NuTTS 2016 information package

1 Registration

Registration for NuTTS 2016 is via an online form available at: <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/14iB9mOChgIRt7TO3-m8T_ttNA9STxF0-</u> <u>Vuq20mstj4E/viewform</u>

Two 'unusual' pieces of information are required, which are both included in the inscription form. First, we need to arrange shuttle bus transport for those arriving at La Rochelle (see Travel information below). Therefore, we need to know your approximate time of arrival at La Rochelle, in order to plan the bus departure time(s).

And second, lodging for the conference is in two-bedroom holiday chalets. Each holiday home will house two persons (who therefore have private bedrooms). It would help us if you could indicate with whom you would like to share a holiday home. Without reaction, we will principally try to keep department colleagues together. Also, there is no guarantee that each request can be met.

2 Online payment

Payment of the registration fee is separate from the online registration. The payment is performed on the site: <u>http://www.ec-nantes.fr/nutts16-online-payment</u>

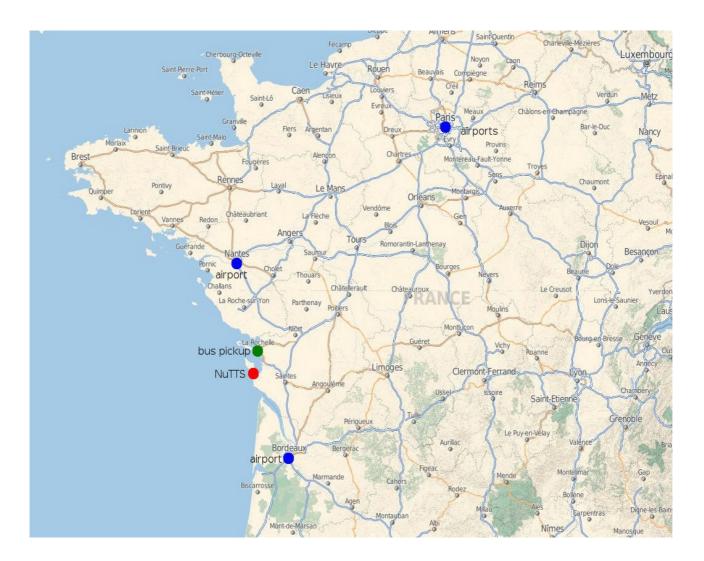
Payment is by credit card only. Also, please respect the August 15 deadline for registration and payment, since the online payment site disappears after this date. For administrative reasons, we have no other way of receiving payments. This means that we have to cancel your inscription if the registration and payment is not performed by August 15th. *Please do not let this happen to you!*

Unfortunately, the online payment site is old and of bad quality (we had no choice...). The site only functions under Firefox. Also, many phrases are only in French and are not translated when switching to English. Please contact us in case of problems.

Finally, the online registration requires the creation of an account on the site. This account is linked to a credit card and a single billing address is associated with each account. The billing address does not have to be the address of the cardholder and the cardholder does not have to be a NuTTS participant. A company or laboratory credit card can be used for the payment, in which case the account can be used to pay for more than one person. In that case, to simplify our administration, it would be appreciated if you could perform the payment for all participants at the same time.

3 Travel information

The island of Oléron is quite far from the main transport hubs in France, but can nevertheless be reached easily by public transport. The route which we recommend is to go by plane or train to Paris, then by high speed train to La Rochelle (please reserve your tickets in advance, see below). A NuTTS shuttle bus will pick you up at La Rochelle in the afternoon / evening of Sunday, October 2. Alternatively, the conference location can be reached by car.



3.1 By plane

Arriving at Paris CDG or Orly

There is an (infrequent) train connexion from Paris CDG train station directly to La Rochelle, which does not run at interesting hours for NuTTS. Much better, regular connexions exist between the Paris Montparnasse station and La Rochelle.

| from | to | date | departure | arrival |
|--------------------|--------------------|----------|-----------|---------|
| Paris Montparnasse | La Rochelle Ville | 02/10/16 | 12h09 | 15h31 |
| | | | 13h07 | 16h29 |
| | | | 15h07 | 18h29 |
| | | | 16h07 | 19h31 |
| | | | 17h09 | 20h28 |
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| La Rochelle Ville | Paris Montparnasse | 05/10/16 | 11h32 | 14h55 |
| | | | 12h32 | 17h17 |

Paris Montparnasse can be reached from Paris CDG airports via local trains (RER). At the airport, take the RER B to Denfert-Rochereau, then the subway line 6 (Charles de Gaulle – Etoile) or line 4 (Porte de Clignancourt) to Montparnasse. Otherwise, there is a direct Air France bus, line 4.

From Orly, take for example the OrlyBus to Denfert-Rochereau, then subway line 6 or 4. Otherwise, there is a direct Air France bus, line 1.

Detailed information can be found on <u>http://www.ratp.fr/en/ratp/r 61596/access-to-airports/</u> for RER, subway, and OrlyBus as well as other connexions. Air France buses: <u>http://en.lescarsairfrance.com/</u>

Arriving at Bordeaux

Take the airport shuttle bus (<u>http://www.bordeaux.aeroport.fr/en/info/bordeaux-airport-shuttle-service</u>) to Bordeaux St. Jean station. The trip takes about 30 minutes. Then take the direct train to La Rochelle.

| from | to | date | departure | arrival |
|-------------------|-------------------|----------|-----------|---------|
| Bordeaux St Jean | La Rochelle Ville | 02/10/16 | 14h51 | 17h01 |
| | | | 15h28 | 18h41 |
| | | | 16h55 | 19h16 |
| | | | 18h51 | 21h35 |
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| La Rochelle Ville | Bordeaux St Jean | 05/10/16 | 10h55 | 13h11 |
| | | | 14h55 | 17h11 |

Arriving at Nantes Atlantique

Take the airport shuttle bus (<u>http://www.nantes.aeroport.fr/acces/navettes</u>, in French) to Nantes station, south entrance. The trip takes about 20 minutes. Then take the direct train to La Rochelle.

| from | to | date | departure | arrival |
|-------------------|-------------------|----------|-----------|---------|
| Nantes | La Rochelle Ville | 02/10/16 | 12h17 | 14h51 |
| | | | 17h05 | 19h40 |
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| La Rochelle Ville | Nantes | 05/10/16 | 12h19 | 14h58 |
| | | | 17h01 | 19h47 |

3.2 By train

Paris has good train connexions to Belgium, Germany, the Netherlands, Italy and Switzerland as well as to the rest of France. From Paris, take a train at Montparnasse station to La Rochelle (see above). The transfer between stations is best performed by subway, it can be planned at http://www.ratp.fr/itineraires/en/ratp/recherche-avancee.

Booking train tickets

French high-speed trains have reserved seating and **require advance booking**, like airplanes. To obtain interesting fares, book your trip well in advance (tickets are put on sale 3 months before the

date of the trip, prices may rise sharply within a few weeks of the release).

Your local travel agent can probably book these tickets for you. Otherwise, you can buy them online at <u>http://www.voyages-sncf.com/</u>.

3.3 By car

The address of the conference location is: Holiday village La Vieille Perrotine 140, route des Allards 17310 Saint Pierre d'Oléron

You can plan you trip for example using Mappy: http://en.mappy.com/#/2/M2/TSearch/SLa+Vieille+Perrotine%2C+17310+Saint-Pierre-d%27Ol %C3%A9ron/N0,0,-1.25096,45.95257/Z13/

Car hire is available from all aeroports, for example with Europcar, Sixt, or Hertz.

4. Questions / problems?

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