

Welcome to the 4th Oekonux Conference at Manchester!

USEFUL INFORMATION

ACCOMMODATION

Most of the visitors will be accommodated in the Etap hotel (<http://www.accorhotels.com/gb/hotel-6003-etap-hotel-etap-hotel-manchester-salford-qu/index.shtml>) or the Manchester Youth Hostel (<https://www.yha.org.uk/find-accommodation/north-west-cities/hostels/manchester/index.aspx>).

Direction to Etap Hotel

To go to Etap hotel, take metro from Manchester Piccadilly station (direction to Eccles) to Exchange Quay or Salford Quays (http://www.lrt.org/Manchester/Eccles_Line.html). Hotel within 100 m of Salford Quays metro stop. Fare: Single 2.00 GBP, Return: 2.20 GBP.

LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

The Lowry
Imperial War Museum
Salford Quays
Manchester Art Gallery
Manchester City Library
Museum of Science and Industry
Manchester Museum
Manchester Whitworth Gallery

LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

FROM THE AIRPORTS

From Liverpool airport – Arriva Bus 700 will take about 75 minutes and costs 6 GBP for a single ticket (10 GBP for a return ticket). (see more information at <http://www.liverpoolairport.com/from-airport/by-bus.html>)

Terravision bus will take about 50 minutes and costs 6 GBP for a single ticket (8 GBP for a return ticket). (See more information at http://www.terravision.eu/liverpool_manchester.html)

From Birmingham airport (Birmingham International) to Manchester Piccadilly – by train
Please check <http://www.trainline.co.uk> for further information. Sometimes it's cheaper to buy single tickets because there are fixed time advanced tickets available.

GOING AROUND MANCHESTER CITY CENTRE

You're going to see the GMPTE signs at the local bus or tram stops (<http://www.gmppte.com>).

There are regular and frequent Free Bus services - #1 (orange), #2 (green), #3 (purple) (see routes and timetables at http://www.gmpte.com/content.cfm?subcategory_id=370432)

Bus

Bus ticket – there are many bus companies at Manchester. Bus fare varies from company to company. There are frequent bus services from Piccadilly Gardens to Oxford Road. The fare starts from 70p single. You can get a Stagecoach day ticket for 3.50 GBP which allows you to travel on any Stagecoach buses.

Metro/tram

http://www.gmpte.com/content.cfm?category_id=102783

Taxi

Mantax 01612303333

Radio 01612368033

Kings 01614433333

Intime 01612561222

Premier 01614324395

Liability and Insurance

Neither the Organisers (Oekonux Project and P2P foundation) nor the local helpers from Manchester will assume any responsibility whatsoever for damage or injury to persons or property during the Conference. Participants are recommended to arrange for their personal travel and health insurance.

Climate

The weather in Manchester in March is still chilly. It's strongly suggested to keep an umbrella at all times. Daytime average temperature is around 8 Celsius, evening temperature around 2C. For ore information please see:

http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/uk/nw/nw_forecast_weather.html

Shops

The shops are open from 08:00/09:00 to 18:00/19:00 hrs. Monday through Saturday. All shops are closed at 16:00 on Sunday.

Electricity

Electricity is supplied at 230 volts A/C, 50 Hz cycle. The electricity plug used in the UK has three rectangular prongs that form a triangle (Type G, see http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Domestic_AC_power_plugs_and_sockets#Type_G).

Emergency Services

Police - Ambulance - Fire Brigade * Dial 999 or 112

Changes

The Organisers reserve the right to adjust or change the programme as necessary.

For further information about Manchester, please visit <http://www.visitmanchester.com/> or <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Manchester>.