



ECRS 2024 NAPOLI 2-5 JULY



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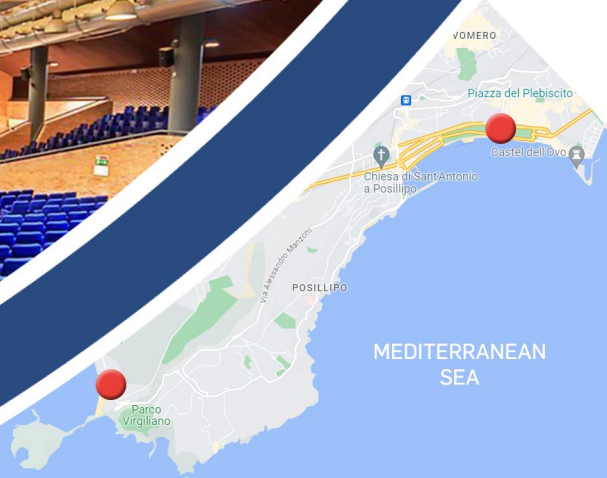
INFORMATION NOTE



Venue: Naples

Stazione Zoologica
Anton Dohrn

Città della
Scienza



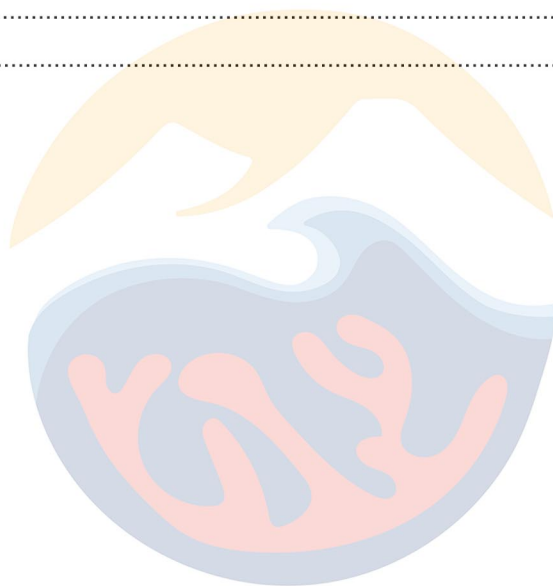
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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The conference is fast approaching and promises to be a rich experience of learning, connection, and discovery. Here is a preview of the July 2-5 program:

TUESDAY - JULY 2nd

Locations: 1. Anton Dhorn Zoological Station (Day) | [Via Francesco Caracciolo - Naples](#)
2. Basilica di San Lorenzo Maggiore (Welcome Cocktail) | [Piazza San Gaetano, 316 - Naples](#)

Hours: 09:00 am to 06:00 pm (Day), 06:30 pm onwards (Welcome Cocktail)

More details: The day will start with the Pre-Congress at the Zoological Station Anton Dohrn, where registration and accreditation of participants will take place. We also remind you that, during the registration phase, it will be possible to book a visit to the aquarium and museum. At 06:30 pm everyone is invited to the Welcome Cocktail at San Lorenzo Maggiore. Here, in addition to enjoying a moment of relaxation and socializing, it will be possible to complete the remaining accreditation. To reach the venue (San Lorenzo Maggiore), it is recommended to use public transport, in this case the subway line L2, starting from the stop Piazza Amedeo and getting off at the stop Napoli Piazza Cavour.

WEDNESDAY - JULY 3rd

Location: City of Science | [Via Coroglio, 57/104 - Naples](#)

Hours: All Day

More details: The second day of the conference will be held at the prestigious City of Science. This innovative facility will be the beating heart of the event, providing an inspiring environment for interaction and the exchange of ideas. You will be able to reach the venue via our transfers, which can be booked during the conference registration phase, or by public transportation. The opening ceremony will mark the beginning of a busy day of sharing and insight. During the morning we will have coffee breaks. We will break for lunch at 01.00 pm. We will conclude the day by welcoming you to the Cocktail & Poster Session, where you can explore new research and interact with the poster authors. Finally, for those who wish to deepen their experience, an optional tour will be available to explore the attractions of Science City and the surrounding area.

