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Region of Istria
Croatia

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Access to ISTRIA

- **Arriving by plane**

If you are arriving by regular, low cost or charter flights, you will land at the Pula airport, the biggest international airport in Istria. **The Pula Airport**, located at 55Km from Poreč, offers multiple **daily connections to the Zagreb Pleso International Airport**, located at 250 Km from Poreč (<http://www.zagreb-airport.hr/>) and also international connections to Ryanair destinations: <http://www.airport-pula.hr/>.

Pula Airport
Valtursko polje 210
T. +385 (0)52 530 105
F. +385 (0)52 550 914
E. informacije@airport-pula.hr
www.airport-pula.hr

Airline companies :
[Croatia Airlines](#)
Branch Office Pula: Pula Airport
Valtursko polje 210, Ližnjan
T. +385 (0)52 218 909, 218 943
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[Ryanair](#) / [Blue 1](#) / [Jet2.com](#) / [Germanwings](#) / [Norwegian Air Shuttle](#) / [Belavia](#) / [Air Mediterranee](#) / [Thomson Airways](#) / [Transavia](#) / [Orenburg Airlines](#) / [Tatarstan Airlines](#) / [Ural Airlines](#) / [Dubrovnik Airlines](#) / [Europe Airpost](#) / [Moskovia Airlines](#) / [Windrose](#) / [Khors Air](#) / [Ukraine Int. Airlines](#) / [Rossiya Airlines](#) / [Malmo Aviation](#) / [SAS](#) / [Finnair](#) / [Transaero Airlines](#)

Three alternative international airports located in neighborhood countries requiring road transport (coach, car renting) are:

- **Ronchi dei Legionari Airport, Trieste, Italy**, located at 80 km from Poreč: <http://www.aeroporto.fvg.it>
- **Ljubljana Jože Pučnik Airport, Ljubljana, Slovenia**, located at 185 Km from Poreč: <http://www.lju-airport.si/eng>
- **Treviso Airport and Marco Polo Airport, Venice, Italy**, located at 250 Km from Poreč: <http://www.trevisoairport.it> and <http://www.veniceairport.it>

Local transfer to Poreč from Pula and Trieste airports

The Istria Region will put at your disposal a transfer service to facilitate your local travel between the airports of Ronchi dei Legionari (Trieste) and Pula from/to Poreč.

The transfers will be organized according to the participants travel schedule, which we kindly ask you to communicate to us when registering for our event.

- **Arriving by boat**

If you decide to visit Istria by sea, you can use fixed or seasonal ship lines:

Adriatic Lines: www.adriatic-lines.com (Venice - Umag / Poreč / Rovinj / Pula / Rabac)
Commodore Cruises: www.commodore-cruises.hr (Venice - Umag / Poreč / Rovinj / Pula)
Emilia Romagna Lines: www.emiliaromagnalines.it (Ravenna - Cesenatico - Rimini - Pesaro -> Rovinj)
Jadrolinija (Rijeka): www.jadrolinija.hr (Porozina (Cres) – Brestova)
Trieste Lines (Ustica Lines): www.triestelines.it (Trieste - Piran/Portorož - Rovinj – Pula)
Venezia Lines: www.venezialines.com (Venice – Umag / Poreč / Rovinj / Pula)

- **Arriving by car**

If you are arriving in Istria from the western direction, Slovenia, you will cross the border on one of the three road border crossings: Plovanija-Sečovlje, Kaštel-Dragonja or Požane-Sočerga.

For your pleasant journey through Istria, you have at your disposition the Istrian motorway (at some parts semi-motorway), known under name Istrian Y which leads you to the southeast parts of the peninsula and also to the places situated in central Istria.

Arriving to 'Istrian Y' from the eastern direction, using the Croatian highways from Zagreb or Split to Rijeka, after crossing the Učka tunnel, you will quickly reach your final destination. The motorway also connects Pula and Slovenian border at the section about 80 kilometers long.

>> [Price list for each section](#)

Istrian Y (motorway): www.bina-istra.hr
Planner of the arrival by road: [Via Michelin routeplaner](#)

- **Arriving by train:**

You can arrive in Istria very quickly using the following lines:

- Zagreb (HR) - Rijeka (HR)/travelling by bus from Rijeka to Lupoglav - Pazin (HR) - Pula (HR)

Croatian Railways
Information on timetable:
T. +385 (0)60 333 444
E. www.hznet.hr

Local Practical Information

- **Hotel Registration**

When you check in a hotel, hostel, campsite or an apartment, you will automatically be registered with the police, a matter required by law. If you are staying with friends please do it yourself. In a 24 hour period, check with your nearest police station and be sure to bring your passport. You will be kindly asked to complete some paperwork, a procedure necessary for your own safety, helping you overcome any inconvenience that may occur while you are on a holiday.

