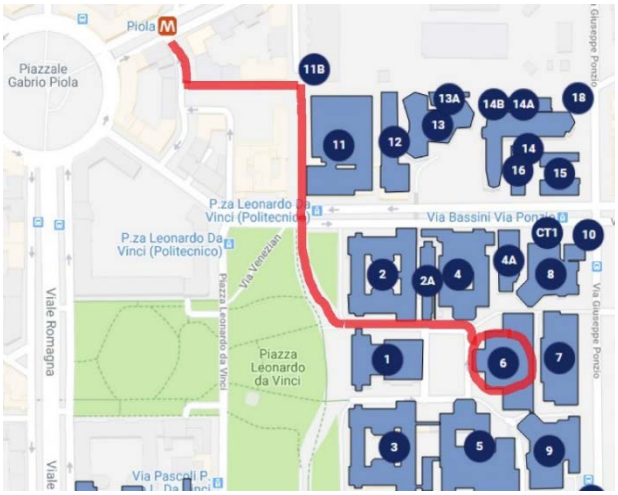
Visiting Milano

Meeting location

The meeting will be held at the Department of Chemistry, Materials and Chemical Engineering "Giulio Natta", Building 6 of Politecnico di Milano (POLIMI-Leonardo campus) for the in-person participants. We will arrange a remote connection as well, if needed.
The campus is located in Piazza Leonardo da Vinci 32, in the "*Città Studi*" area of Milano city. Pictures of the façade of the main building (rectorate) on Leonardo campus and a zoom-in on the Department are provided.







Google maps link: https://goo.gl/maps/uDpxiKSPuiQWjJc99

How to reach the location

Reaching the campus from the city centre

The campus can be easily reached from all areas of the city by taxi or public transport. If you take a taxi, please specify to the driver the full address (Piazza Leonardo da Vinci 32), as there is more than one Politecnico campus in Milano.
If you use public transportation, the easiest way is *via* the underground M2 green line, stopping at "*Piola*" station (underground map is attached). The meeting location is then at walking distance (less than 10 min, see map above). Tickets for public transportation can be purchased at any underground station. The price for a single ticket is 2 € and its duration is 90 min. The underground service is available all day from 6:00 AM to 00:30 AM.



The airports

There are three airports you can choose to reach Milano city centre: Linate airport is located about 8 km from the city centre; Malpensa airport is located about 60 km from the city centre; Orio al Serio airport is located about 60 km from the city centre.

Reaching the campus from Linate Airport (LIN)

The fastest way to reach the campus and the city centre is by taking a taxi, which will take from 15 to 30 min, depending on road traffic.

Reaching the campus from Malpensa Airport (MPX)
Take the Malpensa Express train to Centrale FS railway station that leaves Terminal 1 every 30 min (link: https://www.malpensaexpress.it/). The trip lasts about 35-40 minutes and the tickets (13 € each) can be bought at the ticket office in Malpensa railway station or on the train paying a small extra fee. After reaching Centrale FS, without exiting the station, follow the instructions to the underground and take the M2 green line, direction "*Cascina Gobba*" or "*Cologno Nord*" or "*Gessate*"; stop at "*Piola*" station (it will take about 15 minutes). Once in "*Piola*" station, the meeting location will be at walking distance (10 min maximum, see map above – route highlighted in red).
Taking a taxi from Malpensa Airport is also an option, but it will probably not help you save time (except in the late evening hours). Taxi ride from Malpensa Airport to Milano has fixed price (~ 100 € per ride).

Reaching the campus from Orio al Serio Airport (BGY)
Catch the bus to Milano Stazione Centrale (link: http://www.orioshuttle.com/), then follow the instructions as for Milano Malpensa airport. It usually takes at least 1 h 30 min to reach Leonardo campus from Orio al Serio Airport. A taxi could be faster depending on road traffic. In this case, fixed price to Milano is ~110 € per ride.

Public transport in Milano

In addition to the underground line, there are many bus and tram lines serving the city. From the city centre, Leonardo campus can be reached *via*:

Bus lines: 62, 91, 93, stop at Viale Romagna/Via Bassini.
Tram lines: 19, 33, direction Stazione Milano Lambrate, stop at Via Pascoli/P.za Leonardo Da Vinci.
ATM app (Android): https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=it.atm.appmobile&hl=eng
ATM app (iPhone): https://apps.apple.com/it/app/iatm-milan/id415637297?l=eng
More info at: https://www.atm.it/en/Pages/default.aspx (ATM is the Milano local public transport service).

Many taxis line up in different city areas so usually there is no need for booking beforehand, and during daytime they cost about 20-30 euros from Leonardo campus to the city centre, depending on traffic. Many of the taxis accept both cash and credit/debit card (POS payments). Phone booking and online booking is available for a small extra fee. If needed, you can call a taxi at: 02 4040/02 5353/02 6969/02 7777/02 8585.
UBER service is also active in the Milano area.

COVID19 and travelling to Italy

https://www.salute.gov.it/portale/nuovocoronavirus/homeNuovoCoronavirus.jsp?lingua=english

Accommodation

Milano offers a wide range of hotels as well as apartments for short-term rent (see e.g. Airbnb) throughout the city. A non-exhaustive list of possible options for hotels is provided here.

Next to Leonardo campus:

Hotel Dieci (****), 7 min walk
Oasi Village hotel (***), 7 min walk
21WOL Milano Centro (***), 7 min walk

Next to the city centre:

iH Hotels Milano Ambasciatori (****), 40 min by tram/30 min by underground
Hotel Star (***), 40 min by tram/30 min by underground

Next to Stazione Centrale:

NYX Hotel Milan by Leonardo Hotels (****), 15 min by underground
Best Western Madison Hotel (****), 15 min by underground