



Bordeaux, a prime conference destination

Strong local dynamics have helped Bordeaux remain extremely attractive for national and international convention organisers. During the last four months of 2017, Bordeaux Events hosted over fifteen conventions for a total of nearly 15,000 people, primarily from the scientific and medical sectors.

A dynamic, recognized ecosystem

The Bordeaux metropolitan area benefits from a very dynamic ecosystem, home to 11 business hubs and 70 clusters in cutting-edge sectors, such as optics, digital technology, and aerospace. It also boasts an excellent university hospital, which was ranked best hospital in France in 2017 for the second consecutive year by the weekly newspaper Le Point. The area's prominent experts attract many international professionals seeking to participate in congresses organised in the region, which is an incentive for organisers in their choice of destination.

In addition to medical and scientific topics, the congresses held by Bordeaux Events will focus on innovative topics, like high-rise timber buildings with the first Wood Rise International Congress, or will gather an entire profession, like the National Lawyers Convention, which is expected to draw 6,000 participants.

Infrastructure tailored to conventions

With four adaptable and complementary venues—the Exhibition Centre, Congress Centre, Hangar 14 and Cité Mondiale Convention Centre, Bordeaux Events offers congress organisers a diversified range of solutions for events of all sizes and sectors.

In the start of 2019 Bordeaux Exhibition Centre gained a new hall equipped with a plenary meeting room with a seating capacity ranging from 1,500 to 6,000, a 7,400 m² exhibition area, and 12 meeting rooms— a valuable asset for hosting large-scale conventions.

"Our ambition is to develop the hosting of national and international conventions by offering high-quality facilities. We have all the assets we need to accomplish this, a very attractive destination, and excellent accessibility thanks to the high-speed line connecting Bordeaux and Paris in just 2 hours and 4 minutes and an international airport with direct flights to over 90 destinations," says Karine Santamaria, Director of Bordeaux Events.

The urban area is home to extensive hotel accommodations, including 7,500 rooms in the city centre, a number which will significantly increase in coming years with the many construction projects underway. Bordeaux boasts strong economic dynamics as well as exceptional cultural and culinary heritage.

SCHEDULE OF CONGRESSES HOSTED: SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER 2017

08-09/09: 30th International Workshop on Helicobacter & Microbiota in Inflammation & Cancer at the Congress Centre

13-14/09: WoodRise Congress 2017 at the Congress Centre

18-21/09: 6th International Conference on Retroviral Integration at the Cité Mondiale Convention Centre

20-22/09: 28th Congress of the French Society of Blood Transfusion at the Congress Centre

25-28/09: 28th European Symposium on Reliability of Electron Devices, Failure Physics and Analysis at Cité Mondiale Convention Centre

27-29/09: 1st Medical Biology Francophone Days at the Congress Centre

05-07/10: 9th edition: Breathing and Sleep Practical Days at the Congress Centre

10-12/10: Congress of local public sector companies at the Congress Centre

12-13/10: Congress of gingival-dental surgery at Cité Mondiale Convention Centre

18-20/10: Interactive Theme Days of the French Society of Emergency Medicine

18-21/10: National Lawyers Convention at the Exhibition Centre

10/11: Bordeaux Day of Paediatric Dermatology at the Cité Mondiale Convention Centre

24-26/11: National Congress of the French charity Secours Populaire at the Congress Centre

30/11-02/12: International Sail Training and Tall Ships Conference at Cité Mondiale Convention Centre

05-07/12: CFDT at the Congress Centre

07-08/12: 5th Consensus, News and Perspectives on Organ Supply (CAPSO) Days at Cité Mondiale Convention Centre

15/12: Perspectives at Cité Mondiale Convention Centre

About Bordeaux Events

Bordeaux Events is the Congrès et Expositions de Bordeaux (CEB) brand dedicated to hosting professional and public events. Launched in late 2015, Bordeaux Events seeks to be a true driving force for business tourism and the professional event industry in the Bordeaux metropolitan area. Led by Karine Santamaria, the Bordeaux Events team relies on nearly twenty employees who devote their skills to serving major accounts, institutional stakeholders, organisations, learned societies, and regional, national and international companies.

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