

## Practical information

### Montreal and its surroundings

#### The province of Quebec, Canada

A vast territory, the **province of Quebec** is a world unto itself, where the natural world reigns. It is also a world apart, where differences are cultivated with passion. Its turbulent history, where the Inuits and the Native Americans were the first actors, is in evidence everywhere. If its francophone population sets Quebec apart from the other nine provinces, one should not overlook the fascinating human mosaic which makes up the province. Indeed, the “**Belle Province**” and its two principal cities, Montreal and Quebec, remains a land of migration. As for the **Saint Laurent River**, it forms the backbone of a land where the scent of adventure is never far away.

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#### Montreal in a few words

As one of the most dynamic, cultural, and historic cities in North America, Montreal embodies the spirit of the “Belle Province” for all visitors: its joie de vivre, openness and determination to follow its own path. A francophone metropolis with roots in an Anglo-Saxon universe, Montreal distinguishes itself with its fascinating mosaic of communities from around the world. Its eclectic music scene mixes French chanson, jazz and progressive rock, while the visual arts are the object of major exhibitions. Cinema is not left behind, with Montreal offering many art-house cinemas and festivals.

French bistros stand alongside Jewish delis, Italian trattorias, steakhouses and Chinese restaurants, with dishes from Thailand, Vietnam, Lebanon and West Africa adding an exotic touch.

For those who enjoy being outside, Montreal is criss-crossed by many cycle paths, a luxuriant park covers a big part of Mont Royal and the Lachine canal provides an opportunity to enjoy a bit of kayak.

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#### Getting around in Montreal

Montreal offers an efficient public transportation network, with a metro system and many bus lines.

The website of the **Société des transports de Montréal** provides all the information you may need to get around.

To learn more about the **metro** and discover its map, please see: [www.stm.info/en/infos/reseaux/metro](http://www.stm.info/en/infos/reseaux/metro)

To learn more about the many **bus lines**, please see: [www.stm.info/en/infos/reseaux/bus](http://www.stm.info/en/infos/reseaux/bus)

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International flights to Montreal arrive at Pierre-Elliott Trudeau International airport (394-7377, 1-800-465-1213 [www.admtl.com](http://www.admtl.com)), sometimes called by its previous name, Dorval, located 21 km to the west of the city.



Bus **747** (786-4636, [www.stm.info](http://www.stm.info)) runs all day and night, with departures every 7-20 minutes, 24h/24. It stops at the metro station Lionel-Groulx and at Montreal down town bus station (metro station Berri-UQAM). It takes roughly 45 to 60 minutes to reach Montreal and it costs \$9.00, including free access to the metro and bus networks for 24h.

**Taxis** charge \$40.00, on an inclusive basis, between the airport and the city.

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#### Passports and visas

Anyone entering Canada must have a **valid passport**. **A visa is also required for citizens of certain countries**. We urge you to check the following website: [www.cic.gc.ca](http://www.cic.gc.ca).

The IAU also urges you to contact the closest Canadian Consulate or Embassy; Canadian authorities will provide you with the appropriate information regarding visas. Should you need a visa, we urge you to proceed with your visa request early.

#### Currency/Exchange

The Canadian currency is the **Canadian dollar** (\$, CAD), which is divided into 100 cents. To learn more about the latest exchange rates, please consult: [www.xe.com](http://www.xe.com).

Prices do not usually include taxes. Two taxes (taxe sur les produits et services – TPS – et taxe de vente du Québec – TVQ) accounting for approximately 15% of the final price are added to the total. Food and unprocessed product (vegetables, bread, meat, eggs, etc.) are free of tax.

There are many cash machines around the city. ATM machines available in bars, shops, etc., usually charge \$ 1.75 in addition to the regular transaction costs.

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#### Time Difference

The *Eastern Time Zone* is in use in Quebec.

For instance, when it is 12:00 pm in Paris (France), it is 6:00 am in Montreal.

