Antidote Kickoff Meeting
18/21 October 2021
Lucca – Tuscany – Italy

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Location & Accommodation

Albergo Celide, Viale G. Giusti 25, 55100 Lucca (LU) Italy. At the following link you can consult the official website of the hotel: https://www.albergocelide.it/en/

Participants will stay in double and single rooms.
The hotel offers free WiFi connection.

An inaugural conference to present the project and the partners, which will be held in the meeting room of the restaurant San Colombano http://www.caffetteriasancolombano.it/

Guided tours of realities of the territory of Lucca and Province qualified as good practices at local level according to the topics covered by the event.

Hotel Check-in from 14:00 on 18 October 2021.
Hotel Check-out no later than 12:00 noon on 21 October 2021.

How to get to Albergo Celide


The nearest airport to the city of Lucca is the Galileo Galilei International Airport of Pisa (PSA), which is located about 30 kilometres away from the city centre of Lucca.

How to get from Galileo Galilei Airport of Pisa to Albergo Celide

By Train: The "Pisa Mover" People Mover (shuttle) service http://pisa-mover.com/en/ is available from Pisa Galileo Galilei Airport. It takes you to Pisa Centrale Train Station (stop "Stazione FS Pisa Centro").

The "Pisa Mover" shuttle service runs from 6.00 a.m. to midnight, with an average frequency of 10 minutes, and reaches Pisa Centrale train station in less than 5 minutes.

Tickets can be purchased at the 4 ticket machines located inside the airport at a price of €5.
The "Pisa Mover" People Mover stop is located 40 metres from the Passenger Terminal of the airport. From Pisa Centrale train station you can buy a ticket for the regional train to Lucca at the ticket machine or at the Trenitalia counter.
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Departures are very frequent, about every 30 minutes, while the journey has an average duration of 27 minutes (please note that the last train of the day available to Lucca leaves from Pisa Centrale Train Station at 21:50).

The cost of the ticket is €3.60. At the following link you can consult the official Trenitalia website: https://www.trenitalia.com/en.html

Once you reach the train station of Lucca, you must take the main exit towards the historical centre of the city.

Route on foot: after crossing the park in front of Lucca Train Station, you can take Viale Regina Margherita on your right and walk along it for about 10 minutes until you reach Albergo Celide.

https://www.google.it/maps/dir/Lucca,+viale+55100,+Viale+Camillo+Benso+Cavour,+15,+55100+Lucca+LU/Albergo+Celide,+Viale+Giuseppe+Giusti,+25,+55100+Lucca+LU/

Don’t hesitate to ask passers-by for directions if you need them, however it is very easy to get to the hotel on foot.

**Urban public transport service**: As an alternative to the walking route from Lucca Train Station to Albergo Celide, there is also an urban public transport service available.
You can reach the hotel by taking the LAM BLU city bus, direction S. Luca Hospital, "Giusti 5" stop.

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More info:

The city bus runs every 12 minutes and takes 3 minutes to reach the "Giusti 5" stop. The city bus can be caught at the bus stop outside the main entrance to Lucca train station.

The ticket, which costs €1.50, can be purchased at the kiosk inside Lucca Train Station. At the following link you can consult the timetables of the LAM BLU urban bus line: Line Route LAM BLU - CTT Nord Lucca - Bus Schedules | Moovit (moovitapp.com)

By Taxi: Taxi service is available 24 hours a day. The taxi rank is located at the front of the airport on the arrivals side. Usually there are always taxis available in front of the airport.

However, if there are no taxis available, there is a Radio Taxi service which can be contacted on +39 050 541600 to make a reservation.

Fares vary and taxi drivers are required to activate the taximeter on every journey. The approximate cost to reach the city of Lucca from Pisa airport is €60.

For more information about the taxi service consult the following link: http://www.cotapi.it/en/our-services-call-us-we-are-ready-to-serve-you/fares-outer-city-run

The journey will certainly be faster than by train, except if you leave the airport at peak times (when you normally go to work in the morning and return home in the late afternoon).

If you choose the taxi option, always ask the driver about the cost of the journey and the possibility of getting a receipt/invoice before leaving. You can pay for the service by credit card or debit card.

