

Guidelines for participants

Practical information about travelling to Chania, Accommodation and training arrangements









Location

The 7th JTEL Summer School will be hosted by Porto Platanias Hotel (http://www.portoplatanias.gr/), that will also offer accommodation to the participants and to the trainers of the event.

Porto Platanias Beach Resort & Spa is situated in a quiet, idyllic area of Platanias, next to one of the cleanest beaches of the island. Within walking distance from the Resort you have the chance to explore the exceptionally picturesque village of Platanias up on the hill, as well as the surrounding area. Platanias is 9 km away from the centre of Chania, and 20 km away from the airport of Chania.



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Notes:

- 1. Recommended airport to reach is Chania airport and not Iraklio (a.k.a. Heraklion) airport. Chania airport is international and it has frequent connections with major EU cities.
- 2. If you are planning to arrive by boat/ferrie from Pireaus, please let us know to see if we can provide transportation from the Chania Port to Porto Platanias.

Contact

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How to get from Chania airport to Platanias?

In order to get to the Porto Platanias Hotel there are several means of transport available: shuttles from the Summer School organizers, public bus or taxi.

a) Shuttle (free):

Shuttle transportation will be provided from the airport to the Porto Platanias Hotel, and back, depending on the time of your arrival.

If transportation is provided at the time of your arrival, you will see a person holding a sign, that will read: "JTEL 2011".

On Saturday, 28th of May from the airport to Porto Platanias Hotel: Shuttle 1: Arrive at airport 16:15 – depart to Porto Platanias Hotel 17:45 Shuttle 2: Arrive at airport 18:15 – depart to Porto Platanias Hotel 19:45

On Sunday, 29th of May from the airport to Porto Platanias Hotel: Shuttle 3: Arrive at airport 15:00 – depart to Porto Platanias Hotel 16:30 Shuttle 4: Arrive at airport 20:45 – depart to Porto Platanias Hotel 22:15

Transport from Porto Platanias Hotel to the airport will be provided <u>ONLY</u> Saturday 4th of June. The shuttle schedule will be announced at the Summer School.

b) Public bus

There are **no** direct buses from Chania airport to Platanias. You have to change buses in Chania. In order to reach to Chania, take the bus from the bus stop outside the airport and get off in Chania at the bus stop situated in the 1866 square. The cost of a ticket is around 2 euros.

Bus Timetables Chania - Airport Daily 05:45 08:30 09:30 13:00 16:30 17:00 20:30 Airport - Chania Daily 07:15 09:15 10:45 14:15 16:50 18:50 21:15 Travel time = about 30 minutes

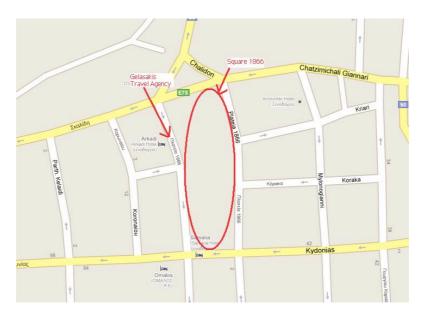
From Chania to Platanias take the bus to Platanias from the terminal station which is located at Kydonias Avenue, in the city center, next to 1866 square. The travel time is about 25 minutes. The cost of a ticket is around 5 euros.

The bus timetable from **Hania to Maleme, Platanias and Gerani** is: 06:30 07:15 08:00 8:30 9:00 9:15 10:00 10:30 11:00 11:30 12:00 12:30 13:00 13:15 13:30 14:00 14:30 15:00 15:30 16:00 16:30 17:30 18:00 18:30 19:30 20:00 20:30 21:30 22:30. The buses that go to Maleme or Gerani will suit you because their rute is through Platanias. Chania-Platanias-Gerani-Maleme.

The bus timetable from **Maleme**, **Platanias and Gerani** to **Hania** is: 06:30 07:30 07:45 08:00 08:30 09:45 10:00 10:45 11:00 11:45 12:45 13:00 13:45 14:30 15:00 16:45 17:45 18:00 18:45 19:00 20:45.

If you still encounter problems in finding the bus station, in the vicinity of the 1866 square you can find the Gelasakis Travel Agency with which we are collaborating. For more information on site do not hesitate to visit them.

In the image below you can find the 1866 Square and where is Gelasakis Travel Agency



c) Taxi

The taxi rank of Chania airport is located just outside the passenger terminal. The cost of a journey from the airport till Porto Platanias Hotel is 45 euros to 50 euros.

The cost of a journey from Chania, city center till Porto Platanias Hotel is 17 euros.

How to get from Iraklio (a.k.a. Heraklion) to Chania ?

a) KTEL public bus, approximately 3 hours

The cost of a journey from Iraklio till Chania is around 15 euros. Please find below the schedule of the buses:

From **Chania – Georgioupolis - Rethymno – Bali - Iraklio**: 05:30 06:30 07:30 08:30 09:30 10:30 11:30 12:30 13:30 14:30 15:30 16:30 17:30 18:30 20:00 21:00

From **Iraklio – Bali – Rethymno – Georgioupolis – Chania**: 05:30 06:30 07:30 08:30 09:30 10:30 11:30 12:00^{**} 12:30 13:30 14:30 15:30 16:30 17:30 18:30 20:00 21:00

** Does not exist on Saturday and Sunday

b) Private car, approximately 3 hours