#### Weather in Montreal in May

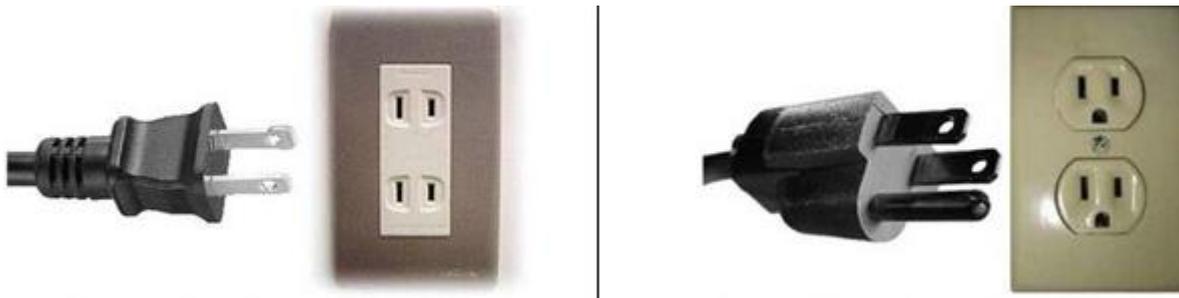
Out of the four seasons, Montreal is most marked by winter and summer. The first autumn chills are felt at the end of August.

In spring (from March to May) temperatures start to rise, but the weather remains changeable. Although the snow may melt at the end of March, there can often be snow storms in April. May is pleasant and temperatures are usually around 15°C/ 59°F.

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### Voltage



The voltage is 110vV in Canada. Remember to bring appropriate plug adapters.

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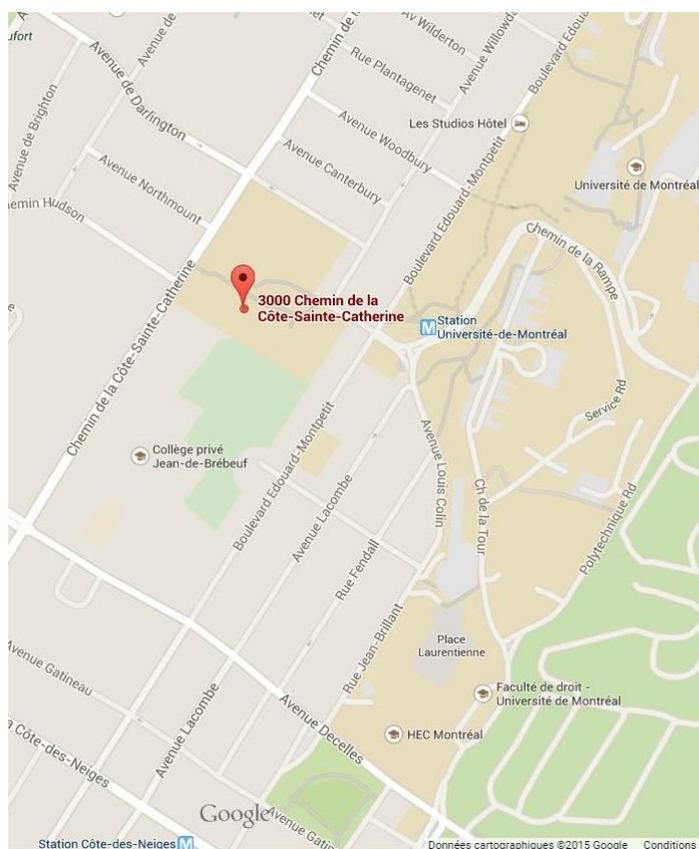
#### Venue

HEC Montréal

**Édifice Côte-Sainte-Catherine**

3000, chemin de la Côte-Sainte-Catherine

Montréal (Québec) H3T 2A7



#### Languages used during the GMA

Presentations and discussions will be made in English and/ or French.

#### Formal letters of invitation

Should you need a formal letter of invitation to obtain a visa to Canada, please contact: [e.boisfer@iau-aiu.net](mailto:e.boisfer@iau-aiu.net). Please note, however, that the Co-organisers do not undertake any obligation to pay any expenses incurred by supplying these letters. Furthermore, for some countries, a confirmation of registration with payment may be required by the authorities.

#### Registration desk

Come and meet with IAU, OUI-IOHE and UdeM staff and to register on site and collect your badge as well as your conference documents.

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Please do not forget to bring your proof of payment/receipt, otherwise you may be invited to pay your registration fees on site.

*Participants who encounter difficulties in settling their fees via bank transfer are expected to come with the exact amount of money to be paid (in Euros €). Thank you for your understanding.*

### **Badges**

You will receive your name badge at the registration desk. The name badge must be worn throughout GMA.

### **Insurance and Liability**

The Co-organizers do not accept liability for personal injury or loss or damage of private property of participants and accompanying persons either during or while travelling to the Conference. Participants are strongly recommended to seek insurance coverage for health and accident, lost luggage and flight cancellation.