THURSDAY - JULY 4th

Locations: 1. City of Science (Day) | [Via Coroglio, 57/104 - Naples](#)
2. Chiostro di Santa Chiara (Conference Dinner) | [Via Santa Chiara, 49/C - Naples](#)

Hours: 09:00 am to 06:30 pm (Day), 08:00 pm onwards (Conference Dinner)

More details: This exciting day at Science City promises to be filled with engaging activities and learning opportunities. After arriving at the venue via our bookable transfers or by using public transportation, you will be greeted by an engaging Plenary Session that will kick off high-level discussions and presentations.

After the plenary session, we will set aside 10 minutes to take a group photo, a special moment to capture the experience with your colleagues. Afterwards, you will have the opportunity to recharge your energy during Coffee Break and Lunch, perfect times to socialize and share ideas.

In the late afternoon, we will participate in the stimulating Cocktail & Poster Session, where you can explore the latest research and interact with poster authors.

The day will conclude with the prestigious Conference Dinner, a perfect time to relax, celebrate and make new connections in a convivial and welcoming environment.

FRIDAY - JULY 5th

Location: City of Science | [Via Coroglio, 57/104 - Naples](#)

Hours: All Day

More details: This last day will be the same as the others, with the exception that the Closing Ceremony will take place instead of the Cocktail & Poster Session.



CONFERENCE VENUES

The Symposium will be held in two different venues in Naples:

STAZIONE ZOOLOGICA ANTON DOHRN (Anton Dohrn Zoological Station) | *Via Francesco Caracciolo - Naples*

Pre-Conference workshops | Conference Icebreaker

The Stazione Zoologica Anton Dohrn is a research institute in Naples, devoted to basic research in biology. Research is largely interdisciplinary involving a variety of fields such as molecular biology, biochemistry, neurobiology, and marine botany among many others. Founded in 1872 as a private concern by Anton Dohrn, in 1982 the Stazione Zoologica came under the supervision and control of the Ministero dell'Università e della Ricerca Scientifica e Tecnologica as a National Institute.

CITTA' DELLA SCIENZA (City of Science) | *Via Coroglio, 57/104 - Naples*

Opening ceremony | Conference sessions | Poster sessions | Closing ceremony

The Città della Scienza is a centre for promoting and raising awareness about science and technology situated in Bagnoli, a district of Naples.

It offers the most significant Conference Center in Southern Italy. Thanks to its architectural beauty and innovative hi-tech content, the conference centre is a modern and prestigious location with versatile modular and multi-functional spaces, large outdoor equipped areas, and highly specialized services for organizing conferences, gala events, conventions, and temporary exhibitions.

HOW TO REACH NAPLES

From Napoli Capodichino Airport

The closest airport to reach the city of Naples is **Napoli Capodichino International Airport**.

From the airport, there are two main **train lines** leading to the city center: the 3S line to **Piazza Garibaldi** (Central Railway Station) from which it is then easy to take all the buses or the metro leading to the various parts of the city. The 3S leaves every 30 minutes from the front of arrivals, from 5.20 at 23.20, ticket price (Single) € 1.10 for a single journey.

Airport also has a dedicated **Alibus** line leading to **Piazza Garibaldi** (Central Railway Station, the metro and buses all over the city) and **Piazza Municipio** (city center), in front of the port and the ferries to the islands of the gulf. The Alibus runs every twenty minutes and is in operation from 6:30 am to midnight, tickets cost € 3. Tickets can be purchased at newsstands and tobacco shops of the airport or on board with a surcharge of € 1.

From Rome

If you are flying to **Rome**, you can take a high-speed train directly to Naples.

Many international flights land at the **Rome Fiumicino Airport**. From here, you can take the Leonardo Express airport train that takes 30 minutes to reach the main **Rome Termini Central Railway station** located in the city center. At Rome Termini, connect to a **high-speed train to Naples**. The entire trip from the Fiumicino airport to the Naples via train will take about three hours.

A number of budget airlines land at the Rome Ciampino airport; from here you can take an airport shuttle bus to the Rome Termini Central Railway station and connect to Naples via high-speed train.



