

Information points

Marseille Tourism Information Office

4, la canebière - 13001 Marseille

+ 33 (0)4.91.13.89.00

 <http://www.marseille-tourisme.com/en/in-marseille/>

 info@marseille-tourime.com

Opening hours: From Monday to Saturday: 09:00 - 19:00

Sunday and public holidays: 10:00 - 17:00

Internet

Two cyber cafes will be available at the venue which provide internet access, printing and copying facilities and a fax machine. These will be located in Hall 2 and 3. Please see the floor plan for the exact location.

Free Wi-Fi access will also be available at the venue.

Language

The conference language, including submitted abstracts and presentations, will be English. Simultaneous French translation is available in all sessions except in the scientific track.

Lost and found

At the venue: Please visit the organiser's office, located in Hall 1.

In Marseille:


Service des Objets Trouvés (Found items service)

Address: 41 bd de Briançon - 13003 Marseille

Phone: +33 4 91 14 68 97

Maps

[Venue floor plan](#)


 [Venue access map](#) (70kb)

 [Map of Marseille](#) (1.3MB)

Route planner:  <http://www.viamichelin.fr>

Marseille

Located in south-eastern France on the Mediterranean Sea, Marseille is France's oldest city, and its second largest after Paris. Not for the first time, Marseille will be the meeting point for people from across Europe and beyond, as people come from all over the world to participate in Europe's premier wind energy event.

The Marseille Tourist Information Office offers city information in 14 languages: 

www.marseille-tourisme.com.


Click on the links below for information about:

 [Attractions and activities](#)  [Eating out](#)  [Nightlife](#)

Meeting rooms

Several meeting rooms are available for hire during EWEC 2009, ranging from 20 to 200 pax capacity. For more information, or to book a room, please contact Chantal Gennen: [cg\(at\)ewea.org](mailto:cg(at)ewea.org), +32 2 546 1940 .

Money

The unit of currency in France is the Euro (€). Current exchange rates can be found at www.xe.com/ucc. 

Opening hours of the event

EXHIBITION OPENING HOURS	
Monday 16 March 2009	10:00 – 19:00 with beer reception from: 17:00 – 18:00
Tuesday 17 March 2009	09:00 – 19:00 with exhibition reception: 17:30 – 19:00
Wednesday 18 March 2009	09:00 – 19:00 with Prosecco party from: 17:00 – 18:00
Thursday 19 March 2009	09:00 – 14:00

Parking

Please use Esplanade 3 and 4, which are located behind Hall 1.
The parking fee is 4€/ day/car, which is payable with cash or credit card.

Proceedings

A link to the proceedings website, which contains all relevant information, papers, presentations, photos and videos will be sent by email to all conference delegates following the conference (May 2009). For more information about ordering the proceedings of past EWECs as a non-delegate or EWEA member, please email ap@ewea.org .

Telephone

The international access code for France is 0033 . Remove the '0' from the city/area code when dialing internationally. The city/area code for Marseille is 04.
We request that all conference delegates switch off their mobile phones, or put them on silent mode, during all conference sessions.

Press

The press conference will be held in the press room immediately after the opening session, on Monday 16 March at 12:00. A fully-equipped press room will be at the disposal of journalists. Computers, refreshments, background information and press packs will be available.

Registration

Please go to the [registration page](#) to register.

Onsite registration will commence on Sunday 15 March from 14:00-19:00, and then continue from 08:00-18:00 on Monday 16, Tuesday 17, and Wednesday 18 March and from 8:00-12:30 on Thursday 19 March.

Badges will be given to all registered participants onsite and should be collected from the registration desk on arrival. Participants will not be admitted to the conference or exhibition without their badges.

Time zone

The time zone in France is GMT + 1hr during the month of March (daylight saving time begins only at the end of March).


Travel

Please [click here](#) for travel information.

Venue

EWEC 2009 will be held in Marseille's Convention and Exhibition Centre, Parc Chanot. For more information, please [click here](#).


Safim - Parc Chanot
Rond Point du Prado, FR - 13266 Marseille

Download the  [access map](#) (71kb) of the venue.
View the [floorplan](#) of the venue.

Weather

Marseille's weather is good throughout the year. Spring and autumn are probably the most pleasant times of year.

The average temperature in March is between 6°C (high) and 16°C (low)

For a weather forecast: 08 92 68 02 13 or  www.meteofrance.fr