

# TripCom Milano guide

## Meeting place address

CEFRIEL - Via Fucini 2 - 20133 Milano (Italy)

## Getting to Milano

### *Airports*

There are three airports in Milano: Malpensa (MXP), Linate (LIN) and Orio al Serio (BGY). The airport code MIL means all airports.

### **Malpensa (MXP)**

Malpensa is the main airport of Milano, serving national, European, and intercontinental destinations. It is located about 50 km north-west of Milano. Malpensa airport has two terminals which are not contiguous and far from each other, so be sure to go to the right one (in case you go to the wrong one, take the free shuttle bus). Terminal 1 (T1) is the main terminal and is used by most airlines; Terminal 2 (T2) is currently used by EasyJet and Volareweb.

To get to Milano you have the following options:

- *By train:* the Malpensa Express train runs every 30 minutes from Malpensa T1 to Milano Cadorna station (in the city centre). The trip takes 40 minutes and costs € 11. Tickets can be bought from the ticket counter or from the ticket machines. At Milano Cadorna station you can find connection with the underground (M1 and M2).
- *By bus:* shuttle buses run from Malpensa T1 and T2 to Milano Centrale station (main railway station) every 10 minutes. There are two different companies, each of which runs a bus every 20 minutes: Malpensa Shuttle ticket cost € 7, while Malpensa Bus Express ticket cost € 7,50 (but there is a “pay 2 get 3” offer, so three tickets cost € 15). Tickets can be bought from the driver. The trip to Milano Centrale station takes about 1 hour, depending on traffic conditions. At Milano Centrale station you can find connection with the underground (M2 and M3).
- *By taxi:* there is a fixed rate of € 70 from Malpensa to Milano (any address within the city). You should tell the driver that you want the fixed rate at the beginning of the trip.

For further information:

- Malpensa airport  
<http://www.sea-aeroportimilano.it/>
- Malpensa Express train  
<http://www.malpensaexpress.it/>
- Malpensa Shuttle bus  
<http://www.malpensashuttle.it/>
- Autostradale – Malpensa Bus Express  
<http://www.autostradale.it/>

## **Linate (LIN)**

Linate is the “city airport” of Milano, serving major national and European destinations. It is located about 5 km east of Milano. It is quite small but very close to the city, so if you have a choice this is the most convenient.

To get to the city centre you have the following options:

- The *urban bus 73* runs to Piazza San Babila (in the city centre) every 10 minutes. The trip takes about 30 minutes and costs € 1. Beware to take it in the right direction, i.e. towards San Babila. You need a normal urban ticket for this bus; the driver does not sell tickets (at Linate airport, you can buy tickets from the ticket machine or from the newsagent). At Piazza San Babila you can find connection with the underground (M1).
- The *Starfly shuttle bus* runs to Milano Lambrate and Milano Centrale stations every 20 or 30 minutes. The trip to Lambrate station takes about 15 minutes, while the trip to Centrale station takes about 25 minutes. The ticket costs € 4,50 and you can buy it from the driver. At both stations you can find connections with the underground: M2 and M3 at Centrale, M2 at Lambrate.
- A *taxi* can be a good option, because Linate airport is very close to the city. A taxi ride costs about € 20.

For further information:

- Linate airport  
<http://www.sea-aeroportoimilano.it/>
- Autostradale – Starfly bus  
<http://www.autostradale.it/>

## **Orio al Serio (BGY)**

Orio al Serio is the low-cost airport of Milano: most low-cost airlines (notably Ryanair) use this airport. It is located about 45 km east of Milano, near the city of Bergamo (on timetables it can appear as “Bergamo” rather than “Milano”). To get to Milano you can take a shuttle bus to Milano Centrale station (main railway station, connection with underground lines M2 and M3). Autostradale buses run every 30 minutes and the ticket costs € 8,90 (there is a “pay 2 get 3” offer, so three tickets cost € 17,80). Orio Shuttle buses run every 30 or 60 minutes and the ticket cost € 8. In both cases you can buy tickets from the driver, and the trip takes about 1 hour depending on traffic conditions.

For further information:

- Orio al Serio airport  
<http://www.orioaeroporto.it/>
- Autostradale bus  
<http://www.autostradale.it/>
- Orio Shuttle bus  
<http://www.orioshuttle.it/>

## **Arriving by train**

Long distance trains arrive at Milano Centrale station, which is not far from the city centre and where you can find connection with the underground (M2 and M3).

# Urban transport

ATM is the company that manages urban transport in Milano. The easiest way to move in Milano is the underground (*metropolitana* in Italian). Underground stations are marked with a square red sign with a white M. There are three underground lines: M1 (red line), M2 (green line) and M3 (yellow line). There are also suburban lines (S lines, stations are marked with a square blue sign with a green S), but they are mostly for commuters and not very useful to move within the city. The S lines urban backbone (from Rogoredo to Bovisa), usually shown in blue on maps, is not an M line and is called *Passante*. Above-ground transport (buses and trams) is not very friendly to foreigners because stops are often not announced, so you must know where you are and where to get off. Therefore, we recommend using the underground if possible. The urban ticket costs € 1 and is valid for 75 minutes after validation, anyway you can use it for only one underground trip (you can change line at connection stations, but if you exit you cannot enter the underground again with the same ticket, even if the ticket is still valid on buses and trams). A day ticket is available for € 3. Tickets can be purchased from ticket machines in underground stations, and from newsagents everywhere in the city (please note that you cannot buy tickets onboard).

