Fourth expert meeting of the
United Nations Working Group on Marine Geospatial Information
30 January – 3 February 2023
Genoa, Italy

Logistical Information Note¹

The fourth expert meeting of the United Nations Working Group on Marine Geospatial Information, the fourteenth meeting of the International Hydrographic Organization Marine Spatial Data Infrastructures Working Group and the 2023 annual meeting of the Open Geospatial Consortium Marine Domain Working Group from 30 January to 3 February 2023 will be hosted by Istituto Idrografico della Marina (IIM) (Italian Hydrographic Institute,) in Genoa, Italy.

As the host of these meetings, the IIM is pleased to welcome expert participants to Genoa and provides the following logistical information.

Istituto Idrografico della Marina
Passo dell’Osservatorio, 4
16135 – GENOA (GENOA)
Phone: +39 010 24431 (contact center)
maridrografico.ure@marina.difesa.it
www.marina.difesa.it

1. LOCATION AND VENUE

Genoa is the capital of the Italian region Liguria and it is the sixth largest city in Italy. In 2021, 566,000 people lived within the city's administrative limits. Over 1.5 million people live in the wider metropolitan area along the Riviera Ligure. Located in the Gulf of Genoa in the Ligurian Sea, Genoa has historically been one of the most important ports on the Mediterranean: Genoa was one of the so-called Repubbliche Marinare along with Venice, Pisa, and Amalfi. Because of the great importance of those four cities, their flags are still part of the Italian National Flag used by the Navy and merchant vessels.

Genoa’s nickname is la Superba (“the proud one”) due to its glorious past and impressive landmarks. Part of the old town of Genoa is in the World Heritage List (UNESCO) since 2006 as “Genoa: Le Strade Nuove and the system of the Palazzi dei Rolli”.

Genoa is currently one of the busiest ports in Italy and in the Mediterranean Sea. Some leading Italian companies are based in the city, including Fincantieri, Selex ES, Ansaldo Energia, Ansaldo STS, Edoardo Raffinerie Garrone, Piaggio Aerospace, Mediterranean Shipping Company and Costa Cruises. Genoa is the birthplace of famous Italian people, such as Cristoforo Colombo, Niccolò Paganini, Giuseppe Mazzini, Renzo Piano.

¹ As of 23 November 2022
The meetings will be held at the **Grand Hotel Savoia Genoa**, located at Via Arsenale di Terra 5, Genoa. Close to the heart of the city, this hotel puts you in easy reach of most iconic tourist destinations. The Hotel is close to the main train station of Genoa, Genoa Piazza Principe.

### 2. ACCOMMODATION AND RATES

For all meetings, there are standard rooms available in two hotels next to each other.

The first hotel is the **Grand Hotel Savoia Genoa*****, where the meeting will be held. Special rates are (including breakfast and wi-fi):

- 132 € per night, classic room;
- City tax is not included (4,5€ per night).

To enjoy the special rates, use the promotional code **IDROGE** (capital letters) preferably via web (see following picture for details), otherwise by e-mail or by phone at the following contacts:

**Grand Hotel Savoia - Via Arsenale di Terra 5 - 16126 Genoa (Italy)**

- web: [https://www.grandhotelsavoiaGenova.it/](https://www.grandhotelsavoiaGenova.it/)
- e-mail: info@grandhotelsavoia.it
- Phone: +39 010 27721
The second hotel is the **Hotel Continental****, just next to the Grand Hotel Savoia.**

Special rates are (including breakfast and wi-fi):
- 102 € per night, classic room;
- City tax is not included (3€ per night).

To enjoy the special rates, use the promotional code **IDROGE** (capital letters) preferably via web (see following picture for details), otherwise by e-mail or by phone at the following contacts:

**Hotel Continental, Via Arsenale di Terra 1 - 16126 Genoa (Italy)**
- web: [https://www.hotelcontinentalGenova.it/](https://www.hotelcontinentalGenova.it/)
- e-mail: info@hotelcontinentalGenoa.it
- Phone: +39 010 261641

Both hotels have a private car park. The price is 25€ per day, per vehicle.

### 3. TRANSPORTATION

Following services are available:
- **Taxi:** from Genoa Airport to the city centre, the taxi fare is approximately 50€. Journey time, approximately 20 minutes.
- **Bus:** a direct shuttle service ([web site](https://www.amt.Genoa.it/amt/trasporto-multimodale/volabus/english-version/)) from Genoa airport arrivals to Piazza Principe railway station is available.
- **Train:** trains to Genoa Piazza Principe station from Milano (travel time 2 hours) and from Roma (travel time 4 hours) are available during the day.
- **Car:** follow “Genoa Piazza Principe Train Station” directions. Both the hotels are located in front of Piazza Principe train station.
4. **VISA**

Any visa requirement needs to be checked well in advance. To check if you need an Italian visa, visit [https://vistoperitalia.esteri.it/home/en](https://vistoperitalia.esteri.it/home/en).

5. **PLUGS AND VOLTAGE**

In Italy, the power sockets are of type F and L. The standard voltage is 230 V and the standard frequency is 50 Hz.

6. **CONTACT POINT**

The IMM Point of Contact and for logistical arrangements:

**Captain Nicola Marco PIZZEGHELLO**

Head of the Survey and Production Department

Istituto Idrografico della Marina

e-mail: nicolam.pizzeghello@marina.difesa.it

phone: +39 010 244227