

Meeting Information Guide

Useful information for the CarboAfrica Workshop
7th September - 8th September 2009, Leicester, UK

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General Information:

- Meeting venue:** University of Leicester, University Road, Leicester, LE1 7RH, UK
- Meeting time:** 08.00 on Monday 7th September to 12.00 on Tuesday 8th September 2009.
- Meeting language:** English

Registration:

Registration on: <http://www.conftool.net/rspso2009/>

Registration is required individually by all participants. The meeting is associated with the Annual Conference of the UK's Remote Sensing and Photogrammetry Society (www.rspso.org) that is being held at the meeting venue in Leicester from 8-11th September 2009. Whilst your attendance at the conference is not obligatory it is encouraged. I have negotiated Society member rates for your attendance at the conference after the meeting. We will be using the conference delegate registration tool (conftool) for meeting registration and accommodation bookings. The conference web page is www.rspso2009.org.

Venue:

Meeting: University of Leicester, University Road, Leicester, LE1 7RH, UK

Tel.: +44 (0) 116 2523859 (these are the contact details of the organisers, please direct queries through us)

Fax: +44 (0) 116 2523854

Web: www.le.ac.uk/conference

Accommodation is offered in John Foster Hall, which is situated 10 minutes from the meeting venue.

Accommodation: John Foster Hall, Manor Road, Oadby, Leicester, LE2 2LG, UK

Maps and Directions

Map of UK showing Leicester:

<http://www.le.ac.uk/portals/maps/uk.html>

Map of Leicester showing city centre and meeting venue:

<http://www.le.ac.uk/conference/pdfs/leicester.pdf>

More detailed map of the meeting and accommodation venue:

http://www.le.ac.uk/conference/pdfs/map_oadby.pdf

Leicester City Centre map:

<http://www.le.ac.uk/conference/pdfs/citycentre.pdf>

By car:

Satnav postcode for meeting venue: LE2 2NA (Beaumont Hall)

Satnav postcode for accommodation: LE2 2LG (John Foster Hall)

From M1/M69

- Exit off Junction 21 M1/M69 roundabout on to A5460
- Filter left on to A563 Leicester South and East (Lubbesthorpe Way)
- Continue straight on A563 Outer Ring Road (Soar Valley Way)
- After 3.5 miles take 2nd exit off Roundabout on to A6 South (Leicester Road)
- Follow signs for University Halls and filter left on to Stoughton Drive South
- For Manor Road continue on Stoughton Drive South and take the 3rd right

From A6 South

- Follow A6 (Leicester Road) towards Leicester
- At Leicester Racecourse roundabout take the 3rd exit towards A6 MarketHarborough
- Follow signs for University Halls and filter left on to Stoughton Drive South
- For Manor Road continue on Stoughton Drive South and take the 3rd right

From A6 North

- Continue on A6 (Loughborough Road) towards Leicester
- Follow Central Ring Road A594 towards Market Harborough/Leicester TrainStation
- Pick up A6 towards Market Harborough
- After 2.5 miles take 2nd exit off roundabout
- Follow signs for University Halls and filter left on to Stoughton Drive South
- For Manor Road continue on Stoughton Drive South and take the 3rd right

From A47 North

- Follow A47 (Uppingham Road) towards Leicester
- Turn left on to Spencerfield Lane (becoming Evington Lane)
- At traffic lights turn left towards A6030 Leicester South (Stoughton Drive)
- Take 1st exit at 1st roundabout
- Take 2nd exit at 2nd roundabout on to Stoughton Drive South and continue
- For Manor Road take 2nd left

By plane:

Leicester is in the heart of England with excellent communications by road, air and rail. The city is only 75 minutes from London by train, 30 minutes from East Midlands airport and 45 minutes from Birmingham airport by car.

[East Midlands Airport](#) (suggest to take a taxi or local bus), 30 minutes by car/taxi.

[Birmingham International](#) (suggest to take the train to Leicester via Birmingham New Street station), 45 minutes by car/taxi, 1 hour by train.

[Stansted Airport](#) (suggest to take the train direct to Leicester – takes 2 hours)

[Manchester Airport](#) (suggest to take the train to Leicester – probably takes 3 hours)

[Heathrow Airport](#) (suggest to take the tube to St. Pancras International and then a train direct to Leicester – takes 3 hours total). It will probably take 2.5 hours to drive.

Gatwick Airport is a long way away.

Train details are shown below. Once at Leicester Train Station, suggest you take a taxi to the meeting venue (maximum £10). See above for the address of the venue.

By train or coach:

Leicester is well served by trains. The main line from London departs from St. Pancras International, now the main Eurostar route to Brussels and Paris. All train connections, ticketing information and purchase can be made through the following web site: www.thetrainline.com/. For coach travel, see: www.nationalexpress.com.

Attractions and local council web sites:

National Space Centre: <http://www.spacecentre.co.uk/>

Leicestershire County Council: <http://www.leics.gov.uk/>

Leicester City Council: <http://www.leicester.gov.uk/leisure-culture.asp>

Enjoy England: <http://www.enjoyengland.com/>

Accommodation:

As part of the workshop, two nights in accommodation is recommended. If you are sponsored by the FAO, they will be paid by the FAO. These will be on the 6th and 7th September. We encourage you to use University accommodation that is very close to the meeting and conference venue and is available at a very good rate of £40 pppn including full English breakfast. You can reserve your accommodation directly when you register for the meeting. Rooms are en-suite, serviced daily and have wireless access to the Internet. Rooms are available from Sunday 6th September (arrival) through to Saturday 12th September (depart). There are no telephones in the rooms.

Room rate:	£40.00 per night/ per person
Including:	Accommodation in well-sized rooms for single use; full English breakfast; taxes
Move-in:	after 14:00 hrs
Move-out:	before 09:30 hrs (give or take)
No show rooms:	Once payment has been taken, no refund will be possible. Name changes are possible.

Catering:

Catering will be covered by the registration fee.

Letter of Support for Visa:

If you are attending the workshop, please contact the FAO for support. If you are attending the conference, please contact the organiser's after registration for a letter.

Booking and Payment:

Participant Bookings: Please use the conftool registration system to book accommodation and catering (<http://www.conftool.net/rspso2009/>). If you are funded by the FAO, you will have received additional instruction.

Payment Methods: The following options are available for payment of the accommodation, catering and conference (optional) fee. Note that if FAO are covering your registration fee and two nights accommodation, then there will be nothing to pay if you are not attending the RSPSoc 2009 conference. They are 1. Payment by credit/debit card (insert details on-line, they will be processed offline). 2. Send details of credit/debit card by fax for offline processing. 3. Bank transfer in US\$ (contact us for the amount) or £Sterling. 4. UK bank cheque (in £Sterling). Please note that the bank has to receive the correct amount after deduction of all fees if you pay by method 3 (international transfer). Receipts will be automatically provided once full payment has been received. All of these options are presented to you in conftool. Please note that payment will not be taken straight away. I will check your registration details and if there are any concerns will contact you before processing payment.

Refunds: Once payment has been taken, no refund will be possible. Name changes are possible.

Contact:

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