By any other means of transport, if you need more info, please do not hesitate to contact us.
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AIRPORT: option 2: Amerigo Vespucci International Airport of Florence-Peretola (FLR)

The Florence airport is located about 75 kilometres away from the city centre of Lucca. At the following link you can consult the official website of Florence Amerigo Vespucci Airport: https://www.aeroporto.firenze.it/en/

How to get from the Amerigo Vespucci International Airport of Florence-Peretola (FLR) to Albergo Celide

By Bus: once you leave the Florence airport, walk (about 3 minutes) to the bus stop called "Aeroporto Peretola-Florence" and take the DD Verdi 4 bus, direction Lucca Piazzale Verdi, to the "Lucca Stazione FS" stop (V. Le Cavour FS).

Departures vary throughout the day. The journey takes approximately 60 minutes. At the following link you can consult the bus timetable and route: https://moovitapp.com/firenze-2022/lines/DD/740565/3236857/it?customerId=4908&ref=2&poiType=line

Below are the current bus timetables, which may be subject to slight variations during the autumn and winter seasons:
Once you have reached Lucca Train Station, you must take the main exit towards the City Centre. From there you can choose whether to reach Albergo Celide on foot or with the urban public transport service (see the directions previously provided with reference to the transfer from Pisa airport).

**By train:** once you have left the airport, take Volainbus, which connects the A. Vespucci airport with the Florence city centre every 30 minutes, 7 days a week (bus stop AUTOSTAZIONE BUSITALIA close to the Florence Santa Maria Novella railway station)

The Volainbus is a direct and fast shuttle bus dedicated to the airport service that does not make intermediate stops and has an average journey time of 20 minutes.

At the following link you can consult the Volainbus departure times:
https://www.fsbusitalia.it/content/fsbusitalia/eng/tourism/airport-connection-services/link-to-florence-airport---volainbus.html

Volainbus tickets can be purchased from the Self Service ticket offices at the airport or on board the bus at no extra cost. The cost of the ticket is €6.

Once you have reached the Volainbus stop called "Autostazione BUSITALIA" you can walk for a few minutes to the Firenze Santa Maria Novella train station and then buy your Regional Train ticket for Lucca at the automatic ticket machines or at the Trenitalia ticket office.

Departures are very frequent, about every 30 minutes, while the journey has an average duration of 90 minutes (keep in mind that the last train of the day available to Lucca leaves the Train Station of Firenze Santa Maria Novella at 22:10).

The cost of the ticket for the direct Regional Train Firenze Santa Maria Novella - Lucca is €7.90. At the following link you can consult the official Trenitalia website:

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Fares vary and taxi drivers are required to activate the taximeter on every journey. The approximate cost to reach the city of Lucca from Florence airport is €165.

For more information about the taxi service please consult the following link: https://www.4242.it/en/

The journey will certainly be faster than by train at a much higher cost. If you choose the taxi option, before leaving always ask the driver about the cost of the journey and the possibility of having a receipt/invoice. You can use a credit or debit card to pay for the service.

Practicalities

Comfortable clothes, suitable for the variable temperatures typical of mid-season. In Lucca, in October, the weather is usually mild during the day with a drop in temperature in the evening hours. Rain can be frequent, so it is advisable to bring an umbrella.

We recommend that you bring comfortable shoes, also suitable for the outdoor visits in a rural setting that we have planned.

Further information about the weather: https://www.ilmeteo.it/meteo/Lucca

Currency: Italy is part of the Eurozone, so it is necessary to use Euros and it is not possible to pay in other currencies. Below a certain amount (e.g. 5 euros) it may not be possible to pay by credit or debit card, but only with cash.

About the cost of living in Lucca you can consult the following link: https://www.numbeo.com/cost-of-living/in/Lucca

Local transport: we recommend that you take a look at Lucca's public transport network: https://lucca.cttnord.it/Linee_e_Orari/Urbano_Di_Lucca/L/574
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However Lucca is a city on a human scale and the main points of interest are easily reachable on foot from the hotel.

Contact
If you have any further questions regarding the event, please do not hesitate to contact us. **For information on airports other than those mentioned (Rome, Bologna, Milan) please contact us.**

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