HOW TO REACH THE CONFERENCE VENUES

FROM PIAZZA GARIBALDI (CENTRAL RAILWAY STATION OF NAPLES)

To: STAZIONE ZOOLOGICA ANTON DOHRN (Anton Dohrn Zoological Station) - Estimated time: *25 minutes*

Take the **MET train** or the **Subway Line 2** and get off at PIAZZA AMEDEO Subway/MET stop. From Piazza Amedeo, take via Vittoria Colonna and then turn right onto via S. Pasquale. At the end of the street, you will see the Anton Dohrn Zoological Station in front of you, entering the public gardens.

To: CITTA' DELLA SCIENZA (City of Science)

Option n. 1 - Estimated time: *55 minutes*

Take the **Subway Line 2** or **MET train** and get off at BAGNOLI Subway/MET stop. From Bagnoli, you will find a **free shuttle** to the venue "Città della Scienza", at the beginning and end of the day, which can be **booked through the registration card**.

Option n. 2 - Estimated time: *50 minutes*

Take the **Subway Line 2** or **MET train** and get off at MONTESANTO Subway/MET stop. Walk to MONTESANTO Railway stop, take **Railway Line 9** and get off at BAGNOLI Railway stop. From Bagnoli, you will find a **free shuttle** to the venue "Città della Scienza", at the beginning and end of the day, which can be **booked through the registration card**.

Option n. 3 - Estimated time: *25-35 minutes*

Take the shuttle bus that you can book via the registration form.

Price: € 15€ round trip

Stops: from the centre of Naples to the venue "Città della Scienza" and vice versa.

LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

METRO, RAILWAYS AND FUNICULARS

Three **underground lines** (Line 1, 2 and 6) and four **funicular railways** (Centrale, Chiaia, Montesanto and Mergellina) support you moving around Naples. **Circumflegrea** and **Cumana** are the railway lines that link Naples with the Phlegrean area. **Circumvesuviana** provides links with the suburbs of Naples as well as with Pompeii and Sorrento. The **Garibaldi Train Station** provides connections with Campania Region as well as all Italy.

The ticket for metro Line 1 costs only € 1,10!

BUSES

The most useful local transport getting around the centre of Naples are the buses. There is for the first time visitor an impenetrable number of route numbers.

Unless you are staying in a hotel in the suburbs your travel will be in and around the centre of Naples. Here the buses travel down just a few main roads that cut through the centre. For most tourist journeys you will have a choice of several routes to complete your journey.

TAXIS

Licensed taxis in Napoli are white in colour and bear the sign "TAXI" on their roofs. Their license number is shown inside the vehicle on the back left-hand door.

WARNING: Any other vehicles waiting at the airport exit could be driven by unauthorised persons and the fares charged could be higher.

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REGISTRATION DESK

The opening days and hours are as follows:

- Tuesday, July 2nd | 9:00 AM - 6:30 PM at Stazione Zoologica Anton Dohrn
(registration is only for the participants of Pre-Conference Workshops and Anton Dohrn site visit)
- Tuesday, July 2nd | 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM at Basilica di San Lorenzo Maggiore
(Conference Welcome Cocktail)
- Wednesday, July 3rd | 8:30 AM - 6:30 PM at Città della Scienza
- Thursday, July 4th | 8:30 AM - 6:30 PM at Città della Scienza
- Friday, July 5th | 8:30 AM - 6:30 PM at Città della Scienza

A cashier service is available next to the registration desk (with the same opening hours) for onsite registrations, payments, refunds and/or purchase of Conference dinner and tours tickets. Please note that only a limited number of tickets for additional events may be available.

The following fees apply for on-site registrations (at the cash desk):

ICRS MEMBERS		LOW-INCOME ECONOMY COUNTRIES	
Delegate	€ 485,00	Delegate	€ 410,00
Retired	€ 410,00	Retired	€ 350,00
Student	€ 335,00	Student	€ 285,00
NON-MEMBER		■ ACCOMPANYING PERSON	€ 210,00
Delegate	€ 530,00	■ COMPANY	€ 600,00
Retired	€ 460,00		
Student	€ 365,00		

In order to avoid crowds, we kindly recommend participants to obtain their accreditation from the earliest opening hours of the registration desk on July 2nd and 3rd.

