Blizzard Challenge 2011

Dates and Location

The Blizzard Challenge Workshop 2011 will be held in Torino on September 2, at Loquendo's premises:

Telecom Italia Auditorium Via Reiss Romoli, 274 10148 Torino (Italy)

Travel

By Air

Turin Airport: <u>http://www.aeroportoditorino.it/en/hp_en.html</u> Milan Airport: <u>http://www.sea-aeroportimilano.it/en/malpensa/index.phtml</u>

Loquendo's site is approximately 20 minutes away from Turin's Caselle airport. **By taxi**, the fare is roughly 30-35 Euro.

The **SADEM bus service** links the airport with Turin city centre in around 40 minutes.

Bus service between the city centre and Turin airport has several stops en route including Porta Nuova railway station, Porta Susa railway station. On its way, this bus also stops near the Via Reiss Romoli site (in Via Stradella n.242, on the corner of Corso Grosseto).

From Torino Caselle airport by train.

There is a railway station directly adjacent to the terminal. This line links the airport to Turin "GTT Dora Railway Station" in 19 minutes. The railway station is located few metres away from the air terminal **Every 30 minutes the line bus "DoraFly" connects Dora GTT Station to Porta Susa FS station, the** TorinoMetro **and the city centre.** Train departures are every 30 minutes: from 5.04 to 23.09 to the airport and from 5.05 to 21.45 to Turin. Fare: Euros 3.40 - One-day ticket: Euros 6.20. Journey time: 19 min.

For more information, please contact Caselle Airport's Information Desk.

If you choose to fly to Milan Malpensa International Airport, it takes about a couple of hours to reach Turin by car. A shuttle bus from Terminals 1 and 2 to Turin (Corso Vittorio Emanuele II) is also available.

By Train

Any information on timetables and fares can be found in the web site of Trenitalia:

http://www.trenitalia.com/

There's a direct connection from Florence to Torino Porta Nuova and Torino Porta Susa railway stations (3 hours by high speed train)

How to reach Loquendo

If you want to reach Loquendo trough public transports, we suggest you to use the GTT journey planner to find the best route from your hotel:

http://gttweb.5t.torino.it/gtt/en/percorsi/percorsi-ricerca.jsp

From **Porta Susa railway station** and Metro station, you can take the **bus number 60** and get off in Via Massari at the intersection with via Lulli (Bus stop N.1751 "Lulli"). From here, you have to walk about 10 minutes to reach via Reiss Romoli 274.

From **Porta Nuova railway station** and Metro station, you can take the **bus number 52** towards Scialoja for 19 bus stops. Get out at the bus stop DELLA CELLA (via Reiss Romoli n.169). From here, you will need a 10 minutes walk.

Tickets can be used for all means of public transport and must be purchased before boarding. You can buy them at tobacconists', newsagents' and from the automatic vending machines (only at certain bus stops) at a cost of 1 Euro. Once your ticket has been validated in the onboard machine, you can travel for 70 minutes. Please note that you can change buses during these 70 minutes, using the same ticket.

In Google Maps there are the Bus Stops marked, but you can check them also in the GTT Web page at:

http://www.comune.torino.it/gtt/urbana/mappa/flash/rete_urbana.htm

or

http://www.comune.torino.it/gtt/en/maps

Sightseeing For more information about Torino: http://www.turismotorino.org/index.aspx

Hotels

Since there are no hotels near Loquendo's premises we suggest a list of comfortable hotels in the city center

SITEA <u>http://www.grandhotelsitea.it/</u> Via C.Alberto,35 5170171 108,00

1st Santo Stefano NH Hotel <u>http://www.nh-hotels.com/nh/en/hotels/italy/turin/nh-santo-stefano.html?action=search&type</u>= Via Porta Palatina, 19 5223311 118,00 126,00 3

1st *MAJESTIC* http://www.starhotels.com/hotel/majestic_torino/starhotels_majestic.php?idalb=16 C.so Vitt. Emanuele, 54

1st *BEST WESTERN CITY HOTEL* http://www.bestwestern.it/BW/EN/98148_hotel_Turin Via FilippoJuvarra,25

ROYAL http://www.accorhotels.com/gb/hotel-6531-mercure-torino-royal/index.shtml C.so Regina Margherita, 249

ART Hotel Olympic http://www.arthotelolympic.com/ Via Verolengo, 19

CONCORD http://www.atahotels.it/concord/ Via Lagrange,47

DIPLOMATIC http://www.hotel-diplomatic.it/ Via Cernaia, 42 *Torino Royal Mercure* http://www.mercure.com/mercure/fichehotel/gb/mer/6531/fiche_hotel.shtml Corso Regina Margherita, 249

HOLIDAY INN http://www.ichotelsgroup.com/h/d/6c/480/it/hd/torit Via Assietta,3

BEST WESTERN GENIO HOTEL http://www.bwsitemanager.co.uk/websites/98033/htdocs/Default_EN.asp Corso Vittorio Emanuele II, 47

ROMA & ROCCA CAVOUR <u>http://www.romarocca.it/eng/hotel.html</u> P.zza C.Felice,60

GENOVA <u>http://book.bestwestern.it/EN/hotel in Turin 98105.aspx</u> Via Sacchi,14

DOCK MILANO http://www.hoteldockmilano.it/Ing/index.html Via Cernaia, 46

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Here is a map showing hotels and TelecomItalia Auditorium locations: <u>http://maps.google.it/maps/ms?hl=it&ie=UTF8&vps=2&jsv=338a&oe=UTF8&msa=0&msid=20722434273325</u> <u>1344996.000001126fe75014c9314</u>