

WELCOME TO CLUJ-NAPOCA

Travel & Practical Information for PARTICIPANTS

ARRIVAL & AIRPORT TRANSFER

Cluj “Avram Iancu” International Airport (CLJ) is approximately 9–10 km east of Cluj-Napoca city centre.

BOLT / UBER

Recommended

Order directly in the app.
Time 20–30 min
Cost 40–60 RON (€8–12)
Payment in the app.

TAXI

Easy on arrival

Taxi stand directly outside
Time 20–30 min
Cost 40–60 RON (€8–12)
Card or cash.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Budget option

Airport bus lines A1E, 5 and 8 connect the airport with the city.
Time 30 min to the central area.
Pay by card in the bus or by SMS.

COURSE VENUE

The Oncology Institute “Prof. Dr. Ion Chiricuță” Cluj-Napoca

34–36 Republicii Street, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Lecture Halls A1 & A2

Close to the historic city centre and the Alexandru Borza Botanical Garden.

From the airport directly to IOCN: approximately 20–30 minutes by taxi, Uber or Bolt, depending on traffic.

From the city centre: many central hotels are approximately 10–20 minutes’ walk from the Institute. Most cafés, restaurants and central attractions are also within comfortable walking distance.

Public transport: tickets can generally be paid for by card on board or by SMS. The nearest public transport stops are approximately a 10-minute walk from the Institute.

GETTING AROUND

ON FOOT

Best for the historic centre

BOLT / UBER

Best for short cross-city trips

BUS / TROLLEYBUS

Useful for longer routes

OUR CLUJ FAVOURITES

A short local guide for your free time

COFFEE

- **Olivo Coffee Culture** — A Cluj specialty-coffee classic in a very central location.
- **Meron** — One of Cluj's best-known home-grown specialty coffee brands.
- **Let's Coffee** — Small specialty coffee spot for serious coffee lovers.
- **YUME Coffee Roasters** — Local roastery; also a great place to buy beans to take home.
- **Cofeels** — Tiny, local and highly rated.

RESTAURANTS

- **Zama** — Modern interpretation of Transylvanian cuisine.
- **Cimbru Author** — Contemporary Transylvanian / author cuisine.
- **Kupaj Gourmet** — Refined food and wine experience.
- **Tokyo Japanese Restaurant** — Excellent Japanese cuisine and very close to IOCN.
- **Samsara Foodhouse** — Plant-based restaurant; particularly useful for vegetarian and vegan guests.

DRINKS, FOOD & GOOD VIBES

- **Klausen Burger** — Rooftop views, craft beer and casual food.
- **Euphoria Biergarten** — Relaxed beer garden next to Central Park.
- **Jaxx Gastropub** — Lively gastropub for beer and comfort food.
- **Rochelle Restaurant & Pub** — Riverside drinks and dinner in a relaxed atmosphere.
- **Enigma** — A unique steampunk bar and restaurant in the heart of the Old Town.

TAKE A LITTLE TRANSYLVANIA HOME

A simple local gift idea: a small bottle of pălincă/visinată (traditional fruit brandy), artisanal honey or jam, and "ROM" chocolate.

5 THINGS TO SEE

- **Alexandru Borza Botanical Garden** — Right next to IOCN and ideal if you have 1–2 free hours.
- **Piața Unirii & St. Michael's Church** — The essential historic centre.
- **Cetățuia** — An easy panoramic viewpoint over Cluj.
- **Central Park & Casino** — A pleasant walk, especially in the evening.
- **Piața Muzeului & Old Town streets** — The best areas for simply experiencing the atmosphere of Cluj.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Currency	Romanian leu (RON). Card payments are widely accepted (even Revolut)
Emergency	112
Weather	Cool and autumnal: around 10–14°C (50–57°F) during the day and 2–5°C (36–41°F) in the evening/night. Rain is possible.
What to pack	A warm jacket, layers, comfortable waterproof shoes and a small umbrella.