9th Thematic CERN School of Computing

The Essentials

Arrival – Sunday 10 October 2021 before 16:00

Please note that the Welcome Session of the School starts at 16:00. Therefore, we expect you to arrive at MedILS Conference Centre (the place where tuition will be provided) before 16:00.

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As you can see in the School’s timetable, the registration will be possible as of 11:00, and a lunch will be offered at 13:00.

Planned arrival and departure time
As soon as you have booked your flights, please fill in the travel details form with your flights information. This will help us to organize your arrival at MedILS.

TAXI share: if you would like to group up with other students to spread the taxi cost to arrive to MedILS, please mention it on the form, so as we share your email address with the other interested persons.

Transport to MedILS
You are responsible for getting to MedILS. The CSC does not organise transport from the airport or Split city. Ample information is provided on MedILS How to Reach Us tab on their website. To summarise, here are the suggestions on how to get to MedILS from the airport:

- Public transport: From airport to the Main Bus Station
  - Croatia Airlines provides a bus directly from the airport exit station to the main bus station in Split, the ticket price being HRK 30 (approximately EUR 4).
- Public transport: From Main Bus Station to MEDILS
  - The main bus station is located in the east part of the Split ferry harbor and is close to the main train station.
  - It is advised you then walk ~10 min to the western part of the harbour, near the St. Francis Church (Sveti Frane), where there are two options:
    - take a taxi; you would pay around HRK 50-60
    - take a bus, local line number 12 which would lead you straight to MedILS (ask the bus driver for the MEDILS station), the ticket price is about 11 HRK.
- Taxi: From airport to MedILS
  - Another option is to take a taxi directly from the airport to MedILS. The price should be around 300 HRK, but we advise you to ask for the price in advance.
Accommodation
You will be staying at MedILS, located on the Adriatic Sea coast, a couple of kilometers from the center of Split or in the nearby hotel. We will provide detailed accommodation information when you register on Sunday 10 October.

MedILS centre facilities
Note that MedILS is a University meeting/conference center and not a hotel. As a result, it is not manned 100% of the time.

Meals
All meals will be on-site at MedILS except Sunday, Wednesday and Friday evening dinners. The location and website of these three off-site dinners will be provided later.

Registration
Registration for tCSC 2021-autumn will take place in MedILS on Sunday 10 October, from 11:00. Make your way to the MedILS main reception and you'll find us there. You will receive from the tCSC organizers your tCSC pack (instructions, tCSC badge, local tourist information, etc.).

Classes
Classes and exercises will take place in MedILS medium-size lecture room. Directions will be provided when you arrive.

Computers/Personal laptops
During tCSC 2021-autumn you will be required to use your own laptop and install required software to participate in exercises. Instructions on what to install and configure are available on Laptop Configuration page.

Please configure your laptop before the beginning of the school, so as you are ready for the first class on Monday. Any questions - ask our Technical Manager at csc-technical-manager@cern.ch or in person.

Croatia uses the standard European (round-pronged) plugs (230V, 50Hz AC). Don’t forget your power adapters for laptops, if needed.

Sports and free time
- On Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday afternoon you have a free time period between lunch and the afternoon sessions. This free time may be devoted to learning, discussions with lecturers and/or recreational activities including sports and/or swimming in the sea.
- We have a special sports outing on Wednesday afternoon: we will be rafting on a river upstream of the beautiful city of Omis, south of Split.
Sports Clothes to bring

Bring with you:
- sport clothes (eg t-shirt, shorts)
- swimming costume
- swimming and sunglasses

- trainers/sneakers
- towel for the beach
- sun cream

You will also need some sport shoes or sturdy sandals to scramble over the rocks to get to the beach. The rocks are sharp and bare feet are at great risk of getting cut!

For the rafting, you will need to bring clothes you don't mind getting wet. You should bring:
- a windproof cagoule or K-Way or similar
- light clothes (e.g. T-shirt)
- sport shoes (or sturdy water sport sandals which attach with clips/velcro) which you don't mind getting wet
- full change of clothing (warmer clothes) for after rafting

Weather

Average temperature in Split during this period is about 17°C, ranging between 14°C and 20°C, and usually sunny or partially sunny. There may be some rain – there are about 6 rainy days in October, so bring some warmer clothes and a rain jacket just in case.

Miscellaneous

May we remind you that:
- Any extra costs incurred by you during the stay will not be covered by the school organization.
  - Smoking is banned at MedILS.

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Links

tCSC 2021 Autumn website https://indico.cern.ch/event/1055520
MedILS conference centre https://www.medils.org
Maps
See also Google Maps link provided by MedILS https://goo.gl/maps/EvCaq75JDg42

Main Bus Station then ~10 minute walk to St Francis Church

Main Bus Station to MedILS