

**Regional Workshop for Europe
New issues in QoS measuring and monitoring**

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Pontecchio Marconi, Bologna, Italy**

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I. MEETING INFORMATION

1. Meeting Venue

Fondazione Ugo Bordon
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2. Hotel Accommodation and Reservation Procedure

Delegates are kindly requested to arrange their hotel accommodation at their earliest convenience. In consideration of the very busy period in Bologna, special rates have been arranged with the Bologna Art Hotels, which will be available up to **5th November 2015**.

Hotel bookings at the special rates reserved for the meeting can be completed:

- online through the following link [ITU&FUB - New issues in QoS measuring and monitoring](#)
- by phone, fax, e-mail or at the Bologna Art Hotels "Information point", referring to "**Meeting "New issues in QoS measuring and monitoring"**

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Please note that in order to facilitate delegates' transfer from Bologna downtown to the meeting venue, a free shuttle service has been arranged from Piazza Malpighi, 1 hour before the meeting starting time. In order to save delegates' time, this solution is warmly recommended.

II. FORMALITIES FOR ENTERING THE COUNTRY

1. Entry into Italy

If you need an entry Visa for Italy, you are advised to make the necessary arrangements well in advance of your departure.

The requirements to apply for a visa usually are: two passport-size photographs, proof of round trip airfare and a duly completed application form in duplicate. Visas are generally processed within a few working days. Delegates are advised to check with the Italian Embassy or Consulate in their own country to inquire about specific Visa requirements.

Additional information can be found at the following web page of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs:

http://www.esteri.it/visti/index_eng.asp

2. Vaccinations and Medical Insurance

There are no special compulsory vaccination requirements for entry into Italy.

An EU-citizen (including EEA and Switzerland) delegate who carries the European Health Insurance Card (or temporary alternate certificate) has rights for free of charge care; just a little "service ticket" is required.

A non-EU citizen delegate is highly recommended to arrange medical insurance and carry a proof of such.

III. ARRIVAL

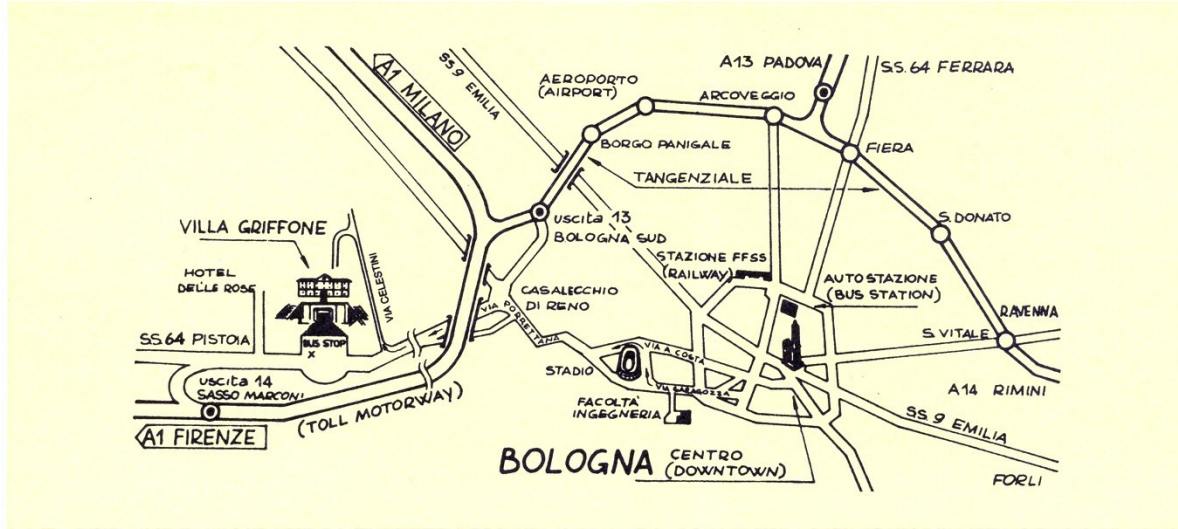
1. Villa Griffone Historical Place

Villa Griffone is set in Pontecchio Marconi, in beautiful grounds just a few miles from the centre of Bologna.

It was in the attic of this seventeenth century villa that, as a teenager, Guglielmo Marconi carried out the first experiments, which led to his invention of a practical system for sending messages by wireless telegraphy. Villa Griffone now houses the Marconi Foundation and Museum.

