

HUMAINE WP7 Workshop

King's College London, London, UK, 4-5 July, 2005

VENUE, ACCOMMODATION AND TRANSPORT INFORMATION

1. VENUE INFORMATION

The workshop will take place on July 4 and 5 (2 full days), 2005, in the Strand Building of King's College London (Room B17), very close to the Thames River. The address is:

King's College London
Strand, London WC2R 2LS, UK

The nearest Tube (underground) station is Temple, on the Circle (yellow) and District (dark green) lines. Holborn, on the Central (red) line is also a short walk down Kingsway. A map of the London Tube is available at:

<http://www.tfl.gov.uk/tfl/pdfdocs/colourmap.pdf>

(all the stations listed here are in Central London within price zone 1).

You can find a map of the area and the location of the building at:

<http://www.streetmap.co.uk> by typing the postcode of the place you are looking for (in this case WC2R 2LS).

2. ACCOMMODATION

Booking early is highly recommended since early July is high season and hotels are very busy in London. We only managed to book a small number of rooms at a couple of places. Some convenient options are listed below, from cheapest to more expensive:

a) Student accommodation at KCL:

We could not book rooms with them as they are very busy for those dates. To make your own arrangements, visit their web page

<http://www.kcl.ac.uk/services/conbro/Accommodation/Accommodation.html>

(look for the 'Stamford Street Apartments' near Waterloo tube station, since KCL has several campuses). Within walking distance to the conference site.

b) Student accommodation at Imperial College

(http://www.imperial.ac.uk/conferences/index.asp?page_id=3):

They are holding 10 standard single rooms for us until June 24 at the discounted rate of 40 GBP per night. To book, contact the Accommodation Link of Imperial College London, South Kensington Campus (58 Prince's Gate Exhibition Road, South Kensington, London SW7 2PG), quoting "HUMAINE Workpackage 7 Workshop" to obtain the discounted rate:

Telephone: +44 (0)20 7594 9507/11

Fax: +44(0)20 7594 9504/5

E-mail: accommodationlink@imperial.ac.uk

The nearest tube station is South Kensington, on the Circle (yellow) and District (green) lines. Please note that Imperial College accommodation is **not** within walking distance to the conference site; however, there is very good tube connection from South Kensington to Temple stations (6 stops apart, both on the Circle and District lines, should be approx. 20 min. journey at most). A journey planner can be found at <http://www.tfl.gov.uk/tube>.

c) Royal Adelphi Hotel:

(<http://www.royaladelphi.co.uk>)

21 Villiers Street, London WC2N 6ND. Phone; +44-(0)2079308764

Budget hotel located on a busy street on the side of Charing Cross station. Basic rooms but friendly staff. They are holding a small number of rooms for us until 1 week prior to the event at discounted prices (55 GBP for single rooms with en-suite facilities, 77 GBP for twin rooms with en-suite facilities, both prices include breakfast). To book, quote "HUMAINE workpackage 7 workshop". They require a credit card number if you plan to arrive after 3pm; 48-hour cancellation policy. Within walking distance to the conference site.

d) Strand Palace Hotel:

(<http://www.strandpalacehotel.co.uk>)

372 The Strand, London WC2R 0JJ. Phone: +44-(0)20 72579261.

More upmarket option, prices for rooms start at 85 GBP /night although considerably better rates can be obtained if booking online. Within walking distance to the conference site.

e) Travelodge London Covent Garden:

(http://www.travelodge.co.uk/find_a_hotel/hotel.php?hotel_id=266)

10 Drury Lane, High Holborn, London WC2B 5RE. Phone: +44(0)20 7208 9988
Fax: +44(0)20 7831 1548. The nicest hotel in the list. Very big, many rooms available. Price quoted per room per night for that period was 89 GBP (this might go up closer to the date, so early booking recommended). Breakfast at additional cost of 4 or 6 GBP depending on option. Note that prices are **per room** (i.e. it is the same price for singles, twins and doubles), so it is also a good option for sharing. Possible discounts if booking online. Within walking distance to the conference site.

f) Other hotels (all categories) within walking distance to the conference site can be easily found using the yellow pages (www.yell.co.uk), by looking for hotels within the postcode WC2R 2LS.

3. TRANSPORT BETWEEN LONDON AND LONDON AIRPORTS

Please note that normal taxis ("black cabs") between London and the airports are **very expensive**, in particular for airports farther away from central London (Luton, Stansted and in particular Gatwick); e.g. a fare of 45 GBP or more can be expected between

central London and the nearest airports (Heathrow and City), it could be twice as much for the others. However, there are good connections to all airports by public transport:

- From Heathrow: the fast train "Heathrow express" to Paddington tube station or the tube (Picadilly line, longer journey): <http://www.heathrowexpress.com/>
- From Stansted: Stansted express train to Liverpool Street tube, <http://www.stanstedexpress.com>
- From Luton: Thameslink train connection to Kings Cross/St Pancras tube, http://www.thameslink.co.uk/main.php?page_id=63
- From Gatwick: Gatwick express train to Victoria tube station, <http://www.gatwickexpress.co.uk>
- From City: see different options on <http://www.toandfrom.org/airport/londoncity.html>