

CONFERENCE ASTRONOMICAL SITE TESTING DATA IN CHILE

Public transport

By Bus:

CentroPuerto and TurBus: a permanent bus service from the **Airport** into **Santiago** (necessary to get nearer the main transport system), with a frequency of 10 minutes. These local buses will take you to the **Pajaritos Bus Terminal** (Estacion Pajaritos) where you may take another bus towards **Viña del Mar** (Hotel Marina del Rey) or **Valparaiso** (Hotel Diego de Almagro), distant an hour and a half. You can travel there by Tur Bus or Pullman Bus, both arrive to the same terminal. Having arrived in **Valparaíso** or **Viña del Mar** you may take a **local taxi** to your hotel or directly to the **DIEGO DE ALMAGRO HOTEL** in Valparaíso, place of the CONFERENCE.

Details:

Cost of CentroPuerto or TurBus from Airport to Pajaritos Bus terminal : \$1700 CLP, (US\$ 3,5) , approximate time: 15 minutes

Cost of Bus trip from Pajaritos Bus Terminal to Valparaiso/ Viña del Mar bus terminals, \$ 6000 CLP, (US\$ 30), approximate travel time: 1.5 hrs.

a.-If you arrive to **Valparaiso:** cost of **local Valparaiso taxi**, from the **Bus Terminal**, to get to the **Hotel Diego de Almagro:** approx. \$ 3000 CLP, (US\$6), approximate travel time: 6 minutes.

b.-If you arrive to **Viña del Mar:** cost of **local taxi (colectivos)** to Valparaiso, \$600 CLP (US\$ 11), approximate travel time 15 minutes. Private taxi may have a cost of approximately \$6000 CLP (US\$10), approximate travel time: 15 minutes

Maps

There are two maps in this document that may be of help. One map corresponds to Valparaiso, with lodging and eating indications, and routes from the Bus terminal to the Diego de Almagro Hotel. *See below for an explanation of each highlighted zone on the map.*

By Taxi:

The **official taxi line** for the Airport has a distinctive blue sign and may transport you to **Viña del Mar** and **Valparaíso** directly. They are parked just outside the main building.

Contact telephone: 56-02-6019880.

Cost: \$ 65000.- CLP or, approximately US\$ 130, (**Viña del Mar** or **Valparaíso**)

Capacity for four (4) persons (if you come with some other person you could share the cost).

Car Rental:

At the airport you may contact directly the following agencies:

Alamo, Avis, Budget, Econorent, Hertz and Rosselot.

Their counters are on the first floor of the airport, at the Arrivals area.

Driving to Valparaíso or Viña del Mar:

You must take the highway (**Carretera 68**) towards **Valparaiso/Viña del Mar**. There are two tunnels to traverse and two tolls (\$1700 CLP each US\$ 3.5 approx) When

nearing the two coastal cities you will find yourself in a bifurcation (at km 96 approx) which lead to **Valparaíso** (left fork) and **Viña del Mar** (right fork).

Take the **left fork** (for **Valparaiso**), and you will arrive to the city (after a long descent), via the **Jose Santos Ossa** highway, right up to the **Avenida Argentina**, a straight main street, which if you follow without turning, will lead you directly towards the coast (see image). Before reaching the end of **Avenida Argentina**, (approximately 10 blocks) take the left lane, stop at the last traffic light, and turn into the **main coastal avenue (Avenida Errázuriz)**. (see map)

After the first traffic light down that street (immediately after your turn), you must keep to the left lane and to a second traffic light (the right lane goes on directly without stopping). Once you take that left lane and pass that traffic light you will find the name of your street is now **Avenida Brasil**. You must advance until you reach **Pudeto** street, turn right, head down two blocks (2) until **Avenida Errázuriz**. Once there you must turn right again and head down **Avenida Errázuriz** two blocks until **the Diego de Almagro Hotel** at the intersection with **Molina** Street. There is no parking place on **Avenida Errázuriz** as it is a main street, so once again **turn right**, down **Molina** street and at mid-block you will encounter the entrance to the **Hotel** on your right, and its internal parking place. If there is no space to park there, you will certainly receive indications from the concierge as to where you may leave your car. If by any chance you miss the turn at **Pudeto**, just keep on, and at the first opportunity turn right until reaching **Avenida Errázuriz** (it's a double avenue with Palm trees) and turn right again to head down until the **Diego de Almagro Hotel** on **Molina** Street.