For further information and urban travel planning (“GiroMilano”):

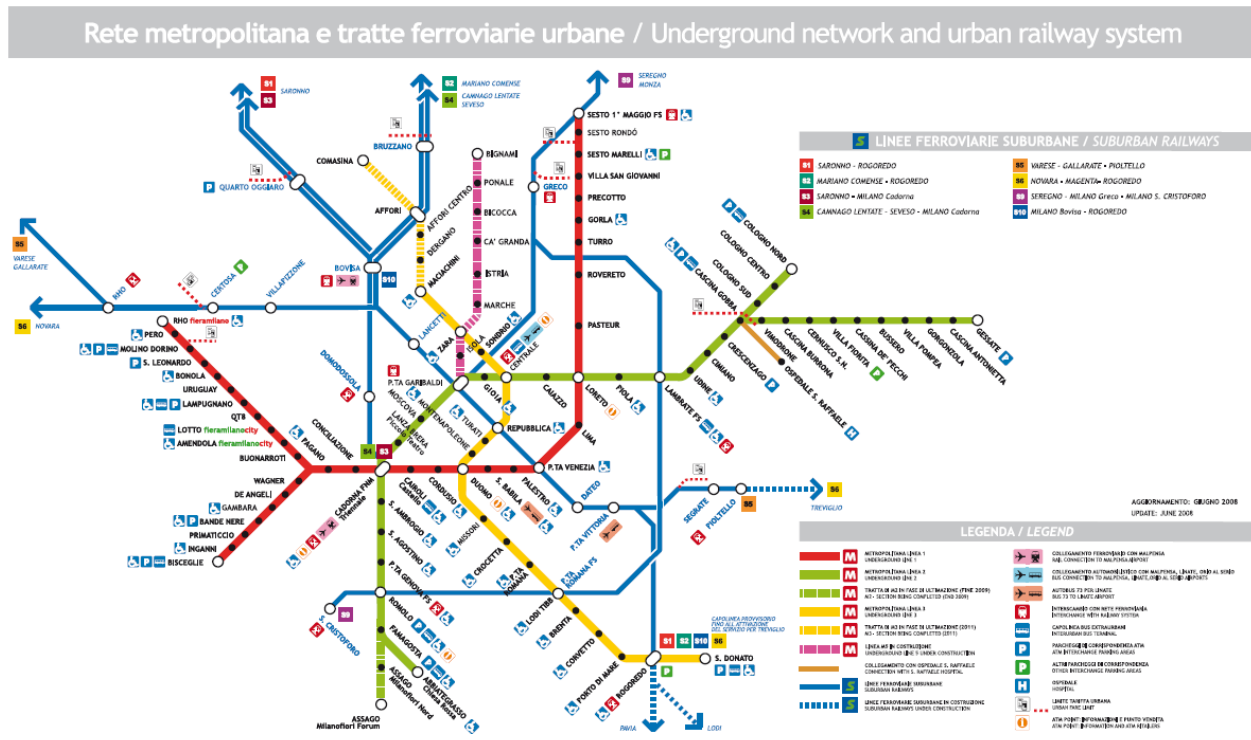
- ATM (partly in Italian only, sorry)  
<http://www.atm-mi.it/>



Underground station sign (M lines)

