

Getting to Cardiff

By Air:

Cardiff International Airport (<http://www.cardiff-airport-guide.co.uk/>) is approx. 12 miles from the University and city centre. Upon arrival at the airport visitors can travel on to the city centre by taxi, train or bus.

Leaving the airport by Taxi: Checker Cars is the official taxi operator for the airport. The taxis are located just outside the arrival hall and can be pre-booked by emailing cardiff@checkercars.com or by telephoning +44 (0)1446 711747. The taxi journey will take approximately 25 minutes and there is a fixed cost of £24 (for up to 4 people sharing the taxi).

Leaving the airport by Train: A rail link connects Cardiff International Airport (Rhoose) and Cardiff Central Station, however you must use the free shuttle bus to get to the train station, which is situated approximately 1 mile away from the airport. Once at the station, trains leave every hour and a single ticket costs £2.90 (correct at time of writing – please check www.arrivatrainswales.co.uk for up-to-date prices). The train journey will take approximately 30 minutes.

Leaving the airport by Bus (recommended): Cardiff Bus operates the X91 Airport Express bus service between Cardiff International Airport and Cardiff Central Station. The service runs every hour Monday to Saturday (daytime) and every two hours on Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday (daytime). A single ticket costs £3.70 for an adult, however if you purchase a £4.50 day-to-go ticket you will have unlimited travel (on the day of purchase) on all Cardiff Bus services, which would seem far better value!

Delegates arriving at other airports (Bristol, Heathrow, Gatwick). From Bristol Airport (<http://www.bristolairport.co.uk/>), a frequent (15 mins) bus link operates to Bristol Temple Meads train station, from where you can catch a train to Cardiff Central. From Heathrow or Gatwick airports it is possible to catch a shuttle bus or train link into London from where you can catch a train from London Paddington to Cardiff Central. All combined this is expensive. A cheaper alternative is to catch the National Express coach service (<http://www.nationalexpress.com/home.aspx>) direct from Heathrow or Gatwick.

By Rail:

High speed InterCity trains provide frequent services between all major British cities. The Cardiff-London InterCity service, from London Paddington, runs some seventeen times a day, with a journey time of less than two hours. From Cardiff Central Station there is a frequent train service which stops at Queen Street Station, which is located 5 minutes walk away from the hotel.

By Road:

Cardiff is served by the M4 and is easily accessible from all parts of Britain. From the south west, take the M5 and from the south of England, follow major A roads to the M4. From Scotland, the north of England and the Midlands, travel via the M50 to the

M4. Travelling east on the M4. Leave the motorway at Junction 32, follow the A470, signposted City Centre, into the Cathays area of the city. Travelling west on the M4. Leave the motorway at Junction 29, follow the A48(M)/A48, signposted Cardiff East and South, to the A470. Follow the A470, signposted City Centre, into the Cathays area of the city.

Car Parking

Car parking in University car parks is **extremely limited** and a permit is required. This will need to be booked and arranged in advance, so please contact the local organisers as soon as possible. There are also several short and long stay public car parks located close to the University, all of which are marked on the University and City Centre map. Car parking is also available within the civic centre (along College Road, City Hall Road, King Edward VII Avenue and Museum Avenue) where a pay and display system operates on a daily basis. The Hotel also has a private/secure car park, but again, please contact the local organisers in advance so we can inform the hotel.

Transport Around Cardiff

All events taking place during the conference are held within 10 minutes walking distance (including the hotel, lectures and dinners). Delegates wishing to visit the waterside development of Cardiff Bay are advised to use the train service which runs from Cardiff Queen Street station (5 minutes walk from the hotel) directly to Cardiff Bay station. The journey time is only 5 minutes, and the service runs every 10 minutes.