

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

CommOCEAN 2022 conference

Venue



Station Ifremer – MARBEC
research lab

Avenue Jean Monnet
34200 Sète
France

GPS: Latitude 43.4044;
Longitude 3.6966

Sète (43,000 inhabitants) is a harbour city on the Mediterranean. It is located 30 km away from Montpellier, which is home to a large academic and research community.

[Sète tourist office](#)

[Google map showing the venue \(the Ifremer Station\)](#)

The city centre and conference venue are 4.0 km apart (a 50' walk). **Bus line 3** runs between the train station and the venue of the conference (the bus service stops around 20:00 in November). Local taxis can be used.

All bus routes and time tables: <https://en.mobilite.agglopoie.fr/Pratique/Routes-and-timetables>

Bus network map:

https://en.mobilite.agglopoie.fr/content/download/80429/1138860/PLAN_Abribus_Sete_P_RINT.pdf

Conference meals and social events

- On **Nov. 29th evening**, an ice-breaker event (dinner cocktail) will take place at [Quai 17](#) (restaurant of the Grand Hôtel Sète). **Participation is free but prior registration through a dedicated questionnaire is mandatory.** Once your registration is completed, you will receive this questionnaire.
- During the conference, on Nov. 30th and Dec. 1st, **onsite lunches and coffee breaks** will be offered at the venue.
- On **Nov. 30th evening**, a visit and dinner at [Maison Noilly Prat](#) will be organised (at a cost of €70, comprising bus transportation from the conference venue to and from

Marseillan – 20 km from Sète – visit of the cellars, tasting of their vermouth, dinner).

A prior online registration and payment via [Azur Colloque](#) is mandatory.

Note: Participants having already registered under Azur Colloques without the dinner option and having changed their mind can still join the dinner by registering again *under a different email address*, selecting the zero-rate registration fee, adding the dinner option and proceeding to the payment of the additional 70 €).

Ice-breaker event details: 19:30 on 29/11 at Restaurant Quai 17/Grand Hôtel, 17 Quai de Tassigny, 34200 Sète.

Visit and dinner details:

■ *For participants willing to pass by their hotel before leaving for the dinner and after the Day 1 sessions end (at 17:30), there will be two chartered buses.*

One will depart from the town centre (Pont de la Savonnerie) at 18:30 sharp (be there in advance). The city bus line 3 towards the centre stops in front of Ifremer at 17:39 and 17:54 and usually reaches the town centre in 15'.

The other chartered bus will depart at 18:30 sharp from Cit'Hôtel Imperial (84 Place Edouard Herriot, 34200 Sète).

■ *For participants willing to stay at Station Ifremer:* The two chartered buses will stop at Station Ifremer to pick them up and should leave simultaneously for Marseillan around 18:45.

Accommodation

Hotels or other accommodation solutions can be found either in the city centre of Sète (where the ice-breaker event will take place), or near the conference venue (Station Ifremer; an area less populated in winter). Some suggested hotels are listed below. Where **indicated**, negotiated rates can be obtained.

More hotels or other accommodation solutions can be found using booking platforms or the below tourist office list <https://en.tourisme-sete.com/accomodation-where-to-stay.html>

Downtown Sète

HOTEL B&B Sète Centre Gare **

60, quai de Bosc - 34200 SETE

Phone: +33 (0)4 67 74 95 90

<https://www.hotel-bb.com/en/hotel/sete-centre-gare>

Location: close to train station

Rates: **Around €44 - €50; to be checked on their website**

Booking: email, phone or their website

HOTEL AU VALÉRY **

20, rue Denfert Rochereau- 34200 SETE

Phone: +33 (0) 4 67 74 77 51

Mail: info@hotelaualery.com

<https://www.hotelaualery.com/>

Location: close to train station

Rates:

- 8 rooms available at **€62** (breakfast **+€8**; local tax **+€1**)

Booking: email, phone or their website

HOTEL L'ORQUE BLEUE ***

10, quai Aspirant Herber - 34200 SETE

Email: contact@orquebleue.fr

Phone: +33 (0)4 67 74 72 13

<https://www.orquebleue.fr/>

Location: town centre (on canal)

Rates:

- Standard room at €92
- Room with canal view at €139
- You can get a **-10% discount** on these rates if you ask for the **Ifremer rate** by email or phone

Booking: telephone, email (or the hotel website)

LE GRAND HOTEL ***

17, quai de Tassigny - 34200 SETE

Phone: +33 (0)4 67 74 71 77

Mail: info@sete-hotel.com

<https://www.legrandhotelsete.com/en/home>

Location: town centre (on canal)

Rates and current availability:

- For 7 of their standard rooms, you can request the 'Ifremer' rate to get a-20% discount (€104 instead of €130); breakfast = +€12 ; local tax = +€1.32
- 3 superior rooms on canal at €170
- 6 superior rooms not on canal at €145
- 7 standard rooms on canal at €140

16 additional rooms are currently pre-booked but might be freed by Nov.

Booking: email, phone or website

HOTEL DE PARIS ***

2, rue Frédéric Mistral - 34200 SETE

Email: contact@hoteldeparis-sete.com

Phone: +33 (0)4.67.18.00.18

www.hoteldeparis-sete.com

Location: town centre

Rates: Please provide the code "IFREMER105BB" upon booking to get a preferential rate of **€105**, room breakfast included.

Booking: email or phone

Near the conference venue

CIT'HÔTEL IMPERIAL

84 Pl. Edouard Herriot, 34200 Sète

Email: contact@hotelimperialsete.com

Phone: +33 (0) 4 67 53 28 32

<https://www.hotel-imperial-sete.com/>

Rates:

- **€89** (breakfast included) or €109, depending on room type.

Booking: email, phone or their website

LE VENISE – HÔTEL DE LA PLAGE

64a Corniche de Neuburg, 34200 Sète

Phone: +33 (0) 4 67 18 97 12

<https://hoteldelaplagesete.com/en/>

Rates:

- **Around €90.**

Booking: email, phone or their website

Reaching and moving around Sète

Flying to **Montpellier Méditerranée airport (MPL)** from outside France usually involves a flight connection in Paris. An option to reach Sète is therefore to reach Paris by train or airplane and then catch from Paris train station *Gare de Lyon* a **train between Paris and Sète** (this is a 3:30-hour train ride for direct fast – TGV – trains; around 4:00 with a train connection in Montpellier). Train schedules can be consulted under <https://www.sncf-connect.com/en-en/>.

The fastest way (approximately 30 to 45') to reach Sète **from Montpellier airport** is using a taxi (the fare falls in a 100€-170 € range).

There are several public transportation options (which can be consulted e.g. under <https://www.rome2rio.com/s/Montpellier-Airport-MPL/S%C3%A8te>), all entailing connections and a minimum travel time of 1:30.

Shuttle from Montpellier airport to Sète: Based on flight information provided in the Google form for CommOCEAN, we have organised a free shuttle service between Montpellier airport and Sète on Nov. 29th. There will be only one departure at 15:45 (for flights arriving at 14:10 and 15:10). If you intend to use this shuttle, please look for a driver holding a sign with the CommOCEAN logo outside at the airport exit shortly before 15:45.

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Taxis in Sète

- 06 09 36 60 32 / 09 75 28 29 59
- 04 67 51 50 00 / 06 10 20 22 88
- 06 07 31 06 00
- 06 09 15 01 24 / 06 07 39 36 54
- 06 68 88 65 31