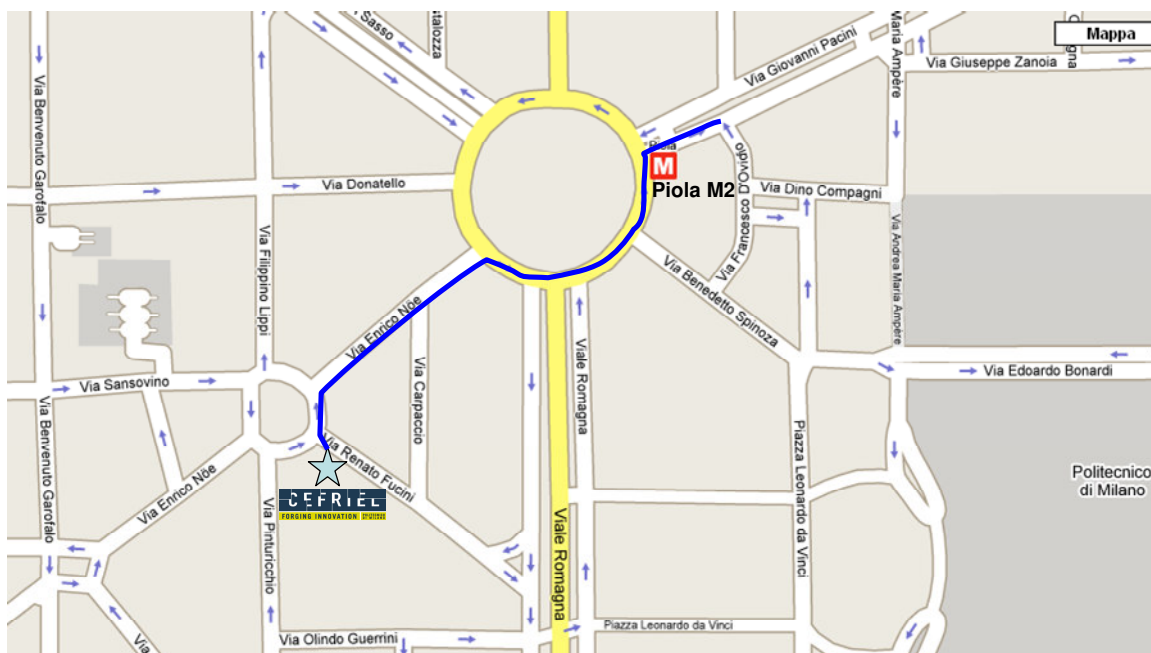


Suburban rail station sign (S lines)



## Getting to CEFRIEL

CEFRIEL is located in the eastern part of the city (in an area called Città Studi), near the main campus of Politecnico di Milano. Please note that the Bovisa Politecnico train station, served also by the Malpensa Express train, is near another campus of Politecnico and is in another part of the city (north-west). CEFRIEL is at walking distance (5 minutes) from *Piola M2* station, so the easiest way to arrive is the underground (see the map below). You can also take bus **90** or **91** (*Gran Sasso – Piola* or *Romagna – Piola* stop), bus **93** (*Gran Sasso – Piola* stop), bus **62** (*Pinturicchio – Bernini* or *Noe – Bernini* stop), or tram **23** (*Leonardo da Vinci – Ampère* stop). If you arrive at Linate airport and come directly to CEFRIEL you can take a taxi, and you will be here in about 15 minutes. CEFRIEL is just 3 underground stops far from the main railway station (Centrale M2/M3), 8 stops from Cadorna station (where the Malpensa Express train arrives, about 20 minutes with M2) and not much far from the city centre (6 stops from Duomo M1/M3, i.e. main square and Cathedral).



## Accommodation

Milano is quite an expensive place and hotels are not an exception, so the best thing to do is probably looking for some good deal at your favourite hotel reservation web site (e.g. booking.com, hrs.com, venere.com). The area around Corso Buenos Aires (Porta Venezia, Piazza Lima) can be a good choice, being quite close to both CEFRIEL and the city centre.

Here are some hotels in the area:

- Hotel Felice Casati \*\*\*\*  
Via Felice Casati 18, 20124 Milano  
<http://www.hotelfelicecasati.it/>
- Hotel Mercure Milano Centro \*\*\*\*  
Piazza Oberdan 12, 20129 Milano  
<http://www.mercure.com/>

- Hotel Cristoforo Colombo \*\*\*\*  
Corso Buenos Aires 3, 20124 Milano  
<http://www.hotelcristoforocolombo.it/>
- Hotel Sanpi Milano \*\*\*\*  
Via Lazzaro Palazzi 18, 20124 Milano  
<http://www.hotelsanpimilano.it/>
- Hotel Galles \*\*\*\*  
Piazza Lima 2, 20124 Milano  
<http://www.galles.it/>
- Hotel St. George \*\*\*\*  
Viale Tunisia 9, 20124 Milano  
<http://www.hotelstgeorge.it/>
- Hotel Dieci \*\*\*  
Largo Rio de Janeiro 12, 20133 Milano  
<http://www.hoteldieci.it/>
- Hotel San Francisco \*\*\*  
Viale Lombardia 55, 20131 Milano  
<http://www.hotel-sanfrancisco.it/>

## Electricity

The most common plug/socket type in Italy is type L (see figure below). Schuko sockets are also quite common, but if you want to be sure you should have an adapter.



## Tourism and shopping

Milano is probably not the most beautiful city in Italy, but there are some highlights that are definitely worth to be seen: the Duomo (Cathedral), Galleria Vittorio Emanuele, Teatro alla Scala, Chiesa di Sant' Ambrogio, Castello Sforzesco... If you plan to see Leonardo's Ultima Cena (Last Supper) you have to reserve in advance (see <http://www.cenacolovinciano.org/>).

Milano is also a popular place for shopping. TripCom meeting will be at the beginning of the sales season (*saldi* in Italian), so you may be able to find some good deal. Popular shopping areas are Corso Vittorio Emanuele (department stores and big shops), Via Montenapoleone and Via della Spiga (luxury, high fashion), Via Torino, Corso di Porta Ticinese, Corso Vercelli and Corso Buenos Aires (more affordable).