



125<sup>th</sup> Member Meeting



# KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

Frascati | February 20<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>

The **Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC)** welcomes you to the **125th OGC Member Meeting, February 20-24, 2023**, in Frascati, a small town 20 km south of Rome in Italy. To help you prepare, we've put together this quick reference guide so you're ready for a successful in-person attendee experience. For more details, the [OGC website](#) is where you'll find *everything* OGC, including Events, Education, and so much more!

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Attendee List

[See who](#) will be attending the **125th OGC Member Meeting**. (Note: this is only available to members via the OGC portal).

### Conference Registration

Registration will open daily one hour before the start of the first session.

### Conference Venue

ESA / ESRIN\*

Largo Galileo Galilei 100044 Frascati

\*The ESRIN Centre is in Frascati, near the Tor Vergata Train Station turning right or left from Via E. Fermi, in the "Area di Ricerca" (Research Area). Buses will pick up and return at Frascati Piazza Marconi in the morning and evening. (1 or 2 rounds depending on registration information). The first 3 or 4 hotels are within walking distance of the Piazza Marconi. Others should arrange transportation.

**Parking:** the closest parking to the ESA/ESRIN venue is around the Tor Vergata train station. This is only a couple hundred meters walk from the gate.

Click [here](#) for helpful travel tips on getting to ESRIN.

## LOCAL TRAVEL INFORMATION

### Accommodations

[Click here](#) for a complete list of available hotels near the conference venue and Piazza Marconi. Please keep in mind that rates may vary depending on availability.

It is also possible to stay in Rome and take the train each day to the Tor Vergata station.

### Banking

The official currency of Italy is the Euro, but the country is still somewhat a cash-based economy. You won't pay in cash all the time, as there are shops and merchants in Italy that are well-equipped to accept card payments — Visa and Mastercard are more common than American Express. Look for a card that doesn't charge for international ATM withdrawals or currency conversion. More banking details can be found [here](#).

### Entry Requirements

Click [here](#) for entry requirements for Italy.



## **Ground Transportation**

If you plan to get around Rome by metro, bus, taxi, train, or car please visit for [relevant ground transportation options](#).

## **Time and Date**

Frascati's time zone is CET (GMT+1). Note that time zones are always changing (local legislation), please use [timeanddate.com](http://timeanddate.com) as a resource.

## **Weather**

In February, anticipate cloudy weather with overcast skies; it can sometimes be cold and wet as well.

## **What to Pack**

Attire is business casual for the conference during the day. We do recommend you dress in layers as temperatures in meeting rooms can vary. Some events may take place outside in the evening when the weather cools down, so be sure to bring appropriate clothing options.

## **NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES**

^Monday, February 20 | 5:30 - 7:30 pm

### **Reception and Networking Session**

Location: ESA/ESRIN

^Wednesday, February 22 | 6:30 - 9:00 pm

### **Offsite Networking Session** (separate fee required; complimentary ground transportation provided)

Location: TBD

^Thursday, February 23 | 1:20 - 2:20 pm

### **OGC Diversity Spotlight Lunch**

Location: ESA/ESRIN

## **Not Sure Who's New**

If you see a first timer (easily spot other first-time attendees by the "specially-marked" stickers on their badges), say hello; sit by them in the sessions, and introduce them to some of your contacts! Not only will you help the first timers, but you'll grow your own network and likely make a great new friend!

## **STAY CONNECTED BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER THE MEETING**

- Have questions about the **125th OGC Member Meeting**, please contact [OGC Registration](#).
- Join the **#OGCMemberMeeting** conversation! Follow us on [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#), [LinkedIn](#) and engage in conversations on our pages!
- Participate in an OGC API Code Sprint - visit [here](#) for more information. Open to the public.
- June 4-9, 2023 - 126th OGC Member Meeting - Huntsville, AL

## **VIRTUAL ACCESS**

### **Virtual Platform is Available to All Who Register**

Although the **125th OGC Member Meeting** is intended to be experienced in person, all registered attendees for the **125th OGC Member Meeting** will have access to the quarterly meeting virtual platform when it opens on Monday, February 20, at 9:00 a.m. CET (GMT+1). Join via the Meeting Dashboard at <https://ogcmeet.org>. Bookmark it to ensure quick access.

