



 **16 OCTOBER 2026**
ANCONA (IT)

Practical Info and Logistics

Date: 16 October 2026

Location: Ancona, Italy

Venue: Room B1, Faculty of Economics “Giorgio Fuà”, Marche Polytechnic University (Piazzale R. Martelli 8, 60121 Ancona, Italy)

Welcome to Ancona! We are delighted to host you for the **MEDDIET Working Group Meeting – *Exploring a Mediterranean Diet Innovation Network and Ecosystem***.

Held within the framework of the **Italian Presidency of EUSAIR**, the meeting will bring together policymakers, regional authorities, universities, research organisations, Chambers of Commerce, business representatives and other stakeholders from across the Adriatic-Ionian Region. Through an interactive dialogue, participants will explore how the Mediterranean Diet can contribute to sustainable tourism, innovation and territorial development.

Please note: The MEDDIET Working Group Meeting is scheduled back-to-back with the **ARCHAEODIGIT Final Conference**, which will take place in Ancona on the afternoon of **15 October 2026**. MEDDIET participants are also welcome to attend the Final Conference. The travel connections, accommodation options and local recommendations included in this guide are therefore designed to support your stay should you wish to participate in both events.

To help you plan your trip and ensure a smooth stay, we have prepared this practical guide with essential logistical information.

1. TRAVELING TO ANCONA

Ancona is well-connected by air, sea, train, and bus: to help you plan your journey, we have divided the travel options between the nearest local airport, major national hubs, and ferry connections.

Please note that prices are approximate and may vary depending on how early you book.

NEAREST AIRPORT:

ANCONA-FALCONARA (AOI)

- **By Train:** 20 mins | approx. €2,60 | Info: www.trenitalia.com (Search from “Castelferretti-Falconara Aeroporto” to Ancona)
- **By Bus:** 30 mins | approx. €5,50 | Info: www.conerobus.it (Aerobus line)
- **By Taxi:** 20 mins | approx. €50,00 | Info: www.taxi-ancona.it (+39 071 43321)

MAIN AIRPORTS:

ABRUZZO AIRPORT - PESCARA (PSR)

- **By Train:** 1h 45m - 2h (+15min bus) | €15–€30 | Info: www.trenitalia.com (Take a bus to Pescara Centrale Train Station, then train to Ancona)
- **By Bus:** approx. 2h | from €10,00 | Info: www.flixbus.it
- **By Carpooling (BlaBlaCar):** 1h 30m | €10–€15 | Info: www.blablacar.it

BOLOGNA (BLQ)

- **By Train:** 2h 30m - 3h | €20–€40 | Info: www.trenitalia.com (Take “Marconi Express” to Bologna Centrale Train Station, then train to Ancona)
- **By Bus:** approx. 3h | from €12,00 | Info: www.flixbus.it
- **By Carpooling (BlaBlaCar):** 2h 30m | €20–€30 | Info: www.blablacar.it

ROME FIUMICINO (FCO)

- **By Train:** approx. 4h 30m - 5h | €30–€60 | Info: www.trenitalia.com (Take “Leonardo Express” to Roma Termini Train Station, then train to Ancona)
- **By Bus:** 5h - 6h | from €12,00 | Info: www.flixbus.it
- **By Carpooling (BlaBlaCar):** 3h 30m - 5h | €20–€30 | Info: www.blablacar.it

BY FERRY (PORT OF ANCONA)

The Port of Ancona is one of the main hubs in the Adriatic, offering direct ferry connections to and from Croatia.

The port is located right in the city center, just a few minutes' walk from the event venue (Loggia dei Mercanti) and our recommended hotels.

- **Outbound (Split to Ancona):** For those attending the conference, there is a convenient overnight ferry departing Split on the evening of **October 14th**, arriving in Ancona on the morning of **October 15th** (just in time for the event).
 - Prices start from approx. €74.00 for foot passengers (including taxes).