OFFICIAL CONFERENCE LANGUAGE

The official language of ECRS 2024 is **English**.

VOLUNTEERS AND INFORMATION DESK

A multilingual team of volunteers will welcome all ECRS 2024 conference delegates. They will be available for you at the Conference venues to help and assist you if you have any questions about the event. This team will be identifiable by their branded t-shirts and badges.

An information desk will be also opened at **Stazione Zoologica Anton Dohrn on July 2nd** and at **Città della Scienza from July 3rd to 5th** during the same opening hours as the registration desk.

You will find a cloakroom to store your luggage or other similar objects **at Città della Scienza (from July 3rd to 5th)**.

Please note that the organiser of ECRS 2024 cannot accept any liability for lost items.



CONFERENCE BADGES

When signing in you will receive your Conference badge and kit at the registration desk. To access the venue, coffee breaks, lunches and all social events, **please make sure to wear your badge at all times while attending the Conference.**

All Registration Fees (excluding the accompanying person fee) include:

- Access to the Conference
- Opening Welcome Cocktail
- Lunches and Coffee Breaks on the conference dates
- 10€ for the carbon footprint compensation; we are currently selecting which project we will be donating to.

The Company Fee includes:

- Access to the Conference
- Opening Welcome Cocktail
- Lunches and Coffee Breaks on the conference dates
- Conference Dinner
- 10€ for the carbon footprint compensation; we are currently selecting which project we will be donating to.

The accompanying person fee includes:

- Opening Welcome Cocktail
- Tickets for tour “The ancient streets of Naples, its nativity scenes craftsmanships and its traditional pastries + Neapolis sotterrata”
- Social dinner on Thursday, July 4th, 2024
- 10€ for the carbon footprint compensation; we are currently selecting which project we will be donating to.

CERTIFICATES OF ATTENDANCE

Certificates will be sent to participants who request it via email after the end of the Conference.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SPEAKERS

Speakers must upload their presentations during the slide centre opening hours (see below) **at Città della Scienza**. To avoid delays in the organisation of this digital material before the start of concurrent sessions, we ask speakers to upload their presentation as soon as they arrive at the venue.

Slide Centre Opening Hours:

- Wednesday, July 3rd | 8:30 AM – 6:00 PM
- Thursday, July 4th | 8:30 AM – 6:00 PM
- Friday, July 5th | 8:30 AM – 6:00 PM



WI-FI ACCESS

Available at: **Città della Scienza**

Password: **ecrs2024**

SOCIAL MEDIA

You can follow the official social media accounts of the #ECRS2024 conference on the following platforms:

- Facebook: @ecrs 2024
- X (Twitter): @Ecrs2024
- Instagram: @ecrs2024

The official hashtag for the Conference is **#ECRS2024**

Please make sure to maintain a respectful and inclusive tone in your posts.

PHOTOSHOOT AND RECORDINGS

When registering for the Conference and/or submitting an abstract (if applicable), the organisers were given permission to take photos and/or make recordings during the Conference for uploading on the ECRS Conference websites, social media channels and the like (digital or printed channels).

If you would prefer not to be recorded or photographed for cultural or personal reasons, please contact the Conference Secretariat before **June 30th**.

All ECRS 2024 delegates are invited to participate in the **group photoshoot on July 4th at 9.45 am** at Città della Scienza. More information will be available at the registration desk.

DRESS CODE

Business casual will be the appropriate attire during ECRS 2024.

We suggest a more elegant style for the Conference dinner at Chiostro di Santa Chiara on Thursday, July 4th 2024, 8.00 – 11.30 pm.

COFFEE BREAKS AND LUNCHES

Lunches (from July 2nd to 5th), coffee breaks and cocktails (on July 2nd and 3rd) are included in the registration fee.