- **Travel documentation**

Passport or some other internationally recognized identification document. Tourists may remain in Croatia for up to three months.

- **Luggage**

Foreign citizens may carry in their personal luggage without any limits. Foreign currency is freely brought in and taken out of the country (up to a value of 3.000 euros); up to a value of 15.000 kn for domestic currency. More expensive professional and technical equipment should be registered at the border.

- **Visas**

Citizens from EU, Switzerland, Australia, North and South America and many other countries are allowed into Croatia without a visa. You can find basic information about the visa regime between the Republic of Croatia and all other countries on www.mvp.hr, everybody who needs a visa must obtain it before entering. You cannot do this at any Croatian land border.

- **Pets**

Dogs and cats, accompanied by their owner, need to have an International certificate from a registered veterinarian stating that at least 15 days and not more than six months have passed since their vaccination against rabies.

- **Currency**

The only currency used in Istria/Croatia is Kuna (1 Kuna = 100 Lipa). There are 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50 Lipa coins; 1, 2, 5 and 25 Kuna coins and 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 500 and 1.000 Kuna banknotes. Cash dispensing machines are ubiquitous. Most hotels, restaurants and shops accept credit cards (American Express, Diners Club, Eurocard/Mastercard, Visa). Foreign currency can be exchanged in banks, exchange offices, post offices, travel agencies, hotels, camps, marinas; cheques can be cashed in banks.

- **Customs**

Customs regulations of the Republic of Croatia are in line with the standards of the other European Union countries. More on www.carina.hr

- **Time zone**

GMT plus one hour in winter and GMT plus two hours in summer.

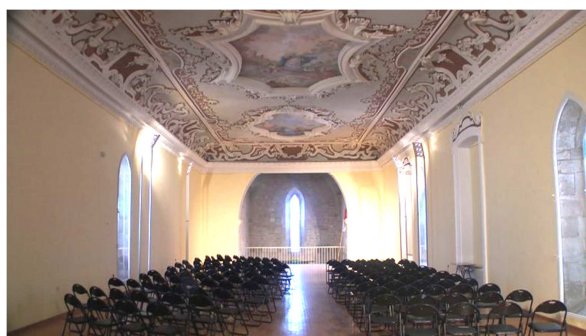
- **Electricity**

Voltage on city power grids is 220 V / 50 Hz, so visitors from the U.S. will need to use a transformer and visitors from G.B. will have to use an adapter for European electricity grid to run their electrical appliances.

Venue Details

The Istrian Council House, Poreč

Originally a Gothic Franciscan Church from the 13th century, it stands between Park Juraj Dobrila and Laginja's shore. The interior of the building was made into Baroque style in the mid 18th century. On the ceiling there is Baroque plastering with illusionistic frescoes in medallions. During the last century this building was used for assemblies of the Istrian Parliament and even today the District Parliament holds its formal sessions there, as well as the choir concerts 'Naš kanat je lip' and painting exhibitions 'Annale'. Early Christian floor mosaics were recently found in the courtyard behind the Assembly Hall, probably from the church of S.Thomas the Apostle.



Google maps (click on the map to open Google maps online):



Public transport connections: organized by the hosting region (bus, boat and/or touristic train)

More information about Poreč: <http://www.to-porec.com/ItemListSadrzaji.aspx?typ=7&pid=165&j=ENG>

Accommodation Facilities

Recommended Hotels (10 min walk from the venue at special prices for the participants) including special rates for NECSTouR Members until the 30th of August:

***please indicate the code NECSTouR when booking**

1. **Grand Hotel Palazzo:** <http://hotel-palazzo.hr/en> (e-mail: info@hotel-palazzo.hr)*

Double room = Euro 125 per room

Double room single use = Euro 83 per room

2. **Hotel Mauro:** <http://www.hotelmauro.com/web/en> (e-mail: info@hotel-mauro.hr)*

Single room = Euro 60 (2 rooms available)

Double room = Euro 120 (10 rooms available)

Double room single use= Euro 90 (10 rooms available)

For more information about other hotels in Poreč and Istria visit: <http://www.istra.hr/en/accommodation>

Contact Details

We remain at your disposal for any assistance you may require and look very much forward to meeting you in Istria!

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