In addition, Villa Griffone also houses a radio communication research centre, where researchers of the Electronics, Computer Sciences and Systems Department of the University of Bologna and the Fondazione Ugo Bordoni have their offices.

2. How to reach Villa Griffone and Pontecchio Marconi



By plane

Bologna Marconi Airport is connected to the city center and to the main railway station by an express shuttle, the Aerobus-BLQ. Routes, timetables and fares are available at the [Airport - Main Railway Station link](#).

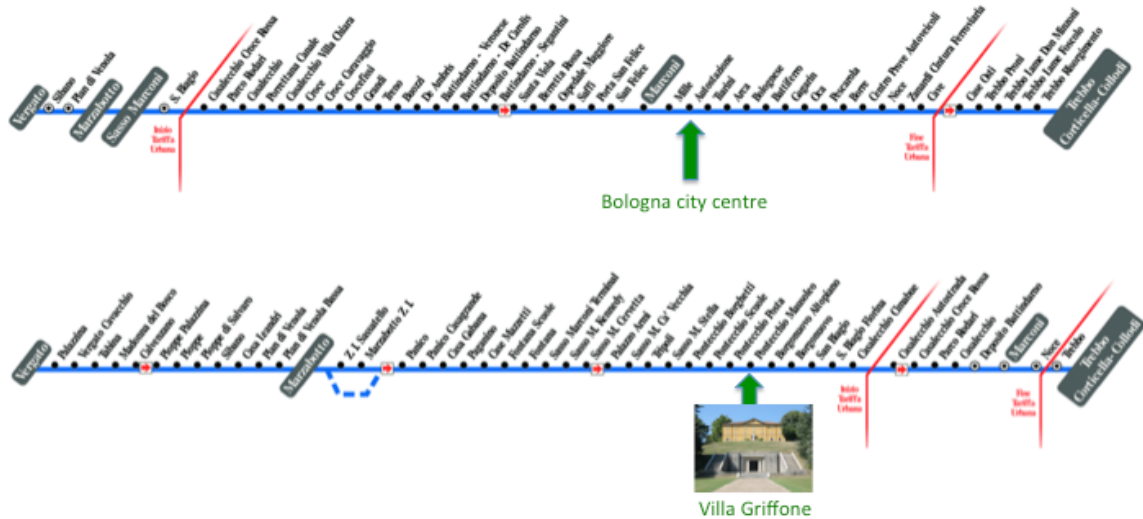
No direct bus connection is available from the Bologna Marconi Airport to Pontecchio Marconi. Travelling by taxi takes about 20 minutes and costs approximately 20-25 Euro.

By bus

Villa Griffone can be reached by bus number 92, which leaves the Bologna bus terminal every half an hour.

It takes approximately 50 minutes to reach Villa Griffone from Bologna city centre.

Timetables are available on the Bologna transport company web site: <http://www.tper.it/content/linea-92-trebbio-di-reno-bologna-ospedale-maggiore-sasso-marconi-vergato>. Refer to 'Bologna Autostazione' bus stop if you travel from the city centre. The meeting venue, Villa Griffone, is just in front of the 'Pontecchio-Mausoleo' bus stop.



By car

Villa Griffone is situated in Pontecchio Marconi, about 15 km from Bologna, along route no.64 "Porrettana".

The nearest highway tollbooths (where you pay to access the motorway) are Bologna-Casalecchio di Reno and Sasso Marconi.

IV. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. Telecommunication Facilities

For calls from all countries to a number in the Bologna phone district **the dialling code is**

+39 051 xxxxxx.

For international calls from Italy the code is **00 + the country code.**

2. Currency/Exchange/Credit Cards

The currency unit in Italy is the EURO.

Automatic cash dispensers are available twenty-four hours a day.

The following major credit cards are accepted by most shops in Italy: Eurocard-Mastercard, Visa, American Express (less accepted) and Diners (much less accepted).

3. Banks, Travellers Checks

Banks are in general open Monday to Friday from 08:30 – 13:30 and 15h00 – 16:30. All banks will exchange currency when open for business. The major Travellers cheques are also accepted in Italy.

4. Electrical Appliances

Italy has 220V/50Hz electricity. Italy uses the 3-pin grounded socket; however the 2-pin standard European non-grounded socket, the most common in the world, is compatible.



The European 2-pin round Schuko grounded plug is NOT compatible.



You are therefore recommended to bring with you an adapter, however compatible sockets will be available at the meeting room.

5. Time

Local time in Italy is GMT+1.