WELCOME COCKTAIL

TUESDAY, July 2nd 2024, 6.00 pm

Venue: *Basilica di San Lorenzo Maggiore*

Price: • included in all fees and for accompanying persons
• € 30 (VAT included) for additional guest

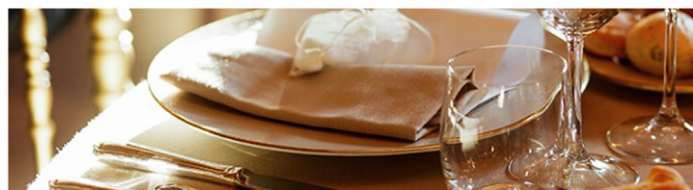


CONFERENCE DINNER

THURSDAY, July 4th 2024, 08.00 pm

Venue: *Chiostro di Santa Chiara*

Price: • included for accompanying persons
• € 95 (VAT included)



To read all about the ECRS 2024 social programme, please visit our official website ecrs2024.eu or see the official ECRS 2024 app.

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Please set your mobile phones to “silent” mode during all Conference sessions and presentations out of respect for the speakers.

We would request all attendees to ask respectful questions and avoid dominating presenter question time to further their own particular agendas. The question time that follows the talks is intended to give presenters the opportunity to expand on their subject in response to the audience’s questions and not a platform for members of the audience to reply individually.

Smoking is not permitted on the Conference premises.

NON-DISCRIMINATION AND SUSTAINABILITY POLICIES FOR ECRS 2024

ECRS 2024 will adopt the following safer space policy and implement numerous diversity and inclusivity initiatives in the ongoing effort to improve diversity and inclusivity in this conference.

Specific Diversity and Inclusivity Initiatives

- ECRS 2024 aims to have gender and geographical balance: In the speaker, selection care will be exercised to guarantee a gender balance and a geographical representation.
- Safer Space Policy: A safer space policy aims to foster an environment of respect, which makes all participants feel welcome – particularly those who are typically marginalized or excluded, whether by religion, ethnicity, sex, gender, or sexual orientation. Differing opinions and perspectives are crucial to effective discussion but all attendees ultimately take responsibility for their own speech and behaviour – in person and on social media – throughout the entire event and associated social gatherings.



- **Social sustainability:** An event is considered socially sustainable when designed, planned and realized with a strategy that minimizes negative environmental impact and leaves a positive legacy to the host community. Over the years Symposia has been implementing a large number of operational best practices for the daily running of its structure and all its events, from the selection of materials according to eco-sustainability criteria and the energy efficiency of the equipment, to the procedures for possible work peaks and for the replacement of absent staff.

Attendees are encouraged to:

- Ask respectful questions and avoid dominating a presenter's question time to further any particular agenda. Question time after a talk is intended to give presenters the opportunity to expand on their talk in response to audience questions and is not a platform for the audience to individually reply.
- Be mindful of and understand that intersectionality shapes our lived experiences.
- Actively include all attendees in social gatherings (such as post-conference dinners and social events), particularly those for whom English is not a first language and junior students.

ECRS 2024 adheres to the
ICRS Diversity Statement & Code of Conduct

DIVERSITY STATEMENT of the INTERNATIONAL CORAL REEF SOCIETY shared by ECRS 2024

All details can be read online at ecrs2024.eu/inclusivity

SUSTAINABILITY POLICIES FOR ECRS 2024

Being as sustainable and climate friendly as possible, ensuring the carbon neutrality, or even negativity, is one of the goals of the ECRS 2024. For this purpose, a Green Strategy Advisory Board has been established.

The green strategy essentially includes:

- measures to avoid and minimise local emissions of climate-altering gases and waste production, wherever possible;
- based on a Carbon Footprint study on actual data, offset unavoidable CO₂ emissions, particularly those caused by participants' travel, by investing in carbon offset projects.



The International Coral Reef Society supports the ECRS 2024 green strategy with a generous contribution to prevent and ultimately offset CO₂ emissions.

The ICRS



Sustainability Award

More information on our Sustainability policies can be read at ecrs2024.eu/sustainability.



PRACTICAL INFORMATION

LOCAL TIME, WEATHER

The local time in Napoli is CEST time. The weather in July is usually hot and sunny.

CURRENCY, EXCHANGE, CREDIT CARDS

The official currency is the Euro (€). You will find several exchange offices and banks in the airports and the city centre. Banks are generally open on workdays, generally between 9.00 AM and 4.00 PM. Before changing your money, we advise you to enquire about the rate of commission. You can also withdraw cash at ATMs.