The following map may be of use to you. You may also download it on the website (rentalcar.jpg).

MINIBUSES

Tur Transfer

- Bus Stop
- First level International Airport
- International arrivals
- Timetable: 24 hrs. every day of the year
- Telephone: (56 2) 677 3600
- www.turtransfer.cl

Transvip

- Bus Stop
- First level International Airport
- International arrivals
- Timetable: 24 hrs. every day of the year
- Telephone: (56 2) 677 3000
- www.transvip.cl

MAPS

The following **images** may be “copied” and “pasted” into an image processing program and printed at a bigger scale, or else download directly from the web page:

Map 1 (Site of Conference, lodging and eating)

Map 2 (Site of Conference, Bus Terminal, routes, arriving by car to Valparaíso)

Map 3 (Train station from Viña del Mar to the Site of Conference)





Miramar Station is a block from Marina del Rey hotel, you have to by a card do use the train. The side you have to take to go to the conference is Puerto and stop in Bellavista Station. Two blocks from there is the Diego de Almagro Hotel.

ALTERNATIVE LODGING

1.- Hotel and Hostel Brighton (within walking distance)

<http://www.brighton.cl/es/reserva.php>

Brighton Bed & Breakfast,

Address: Pasaje Atkinson 151 - 153, Cerro Concepción, Valparaíso.

Telephone: (56 - 32) 259 88 02/ Fax 56 - 32) 222 35 13

Reservations: reservas@brighton.cl webmaster@brighton.cl

2.-Hotel Gervasoni

<http://www.hotelgervasoni.com/>

Address: Paseo Gervasoni N° 1, Valparaíso – Chile

Telephone: (56-32) 2111043 – 2239236

Reservations: <http://www.hotelgervasoni.com/esp/reservas.php>

E-mail: recepcion@hotelgervasoni.com

3.-Hotel Puerta de Alcalá (within walking distance)

<http://www.hotelpuertadealcala.cl/>

Address: Calle Pirámide N° 524 esquina con Calle Condell

Telephone: +056 + 032 + 2227478 / Fax.: +056 + 032 + 2745642

Reservations: http://www.hotelpuertadealcala.cl/espanol/reserva_hotel.htm

4.- Hotel Prat (within walking distance)

<http://www.hotelpratt.cl/>

Address: Calle Condell 1443, Valparaíso

Telephone: +056 + 032 + 255 7900

E-mail: hotelprat@hoteleradelpacifico.cl

5.-Hotel Manoir (within walking distance)

<http://www.hotelatkinson.cl/>

Address: Paseo Atkinson 165, Cerro Concepción, Valparaíso, Chile.

Telephone: (56-32) 235 1313 |

Reservations: http://www.latinhotels.com/hotels/chile/valparaiso/hotel-manoir-atkinson.html?afi_id=40231

Contact: info@hotelatkinson.cl

6.-Hostal Casa Verde Limon (within walking distance)

<http://www.casaverdelimon.cl/>

Address: Cumming 196, Cerro Cárcel, Valparaíso, Chile.

Telephone: (56-32) 212 6999 | (9) 7669 3271

Reservations: <http://www.powerhostels.com/hbaffiliate/index.cfm?affId=37119>

Contact: info@casaverdelimon.com

RESTAURANTS

M.- The highlighted zones that specify this letter (**M**) , indicate places where you can get a **full meal**, whose cost will be over \$ 4000.- CLP (US\$ 20).

C.- The highlighted zones that specify this letter (C), indicate **Chinese restaurants**, whose cost will be over \$ 6000.- CLP (US\$ 30).

S.- The highlighted zones that specify this letter, S, indicate places where you can get a meal based on sandwiches (hot or cold), hamburgers, and fruit juices. Approximate cost is of the order of \$ 3000.- CLP (US\$ 6).



SUPERMARKETS

These highlighted zones indicate where you may find foodstuffs of varied nature, (fresh fruit too), at a relatively low cost.