

26st Institutional Working Group meeting 27th February 2019, Athens (Greece)

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

MEETING VENUE

RAE Premises

Address: 132 Pireos street, 11854, Athens – Greece

Metro, Blue Line , Stop Kerameikos - Ticket costs 1,40 for 90 minutes

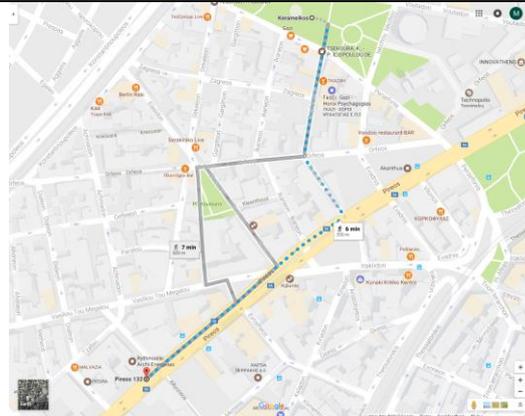
TRANSPORTATION

To travel from/to the Athens airport and the city of Athens, you can either take the Express Bus line X95 (<http://www.athensairportbus.com/en/timetable/x95airporttoathensdowntown.html>) or the METRO LINE No 3 (blue line), “Agia Marina - Athens International Airport”.

RAE is very easily accessible via Metro Line 3 (Blue Line). You get on to the “AIRPORT - AEPODROMIO” Metro Station and you get off at “KERAMEIKOS” Metro station. (You will find attached the Athens Metro Map).

Kerameikos Metro Station to RAE

URL: <https://goo.gl/maps/1NqK1sUNpJr>



Types of tickets valid for access to the city of Athens from/to the airport

All tickets have to be validated in the validating machines upon boarding (buses, trolleybuses) or walking to the platforms before boarding (tram, metro).

Type of ticket	Ticket Price
3-day tourist ticket	€ 22
Express Bus (line X95, etc.) one way ticket from/to the airport	€ 6
Metro ticket from/to the airport	€ 10 ticket for 2 persons € 18, ticket for 3 persons € 24
Return Metro ticket from/to the airport (for 2 journeys within 7 days)	€ 18

- 3-day tourist tickets are valid for: ONE round trip from/to the airport by Metro or the Express Bus lines (X95, etc.) and unlimited travel on all other public transport in Athens for 3 days. Those tickets are available ONLY at Athens Airport Metro and Express Bus station and at Omonoia, Syntagma, Thiseio, Monastiraki, Akropoli and Piraeus Metro Stations.
- Express bus tickets from/to the Airport are valid only for a ride on an airport Express bus line. Those tickets are available at the airport Express bus station, at Metro stations and you can also buy them with cash from the bus driver at the terminal Express bus stations (airport, Syntagma etc.)
- Metro tickets for the airport are valid for 90 minutes after their validation for a transfer from/to the airport with the Metro transportation and transfers on Metro, city Buses-Trolleys, Tram and Suburban Railway. The same conditions apply for return metro tickets to the airport, and 2 and 3 persons tickets for the airport. Return tickets for the airport can be used for a return within 7 days.

Other types of tickets valid for transportation to the city of Athens

Those tickets are not valid for travelling from/to the Athens airport:

Type of ticket	Ticket Price
90-min ticket for all modes	€ 1.40
24-hour ticket for all modes	€ 4,5
5-day ticket for all modes	€ 9

- 90-minute tickets (also known as Integrated tickets for all modes) are valid for 90 minutes after their validation for transportation and transfers on: city Buses (excluding Airport express buses and X80 line), Buses, Trolleybuses, Tram, Metro (all stations except Airport), Suburban Railway (only sections Piraeus – SKA and Magoula – Koropi).
- 24-hour and 5-day tickets are valid for transportation and transfers on: city buses (excluding Airport lines) (the 24-hour ticket but not the 5-day ticket is valid for X80 line), trolley-buses, tram, metro (all stations except Airport), Suburban Railway (only sections Piraeus – SKA and Magoula – Koropi, not for Airport). They are valid for 24 hours and 5x24 hours after the first validation. For example, from 1pm on Monday till 1pm on Tuesday for the 24-hour ticket, and from 1pm on Wednesday till 1pm the following Monday for the 5-day ticket.

Advice on which ticket one should use

It all depends on how you're going to travel between Athens and the airport, how often you're going to use public transport while in Athens, and how many days you're going to stay.

- If you plan to stay in Athens for up to 3 days, you should consider purchasing a 3-day tourist ticket (€22) upon your arrival at the airport. Especially if you travel between the airport and the city center by Metro, and take a few shorter rides while in Athens, this should be the best ticket for you. However, if you're going to use an express bus for the airport (€6 per route) and then take the metro while in the city just a few times it might be better purchasing 90-minute tickets (€1.40) when you do so, or get a 24-hour ticket (€4.5). Remember, 90-minute tickets, daily, and 5-day tickets are not valid for trips from/to the airport.
- If you plan to stay in Athens for longer than 3 days, you will need separate tickets for your Airport – Athens center (and vice versa) trips and your trips within Athens. Express buses from/to the airport (€6) cost cheaper than taking the Metro (€10), however, there are return Metro tickets for the airport (€18 – return must be within 7 days), and there are also tickets for 2 (€18) or 3 (€24) passengers

travelling together. For your trips within Athens, a 5-day ticket for all modes (€9), or a 24-hour ticket (€4.5) if you don't use public transport every day, might be cheaper than purchasing a 90-minute ticket (€1.40) every time you get in a metro station or take a bus.

Taxi Information

The color of taxis in Athens is yellow. When exiting Athens airport you will find taxis waiting between Exit 2 and Exit 3 at the arrival area. You should get in the queue and when your turn comes, the policeman in charge will signal you to get into the next available taxi. The fare from Athens airport to Athens city centre is fixed:

- Day time (05:00-24:00) Athens Airport to Athens city: 38 €
- Night time (24:00-05:00) Athens Airport to Athens city: 50 €

The price includes totally everything. Luggage charge, tolls fee, VAT, meter start, airport charge etc. So, you don't have to pay anything more than the above. The same fixed fares apply when you pick a taxi from Athens center to go to the airport. If you do not want to wait in-line, you can book a taxi in advance. By pre-booking you transfer you will have your driver waiting for you at the arrivals exit holding a board with your name. Plus, you are sure that you will be treated nicely and you will not be overcharged. For more information check Taxi booking from Athens Airport .

Taxi from City Center to RAE premises: 5-10 euros depending on traffic conditions

Athens Public Transports – Relevant links

[OASA - Urban Transport Service](#)

[Urban Rail Transport S.A](#)

[Real-time Information for Buses and Trolleys](#)

<http://www.oasa.gr/content.php?id=komgen&lang=en#>

<http://www.stasy.gr/index.php?id=70&L=1>

<https://www.aia.gr/en/traveler/access-and-transportation/transportation/public-transportation>

PASSPORTS AND VISAS

All visitors should be holding a valid passport or other forms of travel documents in order to enter and stay in Greece.

We advise you to check the national visa requirements in case you need an entry visa on the Greek territory.

HOTELS SELECTION

Please note that each participant shall book her/his room contacting the hotel directly.

There are no special agreements with hotels in Athens

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