ELECTRICITY SUPPLY

Power Connections & Voltage:

flat, two or three-pole,
round-pin European plugs, 220 V.



EMERGENCY NUMBER

With the EMERGENCY **112** service, all emergency or urgent phone calls (police, fire brigade and medical emergencies) are accessible through a single number, namely **112**. The service is online via internet and via mobile phones, for those requiring assistance in foreign languages.

LOST AND FOUND

In case of Lost and Found items, please refer to the Information and registration desk.

For lost property within Napoli:

Ufficio Oggetti Rinvenuti

Via Jacopo De Gennaro, 96/98

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Open Mon-Fri: 9.00 AM - 1.00 PM

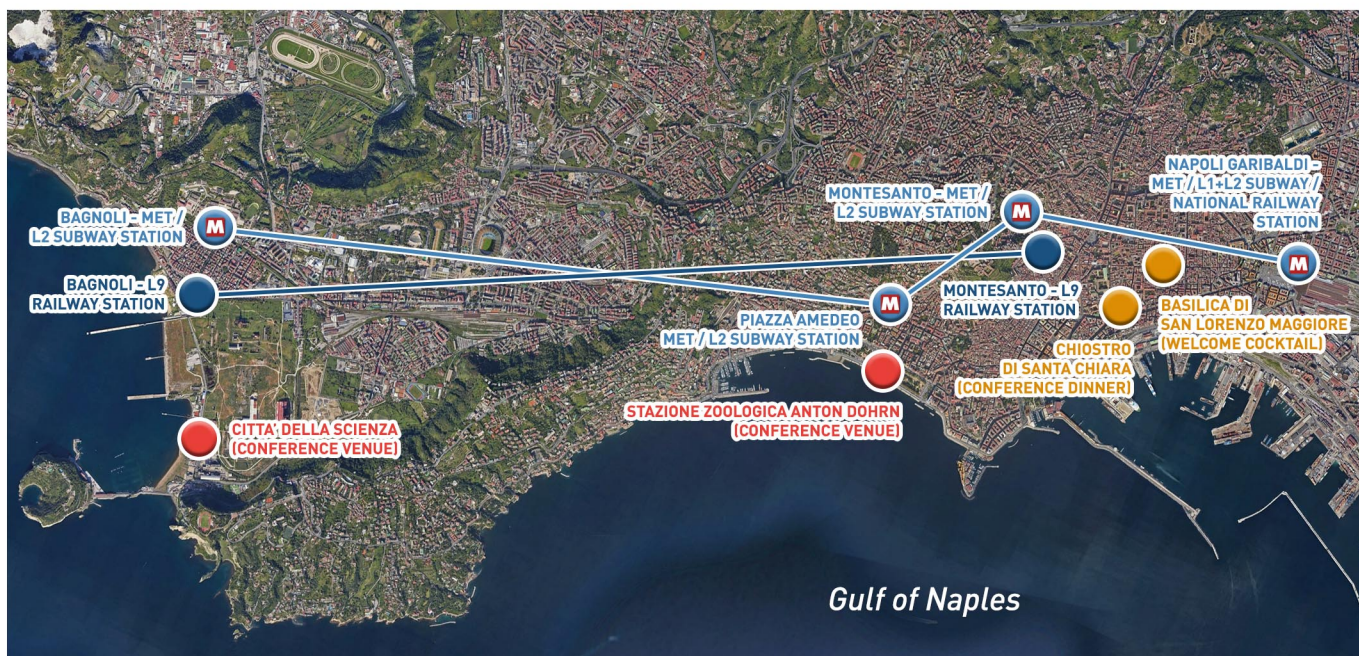
LIABILITY

The organisers of ECRS 2024 assume no liability for damage or injury to persons or property in association with the conference and/or related events.



NAPLES MAPS

NAPLES CITY GENERAL MAP



NAPLES - MAP OF THE CITY CENTER





NAPLES - BAGNOLI MAP (Città della Scienza)



NAPLES - SUBWAY AND RAILWAY MAP