- **Return Options (Important):** Please be aware that the direct Ancona-Split route **does not operate on Friday, October 16th** (the direct service runs on Oct 15th or Oct 23rd).
 - *Alternative for Oct 16th:* If you need to travel on Friday, October 16th, Jadrolinija offers a route from **Bari to Dubrovnik**, departing at 11:00 AM and arriving at 7:00 PM. Prices start at €88.00 (Standard) or €102.00 (Reserved Seat). *Please note that reaching the Port of Bari from Ancona requires an additional train journey of approximately 3.5 to 4 hours.*
- **Local Transfer:** Once you disembark in Ancona, you can reach the venue on foot (approx. 10 mins) or use the free port shuttle bus (Linea 20), which connects the ticket office to the city centre.
- **Info & Bookings:** www.jadrolinija.hr or www.snav.it

LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IN ANCONA

- **Buses:** Local public transport is managed by Conerobus. Tickets can be purchased at tobacco shops (Tabacchi) or via the ATMA App.
- **Taxis:** Taxis can be found outside the train station or booked by calling +39 071 43321 (Radio Taxi Ancona).

2. ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

We have selected a few recommended hotels located near the event venue (Marche Polytechnic University) and the central train station (Ancona Centrale). Please note that **attendees are responsible for booking their own accommodation**.

Hotel	Category	Address	Contact	Distance from event venue	Distance from train station
Grand Hotel Palace	★★★★	Lungomare Luigi Vanvitelli, 24 60121 Ancona AN	info@grandhotelpalaceancona.com +39 071 201813 https://www.grandhotelpalaceancona.com	9min by car 13 min on foot	6min by car 9min by bus
SeePort Hotel	★★★★	Via Rupi di Via XXIX Settembre, 12 60122 Ancona	info@seeporthotel.com +39 071 9715100 seeporthotel.com	7min by car 18min on foot 13min by bus	4min by car 6min by bus
NH Hotel	★★★★	Via Rupi di Via XXIX Settembre, 14 60122, Ancona	nhancona@nh-hotels.com +39 071 201171 https://www.nh-hotels.com/it/hotel/nh-ancona	7min by car 18min on foot 13min by bus	4min by car 6min by bus
The City Hotel	★★★	Via Giacomo Matteotti, 112 60121 Ancona	info@thecityancona.it +39 071 9728402 thecityancona.it	2min by car 5min on foot	7min by car 13min by bus
Hotel della Vittoria	★★★	Via Filzi, 2, 60123 Ancona	info@hoteldellavittoria.com +39 07155764 https://www.hoteldellavittoria.it/en/	14 min on foot 5 min by car 9 min by bus	8min by car 14min by bus
Grand Hotel Passetto	★★★★	Via Thaon de Revel, 1 60124 Ancona	info@grandhotelpassetto.com +39 071 31307 grandhotelpassetto.com	7min by car 20min by bus	10min by car 25min by bus
Cavour Suites	-	Piazza Cavour, 29, 60121 Ancona	info@cavoursuites.it +39 071 972 8458	7 min on foot 4 min by car	5min by car 12min by bus

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3. USEFUL INFORMATION

Catering & Dietary Requirements

A coffee break will be provided during the meeting. Please let us know if you have any specific dietary requirements or allergies by contacting segreteria.forum@marche.camcom.it by **05/10/2026**.

Weather

The weather in Ancona in October is generally mild, with average temperatures around 15-20°C. However, it can be cool in the mornings and evenings, so layering is advised.

Useful Contacts

For any urgent logistical issues upon your arrival, please contact the organising secretariat:

Forum AIC Secretariat: segreteria.forum@marche.camcom.it



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A Commitment to Green Travel 🌱

At Forum AIC, we are deeply committed to sustainability and actively work to reduce the carbon footprint of our events.

We kindly encourage all attendees to consider the environmental impact of their travel choices.

Whenever possible, **we invite you to opt for greener transportation alternatives**—such as trains, buses, or carpooling—rather than flying short distances or travelling alone by car.

Every small, conscious choice contributes significantly to a more sustainable future for the Adriatic-Ionian region.

Thank you for helping us make this event greener!