

CA18208 | HARMONY – Training School

“Novel tools for test evaluation and disease prevalence estimation”



Accompanying Document

Meeting Venue – Accommodation recommendations – Weather & Climate data

22 April – 24 April 2024 (Larissa, Greece)

Meeting venue

[Faculty of Medicine, Biopolis, Larissa, Greece | Room 4](#)

[Panepistimiou 3, Biopolis, 41500, Larissa, Greece]

GoogleMaps link: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/3HUW3NdXEZ1WBhsJ9>



Travel

Larissa is in the center of Greece and is the capital of the region Thessaly. It is among the 5 biggest cities of Greece. Due to its placement, Larissa is considered an important node in the country's transport network. So, it is relatively easily and quickly accessible from other cities.

Unfortunately, there is not an airport in Larissa, and currently the railway system is not operating in Larissa. So, you need to travel to the city by bus from the airport.

Getting from Athens airport to Larissa

Athens can easily be reached by air using the Athens Eleftherios Venizelos International (<https://athens-international-airport.com/>).

You can travel from Athens airport to the bus station (Athens Liosion Bus Station) using three different means of transport: metro, bus and taxi.

- The cheapest transportation option is the public bus, 6€ per person for a one-way ticket. Bus number “X93” will get you to Athens Liosion bus station in about 60 minutes, depending on the roads' congestion. Tickets are available from the airport ticket offices or onboard and the bus stop is located at the Arrivals level, between Exits 4 and 5. Buses run 24/7 per ~30 minutes, ([full timetable and stops](#)). Destination of the bus is KIFISOS bus station, but your stop is LIOSION bus station. Full route of the bus available: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/qaymb6vXMt1Dwxpu7>

- The second means of transportation is the metro, which leaves every 30 minutes and costs 10€ per person, one-way.

In a 5-minute walking distance from the terminal, the airport train station building is located at the Departures Level and is connected to the main terminal via a passageway. Get your way to the train station following the signs “Train”, purchase a ticket from the station's ticket offices paying 10€ for a one-way route. **Athens airport metro line 3 departs from the airport every 30 minutes from 06:30am till 11:30pm.** Take the metro line 3 (blue) until “Syntagma” stop, then switch to metro line 2 (red) direction “Anthoupoli”. Your stop is “Attiki” (5 stops from “Syntagma”). Then Liosion bus station is 1.4 km away (20 minute walk) or take any bus (any of 024, 711, 719, A10, A11, B1, B11, Γ10, Γ12) till KTEL Liosion bus station.

Description of the full route available: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/DzYiegnpccUASYJJ8>

- The fastest option is an Athens airport taxi, which comes at a cost of 40€ per ride.

Afterwards you have to take a long-distance bus to Larissa. A list of bus routes is available below (view online: <https://www.ktellarisas.gr/ektakta-dromologia/>):

LARISSA-ATHENS	ATHENS-LARISSA
01:00	07:30 (EXPRESS)
04:00* (EXPRESS)	10:00 (EXPRESS)
07:30**** (EXPRESS)	11:00** (EXPRESS)
10:00 AM (EXPRESS)	13:00 (EXPRESS)
12:00 PM (EXPRESS)	15:30 W (EXPRESS)
15:00 (EXPRESS)	17:30 W (EXPRESS)
17:00 (EXPRESS)	19:00*** (EXPRESS)
18:00 (EXPRESS)	21:00 (EXPRESS)

*: EXCEPT SATURDAY & SUNDAY, **: SATURDAY ONLY, ***: EXCEPT SATURDAY, ****: SATURDAY SUNDAY, D: TWO STORY

You can buy a ticket once you reach the bus station in Athens, and you can also purchase a ticket online (<https://ktellarisas.e-ticketing.gr/Pages/Destinations.aspx>). It is suggested to book all tickets in advance (both-ways). The bus takes about 4 hours to reach Larissa bus station. Full route: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/6LsWd3nD3193z9be6>

Getting from Thessaloniki airport to Larissa

You can travel from Thessaloniki airport to the bus station (Makedonia Intercity Bus Station) using a bus or a taxi.

- Bus Route 01X directly connects the airport to Thessaloniki city center, the Central Railway Station, and the “Makedonia” Intercity Bus Station (KTEL). Buses run from 6:10 am to 10:40 pm, every 20-25 minutes, and reach the city center in approximately 40 minutes and their final stop (KTEL Station) in 50-55 minutes.
- Bus Line 01N has the same route with more intermediate stops. It runs only during the night, from 11:10 pm to 05:55 am. Thus, although the routes’ frequency is almost the same (every 30 minutes), the total journey to the city center lasts around 50 minutes and to Makedonia Coach Terminal (KTEL) 60 minutes.

Bus Route: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/fPjCF7FSsN9th2i88>

The airport bus tickets (01X and 01N) cost 1.80€ for each passenger. You can buy your tickets from the vending machines onboard but you should keep in mind that vending machines don’t give change.

