#### **Travel Information**

Coimbra is located in central Portugal, 120 km south of Porto, 195 km north of Lisbon. One of Portugal's biggest crossroads, Coimbra is served by the A1, the main highway of Portugal, and by the Alfa Pendular and Intercidades train services. There are good train connections to Coimbra from Lisbon and Porto airports. Rail travel from both Lisbon and Porto is regular, fast and reliable provided you take the Alfa Pendular or Intercidades services. Train connections between Lisbon and Porto are equally good (Coimbra is one of the stops of the Lisbon to Porto line).

## A guide from Lisbon airport to Coimbra:

### **By Train:**

Once you arrive at Lisbon you should go to the railway station "Gare do Oriente". Take the subway red line straight from the airport to Gare Oriente or take a taxi (about 10 minutes). Once at Gare do Oriente, you can buy the tickets on the 1st floor. The train-lines are on the 2nd floor.

You should buy a ticket for an Alfa Pendular or Intercidades train to Coimbra. The schedules are avialable at: <a href="http://www.cp.pt">http://www.cp.pt</a>. The travel time is about 1h45m. Get off the train when you arrive at Coimbra B (the main railway station). You can take another train for Coimbra A station on the same ticket from where all the hotels are within walking distance. However, you can also get off at Coimbra B station and take a taxi to your hotel.

## By Shuttle:

Coimbra Airport Shuttle operates a door-to-door shared transfer between Coimbra and Lisbon airport. More information about Airport Shuttle timetables and tickets is available at <a href="https://www.airportshuttle.pt">https://www.airportshuttle.pt</a>

### A guide from Porto airport to Coimbra:

## By Train:

Once you arrive at Porto take the Tram-train to the Campanhã railway station (line E). You should buy a Z4 ticket (4 zones). The travel takes, roughly, 30 minutes. Once you arrive at Campanhã you should buy a ticket for an Alfa Pendular or Intercidades train to Coimbra. Tickets can be bought at the ticket office or on the green ATM-like machines at the railway station. The schedules are available at: <a href="http://www.cp.pt">http://www.cp.pt</a>. Travel time is approximately 1h15m. Get off the train when you arrive at Coimbra B (the main railway station). You can take another train for Coimbra A station on the same ticket from where all the hotels are within walking distance. However, you can also get off at Coimbra B station and take a taxi to your hotel.

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# By car:

Portugal has a good network of motorways/freeways. You can rent a car at the airport or at any train station as well as in all major cities.

## By car, from the north (Porto):

Recommended exit from A1: Take exit 13 to merge onto E801/IP3 toward Viseu/Coimbra Norte. Follow IC2 toward Coimbra/Lisboa and take the exit toward Coimbra Centro/Coimbra Este.

# By car, from the south (Lisboa):

Recommended exit from A1: Take exit 12 for N341 toward Coimbra Sul/Taveiro/Alfarelos. Follow IC2 to Coimbra heading to IP3/Porto/Coimbra Norte/Viseu.

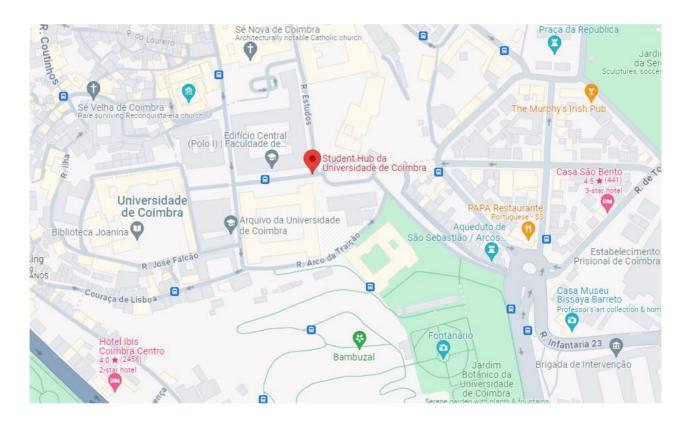
## By bus:

You can also get to Coimbra by bus.

Detailed information can be found at <a href="mailto:rede-expressos.pt/en">rede-expressos.pt/en</a> and <a href="https://www.flixbus.pt">https://www.flixbus.pt</a>

### **Conference Venue**

'OR in Collaboration' is the 5th annual conference organised by the EURO Practitioners' Forum will take place at the <u>Student Hub</u>, <u>University of Coimbra</u>, Portugal.



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Coimbra is located at the centre of Portugal by the river Mondego. Having a rich cultural and historical patrimony, the city has been called the 'city of students' due to the relevant role of the University of Coimbra.

The University is located in three key campuses in Coimbra, named Polo I, Polo II (engineering departments) and Polo III (health campus). The Student Hub is located at Polo I on the ground floor of the Faculty of Medicine, in the heart of the town historical site.

Dating back from 1290, the University of Coimbra is one of the oldest in Europe and the oldest in Portugal. It now comprises eight faculties. The University of Coimbra has been inscribed by UNESCO in the World Heritage List.

Video about Coimbra: <a href="https://youtu.be/TSIf-ngo0tA">https://youtu.be/TSIf-ngo0tA</a>