

## How to reach Meudon Observatory

Meudon Observatory is located Place Jules Janssen , in Meudon at the top of the Avenue du Château.

**Address** : 5, Place Jules Janssen, F-92 190 Meudon. Longitude : 2 ° 14' East . Latitude : 48 ° 48' North . Altitude : 162m

**Telephone of Local Organiser** : 06 21 64 46 03 (for any major problem)

The best way for visitors to reach Meudon Observatory is from Paris-Montparnasse train station and to stop at Bellevue station (recommended stop). The travel duration by train from Paris Montparnasse to Bellevue station is about 12 minutes.

### **Recommended way is the following:**

**By train (French railways - SNCF):** At Paris-Montparnasse station, take the train going to Sèvres or to Versailles-Chantiers, Rambouillet, Chartres, (which frequency is every 15 min.). Make sure that the train stops at the Meudon or Bellevue stations. Get out at the 4th station: **Bellevue** (after Vanves-Malakoff, Clamart and Meudon stations).

**At Bellevue Train Station, a bus will be waiting for you at a given time .** Please check this website at a time closer to the conference in order to know about the exact time and location of the bus to Meudon Observatory.

If you wish to walk to Meudon Observatory from Bellevue Station. Once in Bellevue, outside Bellevue station, turn left (passing the church aside the station) and take the green Avenue du Château bordered by trees: the entrance of the Observatory is on the top of the hill. About a 10/15 minutes walk to reach the iron gates of the park. The pedestrian entrance to the Observatory is now located on the right hand side (before the iron gates, follow the ditch to the right).

If you stop at the Meudon station: outside the station, turn to the right, after 200 m turn again to the right to take avenue Corbeiller [where the Meudon Municipality is located (Mairie de Meudon)], ahead up to the top of the hill along avenue Corbeiller, rue Jacqueminot, lined with stately chestnut trees.

Once arrived, use the map of the Observatory campus.

### **More information on how to take a train from Paris Montparnasse Station to « Bellevue » Station.**

At SNCF (Railway) Paris Montparnasse Station, follow the indications:

**Suburban Trains ("Trains Transiliens" ,"Ile de France")** : (DO NOT Take "Grandes Lignes")

From the metro level or from main entrance: Follow the escalator or stairway placed at the CENTER of the Station till the first level where the panels/screens show the departure times and destinations of the trains "Transiliens" (Meudon, Bellevue should appear in these destinations, frequency of the trains: 15min) together with the number of the corresponding train plateforme ("Quai").

If you enter the Gare Montparnasse not from the Main Entry, but from Avenue du Maine (the shortest way if you come from Hotel Campanile) you get at level 2 and you should walk till platforms ("Quais") 10-17 where you can see the departure times and tracks of the trains to Bellevue. You can buy your ticket there from the blue or the green machine.

**TICKET MACHINES:** You can buy tickets to Bellevue from the BLUE or the GREEN automatic machines. (Yellow machines are not good). Press 'billets Ile de France' on the screen. You can buy one carnet with 10 one-way tickets for 18 euros. They can be used in both directions Montparnasse --> Bellevue and Bellevue --> Montparnasse. There are also many blue and green machines at the level 1 (ground level) and two machines at level 2 near platforms (quais) 10-17.

At level 1 there is a counter (guichet) where you can buy tickets to a

railway employee.

From level 1, with your ticket, you go through the turnstile then one escalator more to the train platform level (level 2).