Once you reach Makedonia Intercity bus station you will have to take a long-distance bus to Larissa. A list of bus routes is available below (view online: <https://www.ktellarisas.gr/ektakta-dromologia/>):

LARISA-THESSALONIKI	THESSALONIKI-LARISA
05:30*	07:30*
06:30*	09:00
07:00**	11:00
08:30*	13:00
09:00**	14:00*
09:30*	15:00
11:00	16:00****
13:00	17:00
14:00****	18:00***
15:00	19:00
16:00***	20:00***
17:00	21:00
18:00***	22:15
19:00	
20:30	

*: MONDAY – FRIDAY, **: SATURDAY SUNDAY, ***: FRIDAY & SUNDAY ONLY, ****: EXCEPT SATURDAY

You can buy a ticket once you reach the bus station in Athens, and you can also purchase a ticket online (<https://ktellarisas.e-ticketing.gr/Pages/Destinations.aspx>). It is suggested to book all tickets in advance (both-ways). The bus takes about 2 hours to reach Larissa bus station. Full route: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/t1RdnMbrcZYFXm89>

Accommodation options – Transfer to the meeting venue

- The meeting venue is 4km from the city center, so it is recommended that you book accommodation anywhere near the city center or between the city center and the meeting venue. There are a lot of accommodations (hotels, AirBnb/Booking apartments) you can book for your stay.
- There is local transportation to reach the meeting venue from the city center. Bus 04 gets you directly from the city center to the meeting venue (Biopolis | Med School – «Ιατρική»). Buses depart every 15-20 minutes from the main city square («Κεντρική Πλατεία») and you can purchase a ticket there, since this is the starting point.

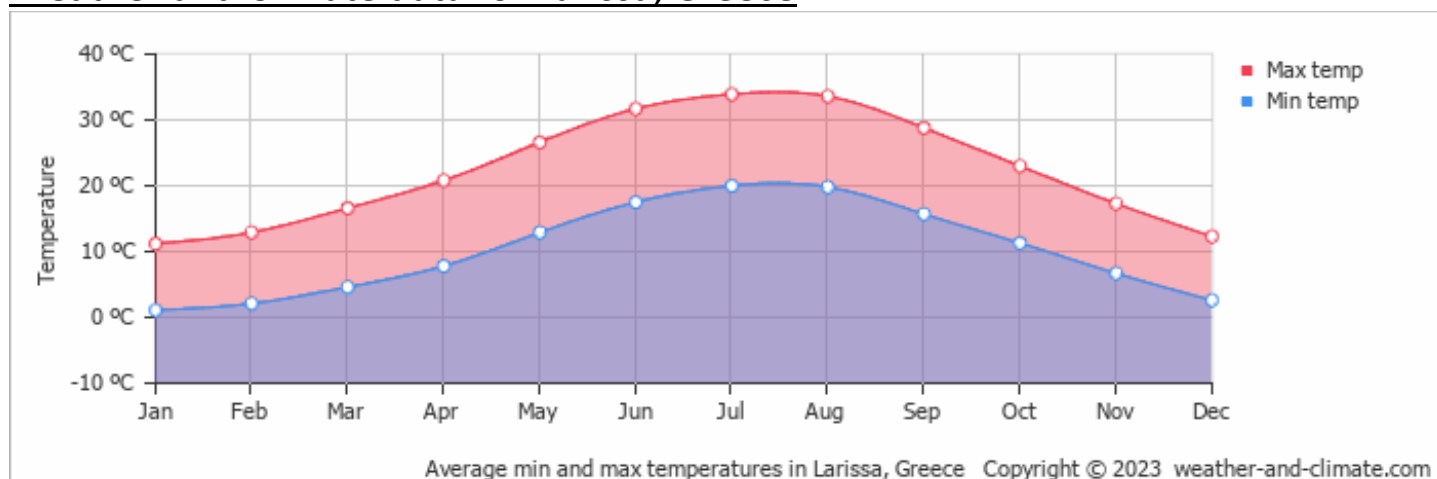
GoogleMaps link: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/FzqajykXCnaPEUg66>

Bus routes link:

https://ktelast-larissas.gr/wp-content/uploads/2022/programma/routes/line4/de_te_pa/4_de_te_pa.pdf

- We have arranged a minibus that will pick you up every day from the central square, drive you to Biopolis in the morning and also return you back to city center after the end of the school. Please let us know if you plan to use the minibus or not, by filling in the form provided in the email.

Weather and Climate data for Larissa, Greece



Coffee – Lunch breaks

During the training school coffee breaks refreshments including coffee, tea, cold beverages, sweets etc., will be provided, while lunch breaks will include buffet and drinks.

We have planned a networking dinner on Tuesday 23 April 20:00 (local time) in "[Akamatra Larissa](#)" located in the city center. In the email we've sent you'll find all the info related to the dinner and how to RSVP for it. Participation to the dinner is optional and participants will be requested to pay with cash (in EUR – maximum price 25 EUR).

[Location: Vironos 5, Larisa 412 21](#)

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